UCCSN Board of Regents' Meeting Minutes Community College of Southern Nevada Room B-105, West Charleston Campus 6375 West Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas February 25-26, 1999

Members Present: Dr. Jill Derby, Chair

Mr. Mark Alden

Mrs. Thalia Dondero

Mrs. Dorothy S. Gallagher

Mr. Douglas Roman Hill

Dr. Tom Kirkpatrick

Mr. David Phillips

Mr. Howard Rosenberg

Mr. Doug Seastrand

Mr. Steve Sisolak

Mr. Tom Wiesner

Others Present: Chancellor Richard Jarvis

Vice Chancellor Tom Anderes

Vice Chancellor Jane Nichols

General Counsel Tom Ray

President Stephen Wells, DRI

President Richard Moore, CCSN

President Ronald Remington, GBC

President John Richardson, TMCC

Interim President Michelle Dondero, WNCC

President Carol Harter, UNLV

President Joseph Crowley, UNR

Secretary Mary Lou Moser

Also present were Faculty Senate Chairs Dr. William G. Culbreth, UNLV; Dr. Doris Dwyer, WNCC; Dr. Jack Smith, GBC; Dr. Maria Teirumniks, TMCC; Mr. J. Scott Wiley, System Administration; Dr. Ken McGwire, DRI; Dr. Al Balboni, CCSN; and Dr. Jannet Vreeland for UNR. Student government leaders present were Mr. Richard Thomas, GSA-UNLV; Mr. Will Price, UNLV; Mr. Otto MacLin, GSA-UNR; Mr. John Ruiz and Mr. John St. Clair, TMCC; Ms. Damita Jo Halcromb, WNCC; and Ms. Liza Micheli, Ms. Kim McCuin, and Mr. Leonard Wilkerson, GBC.

Chair Jill Derby called the meeting of the Board of Regents to order at 8:50 a.m. on Thursday, February 25, 1999, in Room B-105 of the Community College of Southern Nevada-Charleston Campus with all members present.

- 1. Introductions None.
 - 2. Chair's Report Chair Derby provided the order in which agenda items would be heard, adding that multiple opportunities for public comment would be provided. She welcomed comments, but cautioned those present that she expected a civil discourse. Dr. Derby stated that the budget shortfall had fueled a long simmering concern over funding equity into a wildfire, adding that in turmoil and tension lie the seeds of opportunity for change and a better way of doing business. Dr. Derby affirmed that the entire Board is deeply committed to equitable funding for all of the System's colleges and universities and for providing access for Nevada's students. She encouraged Board members to address the issue without turning it into a civil war. She asked Board members to encourage the Legislature to support the bill request to study the formulas that distribute state funds and to also immediately initiate an independent study of funding equity among UCCSN institutions. She also requested the Board to ask the Governor and the Legislature to show their support by eliminating the omissions and inconsistencies in the budget which particularly impact UNLV and CCSN.
 - 3. Information Only-Budget Briefing Vice Chancellor Tom Anderes presented an overview of the UCCSN 1999-2001 Budget Request preparation, which began in the Fall of 1997. At the Board's December 1997 meeting the key issues were presented to the Board for consideration. The key issue again this biennium is access. Institutional priorities have also played a very important part in the budget preparation. The number one factor influencing funding allocation was student growth. At every meeting thereafter, until August 1998 when the request was forwarded to the Governor, budget issues were addressed. The request for a 45.1% increase in funding was approved by the Board in August and was subsequently submitted to the Governor's Office on August 15, 1998 as required by law. This included a 6% increase in funding for growth in enrollment. The Governor's recommendation for the UCCSN budget was for a 4.5% increase in the biennium, considerably less than the request. The state revenues have experienced a limited growth, statutory increases in K-12 and prison funding, higher education's success in the prior biennium, and higher education being a discretionary state expense all were factors in the makeup of the Governor's budget.

Dr. Anderes related that in preparing the budget every attempt was made to highlight funding by sector, which has put a greater emphasis for funding on the institutions in the south. The System has tried to make it clear to legislators that the current formulas, established in 1986, are not working. In the last two sessions, and again in this session, the System has requested that a funding study be undertaken to correct these formulas. The Board priorities indicated there was a need to increase funding for UNLV by 48.5% and 69.9% for CCSN. The outcome of the budget request is a clear reflection of support for southern institutions.

Dr. Anderes reminded the Board that UCCSN is responsible for investing the Estate Tax funds and must maintain an endowment balance that will generate a minimum of \$2.5 million a year. The major portion of the Estate Tax request is for technology needs. A new student information system at \$3 million has been requested as well as \$5.05 million for workstation replacement. Some basic needs, such as a director and technician for the data-warehousing project, were funded from the Estate Tax.

3. <u>Information Only-Budget Briefing</u> – (Continued)

A number of questions were posed:

Does it take more to educate students in the north than in the south? No. Smaller schools still have some of the same costs for fewer students. Institutions must define their peers and then make comparisons with those peers, not with other institutions within UCCSN.

Why was UNLV not included in the safety and security programs? UNLV did not include this in their request; they had corrections to make in other areas. President Harter related that in the last biennium they traded safety and security dollars to fund the law school and they were not asked to include this in the present request.

Cost per students: 42% of the budget goes to cover 60% of the students. This could also be one of the problems of the formulas. If the formulas are supported, these are the resulting percentages. Cost per student can be reduced with economies of scale. GBC costs more to educate than a southern institution with larger numbers of students. UNR and UNLV are different from one another as far as mission and programs offered. There is an emphasis to raise both universities to the Research I category. The student base formula is not the same for each institution; many factors go into making up the cost per student. Out-of-state students are also a factor. Different costs and different programs yield different costs per student.

Support for the system has increased? Yes. The Board approved the hiring of an Assistant Vice Chancellor for Finance and an attorney.

It was pointed out that the 1986 formulas have never been fully funded. They are out-dated and need to be revised. A study is also needed to

determine where the inequities exist. There is no question that the south is under funded. Also, in the Governor's recommendation there were some omissions that UCCSN has asked to be restored.

President Harter stated that the cost a student pays at UNR is 19% compared to 25.5% at UNLV, which is a function of having an under funded budget at UNLV.

Regents Gallagher, Seastrand and Hill supported an equity funding study as suggested by the Chair.

The meeting recessed at 10:45 and reconvened at 10:55 with all present.

President Harter related that state appropriations for all programs except the Law School allowed \$14,652 per FTE at UNR and \$8,278 per FTE at UNLV or a difference of \$6,374 per FTE. By removing the Medical School, Ag Extension and CORE programs, the amounts were \$10,836 at UNR and \$8,015 at UNLV with a difference of \$2,821 per FTE. In comparing faculty salaries, UNR receives \$5,000 more for new faculty positions than does UNLV.

The Chair called for Public Comment.

3. <u>Information Only-Budget Briefing</u> – (Continued)

Mrs. Elaine Wynn, UNLV Foundation, urged an independent study be done and stated that there was no appetite to take money away from another institution but that the growth in southern Nevada must be taken into consideration. Mr. Mark Fine, UNLV Foundation, endorsed a study to be able to allocate resources where the greatest need exists. Mr. Terry Wright, UNLV Foundation, stated that the people raising money for the institutions need to know that state funds are used equitably. He stressed that luring large companies to come to the area requires a Research I level university. Mr. Peter Thomas, UNLV Foundation, also supported an independent and fair study, and suggested delaying capital expenditures until after the study was completed. Dr. Barbara Greenspun, UNLV Foundation, also supported a study. Mr. Joe Foley, former Regent, suggested funding programs at each institution rather than using formula funding methods.

President Crowley, UNR, agreed that an equity study is required. Concerning the faculty funding distribution, he related that in 1991 UNLV and UNR were to be funded for all new hires at the same salary. There was a down turn in State revenue and institutions were asked to make refunds. UNLV opted to return those funds to the General Fund. However, the UCCSN should again fund new hires at the same salary for the universities. Dr. Crowley suggested funding by upper division, lower division and graduate students in a new study.

The meeting recessed for lunch and reconvened at 1:20 p.m. with all regents present.

President Moore referred to the January 1999 Strategic Planning workshop and the discussion on the college participation rate. In northern Nevada 55/1000 go to college and in southern Nevada 39/1000 go to college. The national average is 44/1000 go to college. CCSN has increased enrollment by 15% from last fall . They offered one free class to high school graduates. President Moore related that the northern community colleges were better funded than was CCSN.

Mr. Joe Buckley, CCSN Advisory Board, submitted letters of support and news articles of support for equal access and equal resources. Mr. Paul Ashworth, CCSN Foundation, related that when the hotel building in southern Nevada is over, there will be many construction workers who will need to retool for other jobs. Ms. Kathy Lytle, Dental Hygienist, stressed the need for health care training and equity in funding statewide. Dr. Jeff Glen, Dentist, urged a study be done and changes be made quickly. Mr. Ray Vega, representing the Hispanic community, related that 40% of the Hispanics work in hotels and culinary and need both a community college and university education. Mr. Mitch Mitchel, Sunrise Hospital, asked the Regents to move health care to their number one priority. The nurse shortage is acute in Clark County. Mr. Al Whalen, financial advisor and Treasurer of CCSN Foundation, stated that the disparity is great and he felt southern Nevada wants more than their fair share because they have gotten the "short end of the stick" for too long. Mr. David Abranson also asked for equal funding. Mrs. Carolyn Sparks, former Regent and CCSN Foundation member, testified that new dollars should go where the growth is. Dr. Brian Cram, Superintendent of Public Instruction for Clark County, stated that CCSN has not been treated fairly and should be funded for the existing students. He suggested that there be no new programs until the equity

3. <u>Information Only-Budget Briefing</u> – (Continued)

problem has been taken care of and indicated a class action suit would be filed in the future. Mr. Joe Leonard, representing the unions, supported the apprenticeship programs. Ms. Diana Gonzales, a student in CCSN's Learn and Earn program, related how that program has changed her life.

The meeting recessed at 2:50 p.m. and reconvened at 3:05 p.m.

Former First Lady Sandy Miller defended the EPSCoR and Research programs at UCCSN and urged that the Estate Tax Funding for research be zealously guarded.

Chancellor Jarvis presented an unanimous agreement from the presidents:

Council of Presidents Agreement

The seven presidents of the UCCSN institutions and the Chancellor of the UCCSN agree on three principles for moving forward in the 1999 legislative session:

- 1. To request an immediate, independent funding study, overseen directly by the Board of Regents, that will analyze relative funding among community colleges and between the two universities and make recommendations for corrections that must be made to achieve appropriate equity.
- 2. To reconfirm the agreement made by the Council of Presidents on February 10, 1999 that any new monies appropriated by the Legislature be used as described in the Chancellor's "Add-Back List" to be presented to the Board of Regents at the February 25-26, 1999 meeting (the first two items of which "Omissions and Inconsistencies" and growth at \$9M for UNLV, \$7M for CCSN, and \$1M for TMCC remain the highest priorities).
- 3. To make an irrevocable commitment that, if no new money becomes available, reallocation and redistribution of funding among institutions will be proposed by the Chancellor for approval by the Board in order to achieve the distribution described above in #2.

President Harter stated she did not agree with the statement.

4. <u>Review of Budget</u> – The Board reviewed the current budget for both instructional and support formula funding for both UNLV and CCSN, for inclusion as a supplemental item request to the Nevada State Legislature.

Mr. Alden moved to 1) not to change or impair the current base budget; 2) prerequisites and inconsistencies of \$11.3 million to be funded by the Economic Forum; 3) Estate tax funding level be at \$55 million and adjust downward by one-shot expenditures at last biennium; 4) \$17 million apply to UNLV, CCSN and TMCC: 5) \$5 million for support formulas. Mr. Sisolak seconded.

General Counsel Tom Ray stated that a motion could not change previous board action. The correct motion would be to rescind prior action.

Mr. Seastrand asked for further discussion stating that \$5.25 million was to go to DRI from the Estate Tax. DRI President Steve Wells stated that losing research funding will hurt UNR and UNLV as well as DRI. He applauded President Harter's goal to elevate UNLV to a Research I university. Further, he stated it was inconsistent to remove funds for research activities when the goal is to be Research I institutions. The funding offers the best research training access to students they could possibly have. UNR and DRI have nationally ranked hydrology programs. Dr. Jim Coleman, Director of the EPSCoR program, stated these funds help states to be able to have research capabilities for economic diversification. He cited the Research Triangle in North Carolina and the Berkley Labs as examples. The NSF partnership funds of \$4.5 million, which Nevada matched, targets junior faculty. \$25 million came back to Nevada in research contracts. DRI, UNR and UNLV are senior mentors of these contracts. There is a current proposal pending calling for a \$3 million match. The state must show continued support. This proposal will build three research areas at UNR, UNLV and DRI and for economic diversification.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he read a January 11, 1999 memo from Director Tim Ortez explaining the Estate Tax Fund, and he felt the Board should not spend more of that fund than ever before, that it is a precious resource. Mrs. Gallagher related great concerns of using Estate Tax funds to support programs. She agreed that it was incumbent upon the Board to solve the growth problems in the south and that UCCSN was aware of the inequities and had tried to address the problem with this budget. She reminded the Board that they usually waited until the end of the budget process to determine the use of Estate Tax funds. She cautioned that if the Board makes decisions on items to be funded now, the Legislature will not have to fund those programs.

Chair Derby explained the Council of President agreement: 1) support for an independent study, 2) reconfirm the add-back list agreement, and 3) use Estate Tax only if there is no new money available. Dr. Anderes stated that the Estate Tax is at \$93 million and is projected to be about \$100 million by the end of the year. It would require a \$100 million balance in order to sustain a \$50-55 million expenditure per biennium.

Mr. Wiesner moved to accept the Council of President agreement. Mrs. Gallagher seconded.

President Harter stated she could not agree with the agreement because she is not convinced that it would be possible to use the Estate Tax within the time frame constraint. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated he was opposed because of the 8,000 unfunded positions at CCSN and UNLV and he was uncomfortable with waiting until May.

The meeting recessed at 4:00 for Regents to attend the dedication of the Ken and Carolyn Sparks Art Complex on the CCSN campus. The meeting reconvened at 4:25 p.m.

Mr. Hill stated he was unwilling to be stampeded into a decision. He offered a friendly amendment to include the date of May 5th for a special Board meeting to discuss the Estate Tax after the Economic Forum has met.

4. Review of Budget – (Continued)

Mr. Hill moved to close debate. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. Motion failed on roll call vote:

Yes: Regents Gallagher, Phillips, Hill, Rosenberg and Wiesner. No: Regents Alden, Sisolak, Dondero, Kirkpatrick, Seastrand and Derby.

Debate continued. President Harter stated UNLV has a \$23.5 million problem. There is \$14 million in unfunded growth and a \$9.3 million omission from the budget request. UNLV has 1,000 additional students and they can't hire teachers or support staff, can't heat buildings, and will have to cut programs or lay people off. Only CCSN and UNLV must wait to see what money is available. President Moore stated he needed advice from the Board on whether to plan on \$7 million or not.

President Crowley stated that any decision made by the Board would only be a guide to the Legislature. The UCCSN budget closes at end of session. No president can hire additional instructors until after the session is over. Mr. Sisolak argued in favor of the Board making a decision at this time to level the playing field for the southern presidents. Mr. Kirkpatrick agreed. President Remington stated that all campus plans are in jeopardy. The campuses advertise for new positions contingent upon funding. All are in equal positions of danger. The top priority is for access to higher education. President Richardson stated that TMCC advertised for new positions based on the original budget request. The Governor's recommendation has reduced the number of positions. The search goes forward, but TMCC will still need to wait until the end of the session to know what is funded. The Legislature makes that decision. He stated that the majority of enrollment growth in the north is at TMCC.

Mr. Sisolak questioned the unanimous agreement of the presidents and asked if there had been a vote. President Crowley stated there had been a consensual agreement on this issue. President Dondero stated that budget uncertainties create problems for all schools. The hard issue is trying to plan long-term.

UNLV student Aaron Clemmons stated that southern students are paying a larger percentage for their education and urged that tuition be raised for students attending northern colleges. He presented petitions signed by UNLV students.

Vice Chancellor Anderes stated that UCCSN has presented a plan to the

Legislature and what they have in front of them is what they will act upon. All changes will need to go before the Legislature. Action by the Board to alter Estate Tax allocations would make it unlikely that the Legislature would return those funds at a later date. Mrs. Gallagher stated that if \$17 million of Estate Tax is used for operating or instruction now, UCCSN will be stuck with that amount next biennium when the state should really fund these items.

Mr. Hill moved to recess the meeting. Mr. Phillips seconded. Motion carried. No: Regents Alden and Wiesner.

The Board recessed at 5:30 p.m. and reconvened at 8:40 a.m. on Friday, February 26, 1999 with all members present except Regents Gallagher and Phillips.

Dr. Derby acknowledged and thanked CCSN for their hospitality during the meeting and for the Regents' Reception held the previous evening. Dr. Derby expressed her gratitude to all present for maintaining proper decorum through such a difficult time. She added that there are profound consequences and encouraged the Regents to remain civil and respectful in their comments during the meeting where there is pressure to make decisions while expressing different views.

General Counsel Tom Ray corrected the record by stating that the motion to limit debate should have required a 2/3-majority vote instead of the simple majority he had expressed the prior day. He added that there had been no consequence as the motion did not carry and apologized for the mistake.

4. Review of Budget – (Continued)

Mrs. Dondero moved to amend the pending motion by substituting a third component of the motion before the Board of Regents as follows: That the System's Estate Tax Funds be committed past their projected current funding level, approximately \$33 million. to first fund the \$17 million needed to meet the System's growth needs, and second, to fund the new research initiatives of DRI. UNR and UNLV. This motion carries with it the understanding that the new \$17 million for meeting

student growth will be used in such a manner that the Teacher Training Initiative proposed to assist the Clark County School District will be fully implemented. Mr. Alden seconded.

Mrs. Gallagher entered the meeting.

Mr. Hill apologized for pushing the matter to a vote the prior day. He stated that he did not wish to rush to a decision on these issues and that there is adequate time with the April meeting to reach a decision. He encouraged Board members to meet with the Legislature and Governor, and report back to the Board with their findings. Mr. Hill expressed his desire to vote on the original motion by Regent Wiesner with the understanding that it could be revisited at the April meeting. Mrs. Dondero appreciated Mr. Hill's comments, but said that she had given great consideration to the matter and felt that the amendment was necessary in order to move forward.

Dr. Derby asked the Chancellor for clarification. Chancellor Jarvis stated that the amendment would eliminate from the Governor's recommendation the dental residency program (\$1.13 million). Mrs. Dondero stated that her amendment was intended as a substitution to the third component of the original motion. Dr. Jarvis stated that he did not understand the motion in that manner. Dr. Jarvis clarified that if the System stays within the Governor's recommendation of \$55 million the motion would commit \$54 million in Estate Tax funds and that programs would still be sacrificed. Dr. Jarvis urged the Board to consider the impact of eliminating the dental residency program. Mr. Alden asked how many students were in the dental residency program, with Dr. Nichols responding that the program had no students but three residents, with three more to be hired in the future. The program is intended to supervise and license the residents. Mr.

4. Review of Budget – (Continued)

Alden and Mr. Sisolak questioned the cost of \$1.13 million for three residents. Dr. Jarvis stated they would also lose the care provided to children in southern Nevada, which was a compelling factor in the Board's adoption of the program. Dr. Jarvis reported that the amendment would also result in the loss of the \$1 million enhancement for gender equity and \$1.56 million allocated for GBC's 4-year programs. Dr. Jarvis stated he could relinquish the increase in support for System Administration, but was unwilling to lose the data warehouse technology. Dr. Jarvis added that the System could not go past the year 2000 with the current student information system. Mr. Alden stated that the Governor had added in the GBC 4-year programs, MAP inflation, the dental residency program and financial aid to be funded from the General Fund. Mr. Alden recommended that the remaining items be addressed in the Economic Forum because student requirements are the most important.

Mr. Wiesner stated that each of the Regents wanted to do what they each felt was the right thing. He agreed with Regent Hill that there was a rush to judgement and encouraged the Board to pass the original motion and get on with the business.

Mrs. Gallagher expressed her concern with reopening the budget. She stated that even the Governor cannot change the original submission and that it requires a special request before the Legislature and an appearance before the Assembly Ways and Means Committee and the Senate Finance Committee. She added that it could put the Estate Tax endowment at risk. She cautioned that it was not good to irritate the Legislature and the Governor and strongly supported Regent Wiesner's original motion. Mrs. Dondero stated that she does not mind an appearance before the Legislature to explain the Board's decision. She added that she wants to put the dental residency program back into the amendment after the Teacher Training Initiative.

Mrs. Dondero amended her motion to include the Dental Residency program. Mr. Alden seconded.

Mr. Phillips entered the meeting.

Mr. Phillips received clarification of Regent Dondero's amendment. Mr. Sisolak requested the motion be taken in three parts, with Dr. Derby expressing her preference for moving forward with the motions already on the floor. Dr. Kirkpatrick expressed his opposition to Mrs. Dondero's second motion as he felt it has little to do with the main objective of providing education.

Mr. Sisolak stated his immediate concern is for the 1,200 students on Mr. Clemmons' petition. The Legislature wants the Board to propose a solution. Mr. Sisolak stated he wanted a decision made now. Mr. Rosenberg stated the Dental Residency program provides care for children in southern Nevada who cannot afford any other dental care.

Mr. Wiesner called for a roll call vote on the amendment to include the Dental Residency program.

4. Review of Budget – (Continued)

Amendment carried. Yes:
Regents Alden, Hill,
Dondero, Seastrand,
Rosenberg and Derby. No:
Regents Kirkpatrick,
Gallagher, Phillips, Sisolak
and Wiesner.

reviewed the matter and was concerned with the use of Estate Tax funds. These need to be held for future use. He stated he feared the Legislature would perceive use of Estate Tax funds as general funding.

Chair Derby stated that this matter has long reaching effects and questioned why the Board is rushing to a decision that the Legislature won't make until May. The Board is united around recognition of the compelling need. This vote would have serious implications. She cautioned the Board to remember that endowments are a sacred trust of the Board and only the Board can protect that endowment. Dipping into the principle will erode the endowment. For institutions it is important to be able to count on Board decisions. Institutions make plans based on Board actions. The Board has committed to a study and it has an add-back list. She urged the members to vote against the amendment and to avoid the pressure to act now. Dr. Derby stated that the original motion allows access to funds if it becomes necessary and it gives the Board time to lobby the Governor and the Legislature. She added that no time in her ten years on the Board has there been more at stake.

Dr. Anderes stated that the Governor recommends and UCCSN has a right to react to those recommendations. Chancellor Jarvis stated that all items added by the Governor were high priorities of the Board.

Motion on Mrs. Dondero's amendment failed. Yes: Regents Alden, Dondero, Kirkpatrick, Seastrand, and Sisolak. No: Regents Hill, Gallagher, Phillips, Rosenberg, Wiesner and Derby.

Mr. Kirkpatrick moved to separate number one from the President's agreement. Mr. Sisolak seconded. Voice vote carried, with Mr. Wiesner voting no. Mr. Sisolak called for a roll call vote. Motion failed: No: Regents Hill, Dondero, Gallagher, Seastrand, Phillips, Rosenberg and Wiesner. Yes: Regents Alden, Kirkpatrick, and Sisolak.

Chair Derby clarified that the main motion (Mr. Wiesner's motion to approve the president's agreement) with the amendment to hold a special meeting in May was now under discussion Mr. Seastrand clarified that a study would discuss where the System will be in the future not where it is now. Mr. Hill stated that all the presidents

should tell the consultants what should be considered, that for the Board to do so would define the outcome of the study. Dr. Brian Cram urged a commitment to redistribute funds and that the Board must figure out the funding source. Chancellor Jarvis explained the timeliness of funding, that the Board has an annual enrollment cycle an annual funding cycle and that it is normal to plan at this time.

4. Review of Budget – (Continued)

Mr. Seastrand asked when the Chancellor could have a proposal to the Board. Chancellor Jarvis replied that by the May 5th meeting he would present a proposal with alternatives to revisiting the Estate Tax and distribution of funds. By that time there may be a sense of additional funds as a result of the Economic Forum projections. He stated that there needs to be assurance of parity to UCCSN staff of any COLA the Legislature may propose for other state employees.

Original motion carried on roll call vote. Yes: Regents Alden, Hill, Dondero, Gallagher, Seastrand, Phillips, Sisolak, Rosenberg and Wiesner. No: Regent Kirkpatrick.

The meeting recessed at 10:10 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Clemmons took his petitions from the Board stating he would submit them to the Legislature.

Mr. Phillips clarified that the last item voted upon agreed that if additional funds become available they will be divided \$9 million to UNLV, \$7 million to CCSN, and \$1 million to TMCC.

Mr. Alden moved to reopen the base budget. Mr. Kirkpatrick seconded. Mr. Wiesner asked UNLV and CCSN if that would be a good idea, with President Harter and Moore stating that it would not. Motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Kirkpatrick moved to reaffirm the distribution

from existing funds to address the inequities. Mr. Phillips seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hill asked President Harter to express his appreciation to the individuals who

testified before the Board the previous day.

5. <u>Approved Review of Capital Improvement Request</u> – The Board reviewed the current capital improvement projects Tier I requests to the Nevada State Public Works Board.

Mr. Alden requested input from the Chancellor and presidents for the 17 items in Tier I (page 30 of Budget Briefing document on file in Board office). President Harter commented that Priority #1-Lied Library Furnishings, was done at the request of the Public Works Board last biennium and with the agreement of the other institution presidents. The request includes furnishings, equipment, and technology to complete the building. The second priority on the list was for the UNLV law school renovation, which was also agreed to by the other institution presidents.

President Crowley addressed Priority #3 and the Redfield contract interpretation (on file with the permanent minutes). Dr. Crowley reported that if the Regents do not build the stipulated number of square feet within twenty-five years, the undeveloped portions of the campus site might, at the option of the Redfield Foundation, revert to the Redfield Foundation but that it was not likely. The campus site has been dedicated to the Regents

5. Approved Review of Capital Improvement Request – (Continued)

for use in constructing and operating the Redfield Learning Center. It is a campus needs driven project that involves the cooperation of shared space for UNR, TMCC, and WNCC. A round of discussion included the following:

- Ground breaking for the first building is scheduled for the end of 2000; 75,000-sq.ft. at a cost of \$12.32 million.
- No ground breaking has been scheduled for the second building.
 Building will proceed only as the need and resources will permit.
- The three institution presidents will run the learning center.
- The cost per student is difficult to predict as the number of full-time and community college students is currently unknown.
- General Counsel has read the contract between the Redfield Foundation and UNR. He is satisfied the letter from the Redfield Foundation adequately addresses the Regents' concerns. This language could be added to the contract.
- The Redfield Foundation would be opposed to a delay in the development of the first building.
- TMCC and WNCC are still actively involved in the Redfield Foundation partnership.

Mr. Sisolak suggested delaying the Redfield project until such time that the 1,200 unfunded FTE in the south are properly addressed. Mr. Alden stated that Redfield is conceptually a good idea but that the timing was poor for southern Nevada. Dr. Kirkpatrick complimented Dr. Crowley on the visionary planning present with the Redfield Learning Center. He questioned the appropriateness of this project when such drastic budget shortfalls currently exist in southern Nevada.

President Richardson stated that Priority #4-the TMCC Student Development Center is a reconfiguration of space and that it had been part of TMCC's Master Plan since 1992. TMCC is moving the large, occupational/technical programs to the Edison facility. The remodel will provide much-needed faculty offices, science labs, and space for a student center. The project will be completed in two phases.

GBC President Remington discussed Priority #5-GBC's High Technology Center, adding that the college Foundation had provided 30% of the cost of facilities. As an example of past partnerships, the community of Ely contributed more than \$1 million to provide a facility in that particular area. GBC has diligently established partnerships with the school district. This Center would provide access to GBC faculty and students in addition to high school faculty and students, so it will have a high utilization rate. GBC has grown more rapidly in the last 10 years than any other institution except CCSN. The peaks and valleys of growth are closely tied to the mining industry. Many students are anxiously anticipating the 4-year programs.

Mr. Alden moved the Board move to a closed session. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. Motion carried.

6. <u>Closed Session</u> - In compliance with NRS 241.030, a closed session was held for purposes of discussion of the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence, or physical or mental health of persons.

The meeting recessed for a closed session at 12:00 noon and reconvened at 1:20 p.m. with all members present.

Dr. Derby acknowledged Ms. Sharon Brush, who served as an assistant to Board Secretary Mary Lou Moser and was attending her last Board meeting. Ms. Brush had been instrumental in arranging setups and travel arrangements for the Regents in the past. She has accepted a position in the Department of Pharmacology, UNR.

5. <u>Approved Review of Capital Improvement Request</u> – (Continued).

CCSN President Richard Moore discussed Priority #6-the Charleston Campus Science Building. The original request was for \$20 million and had subsequently been reduced to \$17.2 million with less square footage and labs.

Mr. Alden observed that UNR's Getchell Library is in a serious state of disrepair. He asked whether other projects could be moved to accommodate moving the Getchell Design up from its position of Priority #14, as the Public Works Board would only accept the first seven items on the priority list. Interim President Michelle Dondero commented that WNCC's existing library was 25 years old and no longer adequate for their needs. Priority

#7 is the first proposal for a separate, freestanding library that will help WNCC meet its accreditation requirements and provide space for student programs as well. WNCC Student Body President, Ms. Damita Jo Halcromb, affirmed the students really require the space that this project would provide.

Mr. Alden moved approval of moving Priority #14 up further on the list of priorities in Tier I. Mrs. Dondero seconded.

President Crowley said that he was not personally requesting this movement. Mr. Sisolak asked to which position Getchell Design would be moved, with Mr. Alden suggesting moving it to priority #8. Dr. Harter stated that such a move would demote two of UNLV's requests. Mr. Rosenberg said that as much as he would like a new library for Getchell, he could not support moving the priority at this time. Mr. Seastrand asked what the consequences of the move might be, with Chancellor Jarvis responding that he was not sure as it had never been done before and that it would be up to the Public Works Board. Mrs. Gallagher acknowledged that although there is a great need for the Getchell Design project, the Capital Improvement List entailed a lot of work and that the Board should honor the presidents' list of priorities.

Motion failed. Mr. Alden voted yes.

Mr. Sisolak reiterated his concern for funding Priority #3-the Redfield Learning Center and Priority #17-the Dental School due to the on-going support that would be required. He felt it would be prudent to put these projects on temporary hold until the Board hears from the Legislature. He expressed concern for how to handle the long-term requirements if there were further economic downturns.

Mr. Sisolak moved putting Priority #3 and Priority #17 on hold. Dr. Kirkpatrick seconded.

o Approved Review of Capital Improvement Request - (Continued)

Dr. Kirkpatrick asked how one would put the priorities temporarily on hold, with the Chancellor responding that he did not know as he had already lobbied for these projects before the Legislature. He felt that removing the projects from the list would be ill advised. President Harter stated that UNLV had worked hard to find a means of accommodating the dental school in the most economic method and that she was pleased it was on the list. President Crowley stated that a fundraiser had been hired to facilitate raising an additional \$2 million for Redfield and urged the Board to leave the project at its current priority. Mr. Sisolak stated that he was not opposed to the Redfield Learning Center, but was concerned with the long-term operation and maintenance costs.

Motion failed. Regents
Alden and Sisolak voted
yes.

Yes: Regents Alden, Kirkpatrick, and Sisolak.

No: Regents Hill, Dondero, Gallagher, Seastrand, Phillips, Rosenberg and Wiesner.

Mr. Alden requested that Agenda Item #5 be revisited at the next Board meeting.

7. Public Comment – Mr. Gary Hollis, chairman of the Pahrump Town Board, requested that the Pahrump High Tech Center be prioritized so that it could be funded this year. The last legislative session provided money for planning and architects, which would now be wasted if it is not used. The entire process would need to be redone in 2001. The Pahrump community is growing at a rate of 13.8%. The population of Pahrump is between 25,000-30,000. It is anticipated to double by 2004. NTS Development Corporation has

donated \$1.4 million for additional equipment in the Pahrump High Tech Center. The Nye County School District is also contributing \$1 million. Mr. Hollis explained that the High Tech Center would serve the communities of Pahrump, Amargosa Valley, Beatty, and Crystal. Dr. Derby thanked Mr. Hollis for his comments, adding that she would encourage the Chancellor to lobby the Legislature hard for the unfunded projects.

8. Tabled Athletic Tuition Fee Waivers – The Board reviewed the feasibility of including athletic tuition fee waivers for both UNLV and UNR as a supplemental item request to the 70th Nevada State Legislature. Campus handout materials are on file in the Board office.

Dr. Crowley reported that fee waivers were provided for student athletes prior to the mid 1970's. A change in accounting for this program resulted in recording revenues and expenses for the fee waivers. In 1997 a fee waiver program was approved to assist with gender equity for additional female student athletes. Tuition and fees for additional female student athletes are not collected. Dr. Crowley provided two recommendations for incorporating a fee waiver program:

- Alternative A Phase in a tuition and fee waiver program for student athletes over a 5-year period.
- Alternative B Request state general fund support to UNR
 (\$135,000) and UNLV (\$146,000) to augment the Grants-in-Aid
 budget in order to cover total tuition and fees for student athletes.

8. Tabled Athletic Tuition Fee Waivers - (Continued)

<u>Dr. Kirkpatrick asked about the total cost. Dr. Harter responded that the cost would be \$2,805,094 for 2 years of the biennium and less than that if phased in over 5 years.</u>

<u>Dr. Harter reported that currently tuition and fees paid for athletics come from the following three sources:</u>

- State Grant-in-Aid
- Fee Waivers (Female)
- Non-state Funds

Dr. Harter explained that when using a fee waiver, an institution reduces its revenue by the amount of the waiver. The reduction in revenue also forces the expenditure budget down correspondingly. It is an expensive means of granting fee waivers. The Mountain West Conference institutions vary greatly in their methods of funding fee waivers. Dr. Harter concluded that the benefit of additional Grants-in-Aid funding was that it supports the gender equity and minority opportunity plans. It would also free money currently used for scholarships to provide operating funds for other programs (i.e. safety and security of athletic facilities, technology advances for athletic academic tutoring, additional medical

costs.) Dr. Crowley stated that it is possible to provide a phased-in fee waiver program without loss of revenue.

Mrs. Dondero asked how many other students take advantage of this program, with Dr. Crowley responding that a Grants-in-Aid budget is provided every year and a portion of those funds goes to athletics. Mrs. Dondero asked whether cheerleaders were included, with Ms. Wendy Meyers, Director of Business Affairs-UNLV, responding that only the

sports recognized by the NCAA were included. Dr. Harter added that student musicians and Native American students also qualify for Grants-in-Aid. All campuses currently have Grants-in-Aid that are provided by statute but are not funded. Dr. Crowley stated that private funds are raised for the cheerleaders.

Dr. Kirkpatrick asked whether the football or basketball programs made enough money to pay for all of the sports. Dr. Crowley responded that they did not, but without those programs the private contributions would not be there. Dr. Kirkpatrick asked whether there were Title IX implications with the fee waivers. General Counsel Tom Ray stated that while he had not researched it, he believed that all athletes must be treated equally. Dr. Harter related that both institutions are increasing the number of female athletes by increasing the number of women's sports.

Mr. Alden moved to encourage Dr. Crowley and Dr. Harter to formulate a proposal for the Legislature that addresses tuition fee waivers and the funding of Grants-in-Aid from general funds. Mr. Seastrand seconded.

<u>Dr. Crowley suggested that the tuition-waiver approach could be ironed out between the two presidents without involving the Legislature.</u>

Mr. Alden withdrew the motion. Mr. Seastrand withdrew the second. The item was suspended.

9. Approved Academic, Research & Student Affairs Committee Report - Chair Thalia Dondero reported the Academic, Research & Student Affairs Committee met jointly with the Campus Environment Committee on Wednesday, February 24, 1999 to review proposed Handbook changes that address interruption and extension of the probationary period for tenure for faculty. Under these changes, university faculty whose initial appointments are in at least a .5 FTE state-funded position may be eligible for tenure. This was the first reading of proposed changes for Handbook, Title 2, UCCSN Code 3.2, 3.3, 4.2, and 4.3. Action will occur at the April meeting of the Board.

Mrs. Dondero moved acceptance of the report.
Mrs. Gallagher seconded.
Motion carried.

9.1 Approved 1999 Board of Regents' Awards - The Committee reviewed the recommendations of the selection committees for the following Regents' awards and recommended approval:

A. Nevada Regents' Creative Activity Award

Dr. Julie Jensen, UNLV

B. Nevada Regents' Researcher Award

Dr. Dale Johnson, DRI

C. Nevada Regents' Teaching Award for Community College Faculty

Dr. Paul Davis, TMCC

<u>D. Nevada Regents' Teaching Award for University and DRI</u> <u>Faculty</u>

Dr. John Bowers, UNLV

E. Nevada Regents' Academic Advisor Awards

Ms. Lea Sexton, UNLV Undergraduate

Dr. Richard Jensen, UNLV Graduate

Ms. Rena Armstrong, UNR Undergraduate

Dr. Gary Vinyard (posthumously), UNR Graduate

Ms. Aida Jimenez-Spann, CCSN

Ms. Mara Van de Ven, GBC

Ms. Sherry Black, WNCC

Mrs. Dondero moved approval of the awards. Mr. Hill seconded. Motion carried.

9.2 Approved Master Plan Update, TMCC - The Committee reviewed updates and revisions to the current academic master plan for TMCC and recommended approval.

Mrs. Dondero moved approval of the updates.
Mr. Phillips seconded.
Motion carried.

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9.3 Approved New Program Proposals - The Committee reviewed the following new program proposals and recommended approval: Ref. B on file in the Board office.

AAS Degree in Dietetic Technology, TMCC

Honors Program, TMCC

AA Degree in Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities, CCSN

MS Degree in Construction Management, UNLV

Mrs. Dondero moved approval of the new programs. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Dondero requested a review of the Teacher's Initiative on the next agenda.

10. Approved Audit Committee Report - Chair Tom Wiesner reported the Audit Committee met on Wednesday, February 24, 1999 and received follow-up reports for:

- Printing Services, UNR
- Library Department, UNLV
- Associated Students of TMCC

Mrs. Sandi Cardinal, Director of Internal Audit, reported that the institution bank reconciliations are up to date.

Mr. Wiesner moved acceptance of the report.
Mr. Alden seconded.
Motion carried.

10.1 Approved External Audit Reports - The Committee reviewed the OMB Circular A-133 report of Grants and Contracts for the year ended June 30, 1998 as presented by PricewaterhouseCoopers and recommended acceptance.

Mr. Wiesner moved acceptance of the report.
Mr. Rosenberg seconded.
Motion carried.

10.2 Approved Internal Audit Reports - The Committee reviewed the following Internal Audits as presented by Director Sandi Cardinal and recommended acceptance: Ref. C on file in the Board office.

- Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN), UNR
- Institute for Insurance and Risk Management, UNLV
- Aquatic Biology Programs, UNLV
- National Supercomputing Center for Energy and the Environment, UNLV
- Summer School, TMCC
- Business Office, CCSN

Mr. Wiesner moved
approval of the Internal
Audit reports as presented.
Mr. Rosenberg seconded.
Motion carried.

11. Approved Campus Environment Committee Report - Chair Howard Rosenberg reported the Campus Environment Committee met on Wednesday, February 24, 1999 and heard reports from the campus Status of Women/Gender Equity Committees.

The Committee reviewed the consensual relations policies as presented by Great Basin College and the Community College of Southern Nevada.

The Committee met jointly with the Academic, Research and Student Affairs

Committee to discuss a proposed faculty personnel policy, the results of which were reported by that committee chair.

Mr. Rosenberg moved acceptance of the report.
Mr. Alden seconded.
Motion carried.

12. Approved Finance & Planning Committee Report - Chair Mark Alden reported the Finance & Planning Committee met on Thursday, February 25, 1999 and that there were no information items on the agenda.

Mr. Alden moved acceptance of the report.

Dr. Kirkpatrick seconded.

Motion carried.

12.1 Approved Fiscal Exceptions - The Committee reviewed Fiscal Exceptions as presented by Vice Chancellor Anderes and recommended acceptance of the report. There were no fiscal exceptions reported.

Mr. Alden moved acceptance of the report.
Dr. Kirkpatrick seconded.
Motion carried.

12.2 Approved Claims Management & Safety Programming - The Committee reviewed the recommendations to allocate funds for safety programs and recommended acceptance of the report. Ref. D on file in the Board office.

Mr. Alden moved acceptance of the report.

Dr. Kirkpatrick seconded.

Motion carried.

13. Approved WNCC Presidential Search Committee - Regent Douglas Roman Hill reported the WNCC Presidential Search Committee has been receiving applications for the position. As of Tuesday, 111 applications had been received. The Committee members will begin review of the applications March 1 and will meet again late in March to begin deliberations. Plans are to bring finalists into the state in early May.

Mr. Hill moved acceptance of the report. Mr. Alden seconded. Motion carried.

14. Information Only-Regents' Advocacy Campaign - Regent Rosenberg reported on progress in the Regents' advocacy campaign to increase the college-going rate

in Nevada. Mr. Rosenberg stated that he, Regent Hill, Deputy to the Chancellor for External Relations Ms. Suzanne Ernst, and External Relations Associate Mr. John Kuhlman had begun work on a campaign to have the Board help increase the state's high school-to-college going rate. The concept is to change the culture of indifference by using 30-second public service

<u>14. Information Only-Regents' Advocacy Campaign – (Continued)</u>

announcements with each Board member doing at least one spot that will be phased in over a period of time and aired on radio and television. The campaign should begin in Fall 1999 and continue through September 2000, and will target high school students, potential AA degree seekers, potential graduate students, working adults, senior citizens, and potential millenium scholarship recipients. Mr. Rosenberg stated that the Regents Advocacy Campaign must be part of a larger statewide media campaign with three objectives:

- To encourage parents to recognize the value of higher education.
- To recruit Nevada high school students.
- To encourage donations for each institution.

Regents Rosenberg and Hill thanked Ms. Ernst and Mr. Kuhlman for their efforts in establishing the focus for this campaign. Dr. Derby acknowledged the good work of the campaign members and thanked them for their efforts on the Regents' go-to-college campaign.

<u>President Moore commented that CCSN had increased the college going rate in southern Nevada and now really required the requested funding for the existing students.</u>

- 15. Approved Consent Agenda -
- Approved Minutes Approved the minutes of the regular meeting held January 14-15, 1999 and the special meeting held January 9, 1999.
 - (2) Approved Emeritus, CCSN & UNR Approved emeritus standing for the following individuals as recommended by the presidents:

<u>CCSN</u>

Dr. Richard Steadman, Professor of Science, Emeritus, effective March 1, 1999.

UNR

<u>Dr. Gary L. Vinyard, Professor of Biology, Emeritus, effective</u> December 9, 1998.

- (3) Approved Hire with Tenure, UNLV Approved the hiring with tenure of Jay S. Bybee, Professor of Law, retroactive to January 1, 1999.
- (4) Approved Professional Development Leave, DRI Approved the granting of

professional development leave to Dr. Robert A. Wharton, for a period of four months, effective February 26, 1999, to assist in his transition from Vice President of Research to full-time faculty status. This request is in accordance with policy. Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 3, Sections 21.2 and 21.3.

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15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(5) Approved Promotions – Approved promotions in rank for the individuals listed below as recommended by the presidents. Promotions are effective July 1, 1999. Ref. C-5 on file in the Board office.

UNLV

*Mr. Michael Alcorn, School of Architecture, College of Fine Arts

<u>Dr. K. Pearl Brewer, Hotel Management, William F. Harrah</u> <u>College of Hotel Administration</u>

*Dr. Lein-Lein Chen, Economics, College of Business

*Mr. Bernard Fried, Tourism & Convention Administration, William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration

<u>Dr. Laxmi Gewali, Computer Science, Howard R. Hughes</u> <u>College of Engineering</u>

Mr. Dean Gronemeier, Music, College of Fine Arts

*Dr. P. Jane Hafen, English, College of Liberal Arts

Dr. Vicki Holmes, English, College of Liberal Arts

*Dr. Deborah Hoshizaki, Mathematical Sciences, College of Sciences

*Dr. Mohamed Kaseko, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering

*Ms. Claudia Keelan, English, College of Liberal Arts

Mr. Thomas Leslie, Music, College of Fine Arts

<u>Dr. Rebecca Mills, Curriculum and Instruction, College of Education</u>

*Dr. Angel Muleshkov, Mathematical Sciences, College of Sciences

^{*} Denotes recommendation for both promotion and tenure.

<u>Dr. Shashi Nambisan, Civil & Environmental Engineering,</u> <u>Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering</u>

*Dr. Carl Reiber, Biological Sciences, College of Sciences

*Dr. George Rhee, Physics, College of Sciences

*Mr. Mark Rudin, Health Physics, College of Health Sciences

Dr. Tom Sexton, Counseling, College of Urban Affairs

<u>Dr. Porter Troutman, Curriculum and Instruction, College of</u> Education

<u>Dr. Martha Young, Curriculum and Instruction, College of Education</u>

<u>UNR</u>

Mr. Duncan Aldrich, Business & Government Information Center. UNR Libraries

*Dr. Catherine A. Berry, Geography, College of Arts and Science

*Dr. Judith Calder, Human Development & Family Studies, College of Human and Community Sciences

<u>Dr. Yunus Cengel, Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering</u>

*Dr. Susan Chandler, School of Social Work, College of Human and Community Sciences

<u>Dr. Jeffrey Englin, Applied Economics & Statistics, College of Agriculture</u>

Dr. Kent M. Ervin, Chemistry, College of Arts and Science

*Dr. Alan E. Fruzzetti, Psychology, College of Arts and Science

<u>Dr. Burton Horowitz, Physiology and Cell Biology, School of</u> Medicine

Dr. Daniel M. Kirgan, Surgery, School of Medicine

*Dr. Susan Lentz, Criminal Justice, College of Human and Community Sciences

15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(5) Approved Promotions – (Continued)

UNR

*Dr. Sushil Louis, Computer Science, College of Engineering

Dr. Colleen Morris, Pediatrics, School of Medicine

*Dr. Thomas Quint, Mathematics, College of Arts and Science

Dr. Dale Rogers, Department of Business Administration

Dr. Jeffrey Thompson, Physics, College of Arts and Science

*Dr. Stephen Vander Wall, Biology, College of Arts and Science

<u>Dr. Gary L. Vinyard (posthumously), Biology, College of Arts and Science</u>

DRI

Dr. Kendrick C. Taylor, Jr., Water Resources

(6) Approved Tenure - Approved tenure for the individuals listed below as recommended by the presidents. Tenure is effective July 1, 1999. Ref. C-6 on file in the Board office.

UNLV

*Mr. Michael Alcorn, School of Architecture, College of Fine Arts

*Dr. Lein-Lein Chen, Economics, College of Business

*Mr. Bernard Fried, Tourism & Convention Administration, William F. Harrah College of Hotel Administration

*Dr. P. Jane Hafen, English, College of Liberal Arts

*Dr. Deborah Hoshizaki, Mathematical Sciences, College of Sciences

*Dr. Mohamed Kaseko, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering

*Ms. Claudia Keelan, English, College of Liberal Arts

*Dr. Angel Muleshkov, Mathematical Sciences, College of Sciences

^{*} Denotes recommendation for both promotion and tenure.

*Dr. Carl Reiber, Biological Sciences, College of Sciences

*Dr. George Rhee, Physics, College of Sciences

*Mr. Mark Rudin, Health Physics, College of Health Sciences

Ms. Cheryl Taranto, Music, James R. Dickinson Library

UNR

*Dr. Catherine A. Berry, Geography, College of Arts and Science

*Dr. Judith Calder, Human Development & Family Studies, College of Human and Community Sciences

*Dr. Susan Chandler, School of Social Work, College of Human and Community Sciences

*Dr. Alan E. Fruzzetti, Psychology, College of Arts and Science

Mr. Donald Holloway, Nevada Cooperative Extension Southern Area

*Dr. Susan Lentz, Criminal Justice, College of Human and Community Sciences

*Dr. Sushil Louis, Computer Science, College of Engineering

15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(6) Approved Tenure – (Continued)

<u>UNR</u>

<u>Dr. Denise Montcalm, School of Social Work, College of Human and Community Sciences</u>

*Dr. Thomas Quint, Mathematics, College of Arts and Science

Mr. Phillip Ruder, Music, College of Arts and Science

<u>Dr. W. Douglass Shaw, Applied Economics & Statistics, College of Agriculture</u>

*Dr. Stephen Vander Wall, Biology, College of Arts and Science

CCSN

Ms. Deborah Antonella, Department of Health/Nursing
Mr. Bradley William Bleck, Department of English/Distance Education
Mr. Theodore L. Butts, Math Department
Ms. Edie Chiarappa, Photography, Applied Technology
Mr. Edward M. Coppola, Astronomy, Science Department
Mr. Dennis Bruce Donohue, Math Department
Ms. Kerry Ford, School of Fine Arts
Ms. Carolyn Fowler, Floral Design, Applied Science and Technology
Dr. D. Gause-Snelson, School of Fine Arts
Mr. Michael S. Green, Philosophical & Regional Studies
Mr. David A. Hernandez, School of Resorts & Gaming
Mr. Steven R. Hoffer, Computing & Information Technologies
Ms. Susan Hovey, Department of Health
Dr. James H. Iddings, Department of English
Dr. Fred L. Jackson, Science Department
Dr. Stephen Konowalow, Department of English/Study Skills
Ms. June M. Long, Accounting, Finance & Office Administration
Mr. Todd Moffett, Department of English
Ms. Laura Moskowitz, Department of Libraries
Dr. Richard Numrich, Philosophical & Regional Studies
Ms. Dianne S. Pannell, Computing & Information Technologies
Dr. Kathleen Pulling, Computing & Information Technologies
Ms. Christina H. Roldan, Math Department
Mr. Kelly Roth, Dance, School of Fine Arts
Ms. Cheryl Rowe, Child Development, Human Behavior

Dr. Robert M. Sherfield, Department of English

Mr. Lester M. Tanaka, Student Services, Department of Counseling

Ms. Linda A. Turner, Department of Health/Nursing

Dr. Dorothy Ukaegbu, Department of Human Behavior

<u>Dr. James Wallis, Philosophy, Philosophical & Regional Studies</u>

Mr. Mark Wherry, Music, School of Fine Arts

Ms. Mary Jo Wilson, Science Department

Mr. James Womack, American Sign Language, International Languages

Dr. Qilin Wu, Physics, Science Department

15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(6) Approved Tenure – (Continued)

<u>GBC</u>

Mr. Richard Barton, Welding Technology

Mr. Dick Borino, Diesel Technology

Dr. Frank Daniels, Mathematics/Computing/Science

<u>TMCC</u>

Ms. Marjorie A. Ashton, Accounting, Professional Business Studies

Mr. Robert H. Fletcher, Psychology, Social Sciences

Mr. Brent J. Harper, Fire Technology/Public Service

Mr. Warren L. Hejny, Radiological Technology, Health Sciences

Ms. Paige P. Hurley, Financial Aid

Mr. James E. Roderick, English, English/Foreign Languages

WNCC

Ms. Stephanie Arrigotti, Music, Arts, Science, & Developmental Education

Dr. Brigitte Dillet, Earth Science, Fallon Campus

Mr. Edwin Kingham, Mathematics, Arts, Science & Developmental Education

Mr. Richard Kloes, Accounting, Fallon Campus

Ms. Carolyn Larrivee, Nursing, Off-Campus Programs

Mr. James Strange, Mathematics, Fallon Campus

Dr. Michelle Trusty-Murphy, English, Off-Campus Programs

- (7) Approved Handbook Change, Summer Session Salary Schedules, UNLV & UNR Approved a Handbook change, Title 4, Chapter 3, Section 26, Summer Session Salary Schedules. Ref. C-7 on file in the Board office.
- (8) Approved Capital Improvement Fee Funds, CCSN & TMCC Approved the use of Capital Improvement Fee Funds at CCSN and TMCC for the following projects:
 - CCSN

Architecture services needed for the Donald W.

Reynolds Science Center Grant Proposal. \$55,000

• TMCC

<u>Transformer Repair \$35,000</u>

OTM Carpeting Replacement 25,000

Abandonment of Underground Fuel Tank 20,000

Science Lab Exhaust Hood 15,000

Career Center Remodel 50,000

Office Remodel-SIER 202K 1,500

Office Remodel-Dept. of Public Safety 2,300

Cabinets, Tables, Desks 8,000

Total: \$156,800

- 15. Approved Consent Agenda (Continued)
- (9) Approved All Funds Report Approved of the mid-year All Funds Report. Ref. C-9 on file in the Board office.
- (10) Approved Handbook Change, Good Neighbor Addition Approved the addition of graduates of Victor Valley College in San Bernardino County, California to the Good Neighbor eligibility list in the Handbook, Title 4 Chapter 17, Section 4, 4.a. Ref. C-10 on file in the Board office.

(11) Approved Interlocal Agreements -

A. Parties: Board of Regents/UNLV and Nevada Division of Investigation.

Effective Upon approval, until terminated by either party with 30 days' notice.

\$\$: None.

<u>Purpose: Excess Department of Defense</u> <u>Personal Property Program.</u>

B. Parties: Board of Regents/UNLV and Nevada Welfare Division.

Effective: Upon approval, to June 30, 1999.

\$\$: \$92,500 to UNLV.

Purpose: Customer Service for Front Line/Customer Service for Managers.

C. Parties: Board of Regents/UNLV and City of Las Vegas.

Effective: Upon approval, to June 30, 1999.

\$\$: \$45,857 to UNLV.

Purpose: Homeless Demographic Study.

D. Parties: Board of Regents/UNLV and Clark County Department of Family and Youth Service.

Effective: July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999.

\$\$: \$48,000 to UNLV.

<u>Purpose: UNLV to provide professional</u> counseling services.

E. Parties: Board of Regents/UNLV and Nevada Welfare Division.

Effective: Upon approval, to June 30, 1999.

\$\$: \$119,850 to UNLV.

<u>Purpose: Human Services</u> <u>Worker/Certification Program.</u>

<u>F. Parties: Board of Regents/UNLV and</u> Board of Lincoln County Commissioners.

Effective: April 1, 1999 to September 30, 1999.

\$\$: \$15,000 to UNLV.

Purpose: UNLV to provide research services in connection with risks associated with legal weight and heavy-haul highway transportation of high-level radioactive wastes between Rachel, Nevada and the Yucca Mountain site.

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15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(11) Approved Interlocal Agreements – (Continued)

G. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Department of Transportation.

Effective: Approval date, to November 30, 1999.

\$\$: \$10.000 to UNR.

Purpose: Provide services to develop an international forum for exchange of technical information on Accelerated Pavement Testing.

H. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Department of Transportation.

Effective: January 1, 1999 to December 31, 2001.

\$\$: \$142,640 to UNR.

Purpose: Provide technical services to supplement those of DOT for purposes of asphalt concrete mixture design research and testing.

I. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Division of Child and Family Services.

Effective: Upon approval, to June 30, 1999.

\$\$: \$28,592 to UNR.

Purpose: Child Welfare Training Program

J. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Attorney General.

Effective: Upon approval to February 28, 2000.

\$\$: \$26,667 to UNR.

<u>Purpose: Treatment for women victims of domestic violence.</u>

K. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Health Division.

Effective: January 1, 1999 to June 1, 2000.

\$\$: \$187,033 to UNR.

Purpose: Provide technical assistance program to statewide audiences on source water protection programs.

L. Parties: Board of Regents/Medical School and Nevada Division of Health.

Effective: January 1, 1999 to December 31, 1999.

\$\$: \$68,000 to Medical School.

Purpose: TB Elimination Program.

M. Parties: Board of Regents/Medical School and Nevada Division of Health.

Effective: November 1, 1998, for an indefinite period of time.

\$\$: \$10,000 to Medical School.

Purpose: Immunization Program.

N. Parties: Board of Regents/WNCC and Nevada State Job Training Office.

Effective: July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999.

\$\$: \$50,237 (amended amount – increase).

Purpose: Displaced Homemaker Program.

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15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(11) Approved Interlocal Agreements – (Continued)

O. Parties: Board of Regents/CCSN and Nye County School District.

Effective: Upon approval, to June of 2047, with right of renewal for another 50 years.

\$\$: Mutual collaboration effort.

Purpose: Pahrump High School/High Tech Center.

P. Parties: Board of Regents/TMCC and Nevada State Job Training Office.

Effective: July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999.

\$\$: \$74,166 (amended amount – increase).

Purpose: Displaced Homemaker Program.

Q. Parties: Board of Regents/TMCC and Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation.

Effective: Upon approval, for an indefinite period of time.

\$\$: None.

<u>Purpose: Implement statewide One-Stop/Career Center System.</u>

R. Parties: Board of Regents/UNLV and the Clark County Commissioners.

Effective: March 2, 1999 – no end date given.

\$\$: \$6,977 to UNLV.

Purpose: Research tool design and data analysis.

Mr. Alden moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Dr. Kirkpatrick seconded. Motion carried.

8. Tabled Athletic Tuition Fee Waivers - (Continued)

After conferring, Presidents Crowley and Harter suggested the following in regard to fee waivers. President Crowley recommended the Board pass Alternate A (on file in the Board office) which involved the phase-in of a tuition and fee waiver program for student athletes over a 5-year period. The program would commence in 2001-2002 with 25 waivers for each university, and increase in number until complete phase-in is accomplished in 2005-2006. Dr. Crowley stated it would result in no negative impact on the budget. This results in a loss of tuition and fee revenue per year of \$135,000 at UNR and \$146,000 at UNLV in current dollars. There will be a need to replace that revenue with state general fund support.

Mr. Rosenberg moved approval of passing Athletic Tuition Fee Waivers
Alternate A. Mr. Alden seconded.

A round of discussion revealed the following:

■ The program will commence with 25 waivers for each university and increase in lots of 25 per university until complete phase-in is accomplished.

8. Tabled Athletic Tuition Fee Waivers – (Continued)

- No new money is allocated as a result of this decision. It is an accounting transaction accomplished as an expense item on the state general fund budget.
- No revenue will be projected for the waiver students, but education FTE's will be expensed in the state budget.
- Both residents and non-resident fee waivers are included.
- No money is taken away from any educational program.
- No impact anticipated from delaying decision.
- Vice President Ashok Dhingra will provide a written conceptual explanation for the Board and the item will be revisited.

Mr. Alden moved approval of tabling the item. Mr. Hill seconded. Motion carried.

16. Information Only-Code Revision, Personnel Policy for Faculty - During the January 13, 1999 meeting of the Campus Environment Committee, the Committee discussed the Nevada nepotism law and how it affects campus-hiring policies. The Committee recommended that the UCCSN Code be modified to allow for the

employment of certain individuals in conformity with the Nevada nepotism law. The Board will consider an amendment to Code5.2.2, which will appear on the next Board meeting agenda for action. Ref. E on file in the Board office.

17. Information Only- Handbook Revisions, Fees – Associate Vice Chancellor Jim Randolph presented the requests from the institutions for fee increases. Board action will be requested at the April meeting. Ref. F on file in the Board office.

Dr. Randolph related that Part A addressed student fees and special course fees requested by each institution. Part B is a request from Great Basin College in anticipation of their 4-year program. President Remington is interested in understanding the Board's recommendation for appropriate charges.

18. Approved Honorary Doctorate Degrees - Approved Honorary Doctorate Degrees from the universities for 1999.

Mr. Wiesner moved
approval of the Honorary
Doctorate Degrees for
UNR: Mr. Fred Gibson, Jr.
and former First Lady
Sandy Miller. Mr. Hill
seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Alden moved approval of the Honorary Doctorate Degrees for UNLV: Mr. James E. Rogers, Mr. Louis Wiener, Jr. (posthumously). Mr. Sisolak seconded. Motion carried.

19. Approved Distinguished Nevadan Awards - Approved the Distinguished Nevadan Awards for 1999.

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<u>19. Approved Distinguished Nevadan Awards – (Continued)</u>

Mrs. Dondero moved
approval of Distinguished
Nevadan awards for
southern Nevada: Ms.
Patricia Mulroy, Mr. Milton I.
Schwartz, and Mr. Steve
and Mrs. Elaine Wynn. Mrs.
Gallagher seconded.
Motion carried.

Mr. Phillips moved approval

of Distinguished Nevadan
awards for northern
Nevada: Ms. Joyce
Holister, Mr. Jack Streeter,
Bishop Vincent Lee
Thompson (posthumously).
Mr. Hill seconded. Motion
carried.

<u>20. Approved Honorary Associate Degrees - Approved Honorary Associate Degrees from the community colleges for 1999.</u>

Mrs. Gallagher moved
approval of Honorary
Associate Degrees for the
community colleges:
CCSN-Mr. Leslie Dunn, Mr.
William Flangas, Mr.
Renoldo Martinez, Ms.
Lillian McMorris, Mr. John
O'Reilly; GBC-Mr. H.
Russell McMullen; TMCCMs. JoAnn Coy; WNCCMs. Linda Broughton
(posthumously), Mr. Fred
Smith. Mr. Alden seconded.
Motion carried.

21. Approved Regents' Scholar Awards - Approved the 1999 Regents' Scholar Awards.

Mr. Rosenberg moved
approval of the following
Regents' Scholar Awards:
UNLV-Kilpatrick Carroll,
Undergraduate and Tara
Pike, Graduate; UNRAmber Joiner,
Undergraduate and Otto
MacLin, Graduate; CCSNKandy Aranda; GBC-Billie
R. Shelton; TMCCShannon A. White; WNCCMindy Millard. Mr. Hill
seconded. Motion carried.

22. Information Only-UCCSN Legislative Advocates/Lobbyists - Current registration requirements for the System's legislative advocates/lobbyists were reviewed and the current advocates/lobbyists for the various units of the System were identified by

Chancellor Jarvis. The Legislative Counsel Bureau publishes a "Lobbyist Registration List" periodically throughout the course of the legislative session. A list of the registered lobbyists is on file in the Board office. Regents are regarded as public officers/elected officials and are not required to register. Dr. Derby thanked the Regents who have taken the time to testify before the Legislature on key issues.

23. Information Only-Policy/Procedure for Naming of Buildings - Board Chair Derby outlined a process to investigate various procedures or policies that might be used in naming buildings in the UCCSN. Dr. Derby asked Mrs. Dondero to consult with others and report back with recommendations at the next meeting.

24. Information Only-Governor's Proposed Millennium Scholarships – Vice Chancellor Nichols related her office would be sharing the results of the survey of high school juniors and seniors at a later date. She asked the Board to publicly support the proposed Millennium Scholarships. Dr. Derby expressed the Board's enthusiasm for the Millennium Scholarships proposal and the promise it holds for higher education. She added that it complements the Regents' go-to-school campaign. Mr. Seastrand observed that the scholarship fund may have the largest impact on higher education in Nevada. He was concerned with Attorney General Frankie Sue Del Papa's reluctance to divert the funds in this manner. He expressed his gratitude to Ms. Ernst and her staff for their assistance with analyzing the correlation between people going to college and smoking rates. The results indicate that people who go to college are much less likely to smoke. Dr. Keith Schwer, Director for the Center for Business & Economic Research-UNLV, will be performing a study to determine the correlation between a state having the highest smoking rate and the lowest college-going rate. Mrs. Gallagher asked whether there was a Resolution for the Board that could be sent to the Governor's office. Dr. Derby responded that they did not, but that a letter could be drafted on behalf of the Board and sent.

2. Chair's Report - (Continued)

Dr. Derby named a committee of five Regents to the Funding Equity Study:

- Mrs. Thalia Dondero, Chair
- Mr. Doug Hill
- Mr. Doug Seastrand
- Mr. Steve Sisolak
- Mr. Tom Wiesner

The committee has been charged to work closely with Presidents Crowley, Harter, Moore, and Richardson to commission the study and establish the parameters immediately. The goal is to have the results of the study available for the April Board meeting. Dr. Derby also asked the Chancellor to determine the appropriate staffing for the committee. Mr. Ray established that the Board could delegate the authority of selecting the company to perform the study to the members of the committee.

authority to the committee to select the company to perform the study for the Board. Mrs. Gallagher seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Hill asked how much money could be spent and for clarification of the time frame. Mr. Sisolak reported that he had spoken to MGT of America and they had indicated a 2-month timeframe for the study for \$52,500 including expenses. Dr. Derby suggested authorizing a maximum amount for expenditure.

Mr. Rosenberg moved approval of authorizing the committee to spend up to \$70,000 for the study. Dr. Kirkpatrick seconded. Motion carried.

25. Public Comment – None.

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26. New Business - None.

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The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

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Mary Lou Moser

Secretary to the Board