**GSC Committee Meeting Form**

**Instructions:** Please complete this form and send it to the GSC president and web master/VP of communication no later than 48 hours after you attend any committee meetings or other meetings on campus where you represent GSC. This form will be made public on the GSC website for graduate students to review.

**Name (GSC members who attended this meeting, bold name of individual filling out report): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Cynthia Wise (President)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Name of meeting/committee: ­­­­­\_\_Faculty Senate\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Meeting date: \_\_10/6\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Start time: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_4:00 pm\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**End time: \_\_\_4:45pm\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Brief summary of committee purpose:**

The Faculty Senate is the voice of the NMSU Faculty and plays a critical role in the shared governance of the institution. The Faculty Senate has legislative jurisdiction over policies affecting the university’s academic mission. The Faculty Senate has 66 elected senators who represent Faculty from the Colleges on the main campus, the NMSU Library, the Agricultural Experiment Station, the Cooperative Extension Service, and College Faculty.

**Meeting Summary/Main points of interest (include a bullet point list of any announcements for upcoming events, topics discussed, changes made, and relevant points here):**

The group heard a proposal to create the Borderlands & Ethnic Studies Department. It would replace the now obsolete Interdisciplinary Studies Department (those degrees are now handled out of the Arts & Sciences Dean’s office). The matter was referred to the Curriculum Committee for discussion.
The also discussed sending a letter to the legislature in support of raises and a graduate student endowment fund. No vote was taken