



Faculty senate chairs in attendance were: Ms. Tracy Sherman, CSN; Dr. Brittany Kruger, DRI; Mr. Kevin Seipp, GBC; Dr. Christine Beaudry, NSC; Mr. Ed Boog, System Administration; Dr. Amy Cavanaugh, TMCC; Dr. Rhonda Montgomery, UNLV; Dr. Eric Marchand, UNR; and Mr. Jim Strange, WNC. Student body presidents in attendance were: Ms. Yvette Machado, CSN; Ms. Tessa Espinosa, NSC; Ms. Chanikan Buntha, TMCC; Ms. Nicole Thomas, UNLV-GPSA; Mr. Matthew Hawn, UNR-GSA; and Ms. Suzanna Stankute, WNC.

Chair Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr. called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. with all members present.

Chair McMichael announced that Agenda Item 7 will be pulled – Statewide Consolidated Oversight Structure for University Police Services, Risk Management, and Emergency Planning, Preparedness and Response.

1. Information Only-Public Comment – Amey Evaluna, NSC, speaking as the Chair of the UPD Public Safety Advisory Board (created by Adam Garcia, Vice President of Public Safety and Director, University Police Services, Southern Command), invited members of the Board of Regents to the Public Safety Advisory Board’s next meeting and requested an assignment of a NSHE staff representative to join the Board. Ms. Evaluna commended Director Garcia for his commitment to safety and access.

Jon Carpineta commented that if the NSHE has access to additional funding that would go toward a tier of administration for oversight of the statewide University Police Services, he believes that funding would be better allocated to providing additional police officers, equipment and needed support staff to the existing Northern and Southern Commands.

2. Approved-Minutes – The Committee recommended approval of the minutes from the December 2, 2022, meeting (*Ref. SEC-2 on file in the Board office*).

Regent Carvalho moved approval of the minutes from the December 2, 2022, meeting. Vice Chair Boylan seconded. Motion carried.

3. Information Only-Chair’s Report – Chair Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr. did not provide a Chair’s Report.
4. Information Only-NSHE Southern Command – Adam Garcia, Vice President of Public Safety and Director, University Police Services, Southern Command, presented the Southern Command’s 2022 Annual Activity Report related to public safety activities including grants, hiring and recruiting, events, activities, police academy operations and personnel. In addition, Director Garcia presented the 2022 Annual Security Report outlining crime statistics that have occurred at NSHE campuses served by Southern Command, pursuant to the Jeanne Clery Crime Statistics Act (20 USC 1092) (*Refs. SEC-4a, SEC-4b and SEC-4c on file in the Board office*).

4. Information Only-NSHE Southern Command – *(continued)*

Mr. Garcia provided a report which included: 2020-2022 calls for service with an average response time of one minute and ten seconds to three minutes and 12 seconds; grants; hiring and recruiting; community events; academy partners, relationships and two classes to graduate in 2023; personnel; and the Clery 2022 Annual Security Report.

Regent Brager thanked Mr. Garcia and his team for serving the southern campuses.

Regent Del Carlo made an inquiry about the program for recruiting retired officers. Mr. Garcia said the program was implemented last year; however, there have not been many applicants thus far.

Chair McMichael asked how the K-9 unit was and Chair Garcia confirmed they are doing well and are the most popular members of the Southern Command.

5. Information Only-NSHE Northern Command – Eric James, Chief of Police, NSHE Northern Command, presented an update on the Northern Command's activities for calendar year 2022, and provided information on Northern Command's department initiatives, to include his presentation at the C.O.P.S. National Conference on Law Enforcement Wellness and Trauma, FBI Northern Nevada Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force and the human trafficking sting operation. Further, Chief James reported on their campus security officer, organizational resilience highlights, internal department highlights and grants, including information related to Clery compliance and campus crime statistics for the northern NSHE institutions, with the exception of DRI (*Refs. SEC-5a, SEC-5b and SEC-5c on file in the Board office*).

Chief James provided a report which included: 2022 Northern Command statistics; grants; department initiatives; human trafficking sting operation; Campus Security Officer (CSO) Program; Northern Command community initiatives and outreach; organizational resilience highlights; and internal department highlights.

Vice Chair Boylan commended Chief James and his team for all their work. They discussed body cameras, how much of a scene the camera is able to view and the importance of capturing the events leading up to an incident.

6. Information Only-NSHE Cybersecurity – Dr. Anne Milkovich, Chief Information Officer, System Computing Services, and Thomas Dobbert, Chief Information Security Officer (CISO), presented an update on cybersecurity at NSHE, including current industry trends, NSHE-specific challenges, and preventive measures and opportunities.

Dr. Milkovich introduced Mr. Dobbert who presented an update on cybersecurity at the NSHE, including current industry trends related to phishing attacks, malware, ransomware, and artificial intelligence. Mr. Dobbert also provided thoughts and information on the NSHE staff challenges and needs, preventive security measures, and outdated cyber security policies currently in place. Dr. Milkovich reiterated the importance of security awareness training, specifically the value of frequent short training

6. Information Only-NSHE Cybersecurity – *(continued)*

to assist employees in security awareness.

Chair McMichael, Vice Chair Boylan, Regent Del Carlo, Dr. Milkovich and Mr. Dobbert addressed and discussed the following topics: the process for the monthly security awareness training for faculty and staff; upcoming openings for two cybersecurity and one Data Privacy Officer positions within the NSHE; development of internships for students in cybersecurity programs on NSHE campuses; General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR); and cybersecurity during non-business hours for the NSHE.

7. Withdrawn-Statewide Consolidated Oversight Structure for University Police Services, Risk Management, and Emergency Planning, Preparedness and Response – This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

8. Information Only-New Business – Regent Perkins requested staff to investigate adding a policy that makes security training mandatory for employees.

Regent Brown requested more research regarding the Data Privacy Officer to see if such a position is necessary for the NSHE.

9. Information Only-Public Comment – None.

The meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

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**Approved by the Board of Regents at its September 8, 2023, meeting.**