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TO: Faculty, Deans/Directors, Chairs, and HR Agents

FROM: Vivian Valencia, University Secretary

SUBJECT: Policy Updates to the *UNM Faculty Handbook*

Provided below is a list of important policy revisions to the *UNM Faculty Handbook*. Deans, directors, and department heads are responsible for ensuring that all related departmental processes, procedures, and/or documents are updated to reflect new or revised policies.

Section A – The University

- **A88: Creation and Reorganization of UNM Academic Units**: Updated the policy to remove research centers and institutes, which are now covered by the new Policy A91 “Creation, Review, Reorganization, and Termination of UNM Research centers and Institutes,” approved by the Faculty Senate 4/28/2015.

- **E60: Sponsored Research**: Updated the policy to include processes which ensure that administration consults with the Faculty Senate Research Council, HSC Council, and other interested parties to discuss research priorities of and adjustments to the F&A distribution algorithm for sponsored research.

The policies set forth in the *Faculty Handbook* are subject to revision at any time. It is the responsibility of the user to determine that he/she is relying on the most current version by accessing policies on the web at [http://handbook.unm.edu/](http://handbook.unm.edu/). Questions about the material contained in the *Faculty Handbook* should be directed to the Office of the Secretary.