Staff Association General Meeting
Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2025

The meeting came to order at 11:53 am in LRC101 and over teams.

Attendance:
Sarah Clawson, President.....Present
Paulette Tafoya, Vice-President.....Present
Amanda Thompson, Secretary/Treasurer .....Present
Brittany Padilla, Representative .....Present
Alana Torres, Representative……...Present
38 other staff members attended in person and online via teams.

Approval of Agenda
With no disapproval, the agenda from 12/17/25 and minutes from 09/18/25 were approved unanimously.

Old Business
By-Laws Changes
42 “yes” votes were enough to pass the proposed changes.

New Business
Funding Environment by Rick Goshorn
Rick opened the presentation with discussing how the Staff is a body of Governance. He expressed that the staff play a vital role in operations, maintenance, management, and overall direct the mission of the Valencia Campus (VC). He would like to encourage all to, “Do things because it’s in the best interest of the university”.

The next part of his presentation he discussed Financing & Operations.

How are we funded?
- Tuition and Fees
- Mil Levy
- Formula Funding
- Misc. Revenue (F&A, Interest, Rental)
- State Appropriations
- Local Property Tax Mil

Overview of Carbon Footprint
- Peaked in 2013. Lowest ever been in 2025

Campus Updates
- Gun shot detection system is fully functional
- 90% solar powered—WTC is almost at 100%
- 2 large renovation projects (VCTC/WTC) & 3rd to start in January

- Welding shop in PPD
- Adult Education is moving into the empty TRiO space in B&T
- Police dept is fully staffed—2 new officers starting in January
- IT is fully integrated with main campus
- Admin lobby is almost complete

Staff Recognition
- Luminaria Stroll was a success thanks to all who helped
- Facilities
- Police
- Monica & Rita
- Milan
- Bookstore/Café
- Finance Team

Introduction of New Staff
- 2 new staff members
- 9 farewells
- 2 retirements

Recognition for Years of Service
N/A

Upcoming Retirements
- 2 retirements

Open Positions
- 4 Staff Positions Open

Open Forum
Food Truck Fridays
There was a question if they are profitable.
Some have been profitable, some have not. We are trying to get schedule down.

Sarah put out an open call for food truck recommendations. Any individual with a recommendation is asked to send an email request to the Valencia Staff Association email at valenciastaff@unm.edu.

Adjournment
With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm.