CONSENT AGENDA
BOARD OF REGENTS
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION
UNLV Student Union Ballrooms B & C
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
4505 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas
Thursday, December 3, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
Friday, December 4, 2009, 8:00 a.m.**

** Board meeting resumes on Friday morning upon adjournment of the
Cultural Diversity and Health Sciences System Committees.

ROLL CALL:

Mr. James Dean Leavitt, Chairman
Dr. Jason Geddes, Vice Chairman
Mr. Mark Alden
Dr. Andrea Anderson
Mr. Robert Blakely
Mr. William G. Cobb
Mr. Cedric Crear
Mrs. Dorothy S. Gallagher
Mr. Ron Knecht
Mr. Kevin J. Page
Dr. Raymond D. Rawson
Dr. Jack Lund Schofield
Mr. Michael B. Wixom

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 chairman. 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. See Notes on Main Agenda

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.

MINUTES

1. MINUTES

Request is made for approval of the September 17-18, 2009, Board of Regents’ meeting minutes. (Ref. C-1)
2. **PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES MANUAL REVISION, REHIRE OF PERS RETIREES**

   Mr. Scott G. Wasserman, Chief Executive Officer and Special Counsel to the Board of Regents, requests approval of revisions to the Rehire of PERS Retirees (P&GM, Chapter 2, Section 3) in compliance with Chapter 346, Statutes of Nevada 2009. *(Ref: C-2)*

3. **HANDBOOK REVISION, DOMESTIC PARTNERS IN RESIDENCY DETERMINATIONS**

   Vice Chancellor Bart Patterson requests approval of a revision to the Board’s current policies concerning student residency classifications for tuition purposes in compliance with Senate Bill 283 (Chapter 393, Statutes of Nevada 2009). Senate Bill 283 enacted during the 2009 Session of the Nevada State Legislature establishes a domestic partnership as a new type of civil contract recognized in the State of Nevada. Pursuant to the bill, to be recognized as such, domestic partners must register with the Office of the Nevada Secretary of State. The proposed revisions align the Board’s policy governing residency determinations with the provisions governing domestic partners as enacted under Senate Bill 283. Therefore, registered domestic partners will be treated in the same manner as spouses in residency determinations. *(Ref: C 3)*

   **FISCAL IMPACT:** Yes. Recognizing registered domestic partnerships for the purposes of residency classifications may result in the classification of resident students that would have otherwise been deemed non-residents for tuition purposes; therefore, resulting in the assessment of fewer non-resident tuition dollars, the number of which cannot be estimated at this time.

**ENDOWMENTS**

4. **NEW ENDOWMENT, NSHE**

   Consistent with the Board of Regents’ policy, Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 9.C.2b, Vice Chancellor Mike Reed requests the Board’s approval to accept a $1,076,470.59 distribution from the Glad Burgeni Holmes trust account and pursuant to the donor’s wishes, establish the August Holmes and Emma Frisch Holmes Endowment accounts for the benefit of the UNR Art and Chemistry departments. *(Ref: C-4)*
5. **NEW ENDOWMENT, TMCC**

   Consistent with the Board of Regents’ policy, Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 9.C.2b, TMCC President Maria C. Sheehan requests the Board’s approval to accept a $5,000 donation from Dr. Ted Lambert to establish the new Lillian Lambert Endowment Account. The new Endowment account will benefit the Truckee Meadows Community College Math Department through software, technology, scholarships, operating expenses and other areas as deemed appropriate by the donor. The donors have expressly requested for this Endowment account to be invested in and managed by the NSHE Endowment pool.  *(Ref. C-5)*

6. **APPOINTMENT, WestEd BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

   Vice Chancellor Jane Nichols requests the approval of an appointment to the WestEd Board of Directors for Ms. Bonnie Hofland, Department Chair/Professor of Education at Great Basin College. WestEd is a nonprofit research, development and service agency that enhances and increases education and human development within schools, families and communities. The Board of Regents appoints three members of the Board to represent the Nevada System of Higher Education. Ms. Bonnie Hofland will immediately fill a vacancy in one of the Board’s three appointed members, through May 31, 2011. *(Ref. C-6)*