**Administration and Finance**  
**Weekly Activity Report**  
**Week Ending: March 27, 2015**

- **NMSU Golf Course** – The NMSU Golf Course recently named one of the Top 50 Collegiate Golf Courses in the country by Sports Management Programs. Junior Golf Camp was held over Spring Break with over 35 participates. Parents credited the PGM program and golf course studies for keeping their student in classes.

- **Hardman and Jacobs Undergraduate Learning Center** – With the steel framing going up on the South side, the Hardman and Jacobs Undergraduate Learning Center is beginning to fully take shape! The South end will house Student Technology & Planning and ICT Technology Support. A Drop-In Lab, the Help Desk, a Computer Lab, an outdoor deck, and open interior areas with seating and Wi-Fi will be among the many amenities this building has to offer. The Drop-In Lab looks out onto the courtyard. The North end will have four large classrooms, a fully remodeled auditorium classroom, and a SCALE-UP Classroom which offers a whole new way of learning. The Student Success and Upward Bound Programs are also on the North side along International Mall – they open up to a 2-story natural lit corridor. The building is scheduled to open Fall of 2015.

- **Prospective Students** – Housing and Campus Life has hosted several prospective student tours over the past few weeks for both main campus and DACC. New/improved showrooms are utilized to highlight entire suites rather than individual rooms.

- **NMSU’s First Shared Service Center Opens** – The first Shared Service Center (SSC) went live on Monday, March 16, 2015 in the College of Arts and Sciences, located in Breland Hall. The newly formed SSC team consists of employees from Arts and Sciences Research Center (Tawni Swanson, June Beck and Dorothy Morris), Office of Grants & Contracts (Mickey Duttle, Susan Coker and Nicole Lucero), Human Resources (Jessica Ulmer), and Sponsored Projects Accounting (Sarah MacCallum). The SSC was created in response to research support issues reviewed by the Research Task Force which was chaired by Provost Howard. The goal of the SSC is to facilitate grant administration for the PI’s from proposal inception to close-out of awarded grants.
• **Sam Steel Drive New Curb & Gutter Phase III** – Recently completed, this project consisted on adding approximately 750 linear feet of new curb and gutter along Sam Steel Drive from the West entrance of the Equestrian Area Parking lot 104 all the way to the DACC West entrance. As part of this project approximately 580 linear feet of concrete sidewalk was added. Additionally, drainage improvements, new paving, signage and striping were completed along Sam Steel Drive. New xeriscaping will be added to the median by the DACC parking lot during the summer. This project was jointly funded by the New Mexico Department of Transportation and New Mexico State University.