Dean, College of Business - Dr. Garrey Carruthers

- Ken Hacker from Communications Studies and Enedina Vasquez from PSL dropped by to discuss Intelligence Studies. Apparently, this is a continuation of efforts on campus to do something, although the train left the station about two years ago. UTEP has already received major funding for these programs. It seems that turf management issues have stalled all of our previous efforts. I once again reported that we were supportive of Intelligence Studies, would support a School of Intelligence Studies which would include all colleges, and we just wanted to do the business option. I don’t know if anything will come of this new effort.

- Jim Peach and gang sponsored a very successful energy conference at Corbett Center. Principal speakers included Senator Domenici, Tom Clifford of the Tax Research Institute, Jim Manatt of Providence Technologies and a former Regent, and Leo Delgado, one of our graduates and an Arrowhead employee. The representative from DOE, the funding agency for the Peach study, seemed very pleased with the results but wanted more on coal technology as that happens to be his division.

- Senator Domenici and Peyton Yates were the lecturers in my mini class. The subject was Energy Policy. Domenici, along with Senator Bingaman, were the architects of the 2005 Energy Act which represents current U.S. energy policy. Only recently has the Congress and Administration seen fit to fund the 2005 Act, which includes numerous authorities for research and development of alternative energy sources. Peyton Yates reminded the students that all energy sources are dangerous and that petroleum would be the energy source for the near (40 years) future, as we bridge to other sources. Domenici repeated his strong support of nuclear power.

- The Living the Vision Committee is recommending to the Budget Committee the following 5 priority areas of investment of new or reallocated resources:

  1. Retention of students
  2. New Faculty lines and programs to retain current faculty members.
  3. Scholarships and graduates assistantships for talented students.
  4. Recruitment of students, to include support of college recruiters or college/university shared recruiters.
  5. Sustainability and infrastructure improvements leading to long term cost savings and near term staff support to apply for stimulus package funding now available to higher education and research.

Associate Dean College of Business – Dr. Kathy Brook
(Nothing to report at this time)

Associate Dean, Research & Economic Development - Dr. K. Boberg
(Nothing to report at this time)
Assistant Dean, Development & Public Relations - Sylvia Acosta

- Sylvia and Albert met with Lee Ellen Banks to discuss the Chair in Accounting.
- Albert met with Ermalinda Quintella to discuss the Accounting Chair.
- Sylvia attended the Hispanic Serving Institute Meeting in Corbett on Tuesday.
- President Cruzado met with the Ambassador Class and introduced Peyton Yates our Executive in Residence who spoke to the Ambassadors about leadership.
- The Student Ambassadors and Sylvia did a presentation at Gadsden High School on Thursday.
- We continue preparations for the April 3rd BAC Meeting
- Jerean and Tom Hutchinson, will be hosting a reception at La Posta for our Business Advisory Council Members and CEC, on April 2nd

MBA Program - Dr. Bobbie Green
(Nothing to report at this time)

Accounting & Information Systems Department - Dr. Larry Tunnell

- Richard Oliver’s paper, "The Effect of Entrepreneur Turnover on an Intangible Resource: A Virtual Experiment," has been accepted for presentation at the 2009 Academy of Management Annual Meeting.
- Rusty Calk and the members of Beta Alpha Psi arranged for personnel from the national accounting firm of KPMG to address their weekly meeting.
- Jim Shannon, Carlo Mora, and Jim Nelson attended the SAP Curriculum Congress in Charlotte, NC. They attended and participated in a number of workshops related to bringing Enterprise Systems into the classroom.
- Jennifer Kreie met with Gregg Twehues, Director of Nutrient Management for the Stone Barns Center Food and Agriculture. For their final project this semester, students in Dr. Kreie’s systems analysis and design class will build a database for Mr. Twehues to keep information about compost production.

Finance Department – Dr. Liz Ellis
(Nothing to report at this time)

Management Department - Dr. Bonnie Daily

- Dr. P. Benson has received official notification from the J. William Fulbright Scholarship Board that his application for an award to live and teach in Lithuania has been approved. He will be there on sabbatical leave from January to June of 2010. His host institution will be the ISM University of Management and Economics, in both Vilnius and Kaunus, Lithuania.
• Drs. Boje and Rosile presented the topic “Storytelling, Motivation, and Non-Monetary Incentives” to the March 18 meeting of an AFSCME 2393 and NMSU joint committee on compensation.

• Dr. Bishop was a judge at the LC Leadership Speech Contest sponsored by the NASA White Sands Chapter of the National Management Association.

• Mgt doctoral student Joe Gladstone’s co-authored (all of the authors are Native American) paper entitled, "Native American Cultural Influences on Career Self-Schemas and MBA Aspirations" accepted as a poster in the Careers Division at the Academy of Management conference in Chicago, August 2009.

• Joe Gladstone is also a member of "Indigenous Knowledge and Management Education. A Roundtable", which has been accepted as a session at the 36th OBTC at the College of Charleston in June 2009. The members of this presentation include three Native Americans and two Maori.

Marketing Department - Dr. Pookie Sautter
• Dr. Collin Payne reviewed an article for the Journal of Nutrition Education and Behavior. He has also been invited to guest edit an upcoming issue of The Open Food Science Journal.

• Dr. Kelly Tian completed 11 reviews of Assessment plans and outcomes at the University level in addition to her ongoing support of our college’s AOL efforts.

• Dr. Pookie Sautter attended a workshop at the Teaching Academy entitled “Learning Reconsidered.”

Econ Department - Dr. Tony Popp
• The Energy and Economic Development Conference held at Corbett Center on March 19 was a great success. The conference, conducted by Arrowhead Center, is part of an on-going project sponsored by the US Department of Energy, National Energy Technology Laboratory. Jim Peach, project principal investigator, thanks all who attended, participated, and helped with the conference organization including Meghan Starbuck, Leo Delgado, Manuel Reyes, Hien Nguyen, Barbara Nelson, Sharon Jones, and Dean Garrey Carruthers. Special thanks go to President Cruzado for delivering opening remarks and to Former Senator Pete Domenici who delivered the keynote address. Additional information including power-point slides will be available on the conference website soon. The website is: http://business.nmsu.edu/~energyconference/

• Tony Popp attended the Energy and Economic Development Conference held at Corbett Center on March 19, 2009.

• Chris Erickson has been nominated for Faculty Senate Chair

• Winnie Lee attended the Energy and Economic Development Conference and the Confucius Institute both held on Thursday, March 19, 2009. The Confucius Institute is where the Chinese language courses added as part of the curriculum in the local elementary, middle, and high school system were discussed. This fall, there will be 6 licensed Chinese teachers imported directly from China added to local schools to teach Chinese.
School of Hotel, Restaurant & Tourism Management – Dr. Janet Green

- Janet Green travelled to Albuquerque Tuesday, March 17 as part of the New Mexico Department of Tourism review committee for proposals of a new state wide tourism campaign. There were 13 proposals submitted. The contract will be awarded later this year after a full review by the committee, headed by Secretary of Tourism Mike Cerletti.

- Daren Bloomquist, Assistant Professor, attended the New Mexico Lodgers Association Lodging Meeting Program (LMP) competition Monday, March 16 at the Hyatt Regency Tamaya in Santa Fe. Local high schools competed in all areas of lodging management, with Onate High school taking top honors.

- Dr. Green will be doing the presentation at the “Mind Your Manners” etiquette dinner on Wednesday, April 8 at Fulton Center. This event is being sponsored by the School of HRTM, Career Services, and Aramark. There are 130 seats available, with 98 already reserved. If you or your students would like to attend, please call Judy at 646-5752 to make reservations. The price is $15 per person.

- The 100W food production lab will not be providing lunches during Spring Break. The regular schedule, Tuesday – Friday, will resume March 30.

- Students of HRTM are planning a “faculty appreciation dinner” Monday, April 6. Faculty and staff, spouses and families, have been invited to attend and be treated to dinner planned, prepared and served entirely by students. This is their way of saying thank you to all those in the School of HRTM who have had a part in making the NMSU and HRTM experience a successful and memorable event in the beginning journey of their careers.