

Minutes approved by the Board of Regents at the February 29-March 1, 2024, meeting.

**WESTERN NEVADA COLLEGE FOUNDATION  
MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION**

University of Nevada, Las Vegas  
Student Union, Ballrooms B & C  
4505 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas

Friday, December 1, 2023

Video Conference Connection from the Meeting Site to:  
System Administration, Reno  
2601 Enterprise Road, Conference Room  
and  
Great Basin College, Elko  
1500 College Parkway, Berg Hall Conference Room

Members Present: Mr. Byron Brooks, Chair  
Mrs. Susan Brager  
Ms. Heather Brown  
Mrs. Amy J. Carvalho  
Mrs. Carol Del Carlo  
Mr. Jeffrey S. Downs  
Ms. Laura E. Perkins

Members Absent: Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada, Vice Chair  
Mr. Patrick J. Boylan  
Dr. Michelee Cruz-Crawford  
Ms. Stephanie Goodman  
Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr.  
Dr. Lois Tarkanian

Chair Brooks called the meeting to order at 8:11 a.m. with all members present except Vice Chair Arrascada and Regents Boylan, Cruz-Crawford, Goodman, McMichael, and Tarkanian.

1. Information Only – Public Comment

Kent Ervin stated that Foundation reports do not all provide uniform information related to program support and administrative and fundraising expenses. The financial statements show differences in how each Foundation operates. While NSHE knows from the legislative audit that donors' wishes are being followed, it does not show how unrestricted funds are being spent or prioritized. It would be helpful for the Board to receive uniform reports on foundation program expenditures by program and function. He asked what percentage of total program expenses is spent on administration fundraising, what the return in terms of contribution is as a multiple of those expenses, what unrestricted funds are spent on, and whether any foundation funds were spent on executive compensation or perks. He estimated from WNC's financial statement that 26 percent of FY 2023 expenditures were for administration and fundraising and that \$335,000 was transferred to WNC for program support.

2. Approved – Annual Report – The Members of the Corporation approved the Western Nevada College (WNC) Foundation Annual Report, including the Annual Gift Report. (Ref. WNC-2 on file in the Board Office.)

WNC Foundation Chair Christina Picetti presented the Annual Report, including the Annual Gift Report.

[Members of the Corporation action noted below.]

3. Information Only – Officers – The members of the WNC Foundation Board of Trustees selected the following individuals at the July 2023 Foundation Board Meeting to serve as officers for a two-year term through June 30, 2025:

Christina Picetti, Chair  
Michelle Ketten, Vice Chair  
Rick Kohler, Vice Chair  
Scott Fields, Secretary-Treasurer

Chair Brooks reopened Agenda Item 2, Annual Report.

2. Approved – Annual Report – (Continued)

Regent Del Carlo moved approval of the Western Nevada College (WNC) Foundation Annual Report, including the Annual Gift Report. Regent Perkins seconded. Motion carried. Vice Chair Arrascada and Regents Boylan, Cruz-Crawford, Goodman, McMichael, and Tarkanian were absent.

4. Approved – Consent Items – The Members of the Corporation approved the WNC Foundation Consent Items.

- 4a. Approved – Financial Statements and Management Letter – The Members of the Corporation approved the WNC Foundation Financial Statements and Management Letter for the year ended June 30, 2023, along with the top 10 payee schedule. (Refs. WNC-4a(1) and WNC-4a(2) on file in the Board Office.)

- 4b. Approved – Appointments – The Members of the Corporation approved the appointment of the following individuals to the WNC Foundation Board of Trustees for the term of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2025:

Bryce Clutts  
Michelle Hale  
Matt Hock  
Lupe Ramirez  
Nick Rowe

4. Approved – Consent Items – (Continued)

- 4c. Approved – Reappointments – The Members of the Corporation approved the reappointment of the following individuals to the WNC Foundation Board of Trustees, effective through June 30, 2025:

Christie Asis	Jeff Brigger
Sean Davison	Barbara D’Anneo
Maria Denzler	Ronele Dotson
Sandy Foley	Tyler Smith
Miranda Hoover	Amanda Jacobson
Brook Sweeting	Rochelle Tisdale
Stacy Woodbury	

Regent Brown moved approval of the WNC Foundation Consent Items. Regent Perkins seconded. Motion carried. Vice Chair Arrascada and Regents Boylan, Cruz-Crawford, Goodman, McMichael, and Tarkanian were absent.

5. Information Only – New Business – None.

6. Information Only – Public Comment – None

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 a.m.

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Submitted for approval by:

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