# Nevada State University Presidential Search Laura Woodworth-Ney, Ph.D., Principal Garry W. Owens, Ph.D., Senior Executive Search Consultant



# Company Background & History

### Advancing Higher Education Leadership Since 2010

- AGB Search was founded as an affiliate of the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges (AGB) in 2010.
- We are a national search firm that assist clients in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. territories of Puerto Rico and Guam.
- The firm is recognized by Hunt Scanlon Media as one of the Top 50 Executive Search Firms.
- AGB Search is a member of the Association of Executive Search and Leadership Consultants (AESC) and commits to the AESC Code of Professional Conduct.



## Experience & Success Rates

#### A Track Record of Success

- AGB Search has conducted more than 350 presidential searches for public and private doctoral institutions, regional public universities, liberal arts colleges, community colleges, foundations, and associations related to higher education.
- Since the firm's founding in 2010, AGB Search has achieved a 95% successful placement rate overall.

#### Client Satisfaction

- More than 95% of respondents rated their experience with AGB Search overall as Excellent or Very Good.
- More than 97% of respondents rated AGB Search's candidate pools as Excellent or Very Good.
- More than 92% of respondents rated the firm's search process as Excellent or Very Good.

## Representative Placements

Recent Searches for Presidents, Chancellors, and Related Positions

Albany State University

California State University, Chico

California State University, Sacramento

Central State University

Colorado Community College System

Dickinson State University

Florida Institute of Technology

Gustavus Adolphus College

Linfield University

Millikin University

Missouri Valley College

Nevada State University

Ohio University

Pennsylvania's State System of Higher

Education

Portland State University

Randolph-Macon College

Salt Lake Community College

San Jose State University

Savannah State University

Southern University System

Spring Hill College

University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

University of Colorado Boulder

University of Colorado Denver

University of Iowa

University of Michigan-Flint

University of Minnesota-Duluth

University of Minnesota-Morris

University of Mount Union

University of Nebraska-Lincoln

University of Nebraska at Omaha

University of Wisconsin-Madison

University of Wisconsin-Parkside

Utah State University

**Utah Tech University** 

West Liberty University

Western Colorado University

Wilberforce University



# Dr. Laura Woodworth-Ney

## Principal



- More than 30 years of experience in higher education, including as Executive Vice President and Provost at Idaho State University
- Completed over 45 searches for public and private colleges and universities, including searches for Presidents, Provosts, and other senior leaders
- Served on the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education's Academic Forum
- Served as a Board Member for the American Association of Chief Academic Officers
- Coordinator of the Western Interstate Commission's Leadership Academy

#### **EDUCATION**

- M.A. and Ph.D., Washington State University
- B.A., University of Idaho



#### RELEVANT SEARCHES

Chancellor, Colorado Community College System

President, Salt Lake Community College

President, Utah State University

President, Utah Tech University



# Dr. Garry W. Owens

## Senior Executive Search Consultant

#### BACKGROUND

- Was an academic administrator for 17 years at Texas Tech University, Northern Arizona University, University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, and the University of Michigan-Flint
- Has conducted over 100 searches for presidents, vice presidents, provosts, and deans, including Nevada State University's previous presidential search
- Served as Dean, School of Performing Arts at Northern Arizona University, and Founding Dean of the College of Visual and Performing Arts at Texas Tech University
- Served as co-chair of the Mead Witter School of Music Board of Advisers, and president of the Mead Witter School of Music Alumni Association, University of Wisconsin-Madison

#### **EDUCATION**

B.M., M.M., and Ph.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison



#### **RELEVANT SEARCHES**

President, Nevada State University

Chancellor, University of Michigan-Flint

Chancellor, University of Minnesota-Duluth

Chancellor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

President, Portland State University



# Search Process & Strategy

## Organize the Search and Research Leadership Needs

- Establish a deep understanding of NSU's needs and priorities
  - Conducting research on NSU and its organization, strategic objectives, and challenges and opportunities, as well as the leadership qualifications, compensation packages, and candidate marketplaces for comparable searches
  - Facilitating listening sessions
  - Conducting online surveys
- Tailor the position profile to guide the search process and reflect community input



# Search Process & Strategy

## Developing a Highly Qualified Pool Aligned with NSU's Mission

- Recruit active and passive candidates via multiple outreach channels, conducting original research to identify a multifaceted group of candidates
  - Nationwide Direct outreach to prospects, advertising, nominations, networks, LinkedIn
  - Proprietary database of 125,000 contacts
- Assessing candidates' cultural alignment with NSU's mission and values
  - Initial screening conversations with candidates, including their expectations about the role, to bring pre-screened candidates to review
  - Candidate Assessment Matrix



# Search Process & Strategy

## Our Customized Approach to Ensuring a Successful Search

- Focus on duty to clients with care, respect, trust, transparency, integrity, and confidentiality
- Partner with Search Chair: agendas, frequent communication, and supporting materials
- Pre-screening candidates about their history, experience, and specific circumstances of their candidacy
- Initial due diligence for semifinalists: Internet reviews, Nexis reviews, reference conversations, social media research
- Additional due diligence for semifinalists/finalists: thorough reference calls, extensive social media checks, background checks (driving, criminal, civil, credit) and verification of all academic degrees and credentials
- Assist with leadership transition planning







## Optional Services & Assessments

## Our Customized Approach to Ensuring a Successful Search

- Hogan Assessments: facilitate strategic self-awareness by understanding the underlying work style traits, core values, and derailment risks that may impact behavior, allowing one to manage behavior to increase workplace success.
- ExecComp: help our clients establish appropriate and effective compensation levels for top institutional leaders to attract and retain top talent.
- Executive Coaching Services: provide customized, one-on-one coaching within an established framework focused on measurable progress.



## Search Guarantee

#### Committed to Your Success

If AGB Search presents a candidate pool and the Search Committee does not make an offer to a candidate for any reason, AGB Search will continue the search for up to an additional six-month period from the date the candidate pool was presented to the Committee.

If the selected candidate voluntarily leaves the position or is terminated for cause within one year following their start date, AGB Search will provide additional search services for a period of up to six months after the departure of the selected candidate.

If an additional search is conducted, AGB Search will not charge an additional search fee. Nevada State University will be responsible for any direct search expenses (e.g., consultant travel, advertising, etc.) and an additional Client Service and Support Fee.



# Fees & Expenses

AGB SEARCH FEES	AMOUNT
Search Fee	\$63,000
Client Service and Support Fee	\$3,000
Total AGB Search Fees	\$66,000
ESTIMATED SEARCH EXPENSES	AMOUNT
Travel Expenses for Consultants (airfare, lodging, transportation, meals) <u>Travel is contingent on the Search Committee's needs and may not be required in the event of a remote search.</u>	Reimbursed at cost
Advertising	\$4,000
Mintz Group Candidate Due Diligence  • Semifinalist Social Media Checks (Estimated 10 Candidates)  • Finalist Candidate Background Checks (Estimated 3 Candidates)	\$4,000







# Thank you for your consideration.



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