

**BOARD OF REGENTS* and its
ACADEMIC, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

Student Union, Ballroom A
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
4505 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas
Thursday, December 3, 2015, 9:00 a.m.

BOARD

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Rick Trachok, Chairman	_____
Mr. Michael B. Wixom, Vice Chairman	_____
Dr. Andrea Anderson	_____
Mr. Cedric Crear	_____
Mr. Robert Davidson	_____
Dr. Mark W. Doubrava	_____
Dr. Jason Geddes	_____
Mr. Trevor Hayes	_____
Mr. James Dean Leavitt	_____
Mr. Sam Lieberman	_____
Mr. Kevin C. Melcher	_____
Mr. Kevin J. Page	_____
Ms. Allison Stephens	_____

COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL:

Dr. Jason Geddes, Chair	_____
Mr. Sam Lieberman, Vice Chair	_____
Dr. Andrea Anderson	_____
Mr. Trevor Hayes	_____
Mr. Kevin C. Melcher	_____
Ms. Allison Stephens	_____

In addition to the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee, this meeting is noticed as a meeting of the Board of Regents to allow other Regents who may wish to attend to participate.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

NOTE: Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Notification is hereby provided that items on the agenda may be taken out of the order presented, two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration, and an agenda item may be removed from the agenda or discussion relating to an item on the agenda may be delayed at any time.

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 Committees (the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee; the Audit Committee; the Business and Finance Committee; the Cultural Diversity Committee; the Health Sciences System Committee; and the Investment and Facilities Committee). The Board's 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 1, 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 1, Art. V, Section 13, a quorum may be gained by telephonic hookup.

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<http://system.nevada.edu/Nshe/index.cfm/administration/board-of-regents/meeting-agendas/>

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1. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

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2. CONSENT ITEMS

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Consent items will be considered together and acted on in one motion unless an item is removed to be considered separately by the Committee.

2a. MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for approval of the minutes from the September 10, 2015, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2a](#))

**2b. UNLV – NEW
DEGREE, DOCTOR
OF MEDICINE, M.D.**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

UNLV requests approval of a new Doctor of Medicine to train future Nevada doctors to work in healthcare teams, apply cutting-edge technology and develop novel, yet classically-based treatment solutions for diseases of the present and future. ([Ref. ARSA-2b](#))

2. CONSENT ITEMS – *(continued)*

2c. **HANDBOOK REVISION – FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
ACCEPTANCE OF COLLEGE
BOARD ADVANCED PLACEMENT
EXAMINATION SCORES BY
NSHE INSTITUTIONS

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests the Committee's approval of a revision to Board policy concerning the College Board Advanced Placement Examinations (CBAPE). Specifically, the policy revision requires acceptance of CBAPE scores of 3, 4 and 5 for credit to satisfy electives, general education requirements or major requirements (*Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 22*). ([Ref. ARSA-2c](#))

2d. **CODE REVISION –** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
TENURE: ADDING RESEARCH AND
ENTREPRENEURIAL ACTIVITY

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests approval of a revision to Board policy concerning standards for recommending appointment with tenure (*Title 2, Chapter 3, Section 3.4.2*). Specifically, the revised policy adds research and entrepreneurial activity to the standards that must be considered for university faculty being recommended for appointment with tenure. These policy revisions were presented for initial discussion at the September 10-11, 2015, meeting of the Board and the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee. ([Ref. ARSA-2d](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

3. DRI – NEW ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT, WILDLAND FIRE SCIENCE CENTER **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

DRI requests approval of a new Wildland Fire Science Center that will allow DRI to enhance its fire-related research and provide a unique resource within the State of Nevada to address the critical issues of wildland fire and adaptation. The Wildland Fire Science Center will combine DRI expertise in operational fire support, fire emissions, fire ecology and fire hydrology, which is critical to developing a holistic understanding of fire causes, processes and effects. In addition, because climate change is increasing the frequency and spatial and seasonal extent of fires, building upon existing DRI climate change research will allow DRI to respond to the increasing need for bridging basic research and operational support, yielding solution-oriented science. ([Ref. ARSA-3](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

4. NSHE PERFORMANCE POOL – TARGETS FOR YEAR 5 AND YEAR 6 **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba will present for the Committee's approval the point targets for 2016-17 (Year 5) and 2017-18 (Year 6) of the NSHE Performance Pool. A point target is selected for each year in a performance cycle. A calculation will be done following each year to determine an institution's performance relative to the established point target. The distribution of dollars from the NSHE Performance Pool will be based on a calculation where the percent of points earned will be based on the total points earned divided by the point target. ([Ref. ARSA-4](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

5. REMEDIAL PLACEMENT AND ENROLLMENT REPORT **INFORMATION ONLY**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba will present the *2014-15 Remedial Placement and Enrollment Report* that includes information on the percent of recent Nevada high school graduates who require remediation. The 2014-15 report includes information on recent Nevada high school graduates who place and enroll into remedial coursework within the first year of enrolling in an NSHE institution. ([Ref. ARSA-5a](#) and [Ref. ARSA-5b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

6. NSHE DISTANCE EDUCATION INFORMATION ONLY

Sam McCool, NSHE National Repository of Online Courses (NROC) EdReady Project Manager, and Terry Norris, Director of CSN Online Campus, will present a report on behalf of NSHE institutions regarding distance education within NSHE, including dual enrollment opportunities with the high schools and opportunities available through NSHE's membership in the NROC Project. ([Ref. ARSA-6](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.

**7. NEW AND EXISTING PROGRAM INFORMATION ONLY
REVIEW**

Linda Heiss, Senior Director of Institutional Research, and Allison Combs, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, will present the first, third and fifth year new academic program reviews and the report on institutional reviews of existing programs as mandated by Board policy (*Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 5*). ([Ref. ARSA-7a](#) and [Ref. ARSA-7b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

**8. STATE COLLEGE AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION ONLY
COLLEGES: SERVICES AND SERVICE
AREAS**

The Committee will discuss various matters related to the state college and community colleges and how those institutions are currently serving Nevada citizens. This discussion will cover matters related to service areas, institutional structure, degree offerings and institutional mission. ([Ref. ARSA-8](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 45 mins.

9. NEW BUSINESS INFORMATION ONLY

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.

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

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CSN, Building D, 1st Floor, 6375 W. Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89146
DRI, Maxey Building, 2215 Raggio Parkway, Reno, NV 89512
DRI, Southern Nevada Science Center, 755 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89119
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 Boulevard, Reno, NV 89512
UNLV, Flora Dungan Humanities Building (FDH), 1st & 7th Floors, 4505 Maryland Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89154
UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557
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