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Friday, June 12, 2015

Video Conference Connection from the Meeting Site to:
System Administration, Las Vegas
4300 S. Maryland Parkway, Board Room
and
Great Basin College, Elko
1500 College Parkway, Berg Hall Conference Room

Members Present: Mr. Kevin J. Page, Chairman
Mr. Rick Trachok, Vice Chairman
Dr. Andrea Anderson
Mr. Cedric Crear
Mr. Robert Davidson
Dr. Mark W. Doubrava
Dr. Jason Geddes
Mr. Trevor Hayes
Mr. James Dean Leavitt
Mr. Sam Lieberman
Mr. Kevin C. Melcher
Mr. Michael B. Wixom
Ms. Allison Stephens *via telephone*

Others Present: Mr. Daniel J. Klaich, Chancellor
Ms. Crystal Abba, Vice Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs
Dr. Constance Brooks, Vice Chancellor, Govt. and Community Affairs
Ms. Brooke Nielsen, Vice Chancellor, Legal Affairs
Mr. Vic Redding, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration
Dr. Marcia Turner, Vice Chancellor, Health Sciences
Mr. Scott G. Wasserman, Special Advisor to the Board
Mr. Frank R. Woodbeck, Executive Director Nevada College Collaborative
R. Scott Young, Acting Chief of Staff
Dr. Steven Zink, Vice Chancellor, Information Technology

Others Present (*Continued*):

Mr. Chet Burton, President, WNC
Dr. Mark A. Curtis, President, GBC
Dr. Lenn Jessup, President, UNLV
Dr. Marc A. Johnson, President, UNR
Mr. Bart J. Patterson, President, NSC
Dr. Michael D. Richards, President, CSN
Dr. Maria C. Sheehan, President, TMCC
Dr. Stephen G. Wells, President, DRI

Also present were faculty senate chairs Dr. Camille Naaktgeboren, CSN; Ms. Dana Trimble, DRI; Mrs. Mary Doucette, GBC; Dr. Roberta Kaufman, NSC; Mr. Eric March, NSHE; Dr. Cheryl Cardoza, Vice Chair, TMCC; Dr. John Filler, UNLV; Mr. Chuck Price, UNR; Dr. Gary Schwartz, WNC.

Student government leaders present included Ms. Priscilla Munoz, ASCSN Treasurer, CSN; Ms. DeMarynee Saili, SGA President, GBC; Ms. Megan M. Johnson, GRAD President, DRI; Ms. Yesenia Cuevas, NSSA President, NSC; Mr. Spencer Schultz, SGA President, TMCC; Ms. Kanani Espinoza, CSUN President, UNLV; Ms. Surbhi Sharma, GPSA President, UNLV; Mr. Caden Fabbi, ASUN President, UNR; Ms. Kylie Rowe, SGSA President; UNR; Ms. Andrea Senda, ASWN President, WNC.

Chairman Kevin J. Page called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. with all members present except Regent Hayes.

Regent Wixom led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Professor Maria Arriogatti, TMCC Mathematics Department Chair, sang the national anthem.

Chairman Page requested a moment of silence to recognize the passing of TMCC student Joshua Beal.

1. Information Only - Introductions and Campus Updates (*Agenda Item #1*) – Meeting attendees made introductions and each institution's president provided campus-related updates on programs, projects and events occurring on their campuses since the Board of Regents' last regular meeting.

Regent Hayes entered the meeting.

Provost John White, University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), announced UNLV placed eighth in the international robotics competition just behind the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) team; the director of Google.org, was the keynote speaker at the Women's Research Institute of Nevada National Education for Women's Leadership Nevada Summer Institute; Always Remember, an institute on how teachers, parents and others can inspire youths' futures through lessons about the Holocaust, is currently underway; the Dawson-UNLV Honors College Bound Program, a three-day college bound program for high-achieving Las Vegas students will take place later this month; 10 national merit scholars, 161 valedictorians and 250 honors program students

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will be added to the enrollment this fall; a team of students and faculty recently won a Department of Energy Design Excellence Award for a house designed for the Moapa Band of Southern Paiute Indians; UNLV and startup company Colony Shield are entering an exclusive license agreement enabling the company to make, use, and sell products based on a discovery by UNLV life sciences professor Penny Amy; the Rogers Center renovation will be finished this summer; and construction of the Marnell Baseball Clubhouse has begun.

President Mark A. Curtis, Great Basin College (GBC), stated GBC celebrated a record number of graduates and said the restructuring of the GBC Foundation is proceeding.

President Chet Burton, Western Nevada College (WNC), introduced Ms. Andrea Senda, ASWN President, WNC, and Dr. Gary Schwartz, Faculty Senate Chair, WNC; Fallon students joined Carson City students for a record graduation, 10 new faculty members were recently hired; and over 96 percent of the 130 students enrolled, completed the Jumpstart program.

President Bart J. Patterson, Nevada State College (NSC), introduced Ms. Yesenia Cuevas, NSSA President, NSC, Umram Osambela, NSSA Vice President, NSC, and Dr. Roberta Kaufman, Faculty Senate Chair, NSC. President Patterson announced a record graduating class with over 360 bachelor's degrees, over a 20 percent increase in enrollment applications and a new partnership with CSN in the engineering technologies and visual media programs.

President Marc A. Johnson, University of Nevada, Reno (UNR), introduced Ms. Kylie Rowe, SGSA President, UNR, Mr. Caden Fabbi, ASUN President, UNR, and Dr. David Sanders, Faculty Senate Chair Elect, UNR. President Johnson announced UNR's record graduation rate; the campus was named as a Tree Campus USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation; Nevada's Center for Entrepreneurship and Technology was recognized for its innovative use of space; UNR hosted the 6th National Collegiate Recovery Conference in May and the university will be adding the Nevada Recovery and Prevention program as one of UNR's student services; Peavine Hall will open in August; and the Innevation Center will open in downtown Reno in August.

President Michael D. Richards, College of Southern Nevada (CSN), introduced Dr. Hyla Winters, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dr. Camille Naaktgeboren, Faculty Senate Chair, CSN and Ms. Priscilla Munoz, ASCSN Treasurer, CSN. President Richards thanked the Regents for their participation and support at commencement and said CSN awarded 5,300 certificates and degrees; the Nevada Writer's Hall of Fame presented CSN English Professor Laura McBride with the Silver Pen Award; the San Francisco Giants selected CSN pitcher Phil Bickford. CSN was nominated to receive a Complete College America grant effective 2025; received a National Endowment of Humanities grant; and will be hosting the second annual Community College Cyber Summit June 17 through June 19, 2015.

President Stephen G. Wells, Desert Research Institute (DRI) introduced Ms. Dana

1. Information Only- Introductions and Campus Updates (Agenda Item #1)–continued

Trimble, Faculty Senate Chair and Faculty Senate Chair of Chairs; announced Ms. Karen Stewart-Carrico is the new Assistant Vice President and Controller of Financial Services and Dr. Joe J. Grzymiski was selected as Senior Director of the Applied Innovation Center; thanked Regents Geddes and Davidson and Chancellor Daniel J. Klaich for attending DRI's Annual Convocation Ceremony; and recognized faculty member Dr. Adam Watts for recently receiving a financial award from the Knowledge Fund to work with NASA and the U.S. Forest Service on unmanned aerial systems and wildfire processes.

President Maria C. Sheehan, Truckee Meadows Community College (TMCC), thanked Dr. Jane Nichols, Dr. Barbara Wright Sanders and Professor Ron Marston for their service at TMCC; introduced Ms. Cheryl Cardoza, Faculty Senate Vice Chair and Mr. Spencer Schultz, SGA President; and announced TMCC High School achieved a 100 percent graduation rate.

2. Information Only - Institutional Student and Faculty Presentations (Agenda Item #2) – Dr. Laura Briggs, Biology Professor and Laboratory Coordinator, TMCC, provided a presentation on preparing students for careers as scientists in the laboratory.

Regent Wixom asked what efforts have been made to conduct collaborative research between institutions.

Dr. Briggs explained TMCC provides many collaborative opportunities for research, including numerous opportunities through the UNR Campus.

Regent Wixom said it is important to understand what policy changes can support this type of effort and noted the parallels between the Pathways Program and this effort.

Regent Melcher said it is extremely important for the System to come up with marketing and education strategies to help the public, legislators and Board understand research and research efforts being undertaken by our institutions.

President Johnson said UNR is also working to provide TMCC space in the Innovation Center.

Mr. Neil Siegel, Faculty Advisor, Phi Theta Kappa, provided information on Phi Theta Kappa and the students involved in the TMCC Chapter. Phi Theta Kappa is an international Community College Honors Society providing opportunities for individual growth and development through participation in honors, leadership, service and fellowship programming.

Mr. Kraig Mikey a full time student at TMCC spoke about the student experience at TMCC and the opportunities to develop a strong support system and foundation through Phi Theta Kappa at TMCC.

Chancellor Klaich recognized and thanked Dr. Jane Nichols for her exemplary service with the Nevada System of Higher Education.

The meeting recessed at 9:26 a.m. on Thursday, June 11, 2015, for Committee meetings and reconvened at 11:14 a.m. the same day with all members present except Regent Leavitt.

3. Information Only - Public Comment (Agenda Item #4) – Mr. Jason Sanderson, parent and Lyon County School Board Clerk, and Ms. Carol Ancona, parent and journalist, commended President Burton for offering the Jump Start Concurrent Enrollment Program at WNC. Mr. Sanderson thanked President Burton for considering the students and their families residing in the rural areas of Nevada.

Mr. James Strange, Professor of Mathematics, WNC, representing the Nevada Faculty Alliance, requested the Board and the NSHE consider funding merit increases for professional staff.

Mr. Zack Adams, Student Veterans Club President, WNC, Mr. Kevin Burns, Veterans Resource Center Coordinator, WNC, and Ms. Maria Diaz, Peer Academic Coach, WNC Latino Cohort Program, expressed their support of President Burton as the permanent president of WNC.

Mr. Wasserman, Special Advisor to the Board, noted an email from Chris Graham had been forwarded by Mr. R. Scott Young, Acting Chief of Staff, to the Board members. A copy of the email will be made available to the public and included in the record under public comment.

4. Information Only - Regents' Welcome and Introductions (Agenda Item #3) – Regent Melcher welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.
5. Action Taken-Election of Officers (Agenda Item #5) – In accordance with Regents' Bylaws (*Article IV, Section 2*), the Board conducted an election of officers for FY 2015-16. These officers were elected to serve from July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016.

1. Chair:

Regent Lieberman nominated Regent Trachok. Regent Geddes seconded the nomination.

Upon a roll call vote Regents Anderson, Crear, Davidson, Doubrava, Geddes, Hayes, Lieberman, Melcher, Page, Stephens, Trachok and Wixom, voted yes. Regent Leavitt was absent. Regent Trachok was elected to the office of Chair.

2. Vice Chair:

Regent Anderson nominated Regent Wixom. Regent Geddes seconded the nomination.

Regent Doubrava nominated Regent Crear.

Regent Crear spoke regarding his nomination and stated he respected Regent Wixom, however, Regent Wixom has already served as Chair for two terms. Other members of the Board need to be provided the opportunity to serve in leadership positions.

5. Action Taken-Election of Officers (Agenda Item #5) –continued

Regent Leavitt entered the meeting.

Regent Stephens said other Board members are fully capable of providing leadership.

Regent Davidson asked for clarification regarding rules on election of officers.

Mr. Wasserman explained a Regent who has served as the Chair or Vice Chair for two consecutive one-year terms must wait a period of two full fiscal years after the end of the second consecutive one-year term served before serving in the same office. This rule can be waived by the Board by a two-thirds vote.

Regent Wixom said he respected the comments and appreciated Regent Crear's interest in running.

Upon a roll call vote Regents Anderson, Davidson, Geddes, Hayes, Leavitt, Lieberman, Melcher, Paige, Stephens, Trachok, and Wixom, voted for Regent Wixom. Regents Crear and Doubrava voted for Regent Crear. Regent Wixom was elected to the office of Vice Chair.

The committee recessed at 11:53 a.m. and reconvened at 12:16 p.m. with Regents Crear, Leavitt and Stephens absent.

6. Information Only - Chair of the Nevada Student Alliance Report (Agenda Item #6) – Mr. Caden Fabbri, NSA Chair, introduced Ms. Andrea Senda, NSA Vice Chair, and Ms. Kylie Rowe, NSA Secretary, and thanked the Board for its support on the medical amnesty to help prevent underage drinking fatalities and the campus carry bills. Mr. Fabe stated the NSA would be working on several issues in the upcoming year, including: a Nevada service day; a unified effort to register students to vote; and a strategic vision for the NSA in the future.

7. Information Only - Chair of the Faculty Senate Chairs Report (Agenda Item #7) – Professor Ron Marston, Faculty Senate Chair, TMCC, and outgoing Faculty Senate Chair of Chairs, expressed his thanks to the Board, the Chancellor and the NSHE Staff. He introduced Ms. Dana Trimble, DRI, incoming Faculty Senate Chair of Chairs. Ms. Trimble thanked the Board and Governor Sandoval for their tireless efforts during the 2015 legislative session and stated the Faculty Senate Chairs look forward to working with the Board and continuing discussions regarding pay and benefits; potential textbook policy revisions; enhanced presidential evaluation policy; and health benefits.

8. Information Only - Chancellor's Report (Agenda Item #8) – Chancellor Klaich said based on the outcomes of the 2015 Session of the Nevada State Legislature and the support of the Governor the NSHE has been given an opportunity to continue enhancing education in Nevada. It is not too early to begin developing a focused agenda for the 2017 Session of the Nevada State Legislature.

Regent Crear returned to the meeting.

9. Information Only - Regents' Reports (Agenda Item #9) – Regent Geddes stated he enjoyed attending the institutions' commencement and award ceremonies. During half-time of the UNR-UNLV basketball game former Mayor Bob Cashell, City of Reno, was presented with the resolution approved by the Board in December. He also attended the Mick Hitchcock, Ph.D. Nevada Proteomics Center dedication at UNR, a four-day drought conference at DRI, a better access webinar, and the Community University School Partnership (CUSP) Showcase with Regent Hayes.

Regent Stephens returned to the meeting.

Regent Hayes thanked President Johnson for the work UNR is doing with the school district and the community. The CUSP Showcase did a good job of highlighting ten of the programs designed to foster continuous learning.

Regent Lieberman thanked WNC for welcoming him as a participant in the presidential evaluation. He also thanked the Governor, the NSHE legislative team and Regents Doubrava and Leavitt for their efforts on the UNLV School of Medicine.

Regent Melcher requested a representative of the Nevada State Board of Education be invited to provide information to the Board on K-12 collaboration and other relevant issues at a future meeting.

Regent Stephens thanked Dr. Goodwin, UNLV, for the invitation to participate in the Women's Research Institute of Nevada (WRIN) National Education for Women's (NEW) Leadership Nevada Summer Institute on June 4, 2015.

10. Information Only - Board Chairman's Report (Agenda Item #10) – Chairman Page thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as the Chair, and summarized the accomplishments made by the Board during his term as Chair, including the UNLV School of Medicine and enhancements to the UNR School of Medicine and thanked Chancellor Klaich and Chair Elect Trachok, Regents Leavitt and Doubrava, former President Neal Smatresk, UNLV, and the numerous staff who worked so hard to move the UNLV School of Medicine forward; award-winning, on-time and under budget, reconfiguration and redesign of the NSHE System Administration South, Offices and Board Room, and thanked Regent Geddes and Chancellor Klaich; integration of iPads for Board use; the strengthening of the NSHE Community Colleges through the development of a “system within a system” led by the Community College Committee and thanked Chair Anderson and the Committee members; the successful 2015-2016 budget process; Integrate2; creation of the ad hoc Committee on Institutional Service Areas; the implementation of the 15 to Finish campaign and thanked Ms. Crystal Abba, Vice Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs; Restructured meetings and committees, including metrics presentations by the institutions, focused discussion on broader policy issues, grouping of community college issues, and annual athletic oversight reports.

Chairman Page thanked his family for their understanding, patience and support; the Chancellor, the Vice Chair, Mr. Scott G. Wasserman, Special Advisor to the Board, Ms. Brooke Nielsen, Vice Chancellor, Legal Affairs, and the NSHE and Board staff for all of their hard work.

11. Approved - Consent Items (Agenda Item #11) – Chairman Page pulled Consent Item 11g from the Consent Agenda. The Board approved consent items 11a through 11f and 11h through 11k.
 - 11a. Approved – Minutes (Agenda Item #11a) – The Board approved the following meeting minutes:
 - October 20, 2014, ad hoc UNLV President Search Committee meeting (*see Reference BOR-11a1 on file in the Board office*).
 - January 23, 2015, Special Board of Regents' meeting (*see Reference BOR-11a2 on file in the Board office*).
 - March 5-6, 2015, Board of Regents' meeting (*see Reference BOR-11a3 on file in the Board office*).
 - March 26, 2015, Special Board of Regents' meeting (*see Reference BOR-11a4 on file in the Board office*).
 - April 24, 2015, Special Board of Regents' meeting (*see Reference BOR-11a5 on file in the Board office*).
 - 11b. Approved - Handbook Revision, Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, NSHE (Agenda Item #11b) – The Board approved a new Section 51 in Title 4, Chapter 3 of the *Board of Regents Handbook* directing the Chancellor to develop procedures and guidelines for compliance with the employer mandated requirements in the federal legislation “Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act” (*see Reference BOR-11b on file in the Board office*).
 - 11c. Approved - Handbook Revision, University Admissions (Agenda Item #11c) – The Board approved a revision to Board policy concerning university admissions (*Title 4, Chapter 16, Section 3*) to clarify universities have the authority to accept high school credit by examination for courses required for admission if such credit is granted pursuant to the requirements of *Nevada Revised Statutes 389.171* and *Nevada Administrative Code 389.670* (*see Reference BOR-11c on file in the Board office*).
 - 11d. Approved - CODE and Handbook Revisions, Nevada Press, NSHE (Agenda Item #11d) – The Board approved a revision to the NSHE Code Title 2, Chapter 1, Sections 1.1 and 1.4 and related amendments to Title 4, Chapter 3, Section 26 to reflect the Board’s approval at the March 5-6, 2015, meeting of the transfer of the University of Nevada Press to the Office of the Provost at UNR. Specifically, the proposed revision removes reference to the University of Nevada Press as part of the System Administration/Chancellor’s Office. These policy revisions were presented for initial discussion at the March 5-6, 2015, meeting of the Board and its Academic and Student Affairs Committee (*see Reference BOR-11d on file in the Board office*).
 - 11e. Approved - Handbook Revision, Fees For Self-Supporting Programs (Agenda Item #11e) – The Board approved an amendment to *Handbook* policy (*Title 4, Chapter 17, Section 15*) to add “self-supporting” programs and to delegate authority to the presidents of each institution to set fees for community service, continuing education or other self-supporting courses (*see Reference BOR-11e on file in the Board office*).

11. Approved-Consent Items (Agenda Item #11) – continued

- 11f. Approved- Handbook revision, Special Use Fee, UNR (Agenda Item #11f) - The Board approved a revision to Board policy removing the provisions concerning approval of special use fees for recreational use of the Lombardi Recreation Building at the University of Nevada, Reno from the *Handbook (Title 4, Chapter 17, Section 23)* and removing the associated fee amounts from the *Procedures and Guidelines Manual (Chapter 7, Section 12)* to provide consistency among institutions (see Reference BOR-11f on file in the Board office).
- 11h. Approved- Natalie Irene Bond Hicks Art Scholarship Endowment, TMCC (Agenda Item #11h) - The Board approved, consistent with Board of Regents policy, Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 9, the acceptance of a \$5,000 donation from the donor to establish the new Natalie Irene Bond Hicks Art Scholarship Endowment. The new Endowment will benefit students at Truckee Meadows Community College through scholarships. The donor has expressly requested for this Endowment account to be invested in, and managed by, the NSHE Endowment pool (see Reference BOR-11h on file in the Board office).
- 11i. Approved- Nell J. Redfield QUASI ENDOWMENT Health Science Center, TMCC (Agenda Item #11i) - The Board approved, consistent with Board of Regents policy, Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 5, the transfer of principle funds in the Nell J. Redfield Quasi Endowment for the Health Science Center from the NSHE Endowment Pool to Truckee Meadows Community College to be used for the construction of the TMCC Health Science Center. (see Reference BOR-11i on file in the Board office).
- 11j. Approved - Jacobs Quasi Endowment Health Science Center, TMCC (Agenda Item #11j) - The Board approved, consistent with Board of Regents policy, Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 5, to transfer the principle funds in the Herb and Maxine Jacobs Quasi Endowment for the Health Science Center from the NSHE Endowment Pool to Truckee Meadows Community College to be used for the construction of the TMCC Health Science Center (see Reference BOR-11j on file in the Board office).
- 11k. Amendment to Finlay J. Macdonald Quasi Endowment, UNR(Agenda Item #11k) - The Board approved an amendment to the Finlay J. MacDonald Quasi Endowment to allow for the full intent of the donor's wishes, including "the purchase of equipment and/or upkeep thereof of said agriculture college, or for agricultural college student's loans and subsidies," and to prohibit the use of funds "for salaries of professors, instructors or other employees of said institution," consistent with the intent of the donor (see Reference BOR-11k on file in the Board office).

Regent Geddes moved approval of consent items 11a through 11f and 11h through 11k. Regent Lieberman seconded. Motion carried. Regent Leavitt was absent.

12. Approved - Consent Item 11g (Agenda Item #11) –The Board approved consent item 11g.
- 11g. Approved- Naming of the Health Science Center, TMCC(Agenda Item #11g) - The Board approved the naming the Health Science Center at Redfield the William N. Pennington Health Science Center (*see Reference BOR-11g on file in the Board office*).

Chairman Page disclosed Mr. Pennington and the Pennington Foundation are clients of his and that he would abstain on this item.

Regent Geddes moved approval of consent item 11g. Regent Trachok seconded. Motion carried. Regent Page abstained. Regent Leavitt was absent.

13. Approved - Procedures and Guidelines Manual Revision, Student Health Insurance Fees (Agenda item #12) - The Board approved the revisions to the *Procedures and Guidelines Manual (Chapter 7, Section 10)* as presented by Mr. Vic Redding, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration, as follows: 1) The student health insurance rates for academic year 2015-16 for UNR, UNLV and NSC; 2) A codification correction mandating UNLV law students taking a minimum of 12 credits per semester purchase insurance coverage or provide proof of equivalent coverage, as approved at the June 2014 Board meeting; 3) The discontinuation of NSC's participation in UNLV's voluntary student health insurance plan; and 4) The removal of CSN's international student health insurance rates (*see Reference BOR-12 on file in the Board office*).

Vice Chancellor Redding explained health insurance fees in the graduate, professional and international student categories have experienced rate and utilization stability; however, fees in the voluntary undergraduate categories continue to see rather intense volatility.

Regent Stephens disclosed she is employed by United Health Care and because of this, chooses to recuse herself from any discussions and actions related to this item and will abstain from voting on this item.

Regent Hayes disclosed his wife works for United Health Group the parent company of United Health Care and said this matter does not affect his wife any more than it would anyone else. Upon advice of legal counsel Regent Hayes decided to participate in the vote.

Regent Geddes moved approval of the revisions to the *Procedures and Guidelines Manual (Chapter 7, Section 10)* as presented. Regent Trachok seconded. Motion carried. Regent Stephens abstained. Regent Leavitt was absent.

Regent Crear left the meeting.

14. Approved-iNtegrate 2 project update and budget approval (Agenda item #13) – the Board approved the iNtegrate 2 project implementation budget for Fiscal Years 2014-15, 2015-16, and 2016-17. Ms. Renee Yackira, Special Assistant, Mr. Pete Zipkin, Project Director, Dr. Steven Zink, Vice Chancellor, Information Technology, and Chancellor Klaich provided background and reported to the Board on the timeline and status of the iNtegrate 2 project and its implementation (*see Handouts BOR-13a and BOR-13b on file in the Board office*).

Ms. Yackira explained Mr. Zipkin was brought on board six weeks ago to review the timeline. As the Chancellor's memorandum notes (*see Handout BOR-13a on file in the Board office*) the project is still on target to meet the original October 2016 go-live. However, two areas were identified as needing a change or a critical decision; the deployment of human capital management and more definition relating to the shared NSHE services structure.

Mr. Zipkin said this project will change the way the NSHE does business and is excited to be a part of it.

Vice Chancellor Zink explained human resources and finance have traditionally been separate systems. However, the Workday software utilizes the same database for both and because of this the majority of Workday, Inc., clients have implemented both systems simultaneously. The iNtegrate 2 project timeline will not change, although there will be a change in the execution of going live with both the human resource and finance modules being implemented simultaneously and the go-live of both in October of 2016.

Chancellor Klaich said the simultaneous go-live provides for potential savings and less disruption.

Regent Wixom said this project allows for responsiveness and he is pleased the presented budget for this project is consistent with the expectations.

Ms. Yackira said the recommendation of employing a single service model under an advisory board reporting up through system structure is based on feedback stemming from the initial research and report. This recommendation will be brought back to the individual campus system administration officers and the group will continue to meet and make refinements to the recommendation.

Regent Geddes asked for information on the costs to the campuses.

Vice Chancellor Redding reviewed the budget handout (*see Reference BOR-13b on file in the board office*). He explained the NSHE will be reimbursing the campuses for the salaries of those campus employee FTEs dedicated to the iNtegrate 2 project over the next two fiscal years. The budget does not offset all campus costs; however, it provides smaller campuses substantial coverage. The requested action grants expenditure authority to the Chancellor for Fiscal Years 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 in aggregate as described in the handout.

14. Approved-iNtegrate 2 project update and budget approval (Agenda item #13) – continued

Vice Chairman Trachok asked each institutional president to make sure their staff understands the iNtegrate 2 project is a priority. The project is a team effort and is too critical for anything to get in the way of its successful implementation. The Board needs to be notified promptly of any hindrance to its implementation.

Regent Wixom said it is important the Board receive annual reports on actual expenditures.

Regent Wixom moved to approve the iNtegrate 2 project budget as presented with the additional understanding the budget will come back to the Board annually for review. Regent Lieberman seconded.

Regent Melcher requested regular reports be brought to the Business and Finance Committee.

Regent Wixom asked Vice Chancellor Redding if the tracking of costs to the campuses can be included in the report. Vice Chancellor Redding affirmed campus costs could be included in the reports.

Regent Wixom amended his original motion to include the tracking of campus costs. Regent Lieberman agreed to the amendment.

Chancellor Klaich said the iNtegrate 2 project budget report will become a standing agenda item on the regular Board agendas.

Chairman Page asked why consultant costs are not listed after Fiscal Year 2015. Vice Chancellor Redding explained the consultant costs were combined and consolidated under Fiscal Year 2015. He said there are a number of line item funds budgeted under the year the first expense occurred and many of those funds will be moved and extended out over time as this is a multi-year project.

Motion carried. Regents Crear and Leavitt were absent.

15. Approved - Community College Committee Report (Agenda Item #14) – The Board accepted the Committee report and approved the recommendations. Committee Chair Andrea Anderson reported the Community College Committee met on June 4 , 2015, and heard the following:

Information Items

- Institutional Advisory Council Meetings - IAC meeting reports were received from the President and Council Chair of each institution. The goal in each case was to provide IAC members with an understanding of the college, its offerings, student populations, challenges and opportunities. Report highlights included:
 - CSN – Monthly meetings held since IAC inception. Reports were made on the Achieving The Dream Initiative; HSI Designation and funding support application; and the Burning Glass Technologies system. A sub-committee was named to study the campus naming issue.
 - TMCC – Meetings scheduled quarterly. Reports were made on VA services/programs; student challenges and successes; student diversity; and the potential for a baccalaureate degree program. Chair Collie Hutter stated the IAC would like an understanding of the funding formula. Chancellor Klaich offered to have a system representative present to each IAC on state funding, etc.
 - GBC – Chair noted that the IAC is a continuation of a 48 year tradition of a community based council interacting with and supporting the mission of GBC. Their membership focused on the potential for GBC offering additional baccalaureate programs; the nursing shortage in the service area, and how to address it; the bridge funding; and the additional land acquired via the BLM for future expansion.
 - WNC – Meetings are scheduled quarterly, and meetings held to date have featured discussions on bridge funding use to expand college offerings; new education pathways initiated in conjunction with TMCC; budget changes accomplished to address future funding; and shared services with TMCC and GBC.
- Community College Programs Serving Secondary Students - Each President reported on the programs operated in conjunction with local school districts to serve secondary school students. Programs including Jump Start, CSN High School, TMCC High School, and Career & Technical Education dual credit courses are currently engaging a few thousand students in advanced education opportunities throughout the state, in urban and rural areas. These programs will be featured in each Standing Committee meeting, and growth progress tracked.
- Advanced Manufacturing Technology Career Pathway Pilot –Jim New, TMCC Dean of Technical Sciences, and Dr. Dana Ryan, Director of Signature Academies and Career & Technical Education for the Washoe County School District presented the career pathway pilot conceived in collaboration with GOED, DETR and others to launch a curriculum that begins in the Junior year in high school, proceeds through TMCC and/or WNC, and concludes with a Mechanical Engineering degree from UNR. This model is based on the German technical education plan, and will be piloted in Washoe County this fall, following approval by the NV Dept. of Education, Washoe County School Board and the Manufacturing Sector Council.

15. Approved - Community College Committee Reports (Agenda Item #14) – continued

- American Apprenticeship Initiative Grant - Jim New and Cyndy Ortiz Gustafson, CEO of Strategic Progress LLC (grant writer), presented an outline of the grant submitted to the Department of Labor in support of an apprenticeship training program for manufacturing technologies. This grant request for \$2.2M, that includes TMCC and WNC, represents a public / private partnership that will train 300 persons over a five year period, and will bring Tesla, Panasonic, ClickBond, IGT, and others into the collaboration (*see Reference CC-11 on file in the Board office*).
- Institutional Advisory Council Guidelines –This item briefly discussed the guidelines drafted to expand on the terms of the Institutional Advisory Council Charge, approved by the Board of Regents in December 2014. It was decided that the guidelines will be distributed to the Presidents for any additional comments or questions, and added to the next Standing Committee agenda as an Action Item for adoption by all the colleges.

Action Items

Board action was requested to approve the following recommendations for approval of the Community College Committee:

- The minutes from the February 26, 2015, meeting (*see Reference CC-2 on file in the Board office*).
- An Institutional Advisory Council Charge language correction that corrects the paragraph outlining the Election of Officers. The election of officers is to take place biennially rather than annually. The motion to accept included clarification that the duly elected Chairs will serve the remainder of their two year terms (*see Reference CC-9 on file in the Board office*).

Committee Chair Anderson moved approval of the Community College Committee Report and recommendations. Regent Trachok seconded.

Regent Geddes disclosed he is employed by the Washoe County School District which is part of the Advanced Manufacturing Technology Career Pathway Pilot Program; however, he explained he is in the facilities services division not in programs so taking part in this vote would not impact him. He will be voting.

Motion Carried. Regents Crear and Leavitt were absent.

Regents Melcher, Trachok, Wixom and Anderson noted the importance of the Community College Committee and the significance of its work.

16. Information Only – Institutional Advisory Council Report, GBC (Agenda Item #15) – The Board heard a report on the activities of the GBC Institutional Advisory Council (IAC) provided by President Curtis and IAC Chair Matt McCarty. President Curtis provided information on the membership and meeting schedule of the Committee and reviewed recent agenda items including baccalaureate degrees, nursing program expansion in Pahrump and Winnemucca, bridge funding and land acquisition. The most recent Committee meeting minutes were included in the reference materials (*see Reference BOR-15 on file in the Board office*).

IAC Chair McCarty expressed the IAC's support for President Curtis and thanked the Board and System staff for securing bridge funding. He said GBC will experience a 36 percent reduction in staff by 2017 and despite these losses GBC continues to service a record number of students. GBC needs more staff and needs the ability to provide baccalaureate degrees.

17. Information Only – Tutoring Effectiveness on Student Success, TMCC (Agenda Item #16) – The Board heard a presentation provided by Ms. Michelle Montoya and Ms. Adine Stormoen, coordinators at the Tutoring and Learning Center "TLC" at TMCC, on the effectiveness of tutoring on student success by way of completion, retention, persistence and GPA (*see Reference BOR-16 on file in the Board office*).

Vice Chairman Trachok asked if TMCC is able to target students who may need these types of tutoring services and support, and, once identified, what the success rate is for actually engaging the students in the services. Ms. Montoya said yes, there are several efforts on campus to identify and refer students and stated she was unsure of the success rate. Ms. Stormoen said the students are usually very receptive to the offers of help.

Regent Davidson asked what practices, skills and techniques the students lack and if there is a way to assess for those skills. Ms. Stormoen said note taking, study skills, and stress reduction are some of the specific skills students may lack. The campus then provides works shops in these specific areas, tutoring and a support system for the students to get involved in the student community and also utilize the many other services offered. There are placement exams to determine academic readiness; however there is nothing in place to measure college readiness skills such as note taking. There is a course in college success skills offered at TMCC and students are encouraged to take this class as soon as they enroll.

The Board recessed at 1:39 p.m. and returned at 1:54 p.m. with all members present except Regents Crear and Leavitt.

18. Information Only – Truckee Meadows Community College Performance Metrics (Agenda Item #17) – President Sheehan, TMCC, provided the Board information on performance metrics based on the 10 questions trustees should ask set forth by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni (ACTA). The information included student profile and enrollment trends. The presentation examined increasing tuition costs over the last five years; ratio of administrative versus instructional spending; building utilization; top administrator salaries; faculty teaching load; student performance on nationally normed tests, GRE and licensure exams; the National Study of Student Engagement review of institutions; three-year graduation rates for first year full time students; and campus climate surveys (*see Reference BOR-17 on file in the Board office*).

Ms. Elena Bubnova, Executive Director Institutional Research, TMCC, provided information on the Community College Survey of Student Engagement and The Community College Faculty Survey of Student Engagement.

Regent Leavitt returned to the meeting and Regent Doubrava left the meeting.

Regent Geddes noted the drop in enrollment and asked if students are taking more classes. Ms. Bubnova said both the enrollment and the full time equivalent students declined and then flattened out over the last two years. Regent Geddes requested, in future presentations, TMCC provide information on household incomes of only TMCC student households rather than all Washoe County households if possible.

Vice Chairman Trachok asked how the increases in graduation rates relate, if at all, to the decline in enrollments and asked if there has been a change over time of the quality of incoming students. President Sheehan said she thought the increases in graduation rates were a result of the combination of a smaller cohort and more services available per student. Since 2008 the level of remediation has gone down due to increased collaboration between UNR, TMCC and the Washoe County School District. The District now understands proficiency testing does not measure college preparedness and is recognizing gaps in student preparedness the higher education institutions have been aware of for some time.

Regent Hayes asked about the ratio of adjunct to tenure track faculty and the possibility of block scheduling to utilize space better. President Sheehan said the reduced number of tenure track faculty is a result of the recession and decreased funding and TMCC is beginning to implement a block scheduling pilot program.

Regent Melcher said on slides #14, #15, #16 and #19 it would be nice to see the number of students, not just the percentages. The K-12 system has a responsibility in preparing students for academics, student success in higher education and industry expectations. President Sheehan noted both comments and said the study skills course currently offered at TMCC needs to be discussed further with K-12 administrators.

Regent Davidson asked how TMCC stays responsive to quickly changing industry and job skill needs and how the completion rate compares on-line versus on campus. President Sheehan explained all TMCC technical programs have Advisory Councils and TMCC also has an ex officio seat on the board of the Economic Development Authority

18. Information Only – Truckee Meadows Community College Performance Metrics (Agenda Item #17) –continued

of Western Nevada. On-line performance has increased as students have been educated about the demands of on-line class requirements and the college has also included screening measures.

Chancellor Klaich said the Board has a policy allowing institutions to propose discounted tuitions, and asked if TMCC has considered discounted classes during traditionally underutilized times. President Sheehan said TMCC has not considered discounted classes but it will.

Chancellor Klaich and Vice Chairman Trachok noted an interest in the proper work load for full-time faculty and Chancellor Klaich said he would follow-up with President Sheehan after the meeting.

19. Information Only - Regents' Reports (Agenda Item #9) – Chairman Page reopened Agenda Item #9. Regent Leavitt remarked on the historic accomplishment of developing a medical school in southern Nevada and thanked the Governor for his support.

20. Approved – Request for Expansion of Baccalaureate Degree Offerings (Agenda Item #18) – The Board approved the expansion of baccalaureate degree offerings at GBC. President Curtis requested authorization to move forward and grow to serve the distinct market in GBC's service area by offering select ladder 2+2 baccalaureate degree programs to meet student demand in fields where these demands are not currently being met in rural Nevada and to financially augment existing offerings through increased economies of scale. The requested authorization is consistent with GBC's mission statement under Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 4.6 of the *Board of Regents Handbook*. GBC will bring back any specific baccalaureate degree for consideration of approval by the Board through the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee (*see Reference BOR-18 on file in the Board office*).

Regent Leavitt moved approval of the expansion of baccalaureate degree offerings at GBC. Regent Lieberman seconded.

Regent Hayes asked if the Board has had a broader discussion on strategy for the expansion and implementation of baccalaureate degrees. Chancellor Klaich said the Board has not.

Regent Geddes said, due in part to ongoing budget challenges, he is now supportive of crossover and providing four-year-degrees at the community college level. In 2000 a study suggested Nevada needed six state colleges and the NSHE still only has one. The System needs to explore all options and be open to innovative ideas for servicing its students and educating Nevadans.

Chancellor Klaich said there is no longer a budgetary incentive to have mission creep. The fiscal responsibility of growing programs falls on the individual institution.

20. Approved – Request for expansion of baccalaureate degree offerings (Agenda Item #18) –continued

Regent Melcher said specific community needs have to be addressed and programs to address those needs must be collaborative and make sense. Regents Melcher and Trachok noted the need to be careful with the terms being used to explain or identify these types of programs; for example, the use of a terms such as “AA to BA” program is more appropriate than “2 + 2” program.

Regents Wixom, Trachok and Anderson said every situation is unique and should be considered individually. Dialogue is healthy and the discussions should be ongoing and continue as this is such an innovative process. They would support the motion.

Regent Leavitt said the Board needs to discuss when GBC should become a state college.

Regent Geddes said the institutions also need to consider reverse articulation agreements and on-line courses in the broader discussion.

Regent Stephens expressed support for the motion and said the Board needs to consider a state college in Elko.

Motion carried. Regents Crear and Doubrava were absent.

21. Approved - Permanent President Position, WNC (Agenda Item #19)– The Board approved the appointment of President Burton as permanent President of WNC.

Chancellor Klaich explained the process thus far as detailed in his memorandum to the Board dated June 5, 2015. At the April 25, 2014, meeting of the Board, the Board approved the appointment of Mr. Chester “Chet” Burton as the Interim President of Western Nevada College through June 30, 2016. Per Board policy, when an individual is appointed as interim president for a multi-year term, the Board has the option to either commence a national search or consider the appointment of the interim president as permanent president (*Handbook, Title 2, Chapter 1, Section 1.5.4 and Procedures and Guidelines Manual Chapter 2, Section 1*). The Chancellor said meetings with WNC campus stakeholders were held on Monday, May 12, 2015, to receive the input of campus constituencies on this matter and a summary of input is also included in the Chancellor’s June 5, 2015, Memorandum (*see Handout BOR-19 on file in the Board office*). Chancellor Klaich said he strongly recommends President Burton’s appointment as the permanent president of Western Nevada College.

The Board heard the following public input regarding this item. Mr. Bob Clifford, Chairman of the Restore Our College Campus Committee, Fallon; Ms. Amy Clemens, Foundation Board, WNC; Mr. Gary Schwartz, Chair, WNC Faculty Senate; and Mr. Frank Perez, student, UNR, expressed their support of President Burton.

Regent Leavitt moved approval of the appointment of President Burton as permanent President of WNC. Regent Lieberman seconded. Motion carried. Regents Crear and Doubrava were absent.

21. Approved - Permanent President Position, WNC (Agenda Item #19) – continued

Regent Geddes said he prefers using a search process when a presidential position is being considered.

Mr. Wasserman reviewed Board policy regarding presidential searches and appointments.

Chancellor Klaich said disruption to the campus, the cost of a search and President Burton's strong business approach to issues were also factors considered in recommending his support of the president.

Regents Lieberman and Melcher expressed their support for President Burton

President Burton thanked the Board and said at the conclusion of the legislative session he met with a number of legislators and their support is critical to WNC's success. WNC will only survive with the support of the community and will continue to consider the needs of its community while putting its students first and foremost.

22. No Action Taken-Presidential Contract, WNC (Agenda Item #26) – the Board distributed information in regards to this item and explained the item would be considered the following day (see Handout BOR-26 on file in the Board office). This procedure was instituted at the request of Regents to afford them additional time to study contracts before taking action.

The Board recessed for committees at 3:52 p.m., June 11, 2015 and reconvened on June 12, 2015, at 9:19 a.m. with all members present except Regent Crear.

23. Information Only- Public Comment (Agenda Item #20) – Mr. Conrad Wilson, Classified Staff Council, Las Vegas, thanked the Governor for his support of higher education and the Regents for working with the classified staff and allowing them a voice.

24. Information Only - Western Nevada College, Performance Metrics (Agenda Item #21) – The Board was provided with a presentation by President Burton, WNC, focusing on performance metrics based on the 10 questions trustees should ask set forth by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni (see Reference BOR-21 on file in the Board office). The presentation included a summary profile of students attending WNC, information on headcount, including specific information on minority and first generation students; tuition and median household income; ratio of administrative support to instructional spending; building utilization; salaries of top administrators; credit hours taught per year; student performance on nationally-normed tests; student engagement; graduation rates; and professional development.

Regent Wixom noted the graph on enrollment, saying nationwide enrollment tends to go down as the economy improves and asked if it is true at WNC also. President Burton said yes.

Concerning tuition increases, Regent Wixom asked President Burton if WNC's decreasing enrollment is solely a result of: the improving economy, or if the rising tuition

24. Information Only - Western Nevada College, Performance Metrics (Agenda Item #21) – continued

costs are also contributing. President Burton responded he thinks there are three factors involved: the improving economy, increase in tuition and overall demographic trends.

High School enrollments in WNC's service region have declined and are projected to continue to decrease over the next five years as some rural Nevada counties are experiencing negative population growth.

Regent Geddes asked about reciprocity and tuition costs in California. President Burton estimated the state of California contributes approximately 80 to 85 percent of tuition costs and Nevada approximately 65 percent.

Vice Chairman Trachok asked about the salaries for vice presidents noted in the presentation. President Burton said the amount recorded is the total salaries for all vice presidents at WNC.

Chairman Page asked for information on any improvements being made to distance education. President Burton said two distance education classrooms have been remodeled with a third classroom remodel scheduled for this summer and WNC has implemented a memorandum of understanding to obtain and share distance education resources and support from TMCC.

Regent Geddes asked about the partnerships with GBC and Churchill and Lyon counties and servicing the industries within those counties. President Burton said many current partnerships relate to mining. Mineral and Pershing counties have been interested in participating in the Jump Start College Program and WNC and GBC may decide to pursue a memorandum of understanding to address those needs. It is not unusual to see students from Hawthorne and Lovelock attending classes in Fallon because of its proximity.

Regent Geddes asked if WNC has explored a partnership with the Hawthorne Army Depot similar to the one recently executed with the Fallon Naval Air Station and if memorandums of understanding would have to be executed with each of the three branches of the military independently. President Curtis said the only demand would probably come from the Fallon Naval Air Station as the Hawthorne facility has experienced severe reductions.

Regent Geddes requested, in the future, the capital improvement plans be included in the information provided under this agenda item.

Regent Melcher noted WNC shares a staff person with TMCC and also with GBC. President Curtis said the Director of Institutional Research is also shared between the two institutions through an active MOU and both shared positions have been working out very well.

Regent Melcher asked for clarification about the athletics foundation, and stated he understood the athletics foundation has nothing to do with the college as it is a

24. Information Only - Western Nevada College, Performance Metrics (Agenda Item #21) – continued

community entity. President Burton said the athletics foundation is an independent organization outside of the college.

Chancellor Klaich said the athletics foundation members sent President Burton congratulations on his permanent appointment and the community is rallying behind its president.

Regents Melcher and Anderson complimented President Burton on the work being done at WNC. Regent Anderson said President Burton has accomplished so much with so much less and under very trying circumstances.

25. Approved-Director of Athletics Employment Agreement, CSN (Agenda Item #22) – The Board approved CSN's Director of Athletics Employment Agreement for Mr. Larry Dexter Irvin (see Reference BOR-22 on file in the Board office).

President Richards said Mr. Irvin has done an excellent job as the athletic director over the last 18 months. Mr. Irvin's current contract expires on June 30, 2015. The proposed contract is for three years.

Regent Wixom asked Vice Chancellor Nielsen if the contract being considered is the standard Athletic Director contract. Vice Chancellor Nielsen said it is with a few minor variations. The differences are not major, but are justified because they are unique to the CSN program. Athletic directors at universities have other opportunities for compensation. Mr. Irvin will have the option for outside compensation but it will have to be approved by the president and he also has the opportunity to appear in commercial endorsements. The liquidated damage provision does not appear in this contract. The agreement to not solicit recruits for one year after termination is included in this contract, but not in university contracts; the Board may want to consider adding this provision to all athletic director contracts in the future.

Regent Wixom asked President Richards about Mr. Irvin's role in non-intercollegiate activities. President Richards stated Mr. Irvin will also oversee the sports center and the evolving wellness program at the CSN campus.

Regent Wixom moved approval of CSN's Director of Athletics Employment Agreement for Mr. Larry Dexter Irvin as presented. Regent Geddes seconded. Motion carried. Regent Crear was absent.

Mr. Irvin thanked the Board and stated CSN is looking forward to growing athletics from an intercollegiate, recreational and intermural perspective to enhance the student experience. The majority of CSN's student athletes come from Nevada with CSN's benchmark goal targeted at 80 percent. Mr. Irvin said he wants students to excel academically and athletically.

26. Information Only- Programs for New and Expanding Industry, TMCC (Agenda Item #23) – President Sheehan introduced Mr. Jim New, Dean of Technical Sciences, TMCC. Mr. New presented information on TMCC programs designed to meet the needs of new and emerging industry in Northern Nevada (*see Reference BOR-23 on file in the Board office*).

Regent Stephens left the meeting.

Vice Chairman Trachok asked what is being done to offset the loss of grant dollars. Mr. New said TMCC is pursuing more grants and new grant opportunities. Ultimately programs may have to be cut; however, TMCC is already operating with approximately 66 percent of the state support it had from eight years ago and many programs and difficult reductions have already been made. Vice Chairman Trachok asked to be informed about the results of recent grant applications. Mr. New said he should hear from the U.S. Department of Labor in a few weeks about the outcomes of the American Apprenticeship Grant proposal.

Chancellor Klaich said Mr. Frank R. Woodbeck, Executive Director Nevada College Collaborative, works heavily with the colleges and other public and private individuals and groups, including the Governor, to increase collaboration, build relationships and streamline processes to discover, obtain and develop grant opportunities.

Chairman Page asked if TMCC has worked with the unions to explore possible opportunities. Mr. New said TMCC has partnered with the building trades unions in Northern Nevada on several initiatives, including the recent U.S. Department of Labor YouthBuild Grant. If the American Apprenticeship Grant proposal is successful TMCC will rely heavily on the established collaboration and partnerships with the unions in the manufacturing sector.

Chairman Page acknowledged and thanked TMCC for hosting the meeting and thanked staff for their support. He recognized Mr. White for his exemplary work as Provost at UNLV.

The meeting recessed at 10:44 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m. with all members present except Regents Crear and Stephens.

27. Action Taken-Legislative Report (Agenda Item #24) and 2015-17 NSHE Biennial Budget Update (Agenda Item #25) –The Board approved changes to 1) Title 4, Chapter 15, Section 3 of the *Handbook*; 2) Title 4, Chapter 18, Section 9 of the *Handbook*; 3) Title 4, Chapter 18, Sections 9.5 and 9.10 of the *Handbook* and; 4) Title 4, Chapter 18 of the *Handbook* in response to legislation approved by the 2015 Nevada Legislature.

Chancellor Klaich provided a general overview to the Board regarding the outcomes of the legislative session including the 2015-17 NSHE Biennial Budget Request submitted to the Governor, the Executive Budget, final developments from the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature and the corresponding impact on budgets. He stated the success of the session started with the clearly focused and prioritized budget approved by the Board of Regents. He thanked the Board for giving NSHE staff a good blueprint to focus on and work from, and Dr. Constance Brooks, Vice Chancellor, Government and

27. Action taken-Legislative Report (Agenda Item #24) and 2015-17 NSHE Biennial Budget Update (Agenda Item #25) –continued

Community Affairs and Mr. Omar Saucedo, External Affairs Coordinator, for their hard work during the session. The NSHE did not receive an appropriation for the additional investment in weighted student credit hours or merit pay for faculty. The items receiving funding were very much up in the air until the end of the session. Chancellor Klaich listed the funded items.

Vice Chancellor Brooks provided a summary of the legislative session and information on the approved bills affecting the NSHE. The Board was provided an update on legislative measures considered by the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature impacting the Nevada System of Higher Education. A list of the specific legislative measures under consideration by the Legislature at the time this agenda was posted is included as Appendix A (*see pages 23-43, Appendix A and Reference BOR-24a on file in the Board office*).

Mr. Saucedo reviewed the legislative information available on the NSHE website. He noted the information is being updated daily.

Chairman Page and Regents Geddes and Leavitt thanked the Chancellor and staff for their research, education and accessibility on various pieces of legislation.

Vice Chancellor Abba reviewed four bills. Assembly Bill 76 (Chapter 13, *Statutes of Nevada 2015*) specifies tuition shall not be charged to a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who was honorably discharged within the five years immediately preceding the date of matriculation of the veteran at any NSHE institution (*see Reference BOR-24a on file in the Board office*). This requires a change to amend Title 4, Chapter 15, Section 3 of the *Handbook* to specify that tuition shall not be charged to a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States who was honorably discharged within the five years immediately preceding the date of matriculation of the veteran at any NSHE institution

Regent Geddes moved approval of the amendment to Title 4, Chapter 15, Section 3 as presented.
Regent Lieberman seconded. Motion carried.
Regents Crear and Stephens were absent.

Vice Chancellor Abba said Assembly Bill 150 (Chapter 207, *Statutes of Nevada 2015*) extends eligibility for the Millennium Scholarship to students who do not meet the minimum grade point average requirement, but who receive a certain score on a college entrance examination administered to the student while the student was enrolled as a pupil in a public or private high school in this State. This bill requires the Board of Regents to establish such score requirements. The proposed amendment to Title 4, Chapter 18, Section 9 of the *Handbook* is included in the reference materials and required for Board policy to remain consistent with State law (*see Reference BOR-24b on file in the Board office*).

27. Action taken-Legislative Report (Agenda Item #24) and 2015-17 NSHE Biennial Budget Update (Agenda Item #25) –continued

Regent Geddes moved approval of the amendment to Title 4, Chapter 18 as presented. Regent Lieberman seconded. Motion carried. Regents Crear and Stephens were absent.

Vice Chancellor Abba explained Senate Bill 128 (Chapter 373, *Statutes of Nevada 2015*) increases from six to nine the minimum number of credit hours in which a community college student must be enrolled in order to be eligible for the Millennium Scholarship. This bill also increases the amount a student may receive from a Millennium Scholarship for a semester from not more than the cost of twelve semester credits to fifteen semester credits. Senate Bill 128 is based on the recommendation of the Nevada System of Higher Education in support of the Board of Regents' completion agenda and its "15 to Finish" campaign that encourages students to enroll full-time and graduate on time. The proposed amendments to Title 4, Chapter 18, Section 9.5 and 9.10 of the *Handbook* are included in the reference materials and required for Board policy to remain consistent with State law (*see Handout BOR 24(2) on file in the Board office*).

Regent Lieberman moved approval of the amendments as presented. Regent Leavitt seconded. Motion carried. Regents Crear and Stephens were absent.

Vice Chancellor Abba said the 2015 Legislature passed Senate Bill 227 (Chapter 387, *Statutes of Nevada 2015*) to create the Silver State Opportunity Grant Program (SSOG Program), a state-supported financial aid program, for the purpose of awarding need-based grants to eligible low-income students who are college-ready in order to pay for a portion of the cost of education at a community college or state college within the NSHE. The proposed amendment to Title 4, Chapter 18 of the *Handbook* is required for institutions to administer the Silver State Opportunity Grant Program (*see Handout BOR 24(3) on file in the Board office*).

Regent Anderson moved approval of the amendment as presented. Regent Wixom seconded.

Regents Anderson and Melcher noted the importance of this program and thanked staff for their work. Regent Melcher asked how eligibility and awards are determined. Vice Chancellor Abba said the procedures and guidelines provide for a first come, first serve distribution based on the completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. There is a limited amount of dollars available to distribute under this program.

Motion carried. Regents Crear and Stephens were absent.

The Board recessed at 11:53 a.m. and reconvened at 12:15 p.m. with all members present except Regent Stephens.

28. For Information Only-Handbook Revision, Effect of Termination on Compensation of Presidents (Agenda Item #27)- Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs Brooke Nielsen presented for information only, proposed amendments to *Board of Regents Bylaws*, Title 1, Article VII, Section 3.e.14.e – Discipline of Presidents. Ms. Nielsen referenced the stricken language in the reference materials (*see Reference BOR-27 on file in the Board office*) and explained the proposed amendments will conform the Bylaw to the current presidential contract provisions which provide that upon termination for cause a president receives no further salary, perquisites or salary supplements as president. Ms. Nielsen further explained the salary of a president holding tenure would be established in accordance with the *Board of Regents' Handbook*, Title 4, Chapter 3, Sections 1-3.

Vice Chairman Trachok asked about tenure when a president is removed from office for moral turpitude. Vice Chancellor Nielsen explained an investigation is conducted, the institution receives the information and then determines if discipline is appropriate; if appropriate it would lead to a hearing process, potential removal and an appeal process.

Regent Melcher asked if, in this hypothetical discussion, paid leave is an option. Ms. Nielsen said yes it would be.

Vice Chancellor Nielsen concluded by explaining the proposed amendments were presented for information only at this meeting and will be presented for action at the next regular meeting of the Board (*see Reference BOR-27 on file in the Board office*).

29. Approved-Presidential Contract, WNC (Agenda Item #26)– the Board approved a new contract (*see Handout 26 on file in the board office*) for WNC President Burton, including a determination of the employment terms and conditions.

Chancellor Klaich recapped the action taken the previous day by the Board to approve the appointment of President Burton as permanent president of WNC. The Chancellor explained he had discussed the proposed contract terms with President Burton as provided to the Board (*see Board handout 26 on file in the Board office*).

Regent Leavitt moved approval of a new contract for WNC President Burton, including a determination of the employment terms and conditions as presented. Regent Lieberman seconded. Motion carried. Regent Stephens was absent

30. Approved- Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee (Agenda item #28)- The Board accepted the report and approved the Committee recommendations. Committee Vice Chair Sam Lieberman reported the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee met on June 11, 2015, and heard the following:

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- DRI President Stephen Wells provided a brief update on efforts between UNLV, UNR and DRI to foster greater cooperative partnerships in research and graduate education, to contribute collectively to the goal of attaining Carnegie Research University/Very High at UNR and UNLV, and to codify DRI's role as a contributing institution in the Nevada System of Higher Education. Meetings between the institutions are continuing and a full report will be provided at a future Board meeting.

Action Items

Board action was requested to approve the following recommendations for approval of the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee:

- The minutes of the March 5, 2015, meeting of the Workforce, Research and Economic Development Committee, and the minutes of the March 5, 2015, meeting of the Academic and Student Affairs Committee (*see References ARSA-2a1 and ARSA-2a2 on file in the Board office*).
- The elimination of the Caesars Hospitality Research Center at UNLV as the annual gifts from Caesars ended without renewal. Endowment income will be redirected and professional development courses will be offered by another center at UNLV (*see Reference ARSA-2b on file in the Board office*).
- The elimination of the Engineering Geophysics Laboratory, as its activities and resources have been absorbed by the Applied Geophysics Center (*see Reference ARSA-2c on file in the Board office*).
- The elimination of the Associate of Applied Nursing at TMCC as this degree will now be offered as an Associate of Science in Nursing beginning Fall 2015 (*see Reference ARSA-2d on file in the Board office*).
- The elimination of the Division of WebCollege at TMCC, as its one academic unit will be integrated back into the Division of Liberal Arts (*see Reference ARSA-2e on file in the Board office*).
- A revision to NSC's Academic Master Plan to include among its planned programs a Bachelor of Applied Science in Visual Media and a Bachelor of Applied Science in Engineering Technology (*see Reference ARSA-2f on file in the Board office*).
- A revision to TMCC's Academic Master Plan to include among its planned programs an Associate of Applied Science in Prehospital Emergency Medicine and an Associate of Applied Science in Culinary Arts Entrepreneurs (*see Reference ARSA-2g on file in the Board office*).

30. Approved-Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee (Agenda Item #28)–continued

- A new Bachelor of Applied Science in Visual Media at NSC to prepare students to work as media specialists in the film industry or independently creating visual marketing materials for companies and other organizations (*see Reference ARSA-3 on file in the Board office*).
- A new Bachelor of Applied Science in Engineering Technology at NSC to meet the demand for engineering technologists in Nevada (*see Reference ARSA-4 on file in the Board office*).
- A new Associate of Applied Science in Prehospital Emergency Medicine at TMCC to offer opportunities beyond paramedic education and training (*see Reference ARSA-5 on file in the Board office*).
- A new Associate of Applied Science in Culinary Arts Entrepreneurs at TMCC to provide graduates with the necessary business skills to open their own business and/or work in a management capacity at a food-related small business (*see Reference ARSA-6 on file in the Board office*).
- A new Bachelor of Applied Science in Emergency Management and Homeland Security at TMCC to provide students with the management principles of planning, mitigating, response and recovery from natural and manmade disasters in emergency management roles (*see Reference ARSA-7 on file in the Board office*).
- A new Bachelor of Applied Science in Logistics Operations Management at TMCC to provide students with necessary technical expertise and knowledge to meet workforce needs (*see Reference ARSA-8 on file in the Board office*).
- A new Associate of Applied Science in Emergency Medical Services – Paramedic – at GBC to prepare students already certified as Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) and Advanced EMTs to continue their education to the most advanced level of prehospital care (*see Reference ARSA-9 on file in the Board office*).
- A revision to Board policy concerning placement into college-level mathematics and English courses based on benchmark scores on college readiness assessments and requiring institutions to develop an assessment and placement policy that ensures students who do not meet the benchmarks have an opportunity to enroll in and complete a gateway college course in mathematics and English within one academic year (*Title 4, Chapter 16, Section 1*) (*see References ARSA-10a and ARSA-10b on file in the Board office*).
- Approval of the updated Nevada Science and Technology Plan, a blueprint for both the state and public higher education in setting priorities in science and technology (*see Reference ARSA-11 on file in the Board office*).

Committee Vice Chair Lieberman moved acceptance of the Committee report and approval of the recommendations. Regent Geddes seconded. Motion carried. Regent Stephens was absent.

Regent Geddes noted the Committee approved the first two bachelor degrees for TMCC. There was public comment regarding programs at NSC from Las Vegas by Ms. Jennifer Smith and a copy of that comment will be added to the Committee record.

31. Approved-Business and Finance Committee (Agenda Item #29)- The Board accepted the report and approved the Committee recommendations. Committee Vice Chair Kevin Melcher reported the Business and Finance Committee met on June 11, 2015, and heard the following:

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The Committee met on June 11, 2015, and heard the following reports:

- Fiscal Exceptions of NSHE Self-Supporting Budgets experiencing negative cash balances and the status of state appropriations for the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2014-15 (*see References BF-3a and Ref. BF-3b on file in the Board office*).
- New Markets Tax Credit Program (*see Reference BF-5 on file in the Board office*).

Action Items:

Board action was requested to approve the following recommendations for approval of the Business and Finance Committee.

- The Committee recommended approval for the Nevada System of Higher Education to expend additional student registration fee revenues for the purpose of funding additional adjunct faculty and to seek Interim Finance Committee authorization to expend any additional student fee revenues not utilized for adjunct faculty costs, within the State Operating Budgets for Fiscal Year 2014-2015.
- The Committee recommended approval of the following Consent Agenda items:
 - Request was made for approval of the minutes from the March 5, 2015, Business & Finance Committee meeting (*see Reference BF-2a on file in the Board office*).
 - Acceptance of the Third Quarter Fiscal Year 2014-2015 NSHE All Funds Report (*see References BF-2b(1) and BF-2b(2) on file in the Board office*).
 - Acceptance of the Third Quarter Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Budget Transfers – State Supported or Self-Supporting Operating Budgets (*see References BF-2c(1) and BF-2c(2) on file in the Board office*).
 - Acceptance of the Campus Crime Statistics report for calendar year 2014 (*see Reference BF-2d(1) and BF-2d(2) on file in the Board office*).

Committee Vice Chair Melcher moved acceptance of the Committee report and approval of the recommendations. Regent Trachok seconded. Motion carried. Regent Stephens was absent.

32. Approved-Audit Committee (Agenda Item #30)- The Board accepted the report and approved the Committee recommendations. Committee Chair Andrea Anderson reported the Audit Committee met on June 11, 2015, and heard the following:

Information Items

The Committee met on June 11, 2015, and heard the following reports:

- The Committee reviewed a status update of the UNLV Information Technology Master Plan and requested an update on a timeline for implementing the plan at the next meeting (*see Reference A-10 on file in the Board office*).
- The Committee discussed institutional shared governance procedures and a process for expediting such procedures to address audit matters and findings in a timely manner. The Committee requested a draft policy that addresses this matter to be developed and brought to the next meeting (*see Reference A-11 on file in the Board office*).

Action Items

Board action was requested to approve the following recommendations for approval of the Audit Committee.

- The minutes of the March 5, 2015, meeting of the Audit Committee (*see Reference A-2a on file in the Board office*).
- The following Internal Audit Follow-Up Reports:
 - PeopleSoft Security, UNR (*see Reference A-2b on file in the Board office*).
 - Host, UNLV (*see Reference A-2c on file in the Board office*).
 - Presidential Exit, UNLV (*see Reference A-2d on file in the Board office*).
 - Intercollegiate Athletics, WNC (*see Reference A-2e on file in the Board office*).
 - Mark H. Dawson Child and Family Center, GBC (*see Reference A-2f on file in the Board office*).
- Engagement Letters, Grant Thornton (external auditors) for the year ending June 30, 2015:
 - Nevada System of Higher Education (*see Reference A-2g(1) on file in the Board office*).
 - University of Nevada School of Medicine Practice Plans (*see Reference A-2g(2) on file in the Board office*).
 - UNR and UNLV NCAA agreed-upon procedures (*see Reference A-2g(3) on file in the Board office*).
- The following Internal Audit Reports:
 - Host, UNR (*see Reference A-3 on file in the Board office*).
 - Intercollegiate Athletics, UNR (*see Reference A-4 on file in the Board office*).
 - Network Security, NSHE System Computing Services (*see Reference A-5 on file in the Board office*).
 - Bookstore Contract, NSC (*see Reference A-6 on file in the Board office*).
 - Disability Resource Center, CSN (*see Reference A-7 on file in the Board office*).
 - Libraries, WNC (*see Reference A-8 on file in the Board office*).
 - Host, GBC (*see Reference A-9 on file in the Board office*).

32. Approved-Audit Committee (Agenda Item #30)–continued

Committee Chair Andrea Anderson moved acceptance of the report and approval of the Committee recommendations. Regent Trachok seconded. Motion carried. Regent Stephens was absent.

33. Approved-Investment and Facilities Committee (Agenda Item #31)- The Board accepted the report and approved the Committee recommendations. Committee Chair Kevin Melcher reported the Investment and Facilities Committee met on June 11, 2015, and heard the following:

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- Purchase and Sale Agreement for 42 Acre Parcel near Tropicana Avenue and Koval Lane (UNLV) – (Item #6). UNLV President Len Jessup provided an update on activities associated with the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Foundation's purchase and sale agreement for the 42 acre parcel near Tropicana Avenue and Koval Lane (*see Reference IF-6 on file in the Board office*).
- Student Housing (WNC) – (Item #7). WNC President Chester Burton presented information to the Committee on WNC's intent to use a Request for Qualification (RFQ) to determine whether there are commercial companies interested in entering into a public-private partnership with WNC to build a residence hall on the Carson City campus (*see Reference IF-7 on file in the Board office*).
- Lease Agreement for Environmental Protection Agency Facilities at UNLV Maryland Campus (UNLV) – (Item #8). UNLV President Len Jessup provided an update to the Committee on a potential new lease agreement for the Environmental Protection Agency facilities on the UNLV Maryland Campus (*see Reference IF-8 on file in the Board office*).

Action Items

Board action was requested to approve the following recommendations for approval of the Investment and Facilities Committee.

- Consent Items (Item #2):
 - The Committee recommended approval of the minutes from the March 5, 2015, Investment and Facilities Committee meeting (Item #2a) (*see Reference IF-2a on file in the Board office*).
 - Exchange and Banking of Water Rights with Truckee Meadows Water Authority – UNR (Item #2b). The Committee recommended approval of a Water Resource Exchange Agreement, Water Resource Banking Agreement and corresponding deeds which would allow NSHE to bank 200 acre feet of permitted water rights to address current and future capital projects by transferring ownership of 200 acre feet of NSHE Pioneer Ditch non-permitted water rights to the Truckee Meadows Water Authority (*see Reference IF-2b on file in the Board office*).

33. Approved-Investment and Facilities Committee (Agenda Item #31)–continued

- University Gateway Project Lease – UNLV (*Item #2c*). The Committee recommended approval of a correction and amendment to the lease which was one of the Implementing Agreements for the University Gateway Project to extend the date by which the landlord must deliver possession of a completed Parking Structure and Police Services Space from May 30, 2016, to December 31, 2016 (*see Reference IF-2c on file in the Board office*).
- Slot Tax Bond Proceeds Allocation and Expenditure – UNR & UNLV (*Item #2d*). The Committee recommended acceptance of the report for final construction proceeds received from the sale of slot tax bonds and the final project allocation (*see Reference IF-2d on file in the Board office*).
- Staff from Cambridge Associates presented a report on asset allocation and investment returns for the pooled Endowment and pooled Operating Funds for the quarter ended March 31, 2015. Jamie Hullman, Director of Finance reported on the activities and the current balance of the Reserve Account of the Operating Pool Fund which was a positive \$40.56 million as of close of business on Wednesday, June 10, 2015. (*Item #3*).

The following items were recommended for approval by the Committee in conjunction with this item:

1. Cambridge Associates (CA) reviewed the System's investments with PIMCO following the departure of founder & CIO Bill Gross in September 2014. As a result of the analysis of the PIMCO products and review of alternative managers, David Breiner of Cambridge and Associates recommended and the Committee approved the complete redemption of the PIMCO Low Duration Fund (approximately \$103.73 million) held in the NSHE Operating Fund with the proceeds to be invested in a new investment in the WellsCap Montgomery U.S. Short Duration Strategy Fund.
2. Rebalancing and distribution recommendations as follows:
 - a. Endowment:
 - i. \$2.2 million quarterly distribution from the portfolio to campuses for the quarter ending June 30, 2015.
 - ii. \$1.7 million one-time distribution to TMCC for construction of the Health Science Center.
 - iii. Funds for the above sourced as follows:
 1. \$2.8 million partial redemption from Vanguard Institutional Index.
 2. \$1.0 million partial redemption from Templeton Global Bond Fund.
 3. \$0.1 million from current cash.
 - b. Operating Fund: No changes.
- Alternate Endowment Management Models (*Item #4*). The Committee directed staff to evaluate and hire, as appropriate, a consultant to assist in navigating the process for conducting a request for proposal for an outsourced chief investment officer (OCIO).

33. Approved-Investment and Facilities Committee (Agenda Item #31)–continued

- Midtown Corridor Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions – UNLV (*Item #5*). The Committee recommended approval to record the Midtown Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions (*CC&R's*) and, after consultation with the Chancellor or his designee, any future amendments to the Midtown CC&R's against all property within the Midtown Corridor that is currently owned by the Board or acquired by the Board in the future and to make any minor revisions to the Midtown CC&R's necessary to effectively record them against property currently owned or acquired in the future (*see Reference IF-5 on file in the Board office*).

Regent Wixom disclosed one of the action items is related to the transfer of certain funds from PIMCO to Wells Capital Management and because he performs work for Wells Fargo which is affiliated with Wells Capital Management he would be abstaining from the Committee report and any recommendation of the committee and would not be voting on this item.

Chairman Page disclosed he works for Wells Capital Management and would be abstaining as well.

Committee Chair Melcher moved acceptance of the report and approval of the Committee recommendations. Regent Geddes seconded. Motion carried. Regents Page and Wixom abstained. Regent Stephens was absent.

34. Approved-Cultural Diversity Committee (Agenda Item #32)- The Board accepted the report and approved the Committee recommendations. Committee Vice Chair Trevor Hayes reported the Cultural Diversity Committee met on June 12, 2015, and heard the following:

Information Items

- Vice Chair Hayes, who chaired today's meeting, provided general remarks and updated Committee members regarding cultural diversity planning efforts and initiatives including, but not limited to, the new structure of EDIC, the progress of the NSHE Strategic Diversity Master Plan, and the release of the 2013 – 2014 NSHE Diversity Indicators.
- Linda Heiss, Senior Director of Institutional Research, and Jose Martinez, Institutional Research Analyst, presented the 2013 -2014 NSHE Diversity Indicators and Institutional Summaries of Diversity Efforts. NSHE diversity data will be available online. The indicators include data on the ethnic/racial distribution of students, faculty and staff, as well as performance indicators including awards conferred and graduation rates. (*See Reference CD-5 on file in the Board office*).
- Dr. Rainier Spencer, Associate Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and Chief Diversity Officer, UNLV, reported on the findings of nationally renowned diversity expert Dr. Damon Williams who was contracted to work with UNLV over the past year. Dr. Williams recently delivered a customized set of final recommendations to UNLV to guide it on a multi-year diversity planning process. The recommendations included, but were not limited to, developing a diversity plan, identifying

34. Approved-Cultural Diversity Committee (Agenda Item #32)-continued

- recommendations for implementation, and forming a steering committee. The timeline for implementation will begin this summer. (See Reference CD-6 on file in the Board office).
- Dr. Edith Fernandez, Associate Vice President of Community Engagement and Diversity Initiatives, NSC, and Dr. Barbara Sanders, Dean of Equity and Inclusion, TMCC, co-chairs of the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Council (EDIC), reported on the recent work of the Council. The report included an update on the progress of the System-wide Strategic Diversity Master Plan and the formation of a subcommittee, the appointment of Dr. Reginald Stewart as the new northern Nevada co-chair, and an overview of the planning efforts for the 2015 Southern Nevada Diversity Summit. (See Reference CD-7 on file in the Board office).
 - EDIC co-chairs Dr. Edith Fernandez and Dr. Barbara Sanders reported on recent discussions of the Council relating to the Cultural Diversity Committee charge and presented a recommendation concerning the language contained within the charge. The Committee recommended bringing back the language to propose an amendment to the charge which may be presented for a first reading at the next meeting of the Committee. (See Reference CD-8 on file in the Board office).
 - Chair Cedric Crear, Dr. Maria C. Sheehan, President, TMCC, and Vice Chancellor Dr. Constance Brooks, NSHE, led an acknowledgement of Dr. Barbara Sanders who is retiring from TMCC. The tribute acknowledged her years of service to higher education and her contributions to diversity, equity and inclusion across the state.

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Board action was requested to approve the following recommendations for approval of the Cultural Diversity Committee.

- The minutes of the March 6, 2015, meeting of the Cultural Diversity Committee (see Reference CD-2 on file in the Board office).

Committee Vice Chair Hayes moved acceptance of the report and approval of the Committee recommendations. Regent Trachok seconded. Motion carried. Regent Stephens was absent.

35. Approved - Health Sciences Committee (Agenda Item #33)- The Board accepted the Committee report and approved the recommendations. Committee Vice Chair Mark Doubrava reported the Health Sciences Committee met on June 12, 2015, and heard the following:

Information Items

The Committee heard the following reports:

- Chair Leavitt gave his report. He thanked the many supporters that worked hard to impact the outcome of the legislative session on NSHE's behalf, and it was successful. Discussed the benefits of having a world class medical school in Las Vegas. Noted that NSHE requested substantial funding this biennium, and the 2017 funding request needs to be just as substantial.

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35. Approved - Health Sciences Committee (Agenda Item #33)-continued

- Vice Chancellor Turner shared information on a student scholarship program. She indicated that in addition to ongoing medical education discussions, staff will try to bring updates on other health sciences programs to future meetings.
- Dr. Barbara Atkinson, Planning Dean of the UNLV School of Medicine, provided the Board with an update on the planning for the UNLV School of Medicine, including:
 - A celebration yesterday with the Governor for the official signing of the legislation providing full funding as requested for the start of the medical school.
 - An overview of the status and the goals of the medical school.
 - An update on facilities planning.
 - An update on scholarship fundraising.
 - A plan to engage a consulting group of former deans from prestigious universities to work with them on the practice plan and the research plan.
 - An update on the fundraising to date, including an announcement of \$14.5 million in pledges so far.
 - An update on accreditation planning and next steps. (*See Reference HSS-5 on file in the Board office*).
- Dean Schwenk from the University of Nevada School of Medicine (UNSOM) provided an overview of UNSOM activities and initiatives, including:
 - An update on the cardiology fellowship, pulmonary critical care residency program, and the status of other residency programs.
 - An update on their tracking of the Governor's \$10 million in GME funding.
 - An overview of the Renown Health partnership which is developing well toward the goal of an academic medical center, and other new ventures, initiatives and funding opportunities that continue to develop.
 - An update on the partnership with a private national pathology firm for the clinical pathology platform, which has improved the Department of Pathology, and led to financial opportunities.
 - An update on the Henderson practice which is going extremely well, and continues to grow.
 - An update on the continued development of electronic medical records implementation.
 - A request was made to coordinate a discussion of the status of the practice plan with the Business and Finance Committee at the next meeting. (*See Reference HSS-6 on file in the Board office*).
- UNSOM Internal Medicine Residency Programs: Discussed the need for a plan to improve the quality and competitiveness of residency programs and the need for GME funds coming from the state. Regent Doubrava requested that the September Regents' meeting include a plan to increase the number of residency slots filled by Nevadans and students from Liaison Committee on Medical Education accredited schools. Chair Leavitt and Regent Doubrava agreed that the residency program match

35. Approved - Health Sciences Committee (Agenda Item #33)-continued

- results should be on the September Regents' meeting agenda.
- Dr. Trudy Larson from UNSOM presented on the Nevada State Newborn Screening Program which is coordinated by UNSOM. Babies are screened for various conditions and genetic defects, including some that are fatal. Very collaborative process; they continue to enhance the quality of the program, and seek more funding. There are no tax dollars to fund this screening; all services are fee based. They are considering a more self-sustaining business plan. Chair Leavitt and Regent Wixom agreed that this business plan should be on the agenda for the September or December Regents' meeting. *(See Reference HSS-8 on file in the Board office).*
 - The UNSOM Office of Statewide Initiatives Health Workforce in Nevada report will be covered in the September Regents' meeting. *(See Reference HSS-9 on file in the Board office).*

Action Items

Board action was requested to approve the following recommendations for approval of the Health Sciences System Committee.

- The Committee recommended approval of the minutes from the March 6, 2015, Health Sciences System Committee meeting *(see Reference HSS-2 on file in the Board office).*

Committee Vice Chair Doubrava moved acceptance of the report and approval of the Committee recommendations. Regent Lieberman seconded. Motion carried. Regent Stephens was absent.

36. Approved - The Financing Plan and a Resolution to Authorize Promissory for UNLV Hotel College Academic Building, UNLV (Agenda Item #34) – The Board approved the project financing plan and a resolution to authorize the issuance of a promissory note in an amount not to exceed \$20.9 million to fund the Hotel College academic building, to be repaid from donor contributions and backstopped by Capital Improvement Fee revenues *(see Reference BOR-34 on file in the Board office).*

Mr. Jerry Bomotti, Senior Vice President for Finance and Business, UNLV, provided information on the financing plan. He explained the project will be financed with a combination of state funds and institutional matching funds with the institutional funds to be provided primarily by donor funds. He provided a summary of university matching funds including donor commitments to date *(see Handout BOR-34 on file in the Board office).* The total project cost is estimated at \$59 million, with approximately \$29 million in state capital funding (which includes approximately \$1.4 million for furniture, fixtures and equipment expected in the 2017 legislative session) and \$30 million in university matching funds.

Regent Geddes asked if the \$2 million listed under UNLV non state cash is Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) dollars. Mr. Bomotti said the funding came from a specific allocation the Board distributed 18 months ago from interest income. Regent Geddes

36. Approved - The financing plan and a resolution to authorize promissory for UNLV Hotel College academic building, UNLV (Agenda Item #34) – continued

asked what the plan is for all of the student CIP dollars and also asked if the \$21 million in Board contributions may negatively affect donor contributions. Mr. Bomotti said this is really a bridge loan and he is also confident the donor funding will provide the ability to repay the bridge loan. Regent Geddes asked for a rough estimate of total CIP dollars from student fees on an annual basis. Mr. Bomotti estimated it is approximately \$7.8 million.

Regent Wixom asked about the plans for the Stan Fulton Building. Mr. Bomotti said the building will continue to operate in support of the William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration and increasingly the International Gaming Institute activities.

Regent Wixom thanked the donors for allowing their names to become public. He asked if any of the CIP funds are being double pledged in any way. Mr. Bomotti said no.

Regent Wixom requested periodic financing status reports be brought to the Board over the next several months.

Mr. John Peterson, Vice President, JNA Consulting Group, explained the time frame for releasing an RFP is roughly eight weeks. Regent Wixom said he prefers an accelerated process if the Board approves this item due to interest rate and contractor pricing pressures.

Vice Chairman Trachok said UNLV has about \$4 million a year that has not been pledged from student fees. Mr. Bomotti said in a worst case scenario this would cover the loan.

President Jessup provided information on the timing of the donations. UNLV received a few significant donations early on, followed by a lull, and then fund raising picked up in January 2015 and thereafter. The Governor included funding for this project in his budget in January. Dr. Stowe Shoemaker, Dean of the William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration, said the very first donation was made in 2007 by Caesars Entertainment Corporation. These funds have been sitting in a separate foundation account.

Chairman Page and Vice Chairman Trachok went over the financing plan and raised concerns with the fundraising goals. Chairman Page said he wants to see information on the actual cash in the bank when future reports come back to the Board on this item.

Regent Leavitt said this project benefits the gaming industry, and because of this, should be well supported by that industry.

Regent Lieberman said he is confident the alumni will support this effort.

Regent Crear said he is confident the funding will be raised.

36. Approved - The financing plan and a resolution to authorize promissory for UNLV Hotel College academic building, UNLV (Agenda Item #34) – continued

Regent Wixom moved approval of the project financing plan and resolution. Regent Leavitt seconded. Motion carried. Regent Hayes was absent.

Chancellor Klaich asked what the delay is with the State Public Works Board. Mr. Bomotti said he is unsure what has caused the delay.

37. Approved - Periodic Presidential Evaluation Process (Agenda Item #35) – The Board adopted a new periodic presidential evaluation process and set of evaluation metrics as presented (see Reference BOR-35 on file in the Board office) and revisions to the existing requirements under Procedures and Guidelines Manual Chapter 2, Section 2, subsections 2 and 3, governing the periodic presidential evaluation process.

Mr. R. Scott Young, Acting Chief of Staff, provided information on the structure of the periodic presidential evaluation process and the standards employed during that process. Mr. Young explained the Board adopted an alternative evaluation process for the recent evaluation of President Johnson which involved a process where the Chancellor appoints a committee which reports to the Chancellor, who in turn makes a recommendation to the Board regarding the presidential evaluation. Mr. Young explained the existing requirements provide for a periodic presidential evaluation process conducted by a Regents' Evaluation Committee appointed by the Board Chair in consultation with the Chancellor and assisted by an evaluation consultant.

Regent Anderson asked if the four members the Chancellor appoints to the committee would not include a Regent. Mr. Young said that is correct.

Chancellor Klaich explained the reporting of metrics included in the process will show trends and potentially alert the Board to possible issues needing further consideration. The qualitative information gathered during the process will provide a look at the big issues.

Vice Chairman Trachok said as the institutions bring forward their quarterly reports, the Board should focus on academic completion, enrollment and funding.

Regent Stephens returned to the meeting.

Regent Melcher said the Board will be evaluating the Chancellor's resulting recommendation developed from the evaluation process.

Regent Geddes moved approval of the revisions.
Regent Lieberman seconded.

Regent Geddes said he liked the idea of four people reviewing the evaluation rather than just one. This provides the opportunity to obtain differing perspectives.

37. Approved - Periodic Presidential Evaluation Process (Agenda Item #35) – continued

Regent Crear asked if the president would come before the Board at any point in the proposed evaluation process. Mr. Young explained the proposed process includes the president participating in an open personnel session at a regularly scheduled Board meeting to review the findings of the periodic evaluation.

Motion carried. Regent Hayes was absent.

38. Action Taken - Handbook Revision, Regent Emeritus/Emerita (Agenda Item #36) – The Board took action to not approve the policy as presented (proposed changes to Title 4, Chapter 1, new Section 14, to provide a process for the award of Emeritus/Emerita status to former Regents meeting specified criteria) (see Reference BOR-36 on file in the Board office).

Mr. Wasserman provided information on the proposed requirements and privileges for the proposed Regent Emeritus/Emerita status.

Regents Melcher, Geddes and Davidson voiced their opposition to the awarding of Regent Emeritus/Emerita status. Regent Melcher said he would possibly consider awarding the title without privileges. Regent Geddes said elected officials should not be provided Emeritus/Emerita status.

Regents Lieberman and Stephens said this should be awarded on a case by case basis only and only at the direction of the Board.

Regent Stephens said there should be guidelines in place to define what Regent Emeritus/Emerita status is, in order to provide clarification to the institutions.

Regent Crear said this would be a way to keep former Regents engaged.

Vice Chairman Trachok said there are many ways a former Regent can stay involved in the System.

Mr. Wasserman explained there are four states that have elected Regents in some form and of those four, two states may confer Regent Emeritus/Emerita status. He listed the former living NSHE Regents with 12 or more years of service.

Regent Melcher moved to not approve this policy as presented. Regent Lieberman seconded.

Regent Leavitt mentioned the granting of emeritus status by the Board to former Chancellor Rogers.

Chancellor Klaich explained former Chancellor Rogers was an employee of the System, not an elected official.

Mr. Wasserman explained the motion; a yes vote would mean you do not approve of the policy as presented and a no vote would mean you do approve of the policy as presented.

38. Action Taken - Handbook Revision, Regent Emeritus/Emerita (Agenda Item #36) –continued

Regent Melcher said taking action on this item would clarify the Board's position on this issue.

Regents Stephens expressed concern that a motion by the Board may not provide the parameters the institutions may need.

Regent Melcher said if this policy is not approved former Regents would still be able to be involved with the institutions; this vote would simply clarify that former Regents are not able to use the title of Regent Emeritus/Emerita.

Upon a roll call vote Regents, Anderson, Davidson, Doubrava, Geddes Leavitt, Lieberman, Melcher, Page, Trachok, and Wixom voted yes. Regents Crear and Stephens voted no. Motion carried. Regent Hayes was absent.

39. Information Only- New Business (Agenda Item #37) – Regent Geddes requested that each institution's five year CIP and what they are planning to ask from state and private funding sources be brought before the Board. He also asked that information on interinstitutional MOU's be brought forward at a future meeting, including: the MOU process, why MOUs are necessary and the possibility of using blanket MOUs.

40. Information Only- Public Comment (Agenda Item #38) – There was no public comment.

41. Information Only - Regents' Welcome and Introductions (Agenda Item #3) – The Board reopened Agenda Item #3. On behalf of the entire Board, Vice Chairman Trachok thanked Chairman Page for his leadership and service as chairman to the Board. The Regents thanked Chairman Page for his fairness, hard work and genuine concern for higher education in Nevada. Mr. Wasserman, on behalf of the entire Board staff, thanked Chairman Page for his openness and accessibility. Chancellor Klaich thanked Chairman Page for his fairness and for taking a system-wide approach in his leadership.

On behalf of the entire Board, Regent Leavitt thanked Vice Chairman Trachok for his service as vice chairman to the Board.

42. Information Only- Public Comment (Agenda Item #38) – There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

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Approved by the Board of Regents at the September 10-11, 2015, meeting