

**BOARD OF REGENTS and its
SECURITY COMMITTEE
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**
Videoconference/Teleconference
Friday, March 5, 2021

Members Present: Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr., Chair
Dr. Jason Geddes, Vice Chair
Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada
Mr. Patrick J. Boylan
Mr. Byron Brooks
Dr. Lois Tarkanian

Other Regents Present: Dr. Mark W. Doubrava, Board Chair
Mrs. Carol Del Carlo, Board Vice Chair
Dr. Patrick R. Carter
Ms. Amy J. Carvalho
Mrs. Cathy McAdoo
Mr. John T. Moran
Ms. Laura E. Perkins

Others Present: Dr. Melody Rose, Chancellor
Ms. Keri D. Nikolajewski, Interim Chief of Staff to the Board
Mr. Andrew Clinger, Chief Financial Officer
Mr. Joe Reynolds, Chief General Counsel
Mr. Joseph Sunbury, Chief Internal Auditor
Ms. Theresa Semmens, NSHE Chief Information Security Officer
Dr. Federico Zaragoza, CSN President
Dr. Kumud Acharya, DRI President
Ms. Joyce M. Helens, GBC President
Mr. Bart J. Patterson, NSC President
Dr. Karin M. Hilgersom, TMCC President
Dr. Keith E. Whitfield, UNLV President
Mr. Brian Sandoval, UNR President
Dr. Vincent R. Solis, WNC President

Faculty senate chairs in attendance were: Dr. Maria Schellhase, CSN; Dr. Eric Wilcox, DRI; Mr. Brian Zeiszler, GBC; Mr. Glenn Heath, System Administration; Ms. YeVonne Allen, TMCC; Dr. Vicki Rosser, UNLV; and Dr. Amy Pason, UNR. Student body presidents in attendance were: Ms. Katie Dempsey, GBC; Ms. Alyssa Fromelius, TMCC; and Mr. Will Carrasco, UNR-GSA.

Chair Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr. called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. with all members present.

1. Information Only-Public Comment – None.

2. Approved-Minutes – The Committee recommended approval of the minutes from the September 11, 2020, meeting. (*Ref. SEC-2 on file in the Board Office*)

Vice Chair Geddes moved approval of the minutes from the September 11, 2020, meeting. Regent Brooks seconded. Upon a roll call vote, the motion carried unanimously. Chair McMichael, Vice Chair Geddes, Regent Arrascada, Regent Boylan, Regent Brooks and Regent Tarkanian voted yes.

3. Information Only-Chair's Report – Chair McMichael welcomed the new members to the Board and the Security Committee. He noted that he looks forward to the updates from the Southern and Northern Commands as the last Committee meeting was in September 2020.
4. Information Only-Clery Act – Chief General Counsel Joe Reynolds provided an overview and update on Clery Act compliance requirements, including notifications pursuant to COVID-19.

Chief General Counsel Reynolds provided an overview of the Clery Act which included background and updates on Clery Act compliance requirements and notifications and changes occurring with COVID-19 requirements.

Director Todd Renwick, NSHE Northern Command, commented on the close attention that is paid to federal requirements, the commitments in place to ensure compliance and the Clery Act Compliance Coordinator position in their office. Director Adam Garcia, NSHE Southern Command, also remarked on their Clery Act Compliance Coordinator and transparency. He noted the importance of safety and awareness for students, faculty, and staff.

Vice Chair Geddes shared his appreciation for all the work done by Director Renwick and Director Garcia. With the way the Southern and Northern Commands are working together, and the ability for Clery Act professionals to assist the community colleges and smaller campuses, it makes a tremendous difference. He added the reporting and detail over the past several years has greatly improved.

Chair McMichael commended the Southern and Northern Commands for their efforts regarding Clery Act reporting.

5. Information Only-NSHE Southern Command – Adam Garcia, Director, NSHE Southern Command, presented an update on the Southern Command's security activities, including NSHE's efforts and coordination regarding administration of the COVID-19 vaccine to southern campus communities.

5. Information Only-NSHE Southern Command – (continued)

Director Garcia provided a report which included COVID-19 testing – metrics and locations; updates entailing cost savings, grant funding, training, awards and community outreach; demographics; crime statistics; the dispatch center; UPD Emergency Alert safety apps for CSN, NSC and UNLV; Rebel Rides – golf cart shuttles and walking escort services for students, faculty and staff to and from any campus location during the evening hours; remembering the K9 dogs who recently passed away: Bonnie, Northern Command and Buster, Southern Command; and introductions of new members of the K9 unit.

Chair McMichael thanked Director Garcia for his presentation and appreciated the efforts made to recognize the K9 dogs.

Regent Perkins asked if there were any unexpected benefits or issues with consolidating the services. Director Garcia answered the transition to consolidating services went extremely smoothly and was well-accepted and supported among the campuses.

The CSN, DRI, NSC and UNLV presidents offered compliments and expressed their gratitude to Director Garcia and his team on all their hard work on making the transition effective and successful.

6. Information Only-NSHE Northern Command – Todd Renwick, Director, NSHE Northern Command, presented an update on the Northern Command's security activities, including NSHE's efforts and coordination regarding administration of the COVID-19 vaccine to northern and rural campus communities.

Director Renwick provided a report which included university community initiatives – vaccination planning; civil unrest table top exercise; partnerships with police departments in northern Nevada; Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Taskforce; partnership with undergraduate research – community based research award; new Explosive Ordinance Detection K-9; School of Social Work classes and social work interns, and members of police services attending student group meetings at TMCC, UNR and WNC; training – Block Training to include Integrating Communications, Assessment, and Tactics (ICAT); and internal department highlights.

Dr. Melody Rose, Chancellor, shared her appreciation for Director Renwick and Director Garcia and thanked them for all that they do for the NSHE campuses.

The DRI, GBC, TMCC, UNR and WNC presidents thanked Director Renwick and his team for their extraordinary work and support of the northern NSHE campuses.

Regent Boylan complimented Director Renwick on the Northern Command initiatives that directly benefit the NSHE campuses and surrounding community.

6. Information Only-NSHE Northern Command – (continued)

Regent Perkins complimented Director Renwick on the initiatives with UNR's Department of Social Work and involving that component in their law enforcement tactics. She asked Director Renwick if there were any unexpected benefits or issues with the consolidation. Director Renwick answered that the consolidation has been working very well and believes the model should have been implemented a long time ago.

7. Information Only-NSHE Cybersecurity – Theresa Semmens, NSHE Chief Information Security Officer, provided an update and overview of cybersecurity matters, including efforts to protect the integrity of data and issues raised by greater reliance on technology due to COVID-19.

Ms. Semmens provided an update which included her professional background information for the new Regents; cybersecurity matters; shared partnerships; programs and projects; efforts from SCS to protect the integrity of data and issues raised with unemployment fraud; information related to insurance loss and control, security awareness, vulnerability scanning and training; and security assessments, the security incident response plan, and phishing testing and training.

8. Information Only-New Business – None.

9. Information Only-Public Comment – None.

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

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Approved by the Board of Regents at its September 9-10, 2021, meeting.