

**BOARD OF REGENTS and its
ad hoc CHANCELLOR SEARCH COMMITTEE
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**
System Administration, Las Vegas
4300 South Maryland Parkway, Board Room
Wednesday, June 17, 2020

Video Conference Connection from the Meeting Site to:
System Administration, Reno
2601 Enterprise Road, Conference Room

Regents' Committee
Members Present:

Mrs. Carol Del Carlo, Chair
Dr. Patrick R. Carter
Ms. Amy J. Carvalho
Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr.
Mr. Kevin J. Page
Mr. Rick Trachok

Other Regents Present:

Dr. Jason Geddes, Board Chairman
Dr. Mark W. Doubrava, Board Vice Chairman
Ms. Lisa C. Levine
Mrs. Cathy McAdoo
Mr. John T. Moran
Ms. Laura E. Perkins

Advisory Members
Present:

Dr. Kumud Acharya, DRI President
Ms. Joyce M. Helens, GBC President
Dr. Karin M. Hilgersom, TMCC President
Dr. Marc A. Johnson, UNR President
Dr. Marta Meana, UNLV President
Mr. Bart J. Patterson, NSC President
Dr. Vincent R. Solis, WNC President
Dr. Federico Zaragoza, CSN President
Dr. Maria Schellhase, CSN Faculty Senate Chair
Dr. Amanda Keen-Zebert, DRI Faculty Senate Chair
Mr. George Kleeb, GBC Faculty Senate Chair
Dr. Serge Ballif, NSC Faculty Senate Chair
Ms. Anne Flesher, TMCC Faculty Senate Chair
Dr. Vicki Rosser, UNLV Faculty Senate Chair
Dr. Brian Frost, UNR Faculty Senate Chair
Dr. Robert Morin, WNC Faculty Senate Chair
Ms. Karli McFarling-Kelly, ASCSN President

Advisory Members

Present: *(continued)*

- Ms. Alyssa Fromelius, SGA President
- Mr. Joshua Padilla, CSUN President
- Mr. Sidath Kapukotuwa, GPSA Vice President
- Ms. Dominique Hall, ASUN President
- Mr. Will Carrasco, GSA President
- Ms. Gabrielle Clark, ASWN President
- Ms. Crystal Abba, NSHE Academic & Student Affairs
- Ms. Sherry Olson, NSHE Human Resources *(Ex-officio)*
- Mr. John P. Desmond, Community Member
- Mr. Tom Gallagher, Community Member
- Ms. Yolanda King, Community Member
- Ms. Leslie L. Mujica, Community Member
- Ms. Mary Beth Sewald, Community Member
- Ms. Ann Silver, Community Member
- Mr. Michael B. Wixom, Community Member

Advisory Members

Absent:

- Ms. Brigitte Glynn, NSHE Faculty Senate Chair
- Ms. Melanie Dodson, SGA President
- Ms. Suman Randhawa, NSSA President
- Dr. Rachakonda D. Prabhu, Community Member
- Mr. Anthony L. Williams, Community Member

Others Present:

- Mr. Dean J. Gould, Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Board
- Dr. L. Jay Lemons, Academic Search
- Mr. William F. Howard, Academic Search

Chair Carol Del Carlo called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with all Regents' Committee members present.

1. Information Only – Public Comment – Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Board Dean J. Gould entered into the record public comment submitted by Jennifer Edmonds, NSC, stating that students and faculty who participate in the Southern Nevada NSHE Sustainability Coalition support the hiring of Dr. Arthur B. Ellis as Chancellor, with Dr. Melody Rose as an acceptable second choice. In Dr. Ellis, they saw the greatest potential for innovative problem solving based on extensive experience in university administration. He had innovative ideas for new models in higher education, his experience has shown him to be empathetic to minority issues and he is willing to advocate for change in curriculum. Dr. Rose did an excellent job of quickly assessing the larger underlying issues represented in each of the forum questions, and it was clear she would be willing to tackle issues by talking with stakeholders, collaborating across institutions and involving the community.

2. Approved-Minutes – The Committee recommended approval of the minutes from the November 22, 2019, meeting (*Ref. CS-2 on file in the Board office*).

Regent Carvalho moved approval of the minutes from the November 22, 2019, meeting. Regent Carter seconded. Motion carried.

3. Information Only-Chair’s Report – Chair Carol Del Carlo reported on the search and interview process and announced the names of the final candidates for Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education:

- Arthur B. Ellis, Ph.D. (*Ref. CS-3a on file in the Board office*)
- Richard S. Larson, M.D., Ph.D. (*Ref. CS-3b on file in the Board office*)
- Anthony E. Munroe, Ed.D. (*Ref. CS-3c on file in the Board office*)
- Melody Rose, Ph.D. (*Ref. CS-3d on file in the Board office*)

Chair Del Carlo provided a brief overview of the process used to select the final four candidates from an initial pool of 40 applicants.

She reviewed the interview schedule and explained the process for discussing and assessing the candidates at the conclusion of all four interviews.

4. Information Only-Discussion of Interview Questions – Chair Del Carlo and the search consultants led a discussion on the questions and/or topics to be covered during the candidate interviews. The same questions will be asked of each candidate.

Chair Del Carlo assigned the interview questions to advisory and Regents’ Committee members (*Questions on file in the Board office*).

5. Information Only-Forums Report and Candidate Interviews – The search consultants reported on the forums held with each final candidate. The report included input received from the forums and the results of surveys completed by forum participants. The search consultants reviewed the curriculum vitae and background information of each final candidate just prior to the candidate’s interview. The Committee interviewed the final candidates for the position of Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

Mr. Howard and Dr. Lemons presented their report on Anthony E. Munroe, Ed.D.

Chair Del Carlo welcomed Dr. Munroe and outlined the interview process. Dr. Munroe provided an opening statement and responded to the interview questions.

5. Information Only-Forums Report and Candidate Interviews – *(continued)*

The meeting recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m. with all Regents' Committee members present.

Mr. Howard and Dr. Lemons presented their report on Arthur B. Ellis, Ph.D.

Chair Del Carlo welcomed Dr. Ellis and outlined the interview process. Dr. Ellis provided an opening statement and responded to the interview questions.

The meeting recessed at 12:20 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m. with all Regents' Committee members present.

Mr. Howard and Dr. Lemons presented their report on Melody Rose, Ph.D.

Chair Del Carlo welcomed Dr. Rose and outlined the interview process. Dr. Rose provided an opening statement and responded to the interview questions.

The meeting recessed at 2:29 p.m. and reconvened at 2:45 p.m. with all Regents' Committee members present.

Mr. Howard and Dr. Lemons presented their report on Richard S. Larson, M.D., Ph.D.

Chair Del Carlo welcomed Dr. Larson and outlined the interview process. Dr. Larson provided an opening statement and responded to the interview questions.

The meeting recessed at 4:14 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m. with all Regents' Committee members present.

6. Information Only-Advisory Members' Open Session – An open session for advisory members was held to discuss the final candidates for Chancellor.

Advisory members provided the Regents' Committee with their assessment of the final candidates.

Chair Del Carlo thanked the advisory members for their thoughtful input throughout the entire search process.

7. Approved-Decision by the Regents' ad hoc Chancellor Search Committee - The Regents' ad hoc Chancellor Search Committee discussed and assessed the final candidates for Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education. The Committee recommended Dr. Melody Rose for appointment as Chancellor for consideration by the full Board of Regents at its June 18, 2020, special meeting.

7. Approved-Decision by the Regents' ad hoc Chancellor Search Committee –
(continued)

Chair Del Carlo invited input from Regents in attendance who are not members of the Committee. Regent Perkins ranked Dr. Rose as her first choice and Dr. Munroe as her second choice. Regent McAdoo ranked Dr. Rose as her first choice and Dr. Munroe as her second choice. Regent Levine ranked Dr. Rose as her first choice and Dr. Ellis as her second choice.

Chair Del Carlo asked the Regents' Committee members to share their assessment of the candidates.

Regent McMichael ranked Dr. Rose as his first choice and Dr. Munroe as his second choice.

Regent Page ranked Dr. Rose as his first choice and Dr. Munroe as his second choice.

Regent Carter ranked Dr. Rose as his first choice and Dr. Ellis as his second choice.

Regent Carvalho ranked Dr. Rose as her first choice and Dr. Munroe as her second choice.

Chair Del Carlo ranked Dr. Rose as her first choice and Dr. Munroe as her second choice.

Regent Trachok moved approval of recommending Dr. Melody Rose for appointment as Chancellor for consideration by the full Board of Regents at its special meeting on June 18, 2020. Regent Carvalho seconded. Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously. Chair Del Carlo and Regents Carter, Carvalho, McMichael, Page and Trachok voted yes.

Board Chairman Geddes expressed his thanks to Academic Search for bringing a highly qualified pool of candidates. He thanked the advisory members for their participation and emphasized the Board's commitment to shared governance and community partnerships.

Chairman Geddes thanked Chair Del Carlo and the Regents' Committee for their good work.

8. Information Only-New Business – None.

9. Information Only-Public Comment – None.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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Submitted for approval by: Dean J. Gould
Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Board of Regents

Approved by the Board of Regents at its September 10-11, 2020, meeting.