

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

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7000 Dandini Boulevard, Reno

Thursday, June 11, 2015, 9:00 a.m.

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4300 South Maryland Parkway, Board Room  
and  
Great Basin College, Elko  
1500 College Parkway, Berg Hall Conference Room

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**BOARD**

**ROLL CALL:**

Mr. Kevin J. Page, Chairman	_____
Mr. Rick Trachok, 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	_____
Ms. Allison Stephens	_____
Mr. Michael B. Wixom	_____

**COMMITTEE**

**ROLL CALL:**

Dr. Jason Geddes, Chair	_____
Mr. Sam Lieberman, Vice Chair	_____
Dr. Andrea Anderson	_____
Mr. Cedric Crear	_____
Mr. James Dean Leavitt	_____

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 Investment and Facilities Committee; and the Health Sciences System 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.

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Some agenda items are noted as having accompanying reference material. Reference material may be accessed on the electronic version of the agenda by clicking the reference link associated with a particular item. The agenda and associated reference material may also be accessed on the Internet by visiting the Board of Regents' website at:

<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 March 5, 2015, Workforce, Research and Economic Development Committee meeting and the March 5, 2015, Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting. ([Refs. ARSA-2a1](#) and [ARSA-2a2](#))

**2. CONSENT ITEMS – (continued)**

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

**2b. UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT ELIMINATION, CAESARS HOSPITALITY RESEARCH CENTER FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval to eliminate the Caesars Hospitality Research Center as the annual gifts from Caesars have ended without renewal. Endowment income will be directed to internal faculty research institutes to enhance research skills, college faculty summer research grants, publication incentives and other research expenditures. The professional development courses offered by the Center will be provided by the Center for Professional and Leadership Studies. ([Ref. ARSA-2b](#))

**2c. UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT ELIMINATION, ENGINEERING GEOPHYSICS LABORATORY FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval to eliminate the Engineering Geophysics Laboratory as the activities and resources once associated with the Engineering Geophysics Laboratory have been absorbed by the Applied Geophysics Center. ([Ref. ARSA-2c](#))

**2d. TMCC – PROGRAM ELIMINATION, AAS IN NURSING FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

TMCC requests approval to eliminate its Associate of Applied Science in Nursing as this degree will now be offered as an Associate of Science in Nursing beginning Fall 2015. The Associate of Science in Nursing was approved by the Board of Regents on December 5, 2013. ([Ref. ARSA-2d](#))

**2. CONSENT ITEMS – (continued) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

**2e. TMCC – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT ELIMINATION, DIVISION OF WEBCOLLEGE FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

TMCC requests approval to eliminate the Division of WebCollege. The one academic unit within WebCollege is primarily a service unit to other academic divisions and will be integrated back into the Division of Liberal Arts. No students will be impacted by the elimination of this division.

[\(Ref. ARSA-2e\)](#)

**2f. NSC – ACADEMIC MASTER PLAN REVISION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSC requests approval of a revision to its Academic Master Plan, previously approved at the December 2014 meeting, to include among its planned programs a Bachelor of Applied Science in Visual Media and a Bachelor of Applied Science in Engineering Technology. [\(Ref. ARSA-2f\)](#)

**2g. TMCC – ACADEMIC MASTER PLAN REVISION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

TMCC requests approval of a revision to its Academic Master Plan, previously approved at the December 2014 meeting, to include among its planned programs an Associate of Applied Science in Prehospital Emergency Medicine and an Associate of Applied Science in Culinary Arts Entrepreneurs. [\(Ref. ARSA-2g\)](#)

**3. NSC – NEW MAJOR, BAS IN VISUAL MEDIA FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSC requests approval of a Bachelor of Applied Science in Visual Media. This program will provide students who have completed an Associate of Applied Science in Photography with a Videography and Film Emphasis at CSN with the opportunity to earn this advanced degree and prepare them to work as media specialists in a team in the film industry or independently creating visual marketing materials for companies and other organizations.

[\(Ref. ARSA-3\)](#)

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**4. NSC – NEW MAJOR, BAS IN ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSC requests approval of a Bachelor of Applied Science in Engineering Technology. This proposed 3+1 program between CSN and NSC will provide an opportunity for students to earn this degree at NSC after completing an Associate of Applied Science in Computer Information Technology – Networking at CSN. The program will produce engineering technologists with technical skills that are in demand in Nevada, as well as the management and communication knowledge needed to work in management positions in industry. ([Ref. ARSA-4](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**5. TMCC – NEW MAJOR, AAS IN PREHOSPITAL EMERGENCY MEDICINE FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

TMCC requests approval of an Associate of Applied Science in Prehospital Emergency Medicine. The new degree will enhance the learning opportunities and professional status of TMCC graduates, offer opportunities beyond paramedic education and training and prepare students for continuing their education to the bachelor's level. ([Ref. ARSA-5](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**6. TMCC – NEW DEGREE, AAS IN CULINARY ARTS ENTREPRENEURS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

TMCC requests approval of an Associate of Applied Science in Culinary Arts Entrepreneurs. This new degree program will provide graduates with the necessary business skills to open their own business and/or work in a management capacity at a food-related small business. ([Ref. ARSA-6](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**7. TMCC – NEW MAJOR, BAS IN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND HOMELAND SECURITY FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

TMCC requests approval of a Bachelor of Applied Science in Emergency Management and Homeland Security. This program provides students with a well-rounded foundation in the history, politics, defense and preparedness aspects of terrorism. It will also provide students with the management principles of planning, mitigating, response and recovery from natural and manmade disasters in emergency management roles. ([Ref. ARSA-7](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**8. TMCC – NEW MAJOR, BAS IN LOGISTICS OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

TMCC requests approval of a Bachelor of Applied Science in Logistics Operations Management to provide students with technical expertise and knowledge needed to meet Nevada operations and logistics industry technical workforce needs. The program prepares students in the areas of manufacturing, operations, logistics and supply chain through an industry-driven curriculum encompassing multiple areas, including manufacturing processes, quality principles, safety and operations planning and control. ([Ref. ARSA-8](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**9. GBC – NEW MAJOR, AAS IN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES - PARAMEDIC FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

GBC requests approval of an Associate of Applied Science in Emergency Medical Services – Paramedic designed to prepare students already certified as Emergency Medical Technicians and Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians to continue their education to the most advanced level of prehospital care. ([Ref. ARSA-9](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**10. NSHE TASK FORCE ON GATEWAY MATHEMATICS SUCCESS AND HANDBOOK REVISION, NSHE MATHEMATICS AND ENGLISH PLACEMENT POLICY** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Crystal Abba, Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, and Christopher Herald, Mathematics Professor, UNR, will present the Report and Recommendations of the NSHE Task Force on Gateway Mathematics Success. In addition, they will present for the Committee's approval a revision to Board policy concerning placement into college-level mathematics and English courses (*Title 4, Chapter 16, Section 1*). Specifically, the policy proposal provides that for students who do not meet defined college readiness benchmarks, institutions must develop an assessment and placement policy that ensures students have an opportunity to enroll in and complete a gateway college course in mathematics and English within one academic year. ([Refs. ARSA-10a](#) and [ARSA-10b](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.*

**11. NEVADA SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PLAN** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Representatives of the NSHE Research Affairs Council will present and request approval of the updated Nevada Science and Technology Plan. This plan is updated to be a blueprint for both the state and public higher education in setting priorities in science and technology. ([Ref. ARSA-11](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.*

**12. RESEARCH INSTITUTION COLLABORATIONS** **INFORMATION ONLY**

The Committee will hear a report on efforts between UNLV, UNR and DRI to collaborate and support their institutions' respective research missions, including support for teaching loads, grant work and the creation of new undergraduate programs. The presentation will include an update on recent task force efforts, including the review of existing policies and operating agreements between the three institutions to identify and address any barriers to such collaboration. ([Ref. ARSA-12](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.*



**13. UNR/UNLV – PROGRAM FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**  
**CHANGE, POST-BACCALAUREATE**  
**DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE**  
**PROGRAM**

UNR and UNLV request approval to phase out the current UNR/UNLV Collaborative Post-Master’s Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program and continue independent post-baccalaureate DNP programs at the UNLV School of Nursing and the UNR Orvis School of Nursing. The curricula for the respective UNR and UNLV post-baccalaureate DNP programs will build upon the existing respective UNR and UNLV advanced practice master’s level curricula. UNR and UNLV already have in place the faculty with the necessary certifications and clinical expertise to develop independent post-baccalaureate DNP programs for advanced practice nurses. ([Ref. ARSA-13](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.*

**14. 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.

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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), 1<sup>st</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Floors, 4505 Maryland Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89154  
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