

**BOARD OF REGENTS* and its
ACADEMIC, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

Western Nevada College
Aspen Building, Carson Nugget Hall
2201 West College Parkway, Carson City
Thursday, September 5, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

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4300 South Maryland Parkway, Board Room
and
Great Basin College, Elko
1500 College Parkway, Berg Hall Conference Room

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BOARD

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Amy J. Carvalho, Chair	_____
Dr. Jeffrey S. Downs, Vice Chair	_____
Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada	_____
Mr. Patrick J. Boylan	_____
Mrs. Susan Brager	_____
Mr. Byron Brooks	_____
Ms. Heather Brown	_____
Dr. Michelee Cruz-Crawford	_____
Mrs. Carol Del Carlo	_____
Ms. Stephanie Goodman	_____
Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr.	_____
Ms. Laura E. Perkins	_____
Dr. Lois Tarkanian	_____

COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carol Del Carlo, Chair	_____
Ms. Laura E. Perkins, Vice Chair	_____
Ms. Heather Brown	_____
Dr. Michelee Cruz-Crawford	_____
Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr.	_____

In addition to the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee, this meeting is noticed as a meeting of the Board of Regents to allow other Regents who may wish to attend to participate.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

NOTE: Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Notification is hereby provided that items on the agenda may be taken out of the order presented, including moving an item to a different day if the meeting is noticed for more than one day, two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration, and an agenda item may be removed from the agenda or discussion relating to an item on the agenda may be delayed at any time.

In accordance with the Board of Regents' Bylaws, Title 1, Article V, Section 18, items voted on may be the subject of a motion to reconsider at this meeting. A motion to reconsider an item may be made at any time before adjournment of this meeting. Similarly, if an item is tabled at any time during the meeting, it may, by proper motion and vote, be taken from the table and thereafter be the subject of consideration and action at any time before adjournment of this meeting.

*The Board of Regents, at its regularly scheduled meetings, meets concurrently with its Committees (the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee; the Audit, Compliance and Title IX Committee; the Business, Finance and Facilities Committee; the Health Sciences System Committee; the Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access Committee; the Security Committee; and the Workforce Committee). The Board's Committee meetings take place in accordance with the agendas published for those Committees. Regents who are not members of the Committees may attend the Committee meetings and participate in the discussion of Committee agenda items. However, action items will only be voted on by the members of each Committee, unless a Regent is temporarily made a member of that Committee under Board of Regents' Bylaws, Title 1, Article VI, Section 6. The full Board of Regents will consider Committee action items in accordance with the Board of Regents' agenda published for the current or for a subsequent meeting.

In accordance with the Board of Regents' Bylaws, Title 1, Article V, Section 12, a quorum may be gained by telephonic, video, or electronic transmission provided that notice to that effect has been given.

Some agenda items are noted as having accompanying reference material. Reference material may be accessed on the electronic version of the agenda by clicking the reference link associated with a particular item. The agenda and associated reference material may also be accessed on the Internet by visiting the Board of Regents' website at: <https://nshe.nevada.edu/regents/upcoming-meetings/>

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Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically disabled persons attending the meeting. Please call the Board office at (775) 784-4958 in advance so that arrangements may be made.

Land Acknowledgment

Before beginning, we take a moment to recognize that here in Nevada we stand on the land of the Wa She Shu – Washoe; Numu – Northern Paiute; Nuwe – Western Shoshone; and Nuwu – Southern Paiute. We take a moment to recognize and honor their stewardship that continues into today. With this recognition, we state an intention to rightfully include their voice and respect them as the 27 sovereign tribal nations of Nevada.

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

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2. CONSENT ITEMS

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Consent items will be considered together and acted on in one motion unless an item is removed to be considered separately by the Committee.

2a. MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The Committee will consider approval of the minutes from the June 6, 2024, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2a](#))

**2b. UNR – PROGRAM
ELIMINATION,
M.A. ECONOMICS**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

UNR will request approval of the elimination of the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Economics due to low enrollment. UNR will retain the Master of Science (M.S.) in Economics and phase out the M.A. in Economics. Any remaining students in the M.A. program will be shifted to the M.S. program. ([Ref. ARSA-2b](#))

2. CONSENT ITEMS – (Continued) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

**2c. WNC – PROGRAM FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
ELIMINATION, A.A.S.
TECHNOLOGY, AUTOMATED SYSTEMS**

WNC will request approval of the elimination of the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Technology, Automated Systems, which has been replaced by the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Mechatronics and Electronics Technology. Students who declared the eliminated degree will be moved to the A.A.S. Mechatronics and Electronics Technology, where all coursework will be applicable. ([Ref. ARSA-2c](#))

**2d. WNC – PROGRAM FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
ELIMINATION,
A.A.S. TECHNOLOGY, MECHATRONICS**

WNC will request approval of the elimination of the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Technology, Mechatronics, which has been replaced by the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Mechatronics and Electronics Technology. Students who declared the eliminated degree will be moved to the A.A.S. Mechatronics and Electronics Technology. ([Ref. ARSA-2d](#))

**2e. WNC – PROGRAM FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
ELIMINATION,
A.A.S. PARAMEDICINE**

WNC will request approval of the elimination of the Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) Paramedicine due to resigned faculty, transitioned students, and discussions with the Committee on Accreditation for the EMS Professions (COAEMSP) on regional demand for continuation of the program. WNC has withdrawn its existing letter of review with COAEMSP, which requires that the program will not be offered for a minimum of three years. There is currently no plan to reinstate the program upon expiration of the waiting period. ([Ref. ARSA-2e](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

**3. UNLV – PROGRAM CHANGE, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES**

UNLV will request approval of the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Interdisciplinary Studies, a name and structural change of various B.A. majors within the Department of Interdisciplinary, Gender, and Ethnic Studies. The B.A. Interdisciplinary Studies consolidates, under one umbrella with separate tracks for underlying majors, the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) majors of African American and African Diaspora Studies; Asian and Asian American Studies; Gender and Sexuality Studies; Latinx and Latin American Studies; Multidisciplinary Studies; and Social Science Studies. The current individual degrees would then be eliminated. This consolidation will eliminate low-yield program concerns while strengthening the existing majors in a sense of solidarity, purpose and outcomes. ([Ref. ARSA-3](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

**4. UNLV – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
B.S. CYBERSECURITY**

UNLV will request approval of the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Cybersecurity. The B.S. Cybersecurity is an interdisciplinary degree offered jointly by the Lee Business School and the Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering. This program would train students to enter into the cybersecurity field as well as serve as a feeder program for the recently launched M.S. Cybersecurity program. This program meets the local, state, regional and national demand for individuals to be trained in the knowledge of computers, networks, and risk and security management. ([Ref. ARSA-4](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

**5. UNLV – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
B.A. ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY**

UNLV will request approval of the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Engineering Technology. The program is designed to serve as an alternative pathway for students who may not meet the conventional admission requirements for UNLV's Bachelor of Science program in Engineering and Computer Science. The program is dedicated to delivering accessible and applied engineering education. The B.A. in Engineering Technology provides a comprehensive skill set and knowledge base to ensure readiness for careers in the field of engineering technology. ([Ref. ARSA-5](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

6. **UNR – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT, PROPOSAL, CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LAW** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNR will request approval of establishing a Center for Constitutional Law. The Center will strengthen and promote research into Constitutional Law, the law more broadly, and foundational social and political thought throughout UNR's departments, schools and centers. Additionally, the Center will serve the entire state of Nevada through research, instruction, and community outreach. ([Ref. ARSA-6](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

7. **UNR – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, PH.D. HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY SCIENCE** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNR will request approval of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Human Development and Family Science. Currently being offered as an emphasis within the Ph.D. in Education, it is not well aligned with the goals and training necessary for doctoral candidates interested in training in social science. The Ph.D. in Human Development and Family Science will focus on family processes, relational factors, and psychosocial development across the lifespan, which is distinct from the psychology program's emphasis on clinical and cognitive psychology and the School of Social Work's emphasis on preparing clinicians. ([Ref. ARSA-7](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

8. **UNR – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, M.S. ROBOTICS** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNR will request approval of the Master of Science (M.S.) in Robotics. The multidisciplinary degree will prepare students from a wide range of disciplines for successful research and industrial careers by teaching students to understand kinematics and dynamics of the physical systems, component design, sensing/actuation and computation for state-of-the-art robotic systems. Additionally, the M.S. Robotics will prepare students for advanced Ph.D. research or careers outside of academia. ([Ref. ARSA-8](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

**9. TMCC – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
B.A.S. APPLIED BUSINESS MANAGEMENT**

TMCC will request approval of the Bachelor of Applied Science (B.A.S.) in Applied Business Management. The program will provide access to the student who already has skills in a technical or specialized subject area, has earned an associate degree and wishes to advance to higher level supervisory and management positions. The program will broaden the student’s knowledge in applied business and management practices. ([Ref. ARSA-9](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

10. HANDBOOK REVISION, RESIDENCY FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Director of Policy Terina Caserto will present for approval a proposed revision to Board policy concerning regulations for determining residency and tuition charges (*Title 4, Chapter 15, Sections 2 and 4*). The proposal is being brought forward to remain in compliance with federal regulations, specifically Public Law 118-42, which requires in-state tuition rates for citizens of the Freely Associated States (Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and the Republic of Palau), and Public Law 117-20, which expands the requirement for in-state tuition to include eligible members of the Foreign Service. ([Ref. ARSA-10](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

**11. DUAL CREDIT POLICY ADVISORY GROUP, INFORMATION ONLY
ALIGN AND SHINE NEVADA**

Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs Daniel Archer will provide information on a joint effort between NSHE and the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) to convene a policy advisory group. Align and Shine Nevada will develop a proposed policy-based NSHE concurrent enrollment framework that provides a clear structure; enhances process clarity; and promotes access, student success, and program completion. The advisory group will be co-chaired by leaders from NSHE and NDE and will have broad representation from the NSHE system and K-12, including NDE and the school districts. ([Ref. ARSA-11](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

12. NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATION ONLY

Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested. Any discussion of an item under “New Business” is limited to description and clarification of the subject matter of the item, which may include the reasons for the request, and no substantive discussion may occur at this meeting on new business items in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.010 and NRS 241.020(3)(d) *et seq.*).

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CSN, Building D, 1st Floor, 6375 W. Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89146
DRI, Maxey Building, 2215 Raggio Parkway, Reno, NV 89512
DRI, Southern Nevada Science Center, 755 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89119
GBC, Berg Hall, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, NV 89801
NSU, Rogers Student Center, 1st Floor, 1300 Nevada State Drive, Henderson, NV 89002
TMCC, Red Mountain Building (RDMT 200), 7000 Dandini Boulevard, Reno, NV 89512
UNLV, Flora Dungan Humanities Building (FDH), 4505 Maryland Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89154
UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557
WNC, Bristlecone Building Lobby, 2201 W. College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89703
System Administration, 4300 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89119
System Administration, 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, NV 89512