

BOARD OF REGENTS
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION
 College of Southern Nevada
 6375 West Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas
 Building D, Room 101
 Thursday, February 5, 2009, 8:30 a.m.
 Friday, February 6, 2009, 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL:	Mr. Michael B. Wixom, Chair	_____
	Dr. Jason Geddes, Vice Chair	_____
	Mr. Mark Alden	_____
	Dr. Stavros S. Anthony	_____
	Mr. Robert Blakely	_____
	Mr. William G. Cobb	_____
	Mr. Cedric Crear	_____
	Mrs. Dorothy S. Gallagher	_____
	Mr. Ron Knecht	_____
	Mr. James Dean Leavitt	_____
	Mr. Kevin J. Page	_____
	Dr. Raymond D. Rawson	_____
	Dr. Jack Lund Schofield	_____

NOTE: Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented at the discretion of the chair. In accordance with the Board of Regents' Bylaws, Title I, Article V, Section 20, items voted on may be the subject of a motion to reconsider at this meeting. A motion to reconsider an item may be made at any time before adjournment of this meeting. Similarly, if an item is tabled at any time during the meeting, it may, by proper motion and vote, be taken from the table and thereafter be the subject of consideration and action at any time before adjournment of this meeting.

The Board of Regents, at its regularly scheduled meetings, meets concurrently with its Audit, Student & Academic Affairs, Budget & Finance, and Cultural Diversity & Security Committees. The Board's Audit, Student & Academic Affairs, Budget & Finance, and Cultural Diversity & Security Committee meetings take place in accordance with the agendas published for those Committees. Regents who are not members of the committees may attend the Committee meetings and participate in the discussion of Committee agenda items. However, action items will only be voted on by the members of each Committee, unless a Regent is temporarily made a member of that Committee under Board of Regents' Bylaws, Title I, Article VI, Section 6. The full Board of Regents will consider Committee action items in accordance with the Board of Regents' agenda published for the current or for a subsequent meeting.

In accordance with the Board of Regents' Bylaws, Title I, Article V, Section 13, a quorum may be gained by telephone hookup.

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Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically disabled persons attending the meeting. Please call the Board office at (775) 784-4958 in advance so that arrangements may be made.

CALL TO ORDER

8:30 a.m., Thursday, February 5, 2009

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

1. OATH OF OFFICE

INFORMATION

Nevada Supreme Court Chief Justice James W. Hardesty will administer the oath of office to the newly elected, re-elected and appointed Regents:

- Mr. Robert Blakely
- Mr. William G. Cobb
- Dr. Jason Geddes
- Mr. Kevin J. Page
- Dr. Raymond D. Rawson
- Dr. Jack Lund Schofield

2. INTRODUCTIONS

INFORMATION

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

INFORMATION

Chair Michael B. Wixom, as part of the Chair's report, requests that the President of each hosting institution introduce one student and one faculty member to discuss a topic of the hosting President's choosing to help provide Board members with a focus on the reasons they serve as board members. He will also discuss current NSHE events and his current activities as Chair.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Audit Committee, 9:30 a.m. (*Building D, Room 101*)
Student & Academic Affairs, 9:30 a.m. (*Building B, Room 105*)
Budget and Finance, 11:30 a.m. (*Building D, Room 101*)
Cultural Diversity & Security, 11:30 a.m. (*Building B, Room 105*)

4. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

INFORMATION

Chancellor James E. Rogers will discuss the proposed budget cuts and legislative support for K-16 education.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION

Public comment will be taken during this agenda item. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. The Chair of the Board of Regents may place reasonable limitations as to the amount of time individuals may address the Board. The Chair may elect to allow public comment on a specific agenda item when that item is being considered.

INFORMATION/ACTION

6. CONSENT AGENDA

INFORMATION/ACTION

Request is made for approval of the Consent Agenda. ([Consent Agenda](#))

**7. DISCUSSION OF 2009-2011
NSHE BIENNIAL BUDGET**

INFORMATION/ACTION

The Board will continue its discussion of the 2009-2011 NSHE Biennial Budget Request that was submitted to the Governor, including a report on the Executive Budget and a comparison of the Executive Budget to the budget as submitted by the Board, any new developments from the 2009 legislative session and updates on the financial status of the state and the corresponding impact on budgets. The Regents, institutional presidents and staff will discuss various options for the development of future contingency plans in the event that the 2009-2011 NSHE budget as submitted is not fully funded. The Board may also discuss and provide guidance to institutional presidents as to the general policies that should be considered when making budgetary decisions at the institutional level. As part of the deliberations, the Board may consider suggestions for modifications to Board Policy or for modifications to applicable state policies, including revenue generating policies, to be supported by the Board that will assist in addressing any fund reductions. The Board may provide direction to the Chair and/or the Chancellor to express the sense of the Board to the Governor and the Legislature regarding the budget issues including, but not limited to, supporting modifications to any specific state policies. Based on the discussion, the Board may also issue directions to staff and the institutions on strategies to be included or addressed in drafting future contingency plans to meet the anticipated potential funding reductions.

8. 2009 LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

INFORMATION/ACTION

Senate Bill 490 (*Chapter 524, Statutes of Nevada 2007*) eliminates through the 2011 legislative session the Board's authorization to request up to five bill drafts for consideration during each session. Therefore, the System will seek specific sponsorship for desired legislative changes based on the Board's directive for potential measures to be sought for the 2009 Session of the Nevada Legislature. The Board will have an initial discussion on potential legislative proposals for the 2009 Session. Final action will be requested at a later Board meeting. The Board may provide direction to the Chancellor regarding the support or opposition to legislative proposals.

AWARDS

9. REGENTS' AWARDS

INFORMATION/ACTION

The Board will render a decision on the 2009 Distinguished Nevadan and Regents' Scholar recipients:

- A. Distinguished Nevadans - *Policy: Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 14: (Ref. A)*
- Mr. Charles Donnelly, Posthumously, *Nominated by former Regent Rosenberg.*
 - Mr. Rossi Ralenkotter, Las Vegas, *Nominated by Regent Anthony.*
 - Mr. Jackie Robinson, Las Vegas, *Nominated by Regent Crear.*
 - Mr. Larry Ruvo, Las Vegas, *Nominated by former Regent Sisolak.*
 - Ms. Linda Smith, Las Vegas, *Nominated by Regent Gallagher.*
 - Mr. Alden Levi Stewart, Las Vegas, *Nominated by former Regent Whipple.*
- B. Regents' Scholars – *Policy: Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 15: (Ref. B)*
- Ms. Caitlin Saladino, CSN.
 - Mr. Joshua Robbins, GBC.
 - Ms. Jessica Kusak, NSC.
 - Ms. Maria del Rosario Jimenez Ortiz, TMCC.
 - Ms. Claire White, UNLV *Undergraduate.*
 - Ms. Crystal Jackson, UNLV *Graduate.*
 - Ms. Jenna Hayes, UNR *Undergraduate.*
 - Ms. Eryn M. McKinley, UNR *Graduate.*
 - Ms. Amy Ramos, WNC.

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

10. HANDBOOK REVISION, BYLAWS, UNR INFORMATION/ACTION

UNR President Milton D. Glick requests approval of amendments to the UNR Bylaws (*Title 5, Chapter 7*). ([Ref. C](#))

11. HANDBOOK REVISION, INSTITUTIONAL BYLAWS INFORMATION

Executive Vice Chancellor Daniel J. Klaich will present for the Board's consideration an amendment to the NSHE Code concerning the process for reviewing and approving institutional bylaws, unit bylaws, and student government constitutions (*Title 2, Chapter 1, Section 1.3*). This is the first hearing at which this request is presented for information only. Final action will be requested at the April 2009 meeting of the Board. ([Ref. D](#))

PERSONNEL

12. FOUR-YEAR EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT, HEAD FOOTBALL COACH, UNLV INFORMATION/ACTION

UNLV President David B. Ashley requests approval for a four-year employment contract for Mr. Michael Sanford, UNLV's Head Football Coach. ([Ref. E](#))

13. THREE YEAR EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT HEAD MEN'S SOCCER COACH, UNLV INFORMATION/ACTION

UNLV President David B. Ashley requests approval for a new three year contract for Mr. Mario Sanchez, UNLV's Head Men's Soccer Coach. ([Ref. F](#))

INFORMATION/ACTION

14. POTENTIAL STREET NAMING, MAUDE FRAZIER WAY, UNLV INFORMATION/ACTION

UNLV President David B. Ashley requests the Board's approval for a formal letter of support from Chair Wixom, on behalf of the Board, to express support in renaming the cul-de-sac at the Maryland Parkway/Harmon entrance into UNLV as "Maude Frazier Way" in honor of the Maude Frazier, former Lieutenant Governor, legislator and educator, who was instrumental in founding UNLV. ([Ref. G](#))

15. FIRE SCIENCE ACADEMY (FSA), UNR **INFORMATION/ACTION**

UNR President Milton D. Glick will present a progress report and a recommendation relative to the Fire Science Academy as directed by the Board of Regents at the December 4-5, 2008, meeting. Based on the discussion, the Board may provide direction on the future of the FSA that could include, among other things, closing the FSA at a certain time, continuing the efforts to partner with client customers and industries and/or the State of Nevada to obtain financial assistance to cover operating shortfalls, or other action with respect to improving the financial and operating condition of the FSA. ([Ref. H](#))

16. INTEL INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FAIR, DRI AND WNC **INFORMATION**

WNC President Carol A. Lucey and DRI President Stephen G. Wells will present information on the May 2009 Intel International Science and Engineering Fair. ([Ref. I](#))

17. NEVADA BIOTECHNOLOGY & BIOSCEINCE CONSORTIUM AND ACTIVITIES AT UNLV **INFORMATION**

At the request of Board Chair, Michael B. Wixom, Mr. John Laub, Co-founder and Executive Director of Nevada Biotechnology & Bioscience Consortium will make a presentation about the future of biotechnology, specific biotech efforts underway in Las Vegas and at UNLV, and the impact of biotechnology on economic development. ([Ref. J](#))

18. PUBLIC RELATIONS, BRANDING, MARKETING AND RECRUITMENT EFFORTS, CSN and GBC **INFORMATION**

Each of the institutions and System Administration has been requested to provide a report on their efforts undertaken in relation to their public relations, branding, marketing and recruitment. At this meeting, representatives from CSN and GBC will provide an overview of their current and planned public relations, branding, marketing and recruiting efforts. Both in-state and out-of-state strategies will be discussed, as appropriate. Examples will be shared with the Board. ([Refs. K-1 and K-2](#))

19. FORMER REGENTS, NSHE

INFORMATION/ACTION

The Board will discuss the continued interaction of former Regents with the Nevada System of Higher Education, including, but not limited to, the suggestion that former Regents be invited to specific events sponsored by the System or one of its institutions, such as the events recognizing Distinguished Nevadans. As a result of this discussion, the Board may provide directions to the Chancellor and/or the Presidents, concerning the continued interaction of former Regents with the NSHE, including, but not limited to, the invitation of former Regents to attend specific events sponsored by the System or one of its institutions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOTE: Please refer to the specific committee agenda for complete reference materials and/or reports.

20. AUDIT COMMITTEE

INFORMATION/ACTION

Chair Mark Alden will present a report on the Audit Committee meeting held on February 5, 2009, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes – The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the December 4, 2008, Committee meeting. ([Ref. A-1](#))
- Audit Exception Report – The Committee considered for approval the Audit Exception Report for the six months ended December 31, 2008. ([Ref. A-3](#))
- NSHE Single Audit Report: NSHE Compliance with Office of Management & Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 – The Committee considered for approval the Single Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2008. ([Ref. A-4](#))
- Report of Communications Concerning Audit of NSHE Financial Statements – The Committee considered for approval the Report of Communications as presented by NSHE external auditing firm Moss Adams. ([Ref. A-5](#))
- UNSOM Multispecialty Group Practice North, Inc., Multispecialty Group Practice South Inc., and Nevada Family Practice Residency Program, Inc. (*Medschool Associates*) – Combined Financial Statements – The Committee considered for approval the combined financial statements as presented by NSHE external auditing firm Moss Adams. ([Ref. A-6](#))

20. AUDIT COMMITTEE – (Cont'd.)

- UNSOM Multispecialty Group Practice North, Inc., Multispecialty Group Practice South Inc., and Nevada Family Practice Residency Program, Inc. (*Medschool Associates*) – Communication of Internal Control Related Matters – The Committee considered for approval the report on communications of internal control as presented by NSHE external auditing firm Moss Adams. ([Ref. A-7](#))
- UNSOM Multispecialty Group Practice North, Inc., Multispecialty Group Practice South Inc., and Nevada Family Practice Residency Program, Inc. (*Medschool Associates*) – Communication to the Board of Regents Relating to the Audited Financial Statements – The Committee considered for approval the report of communications related to the audited financial statements to the Board of Regents as presented by the NSHE external auditing firm Moss Adams. ([Ref. A-8](#))
- External Auditor Interviews – The Committee will interview and recommend a selection of one of two firms as NSHE external auditors for the years ending June 30, 2009, 2010 and 2011. ([Refs. A-9a and A-9b](#))

21. BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

INFORMATION/ACTION

Chair Ron Knecht will present a report on the Budget & Finance Committee meeting held on February 5, 2009, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes – The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the December 4, 2008, Committee meeting. ([Ref. BF-1](#))
- Mid-Year Fiscal Year 2008-2009 NSHE Self-Supporting Budgets & 2009 Summer School/Calendar Year Budgets – The Committee considered approval of the NSHE Mid-Year Fiscal Year 2008-2009 NSHE Self-Supporting Budgets & 2009 Summer School/Calendar Year Budgets. ([Ref. BF-2](#))
- *Handbook* Revision, Use of Funds Generated from Registration Fees – The Committee considered for approval a *Handbook* revision addressing use of funds generated from registration fees. ([Ref. BF-4](#))
- *Handbook* Revision, Special Course Fees – The Committee considered for approval a *Handbook* revision addressing special course fees. ([Ref. BF-5](#))
- UNLV Hotel College Academic Building 2009 Scope Modification – The Committee considered for approval a request to approve a 2009 CIP Scope Modification. ([Ref. BF-6](#))

22. CULTURAL DIVERSITY & SECURITY COMMITTEE **INFORMATION/ACTION**

Chair Cedric Crear will present a report on the Cultural Diversity and Security Committee meeting held on February 5, 2009, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes – The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the December 4, 2008, Committee meeting. ([Ref. CDS-1](#))
- Hate Crimes Policy – The Committee considered for approval the hate crime policies adopted by the institutions. ([Ref. CDS-3](#))
- Institutional Diversity Report, UNLV – The Committee considered for approval acceptance of the report, and based on the discussion, may make recommendations to the Chancellor and the President regarding these initiatives. ([Ref. CDS-5](#))
- Institutional Diversity Report, CSN – The Committee considered for approval acceptance of the report, and based on the discussion, may make recommendations to the Chancellor and the President regarding these initiatives.

23. STUDENT & ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE **INFORMATION/ACTION**

Chair Stavros S. Anthony will present a report on the Student & Academic Affairs Committee meeting held on February 5, 2009, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes – The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the December 4, 2008, Committee meeting. ([Ref. SAA-1](#))
- New Major, Bachelor of Science in General Business, UNR – The Committee considered for approval the Bachelor of Science in General Business at the University of Nevada, Reno. ([Ref. SAA-2](#))
- *Handbook* Revision, NSHE Remedial Policy – The Committee considered for approval a *Handbook* revision addressing placement of students into remedial courses, effective fall 2010. ([Ref. SAA-3](#))
- *Handbook* Revision, Transfer Policy – The Committee considered for approval a *Handbook* revision addressing transfer courses. ([Ref. SAA-4](#))

23. STUDENT & ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – (Cont'd.)

- Regents' Awards – The Committee considered for approval the following individuals nominated for the 2009 Regents' Awards. ([Ref. SAA-5](#))
 - ✓ Nevada Regents' Creative Activity Award
Mr. Glenn Casale, UNLV
 - ✓ Nevada Regents' Teaching Award
Dr. Patrick Leary, CSN (*Community College Faculty*)
Dr. Eric Wang, UNR (*University, State College & DRI Faculty*)
 - ✓ Nevada Regents' Academic Advisor Award
Mr. Tony Villalobos, GBC
Dr. Elliott Parker, UNR (*Undergraduate*)
Dr. Marta Meana, UNLV (*Graduate*)

**24. BOARD DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE**

INFORMATION/ACTION

Chair James Dean Levitt will present a report on the Board Development Committee meeting held on January 30, 2009, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes – The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the July 30, 2008, Committee meeting. ([Ref. BD-1](#))

25. INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

INFORMATION/ACTION

Chair James Dean Leavitt will present a report on the Investment Committee meeting held on December 30, 2008, and January 30, 2009, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes – The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the December 2, 2008, and December 30, 2008, Committee meetings. ([Refs. INV-1a and INV-1b](#))
- Asset Allocation and Investment Returns – The Committee considered for approval recommendations, including but not limited to changes to the asset allocation and strategic ranges for the pooled operating fund.
- NSHE Operating Pool Update – The Committee considered for approval recommendations, including but not limited to, continuing to suspend or resuming the disbursements to the campuses from the NSHE operating pool, or setting forth conditions under which such disbursements would resume and the amount thereof. Action may involve a change in prior Investment Committee, Board of Regents' or NSHE policy.

25. INVESTMENT COMMITTEE – (Cont'd.)

- Cash Management Practices – The Committee considered for approval recommendations related to the current NSHE cash management protocol, including but not limited to, directing staff to provide additional information regarding updated cash management practices at a future meeting. ([Ref. INV-4](#))
- System Administration Endowment Accounts – Management Fee - The Committee considered for approval a request to assess a 1.5% management fee from the System Endowment accounts held in the NSHE Endowment Pool. ([Ref. INV-5](#))
- Update on NSHE Endowment Accounts – The Committee considered for approval recommendations related to the underperforming endowments including, but not limited to, the changing or suspending of the distributions.
- Lease with Role Model, LLC, for Retail Space in the Joe Crowley Student Union (JCSU), UNR – The Committee considered for approval a request to enter into a long-term lease agreement with Role Model, LLC. ([Ref. INV-7](#))
- Lease with Spudistros, Inc., for Retail Space in the Joe Crowley Student Union (JCSU), UNR – The Committee considered for approval a request to enter into a long-term lease agreement with Spudistros, Inc. ([Ref. INV-8](#))
- Capital Assets “Flow Process” Checklist – The Committee may make recommendations to accept the updated Capital Assets “Flow Process” Checklist or may recommend further modifications. ([Ref. INV-9](#))

26. RESEARCH & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

INFORMATION/ACTION

Chair Jack Lund Schofield will present a report on the Research & Economic Development Committee meeting held on January 29, 2009, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes – The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the November 25, 2008, Committee meeting. ([Ref. RED-2](#))
- Regents' Awards – The Committee considered for approval the following individuals nominated for the 2009 Regents' Awards.
 - ✓ Regents' Rising Researcher Award ([Ref. RED-5](#))
Dr. Frank van Breukelen, UNLV
Dr. Wei Yan, UNR
Dr. Alison Murray, DRI
 - ✓ Regents' Researcher Award ([Ref. RED-6](#))
Dr. Alan Gertler, DRI

**27. HEALTH SCIENCES SYSTEM
COMMITTEE**

INFORMATION/ACTION

Chair Dorothy S. Gallagher will present a report on the Health Sciences System Committee meeting held on January 29, 2009, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes – The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the November 25, 2008, Committee meeting. ([Ref. HSS-1](#))
- Transfer of the Dental Residency Program from UNR to UNLV – In accordance with the Board's previous action, the Committee considered for approval a request to transfer the Dental Residency Program from UNR to UNLV. The Committee may also recommend the transfer and/or may make other recommendations in relation to the transfer. ([Ref. HSS-5](#))
- Board action will also be requested to approve the minutes from the Committee's meeting held on September 25, 2008, approved by the Committee at its November 25, 2008, meeting. ([Ref. L](#))

28. NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATION

Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested. Any discussion of an item under "New Business" is limited to description and clarification of the subject matter of the item, which may include the reasons for the request.

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CSN, Building D, 1st floor, 6375 W. Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89146-1124
DRI, Maxey Building, 2215 Raggio Parkway, Reno, NV 89512-1095
DRI, Southern Nevada Science Center, 755 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89119-7363
GBC, Berg Hall, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, NV 89801
NSC, Great Hall, 1125 Nevada State Drive, Henderson, NV 89015
TMCC, Red Mountain Building (RDMT 200), 7000 Dandini Blvd., Reno, NV 89512
UNLV, Flora Dungan Humanities (FDH), 1st & 7th floors, 4505 Maryland Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89154-1001
UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557
WNC, Bristlecone Building Lobby, 2201 W. College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89703
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