Maccabe Appointed Interim CIO

Barney Maccabe, UNM professor of computer science and director of the High Performance Computing Center, has been appointed interim Chief Information Officer of the University of New Mexico, effective Feb. 1, 2007. Maccabe will take over the position for a period of one year upon the retirement of William Adkins who has served as university CIO since December 2004.

Photo: Barney Maccabe

Acting President David W. Harris made the announcement on behalf of the university’s Management Leadership Team, which includes Harris, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Reed Dasenbrock and Executive Vice President for Health Sciences, Dr. Paul Roth.

The CIO provides strategic leadership for the integration of Information Technology (IT)-related functions across the UNM campus. A key element of this charge is the development of governance and organizational structures that will support this integration. The CIO also chairs an IT Cabinet put in place to bring together IT constituents from across the University to address this critical institutional issue.

“With his academic background and his understanding of high performance computing, Barney will help strategically position the university as it faces the future opportunities and challenges of information technology,” said Harris.

Harris also noted that Maccabe’s expertise will prove invaluable with regard to Governor Bill Richardson’s announced $25 million supercomputing initiative which is designed to dramatically increase New Mexico’s high tech resources.

Electrical and Computer Engineering Professor Thomas P. Caudell will take over as director of the High Performance Computing Center, also on February 1, 2007.

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