

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

Joe Crowley Student Union, Ballrooms B & C
University of Nevada, Reno
87 West Stadium Way, Reno
Thursday, September 10, 2015, 9:00 a.m.

Video or Telephone Conference Connection from the Meeting Site to:
System Administration, Las Vegas
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. 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 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.

In accordance with the Board of Regents' Bylaws, Title 1, Art. V, Section 13, a quorum may be gained by telephonic hookup.

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 June 11, 2015, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2a](#))

2. CONSENT ITEMS – (continued)

2b. UNLV – NEW **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT,
CENTER FOR GAMING
INNOVATION

UNLV requests approval of a new Center for Gaming Innovation to be housed within the UNLV International Gaming Institute. The Center is an award recipient of the Knowledge Fund Grant from the Governor’s Office of Economic Development, and will align UNLV’s gaming resources with the Governor’s economic development plan. The Center will support a team with expertise in gaming intellectual property innovations with goals of providing Nevada’s key industry with an educational hub for research, teaching and intellectual property development. ([Ref. ARSA-2b](#))

2c. UNLV – NEW **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT,
CENTER FOR BIOBEHAVIORAL
INTERDISCIPLINARY SCIENCE

UNLV requests approval of a new Center for Biobehavioral Interdisciplinary Science to facilitate collaborative interdisciplinary research related to chronic diseases; promote team science; and enhance research skills and opportunities to develop, implement and disseminate research. ([Ref. ARSA-2c](#))

2d. **HANDBOOK REVISION - FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
INSTITUTIONAL WITHDRAWAL
OF STUDENTS UNDER THE
STATE AUTHORIZATION
RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT

Ms. Crystal Abba, Vice Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs, requests approval of a revision to Board policy concerning institutional requirements under the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) (*Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 27*). Specifically, the revised policy requires that institutions abide by the standards established by the National Council for SARA and authorizes institutions to administratively withdraw students in certain circumstances to ensure compliance with these standards. ([Ref. ARSA-2d](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

**3. UNLV – NEW ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE DEPARTMENTS**

UNLV requests approval of the departments for the implementation of the School of Medicine, including the following: Anesthesiology; Cardiothoracic Surgery; Cardiovascular Disease; Emergency Medicine; Genetics and Genomics; Family Medicine; Internal Medicine; Mental Health, Addiction, and Psychiatry; Neuroscience and Neurology; Neurosurgery; Obstetrics and Gynecology; Oncology; Ophthalmology; Orthopedic Surgery; Otolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery; Pathology and Laboratory Medicine; Pediatrics; Plastic Surgery; Radiation Oncology; Radiology; Rehabilitation Medicine; and Surgery. This proposed organizational structure is necessary as UNLV advances plans for and begins to recruit faculty for the UNLV School of Medicine. ([Ref. ARSA-3](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

**4. UNLV – NEW DEGREE, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
MASTER OF HEALTHCARE
INTERIOR DESIGN**

UNLV requests approval of a Master of Healthcare Interior Design. The program is responsive to current and projected modes of professional practice in the design of health care facilities and health promoting environments. The program will be the first of its kind in North America and responds to significant regional and national shortages of design professionals with neuroscience-informed, evidence based and data-driven design education. ([Ref. ARSA-4](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

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

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 state-supported post-baccalaureate DNP programs at the UNLV School of Nursing and the UNR Orvis School of Nursing. This item originally was heard by the Committee at its June 11, 2015, meeting, and due to concerns expressed by committee members, the proposal was revised and is now brought back for Committee approval. 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-5](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

6. GBC – NEW DEGREE, BA IN ENGLISH **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

GBC requests approval of a new Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in English. The degree is designed to transfer directly from completed Associate of Arts degrees. This program will provide students with the vital skills and expertise in critical analysis, composition and literary studies required for a variety of careers and post-graduate degree programs. ([Ref. ARSA-6](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

7. GBC – NEW DEGREE, BS IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

GBC requests approval of a Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences. The degree is designed to accept transfer directly from completed Associate of Science or Associate of Arts degrees containing appropriate lower division program requirements. Completion of this program will provide graduates with opportunities for employment in biological sciences in a wide range of job types in land management, environmental consulting, biological technician positions and laboratory technicians. ([Ref. ARSA-7](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

**8. CODE REVISION, RECOMMENDATIONS INFORMATION ONLY
FOR TENURE – RESEARCH AND
ENTREPRENEURIAL ACTIVITY**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba will present 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 academic faculty being recommended for appointment with tenure. This item is a Code change presented for information only and will be presented for action at the Board of Regents' December 3-4, 2015, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-8](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

**9. PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
MANUAL REVISION, EXPORT CONTROL
AND ECONOMIC SANCTIONS POLICY**

Ms. Brooke Nielsen, Vice Chancellor, Legal Affairs, and Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba request approval of *Procedures and Guidelines Manual* revision, new Chapter 16, Export Control and Economic Sanctions Policy. Export control and economic sanctions regulations address the export of proprietary, confidential or restricted items, information, services and software, as well as interactions with embargoed or sanctioned countries, organizations and individuals. They exist to protect the national security, foreign policy and economic interests of the United States. The purpose of the Nevada System of Higher Education policy is to ensure compliance with federal export control and economic sanctions regulations. ([Ref. ARSA-9](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

**10. INSTITUTIONAL STRATEGIES INFORMATION ONLY
TO SERVE VETERAN STUDENTS**

Representatives of each institution will report on strategies to serve veteran students, including community resources such as mental health and counseling services, peer-to-peer counseling, retention and completion plans, and highlights of individual campus initiatives. ([Ref. ARSA-10](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.

**11. RESEARCH INSTITUTION
COLLABORATIONS**

INFORMATION ONLY

A report will be presented on efforts between the three research institutions to collaborate and support their institutions' respective research missions, including support for teaching loads, grant work, efforts to collaborate on research and graduate education emphasizing doctoral education, finding ways to enhance the efforts of UNLV and UNR to achieve the Carnegie Research University/Very High classification, and codifying DRI's role as a contributing institution in higher education. 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. The presentation will also include objectives agreed upon by the institutions in supporting the aforementioned efforts. ([Ref. ARSA-11](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

**12. SPONSORED PROGRAMS OFFICES
BEST PRACTICES**

INFORMATION ONLY

Lori Brazfield, Director of the NSHE Sponsored Programs Office, will report on best practices of the UNLV, UNR and DRI Sponsored Programs Offices in administering grants and contracts pre-award to post-award. Each institution has processes and procedures in place for their pre-award and post-award functions. The presentation will highlight the specific protocols of each institution with respect to administration of external funds which are consistent with national practices within sponsored programs. ([Ref. ARSA-12](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

**13. NSHE SPONSORED PROGRAMS
REPORT**

INFORMATION ONLY

Lori Brazfield, Director of the NSHE Sponsored Programs Office, will present the *2013-14 NSHE Sponsored Funding Annual Report*. The report will include information on sponsored program awards and expenditures for all NSHE institutions. ([Ref. ARSA-13](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 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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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
WNC, Bristlecone Building Lobby, 2201 W. College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89703
System Administration, 4300 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89119
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