

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

University of Nevada, Reno
Joe Crowley Student Union, Milt Glick Ballroom A
87 West Stadium Way, Reno
Thursday, June 12, 2025, 9:30 a.m.

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BOARD

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	_____

COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carol Del Carlo, Chair	_____
Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada, Vice Chair	_____
Mr. Aaron Bautista	_____
Ms. Heather Brown	_____
Mr. Carlos D. Fernandez	_____

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.

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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.

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

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.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

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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 March 6, 2025, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2a](#))

**2b. UNLV – PROGRAM
DEACTIVATION, M.A.
COMMUNICATION STUDIES**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

UNLV will request approval of the deactivation of the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Communication Studies due to low enrollment. The program will be assessed to determine if it fits better with the College of Urban Affairs' mission of local community engagement in hopes to rebuild the program to be compatible with the needs of the Las Vegas business community and the study of communication. ([Ref. ARSA-2b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

3. UNLV – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, B.A. AUDIO PRODUCTION **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV will request approval of a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Audio Production designed to give students the opportunity to pursue careers in audio production in the areas of music production, film sound, and live audio. By utilizing existing courses within the areas of film, entertainment engineering design, theatre, and music, students will be able to gain knowledge and skills in a variety of areas that will make them attractive candidates for local job openings. ([Ref. ARSA-3](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

4. UNLV – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, B.S.B.A. INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV will request approval of a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (B.S.B.A.) in Insurance and Risk Management that will prepare students to understand the insurance and risk management implications in virtually all business decisions. When established in 2023, a goal of the Kerestesi Center for Insurance and Risk Management was to develop a major to complement the Center. A portion of the endowed financial support of the Center is dedicated to students in the insurance major and minor. ([Ref. ARSA-4](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

5. UNR – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT PROPOSAL, NEVADA CENTER FOR PATIENT SAFETY AND SIMULATION **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNR will request approval to establish the Nevada Center for Patient Safety and Simulation (NCPSS) that leverages the simulation training and research expertise in the state's medical, nursing, and public health schools. The NCPSS will take a non-partisan, unbiased and collaborative approach to working with both rural and urban hospitals to improve individual and collective health outcomes impacted by patient safety. ([Ref. ARSA-5](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

6. HANDBOOK REVISION, CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs Dr. Daniel Archer will request approval of revisions to Board policy (*Title 4, Chapter 14, Sections 18, 20, and 21 and Title 4, Chapter 16, Section 20*) expanding the provisions of Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) in alignment with the 2025-31 NSHE Strategic Plan, Success by Design, as approved by the Board of Regents in January 2025. Additionally, Vice Chancellor Archer will provide a presentation regarding the timeline of work done and best practices of CPL. ([Refs. ARSA-6a](#) and [ARSA-6b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

7. HANDBOOK REVISION, DUAL CREDIT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Daniel Archer will request approval of revisions to Board policy (*Title 4, Chapter 16, Section 2*) directing the Chancellor's Office to develop criteria and procedures for the establishment, maintenance, and promotion of quality dual credit programs including, but not limited to, reflecting national standards and best practices of dual enrollment, concurrent enrollment, and early enrollment programs. In addition, Vice Chancellor Archer will provide an update regarding Align and Shine Nevada. ([Refs. ARSA-7a](#) and [ARSA-7b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

8. 2023-24 SPONSORED FUNDING ANNUAL REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

Director of Nevada System Sponsored Programs and EPSCoR Marcie Jackson will present highlights from the 2023-24 NSHE Sponsored Funding Annual Report. The report will include information on sponsored programs, awards and expenditures for all NSHE institutions. ([Refs. ARSA-8a](#) and [ARSA-8b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 25 mins.

9. 2025 NSHE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PLAN FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Representatives from the NSHE Research Affairs Council will request approval of the 2025 NSHE Science and Technology Plan. This plan is designed to be a blueprint for both the state and public higher education in setting priorities in science and technology research. ([Refs. ARSA-9a](#) and [ARSA-9b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 25 mins.

10. 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, McMullen 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
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