

**BOARD OF REGENTS\* and its  
ad hoc CHANCELLOR SEARCH COMMITTEE  
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

System Administration, Las Vegas  
4300 South Maryland Parkway, Board Room

Wednesday, April 9, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

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System Administration, Reno  
2601 Enterprise Road, Conference Room  
and  
Great Basin College, Elko  
1500 College Parkway, Berg Hall Conference Room

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**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Amy J. Carvalho, Chair \_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Jeffrey S. Downs, Vice Chair \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Aaron Bautista \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Patrick J. Boylan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mrs. Susan Brager \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Byron Brooks \_\_\_\_\_  
Ms. Heather Brown \_\_\_\_\_  
Mrs. Carol Del Carlo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carlos D. Fernandez \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Pete Goicoechea \_\_\_\_\_  
Ms. Stephanie Goodman \_\_\_\_\_  
Ms. Jennifer J. McGrath \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL:** Regents Committee  
Mrs. Susan Brager, Chair \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada, Vice Chair \_\_\_\_\_  
Mrs. Amy J. Carvalho \_\_\_\_\_  
Dr. Jeffrey S. Downs \_\_\_\_\_  
Ms. Stephanie Goodman \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLL CALL: Advisory Committee**

- Dr. Kumud Acharya, President, DRI \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Taylor Adams, President and CEO, EDAWN \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ryan Cherry, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor \_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Valerie Conner, Chair, Council of Faculty Senate Chairs \_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Brian Cram, Former Superintendent, CCSD \_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Amber Donnelly, Interim President, GBC \_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Jhone M. Ebert, Superintendent of Public Instruction, NDE \_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Helen Harriff, President, Classified Council Executive Board \_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Karin M. Hilgersom, President, TMCC \_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. William L. Kibler, Acting President, CSN \_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Jane A. Nichols, Chancellor Emeritus, NSHE \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Kevin Osorio Hernández, Chair, Nevada Student Alliance \_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. DeRionne P. Pollard, President, NSU \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Tony F. Sanchez III, Executive Vice President, NV Energy \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Brian Sandoval, President, UNR \_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Kelly Scherado, Affirmative Action Officer, NSHE (*ex officio*) \_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Lawrence Weekly, Chair, NSHE IDEA Council \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Michael B. Wixom, Former Regent, NSHE \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to the ad hoc Chancellor Search 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’s committee meetings take place in accordance with the agendas posted 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 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/>

Many public libraries have publicly accessible computer terminals. Copies of the reference material and any additional support materials that are submitted to the Board of Regents Office and then distributed to the members of the Board of Regents after the posting of this agenda but before the meeting, will be made available as follows: 1. Copies of any such materials are available at the Board of Regents Offices at 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, Nevada, and 4300 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada. A copy may be requested by calling Angela Palmer at (775) 784-3465; 2. Copies of any such materials will also be available at the meeting site.

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically disabled persons to participate in 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**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**1. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**INFORMATION ONLY**

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**2. MINUTES**

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Committee will consider approval of the minutes for the November 14, 2024, meeting. ([Ref. CS-2](#))

**ESTIMATED TIME:** 5 mins.

**3. CHAIR'S REPORT**

**INFORMATION ONLY**

Chair Susan Brager and representatives of Greenwood Asher & Associates will provide a brief review of the search process to date and announce the finalists for Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

- TJ Bliss, Ph.D. ([Ref. CS-3a](#))
- Richard L. Ludwick, J.D., D.Ed. ([Ref. CS-3b](#))
- Matt McNair, J.D. ([Ref. CS-3c](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.*

**4. INTERVIEW PROCESS AND QUESTIONS**

**INFORMATION ONLY**

Chair Susan Brager and representatives of Greenwood Asher & Associates will lead a discussion on the interview process. Chair Brager will assign interview questions to be asked of each finalist by Advisory Committee and/or Regents' Committee members.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.*

**5. OPEN FORUM REPORTS AND FINALIST INTERVIEWS**

**INFORMATION ONLY**

Representatives of Greenwood Asher & Associates will provide a report on the open forums held with each finalist on April 7-8, 2025, in Reno and Las Vegas, including a summary of the feedback received through surveys completed by forum participants and observers. Prior to each interview, Greenwood Asher & Associates will present an overview of the candidate, including their background, qualifications, and reference feedback. The Committee will interview the finalists for Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 4.5 hrs.*

**6. ADVISORY COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND ASSESSMENT OF FINALISTS**

**INFORMATION ONLY**

Advisory members will discuss the finalists for Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education and provide the Regents' Committee with their assessment of the candidates.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 45 min.*

**7. REGENTS' COMMITTEE DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATION** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Regents' Committee will discuss and assess the finalists for Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education and may recommend a nominee or nominees for consideration of appointment by the Board of Regents at a special meeting to be held on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 30 min.*

**8. 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.*).

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT** **INFORMATION ONLY**

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CSN, Building D, 1<sup>st</sup> 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, 1<sup>st</sup> 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 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89119  
System Administration, 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, NV 89512