BOARD OF REGENTS
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION
Student Union, Ballrooms B & C
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
4505 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas

Thursday, December 1, 2016, 8:30 a.m.*
Friday, December 2, 2016, 8:00 a.m.**

Video or Telephone Conference Connection from the Meeting Site to:
System Administration, Reno
2601 Enterprise Road, Conference Room
and
Great Basin College, Elko
1500 College Parkway, Berg Hall Conference Room

(Video conference connection in Ballrooms B & C only. No video conference connection in Ballroom A)

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* The Board meeting will recess for committees and will resume on Thursday immediately upon adjournment of the Academic, Research and Student Affairs and Business, Finance and Facilities committee meetings. ** The Board meeting resumes on Friday morning immediately upon adjournment of the foundation meetings.

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

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

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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 (Academic, Research and Student Affairs; Business, Finance and Facilities; Audit; Investment; Cultural Diversity and Title IX Compliance; and Health Sciences System). 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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http://system.nevada.edu/Nshe/index.cfm/administration/board-of-regents/meeting-agendas/

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CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. INTRODUCTIONS AND CAMPUS UPDATES INFORMATION ONLY

   Chairman Rick Trachok will invite meeting participants to make introductions and will ask the presidents to provide campus-related updates on events that have occurred since the Board of Regents’ last regular meeting.

   ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

2. INSTITUTIONAL STUDENT AND FACULTY PRESENTATIONS INFORMATION ONLY

   Chairman Rick Trachok requests that the President of the host institution introduce one student and one faculty member to discuss a topic of the host President’s choosing to highlight current programs or activities of the institution.

   ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Thursday, December 1, 2016:
Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee, 9:00 a.m. (Ballroom A)
Business, Finance and Facilities Committee, 9:00 a.m. (Ballrooms B & C)

Audit Committee, 3:30 p.m. (Ballrooms B & C)
Investment Committee, 3:30 p.m. (Ballroom A)

Friday, December 2, 2016:
Cultural Diversity and Title IX Compliance Committee, 8:00 a.m. (Ballrooms B & C)
Health Sciences System Committee, 8:00 a.m. (Ballroom A)

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

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In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047, as restated in the Attorney General’s Open Meeting Law Manual, the Board Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Board of Regents, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

4. REGENTS’ WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the Board will be provided an opportunity to make introductions, welcome guests and to offer acknowledgements. Each Regent's remarks should be limited to three minutes.

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.
5. **CHAIR OF THE NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE REPORT**

   The Chair of the Nevada Student Alliance will report to the Board concerning NSHE related issues or events of importance to the student body presidents.

   *ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

6. **CHAIR OF THE FACULTY SENATE CHAIRS REPORT**

   The Chair of the Faculty Senate Chairs will report to the Board concerning NSHE related issues or events of importance to the Faculty Senate.

   *ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

7. **CHANCELLOR’S REPORT**

   Chancellor John V. White will report to the Board concerning ongoing planning activities and major projects within the NSHE.

   *ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.*

8. **REGENTS’ REPORTS**

   Members of the Board will be provided an opportunity to report on activities beyond regular responsibilities such as attendance at conferences, serving as liaison to public entities and participation in legislative, civic and community events. Each Regent’s remarks should be limited to three minutes.

   *ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.*

9. **BOARD CHAIRMAN’S REPORT**

   Chairman Rick Trachok will discuss current NSHE events and his current activities as Board Chairman.

   *ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*
10. 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 Board.

10a. MINUTES FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for approval of the minutes from the September 8-9, 2016, Board of Regents’ meeting. (Ref. BOR-10a)

10b. APPOINTMENT TO NEVADA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes 385.021, the Board of Regents is asked to nominate Regent Sam Lieberman and Regent Allison Stephens for consideration and selection by the Governor for appointment to serve as the representative of the Nevada System of Higher Education on the State Board of Education as a non-voting member for a term of one year, commencing on January 2, 2017. (Ref. BOR-10b)

10c. GIFT ACCEPTANCE OF ART COLLECTION - PHOTOGRAPHS, UNR FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

UNR President Marc A. Johnson requests approval to accept a collection of photographs from donor Jeffrey Hugh Newman to be placed in the permanent collection at UNR. (Ref. BOR-10c)

10d. GIFT ACCEPTANCE OF ART COLLECTION - CERAMICS, UNR FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

UNR President Marc A. Johnson requests approval to accept a collection of ceramic objects from the Kohler Foundation to be placed in the permanent collection at UNR. (Ref. BOR-10d)

10e. VIRGINIA PRENTICE ENDOWMENT, TMCC FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

TMCC President Karin M. Hilgersom requests approval, consistent with Board of Regents’ policy (Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 9), to accept a $9,500 donation from the donor to establish the new Virginia Prentice Endowment Fund. The new Endowment will benefit students at Truckee Meadows Community College through scholarships. The donor has expressly requested for this Endowment account to be invested in, and managed by, the NSHE Endowment Pool. (Ref. BOR-10e)
10. CONSENT ITEMS – (continued) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

10f. WILLIAM N. PENNINGTON FOUNDATION GRANT, WNC FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

WNC President Chester O. Burton and the WNC Foundation request approval to accept a William N. Pennington Foundation Grant to the WNC Foundation in the amount of $1,446,040 for the purpose of renovating the Biophysical Science and Cadaver Labs located in the WNC Aspen Building. (Ref. BOR-10f)

10g. TECHNOLOGY FEE AND INTEGRATE FEE, NSHE FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Vice Chancellor for Finance Vic Redding requests acceptance of the annual report of the regular and the iNtegrate per credit hour technology fees collected, the use of funds collected and unspent balances remaining at NSHE institutions. (Ref. BOR-10g)

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

11. DISTINGUISHED NEVADAN AWARD FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The Board will consider for approval the following Distinguished Nevadan nomination: (Ref. BOR-11)

➢ Mary Korpi
   Nominated by Regent Kevin C. Melcher

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

12. NEVADA KNOWLEDGE FUND INFORMATION ONLY

Steve Hill, Executive Director, Nevada Governor’s Office of Economic Development, will present an update on current Knowledge Fund projects. The Knowledge Fund was created through the passage of AB 449 during the 2011 Legislative Session in conjunction with the restructuring of Nevada’s economic development. The purpose of the Knowledge Fund is to spur research and the commercialization of that research in areas in which the state has targeted for economic growth.

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.
13. **ENHANCEMENT OF CARNEGIE RESEARCH INFORMATION ONLY CLASSIFICATION OF UNLV AND UNR THROUGH COLLABORATION WITH DRI**

Dr. Alan W. Gertler, Vice President for Research and Chief Science Officer, DRI; Dr. Mridul Gautam, Vice President for Research and Innovation, UNR; and Dr. Carolyn Yucha, Vice President for Research and Economic Development, UNLV; will provide an update on the activities and accomplishments of the committee tasked with increasing the collaborative efforts of DRI, UNR and UNLV. The Board of Regents charged the institutions with identifying pathways to increase the research and academic rankings of the three institutions through collaborative efforts. *(Ref. BOR-13)*

*ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.*

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14. **COMMUNITY COLLEGE COMMITTEE FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chair Andrea Anderson will present for Board approval a report on the Community College Committee meeting held on November 28, 2016, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes: The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the September 1, 2016, meeting. *(Ref. CC-2)*
- *Procedures and Guidelines Manual* Revision, Institutional Advisory Councils – Formation, Charge and Procedure: The Committee considered for approval a revision to the *Procedures and Guidelines Manual* to address a conflict within Subsection d – Election of Officers, to ensure the current terms of office for IAC members holding the offices of chair and vice chair will extend beyond their current appointment terms, and that the terms of future appointees will end at the conclusion of odd numbered calendar years. *(Ref. CC-8)*

*ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.*
15. INSTITUTIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL, CSN INFORMATION ONLY

Each community college’s Institutional Advisory Council meets at least quarterly to review and advise the community college on questions regarding the operations and offerings of the college. The purpose of the Institutional Advisory Councils is to ensure the linkage of each community college to the community it serves and to anticipate future regional educational trends. CSN Institutional Advisory Council Chair Nancy Brune and CSN President Michael D. Richards will provide a report on the activities of the CSN Institutional Advisory Council.

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

16. MULTI-CAMPUS DISTRICT MODEL FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
FEASIBILITY STUDY, CSN

CSN President Michael D. Richards will present a report on the feasibility study of a multi-campus district model for CSN. The Board may accept the report, and may provide direction to the Chancellor and/or President Richards regarding the migration of CSN to a multi-campus district model, including implementation and phasing recommendations, or may direct CSN or staff to take further action on the report. (Ref. BOR-16)

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

17. APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, CSN INFORMATION ONLY

CSN President Michael D. Richards will present an overview of the CSN Apprenticeship program. (Ref. BOR-17)

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

18. EXTENSION OF CONTRACT, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
WNC PRESIDENT CHESTER O. BURTON

Chancellor John V. White requests approval of a one year extension of WNC President Chester O. Burton’s contract through June 30, 2019. (Ref. BOR-18)

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.
19. **DANDINI GROUP, LLC**

**LAND DONATION, DRI**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

DRI President Robert B. Gagosian requests approval to accept a 25.99 acre parcel offered for donation to DRI by the Dandini Group, LLC. The parcel adjoins the southwest edge of the Dandini Research Park and has an appraised value of $55,000. *(Ref. BOR-19)*

*ESTIMATED TIME:* 5 mins.

20. **BIENNIAL BUDGET UPDATE**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Chancellor John V. White will provide an update on the 2017-19 Biennial Budget process and NSHE’s Operating and Capital Improvement Program request. The Board may provide direction to the Chancellor and/or institution presidents regarding the Budget request.

*ESTIMATED TIME:* 15 mins.

21. **INTEGRATE 2**

INFORMATION ONLY

Executive Steering Committee members Renee Yackira, Robert Moulton and Vic Redding, and Project Director Chris Mercer, will provide an update on the iNtegrate 2 finance and human resources enterprise management software system, including a demonstration of the Workday application. *(Ref. BOR-21)*

*ESTIMATED TIME:* 30 mins.

**FOUNDATION MEETINGS**

Friday, December 2, 2016

(approximately 9:00 a.m.)

Sitting as members of the corporation of the respective institution foundations, the Board will review presentations from the foundations. *Please refer to the specific foundation agendas for descriptions of action items and complete reference materials and/or reports.*

**ORDER OF PRESENTATION:** WNC, UNR, UNLV, TMCC, NSC, GBC, DRI RESEARCH PARKS LTD., DRI RESEARCH and CSN.

*ESTIMATED TIME:* 90 mins.
22. PUBLIC COMMENT  INFORMATION ONLY  

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ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

23. STRATEGIC PLAN, NSHE  INFORMATION ONLY  

Chancellor John V. White will provide an update on steps underway to revise the Nevada System of Higher Education Strategic Plan. The Chancellor may outline a process to be utilized and methods for receiving input throughout the plan development process, for possible review and discussion.  (Ref. BOR-23)

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

24. MISSION DIFFERENTIATION  INFORMATION ONLY  

The Board will continue its discussion on establishing mission differentiation among NSHE institutions with the goal of meeting the policy commitments of the state and strategic goals of the System, especially those relating to student success and improved educational attainment levels among Nevada citizens. (Ref. BOR-24)

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

25. PERFORMANCE METRICS, UNLV  INFORMATION ONLY  

UNLV President Len Jessup will present for information the University of Nevada, Las Vegas performance metrics.  (Ref. BOR-25)

ESTIMATED TIME: 45 mins.
26. **KUNV RADIO STATION, UNLV**  
**INFORMATION ONLY**

UNLV President Len Jessup will provide an update on current plans associated with the KUNV radio station at UNLV.  
*(Ref. BOR-26)*

*ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.*

27. **PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE BUDGET, UNLV**  
**INFORMATION ONLY**

UNLV President Len Jessup will provide an update on the 2016 Presidential Debate Budget.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.*

28. **UNLV AND CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, PARADISE ACADEMIC INNOVATION INITIATIVE**  
**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV President Len Jessup requests approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between UNLV and the Clark County School District for the Paradise Academic Innovation Initiative to officially begin January 2017.  
*(Ref. BOR-28)*

*ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.*

29. **NEVADA K-12 EDUCATION SYSTEM AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH NSHE INSTITUTIONS**  
**INFORMATION ONLY**

Dr. Steve Canavero, Nevada Superintendent of Public Education, will provide a general overview of the Nevada K-12 Education System, including the impact of the Nevada Academic Content Standards and related testing. Dr. Canavero will also present information on current partnerships between NSHE institutions and the K-12 system to help prepare students for success in postsecondary education.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.*
30. **PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES MANUAL REVISIONS, DIFFERENTIAL FEES, UNLV AND GBC**

UNLV President Len Jessup and GBC President Mark A. Curtis request approval of the proposed differential fees for their respective institution’s programs. *(Ref. BOR-30)*

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Differential fees represent extraordinary costs associated with specific programs. Differential fee supported budgets that meet the reporting threshold of $25,000 will be reported in the Self Supporting Budget report.

**ESTIMATED TIME:** 10 mins.

31. **PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES MANUAL REVISIONS, STUDENT FEES**

Vice Chancellor for Finance Vic Redding requests approval of proposed Procedures and Guidelines Manual revisions addressing special fee and student fee changes for NSHE institutions. These fees include changes to special course fees, residence hall rates at UNR and individual student fees. *(Ref. BOR-31)*

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Special fees represent extraordinary costs associated with specific programs, services or summer registration. Special fee supported budgets that meet the reporting threshold of $25,000 will be reported in the Self Supporting Budget report.

**ESTIMATED TIME:** 15 mins.

32. **SPECIAL TUITION AND FEES SCHEDULE, RN TO BSN PROGRAM, NSC**

NSC President Bart J. Patterson requests approval of a price strategy for Nevada State College’s RN to BSN program to be a fixed rate of $7,300 for in-state students and $8,900 for out-of-state students. *(Ref. BOR-32)*

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This new approach to NSC’s RN to BSN program is anticipated to return approximately $536,000, net of all program costs, in its first two years, with modest growth thereafter.

**ESTIMATED TIME:** 15 mins.
33. SYSTEM-WIDE CONSOLIDATION OF POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

Chancellor John V. White requests that the Board discuss, consider, provide direction and possibly approve further consolidation of police and public safety service units System-wide, or on some other basis including consolidation of the southern Nevada police service units at UNLV and CSN, similar to the process used for the consolidation of the northern Nevada police service units at UNR and TMCC. Pursuant to this agenda item, the Board may approve consolidation now, direct System and institutional staff to prepare a consolidation plan or to further study the issue, or provide any additional direction concerning police consolidation that the Board deems necessary.  *(Ref. BOR-33)*

*ESTIMATED TIME:* 30 mins.

34. HANDBOOK REVISION, PROFESSIONAL STAFF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING REGULATIONS

Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs Nicholas Vaskov requests approval of a revision to Board policy *(Title 4, Chapter 4, Section 10, new Subsection 3)* concerning professional staff collective bargaining regulations. Specifically, the proposed policy revision allows community colleges to negotiate separate bargaining agreements. Professional employees at TMCC, WNC and CSN have approved collective bargaining at their institutions. It is impractical and costly for the institutions to negotiate a single bargaining agreement and, therefore, approval of the proposed policy amendment is requested to allow each community college to negotiate separate agreements.  *(Ref. BOR-34)*

*ESTIMATED TIME:* 10 mins.

35. BYLAW AMENDMENT, REVISIONS AND UPDATES

Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs Nicholas Vaskov presents for information a policy proposal making various revisions and updates to the Bylaws of the Board of Regents *(Title 1)*. This is a first reading of a proposed Bylaw revision and is presented at this meeting for initial review. Final approval may be requested at the March 2-3, 2017, meeting.  *(Ref. BOR-35)*

*ESTIMATED TIME:* 15 mins.
36. PROPOSAL TO RESTRUCTURE THE SCHEDULING OF BOARD OF REGENTS’ COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Board Dean J. Gould will present for review and discussion a proposal to restructure the scheduling of Board of Regents’ committee meetings as requested by the Board at its August 2016 workshop. The Board may approve the restructuring proposal as presented or direct the Chief of Staff to make revisions as determined by the Board. (Ref. BOR-36)

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

37. BYLAW AMENDMENT, STANDING COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES, HEALTH SCIENCES SYSTEM COMMITTEE

Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs Nicholas Vaskov presents for information a policy proposal eliminating the Health Sciences System Committee as a standing committee of the Board (Title 1, Article VI, Section 3). This is a first reading of a proposed Bylaw revision and is presented at this meeting for initial review. Final approval may be requested at the March 2-3, 2017, meeting. (Ref. BOR-37)

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

38. BYLAW AMENDMENT, MEETINGS OF BOARD AND COMMITTEES, ANNUAL BOARD SELF-EVALUATION

Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs Nicholas Vaskov presents for information a policy proposal providing for an annual Board self-evaluation (Title 1, Article V, new Section 28). This is a first reading of a proposed Bylaw revision and is presented at this meeting for initial review. Final approval may be requested at the March 2-3, 2017, meeting. (Ref. BOR-38)

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.
39. **AD HOC CHANCELLOR SEARCH COMMITTEE**

Chair Kevin J. Page will present for Board approval a report on the ad hoc Chancellor Search Committee meeting held on September 30, 2016.

40. **ATHLETICS COMMITTEE**

Co-Chairs Jason Geddes and Kevin J. Page will present for Board approval a report on the Athletics Committee meeting held on November 28, 2016, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes: The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the September 1, 2016, meeting. ([Ref. ATH-2](#))
- Athletics Competitiveness and Benchmarking Study of the UNR and UNLV Athletic Departments: The Committee reviewed and discussed a report from College Sports Solutions (CSS) on the Athletics Competitiveness and Benchmarking Study of the UNR and UNLV athletic departments commissioned by the Committee. The Committee may provide feedback to CSS and/or System and institutional staff, may provide further direction concerning the report and study, or may consider approval of the report. ([Refs. ATH-3a, ATH-3b and ATH-3c](#))
- Handbook Revision, Policies Concerning NSHE Intercollegiate Athletics: The Committee considered for approval a revision to Board policy ([Title 4, Chapter 24, Section 1](#)) concerning the approval process for changes in athletic conference membership. ([Refs. ATH-4a and ATH-4b](#))
- Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act Reports: The Committee reviewed and discussed the most recent Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act reports filed with the U.S. Department of Education by each institution participating in intercollegiate athletics. The Committee may consider approval of the reports or may provide further direction to the institutions and their athletic directors regarding the reports. ([Refs. ATH-5a, ATH-5b, ATH-5c and ATH-5d](#))
41. ACADEMIC, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Chair Jason Geddes will present for Board approval a report on the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee meeting held on December 1, 2016, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes: The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the September 8, 2016, meeting. (Ref. ARSA-2a)
- TMCC-Program Elimination, Northern Nevada Law Enforcement Academy: The Committee considered for approval TMCC’s request to eliminate its Northern Nevada Law Enforcement Academy. (Ref. ARSA-2b)
- Handbook Revision, Course Numbering for Professional Schools: The Committee considered for approval a revision to Board policy governing course numbering to allow professional schools to establish their own distinct course numbering rubric that extends beyond the numbering rubric set forth for course numbering generally (Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 16). The policy revision will allow the professional schools the option of utilizing a distinct numbering rubric. (Ref. ARSA-2c)
- UNLV-Program Proposal, MS in Data Analytics and Applied Economics: The Committee considered for approval a Master of Science in Data Analytics and Applied Economics at UNLV. (Ref. ARSA-3)
- UNLV-Organizational Unit Proposal, Department of Interdisciplinary, Gender and Ethnic Studies: The Committee considered for approval a new Department of Interdisciplinary, Gender and Ethnic Studies at UNLV. (Ref. ARSA-4)
- UNR-Organizational Unit Proposal, Office of Enterprise and Innovation: The Committee considered for approval a new Office of Enterprise and Innovation at UNR, under which the following four existing university offices engaged in entrepreneurial activity will be located: Technology Licensing, Nevada Center for Applied Research, the Innovation Center Powered by Switch and Nevada Industry Excellence. (Ref. ARSA-5)
- UNR-Organizational Unit Proposal, School of Medicine, Departments of Emergency Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Surgery: The Committee considered for approval three new clinical departments within the UNR School of Medicine: Emergency Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Surgery. (Refs. ARSA-6a, ARSA-6b and ARSA-6c)
41. ACADEMIC, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE – (continued)

- **Handbook Revision, Transfer and Articulation**: The Committee considered for approval revisions to Board policy governing transfer and articulation recommended under the 2015 *Transfer and Articulation Audit*. Specifically, the revisions correct a conflict in Board policy to clarify that the year-by-year course outlines required in Board policy are intended to preserve the transferable associate’s degree upon transfer to a four-year institution (*Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 15*). In addition, the revisions state that it is the policy of the Board of Regents to allow students options in selecting the catalog under which to graduate to assist students in graduating without excess credits or undue delay; give transfer students the option to graduate under the catalog year they initially enrolled at the two-year institution; and specify that students should consult with the appropriate entities before selecting the catalog under which to graduate to ensure compliance with any occupational or professional requirements or other post-graduation requirements (*Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 21* and *Title 4, Chapter 16, Sections 17, 24 and 36*) *(Ref. ARSA-8)*

- **Handbook Revision, Student Absences from Class**: The Committee considered for approval a revision to Board policy authorizing institutions to adopt policies governing student absences (*Title 4, Chapter 20, Section A.3*). The policy revision specifies that students are expected to attend the classes in which they are enrolled unless absent for institutionally approved activities or other reasons allowed under institutional policy. *(Ref. ARSA-9)*

- **Handbook Revision, Process for Approving Community College Baccalaureate Degree Proposals**: The Committee considered for approval a revision to Board policy concerning the community college baccalaureate degree proposal development and review process (*Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 9*). Specifically, the revision deletes the requirement that the two university presidents and the state college president consider whether one of the four-year institutions wishes to offer the baccalaureate program proposed by a community college, and providing that if a university or the state college decides to offer this baccalaureate degree to meet the identified need, it shall have one year to bring a proposal forward. In addition, the revision requires that such proposals for a baccalaureate degree must be included in the *NSHE Planning Report* required pursuant to *Nevada Revised Statutes* 396.505 and *Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 3* of the *Handbook* before proceeding to the Council of Presidents. *(Ref. ARSA-10)*

- **NSHE Planning Report/Academic Master Plans**: The Committee considered for approval the 2017-2021 *Planning Report* that highlights the strategic objectives for the next four years for each NSHE institution, including foreseeable plans for new academic programs, student services and research initiatives. *(Ref. ARSA-12)*
42. BUSINESS, FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Chair Kevin J. Page will present for Board approval a report on the Business, Finance and Facilities Committee meeting held on December 1, 2016, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes: The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the September 8, 2016, meeting. (Ref. BFF-2a)
- Fiscal Year 2015-2016 NSHE State Operating Budget to Actual Comparison: The Committee considered for approval acceptance of the report of the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 State Operating Budget to Actual Comparison for the NSHE. (Refs. BFF-2b1 and BFF-2b2)
- Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Transfers of Non-State Budget Expenditures to State Budgets after May 1: The Committee considered for approval acceptance of the report of transfers of expenses from non-state budgets to state budgets that occurred after May 1, 2016, for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. (Refs. BFF-2c1 and BFF-2c2)
- Student Association Reports: The Committee considered for approval acceptance of the NSHE Student Association reports for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. (Refs. BFF-2d1 and BFF-2d2)
- Fiscal Year 2015-2016 NSHE Self-Supporting Budget to Actual Comparison: The Committee considered for approval acceptance of the report of the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Self-Supporting Budget to Actual Comparison for the NSHE. (Refs. BFF-2f1 and BFF-2f2)
- First Quarter Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget Transfers, State Supported or Self-Supporting Operating Budgets: The Committee considered for approval acceptance of the report of the first quarter Fiscal Year 2016-2017 budget transfers of State Supported or Self-Supporting Operating Budget funds between functions. (Refs. BFF-2g1 and BFF-2g2)
- First Quarter Fiscal Year 2016-2017 NSHE All Funds Report: The Committee considered for approval acceptance of the first quarter Fiscal Year 2016-2017 All Funds Report for the NSHE. (Refs. BFF-2h1 and BFF-2h2)
- UNLV SOM Transfer Agreement with Clark County – 9 Acres: The Committee considered for approval a First Amendment to the Transfer Agreement with Clark County and a First Amendment to the Preliminary Affiliation Agreement with University Medical Center. The amendments extend the closing date for transfer of the 9 acre property to July 1, 2017, in order to accommodate the schedule for demolition of the existing structures on the site (replacing the original December 31, 2016, closing date.) (Ref. BFF-2i)
42. BUSINESS, FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE – (continued)

- Conveyance of 42.82 Acres in Northwest Las Vegas from the Bureau of Land Management for a Campus for CSN and Approval of the Cooperative Campus Development Agreement: The Committee considered for approval: (1) acceptance of the land conveyance of 42.82 acres in northwest Las Vegas from the BLM for the benefit of CSN; (2) authorizing the Chancellor to accept and record the patent upon the terms and conditions described in the Memorandum of Conveyance; (3) the Cooperative Campus Development Agreement between the City of Las Vegas setting forth the process for the future development of the campus; (4) authorizing the Chancellor to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with the BLM; and (5) authorizing the Chancellor to execute any ancillary documents necessary to effectuate the conveyance of the property on forms approved by the Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs. (Ref. BFF-5)

- University Gateway Project Phase 2 Lease/Purchase of Office Space: The Committee considered for approval the implementing agreements for this project which include: (1) Office Lease and associated Purchase Agreement; (2) Declaration of Gateway Condominium and Bylaws of the Gateway Condominium Association; and (3) First Amendment to the Reciprocal Easement Agreement. (Ref. BFF-7)

- Sale of Real Property (Nelson Building) Located at 401 W. Second Street, Reno: The Committee considered for approval UNR’s request to sole source the sale of APN 011-026-04, 011-023-02 and 0110-023-01, located in Reno, Nevada to Secundo Vita, LLC for $7,000,000. (Ref. BFF-10)

- Authorization for Legislation Increasing NSHE Revenue Bond Authority: The Committee considered for approval authorizing Chancellor John V. White, UNR President Marc A. Johnson, CSN President Michael D. Richards and TMCC President Karin M. Hilgersom to request legislation enabling additional revenue bond authority for UNR, CSN and TMCC from the 2017 legislature. (Ref. BFF-11)

43. AUDIT COMMITTEE

Chair Allison Stephens will present for Board approval a report on the Audit Committee meeting held on December 1, 2016, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes: The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the September 8, 2016, meeting. (Ref. A-2a)
43. AUDIT COMMITTEE – (continued) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- Internal Audit Follow-Up Report: The Committee considered for approval acceptance of the internal audit follow-up report concerning Social Media, NSHE System Office. *(Ref. A-2b)*
- Communications with Those Charged with Governance, NSHE: The Committee considered for approval a report on Communications with Those Charged with Governance for the NSHE for the year ended June 30, 2016. This is a report on communications related to the consolidated audit of the System and is required for compliance with the professional standards for CPA firms. *(Ref. A-3)*
- Communications with Those Charged with Governance, University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine Integrated Clinical Services, Inc.: The Committee considered for approval a report on Communications with Those Charged with Governance for the University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine Integrated Clinical Services, Inc. for the year ended June 30, 2016. This is a report on communications related to the consolidated audit of the System and is required for compliance with the professional standards for CPA firms. *(Ref. A-5)*
- OMB Circular A-133 Audit Report and Financial Statements, University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine Integrated Clinical Services, Inc.: The Committee considered for approval the University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine Integrated Clinical Services, Inc. Office of Management and Budget A-133 Audit Report and Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2016. *(Ref. A-6)*
- The Committee considered for approval the following internal audit reports and institutional responses: *(Ref. Audit Summary)*
  - Cloud Computing Management, NSHE SCS *(Ref. A-7)*
  - Rental Properties, UNR *(Ref. A-8)*
  - Purchasing Card Program, DRI *(Ref. A-9)*
  - Travel, NSHE System Office *(Ref. A-10)*
- *Handbook Revision, Internal Audit Department Charter*: The Committee considered for approval revisions to Board policy concerning the Internal Audit Department Charter *(Title 4, Chapter 9, Section A)* to incorporate changes to the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing announced in October 2016. The Committee may discuss the changes and may recommend specific action to the Board of Regents and the Chancellor. *(Ref. A-11)*
44. INVESTMENT COMMITTEE FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair Kevin C. Melcher will present for Board approval a report on the Investment Committee meeting held on December 1, 2016, and Board action may be requested on the following:

➢ Minutes: The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the September 8, 2016, meeting. (Ref. INV-2a)
➢ Cambridge Associates Operating Fund Advisory Agreement: The Committee considered for approval an amendment to the Cambridge Associates Advisory Services Agreement which removes advisory services for the Endowment Fund and extends the terms of the agreement through December 31, 2017. (Ref. INV-2b)
➢ Pooled Endowment and Operating Funds; Operating Pool Reserve: The Committee heard a report from Cambridge Associates and System staff on asset allocation and investment returns for the pooled Endowment and pooled Operating Funds for the quarter ended September 30, 2016, and on the status of the Operating Pool Reserve. Cambridge Associates and System Staff may provide specific recommendations on fund managers, which may include hiring, terminating or changing managers. Based on the report, the Committee may recommend changes to the asset allocation, fund managers and/or strategic ranges for the pooled funds.
➢ Endowment Pool Investment Policy Guidelines: The Committee heard presentations from Cambridge Associates and Russell Investments related to the Endowment Fund asset allocation policy targets, ranges, benchmarks and other guidelines, and may consider for approval recommended updates to the Statement of Investment Objectives and Policies for the Endowment Fund (Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 5) under the Outsourced Chief Investment Officer model. (Ref. INV-4)
➢ Distribution from the Endowment Fund: The Committee discussed current NSHE distributions from the Endowment Fund, including the net 4.75 percent spending rate/management fee in relation to current investment allocation, projected returns and Board policy (Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 5), and reviewed past performance of the NSHE endowment and the university foundations. The Committee will review how changes to the policy on distribution may impact long-term objectives and may consider for approval a revision to the distribution rate or the spending rate/management fee. (Ref. INV-5)
➢ Outsourced Chief Investment Officer Process and Implementation: The Committee heard an update on the Outsourced Chief Investment Officer (OCIO) implementation and structure for the management of the System’s Endowment Fund, including status of the contracts and funds, and discussed the establishment of an OCIO monitoring and reporting structure. The Committee may provide direction to staff regarding future monitoring and reporting.
45. CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND TITLE IX COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair Cedric Crear will present for Board approval a report on the Cultural Diversity and Title IX Compliance Committee meeting held on December 2, 2016, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes: The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the September 9, 2016, meeting. (Ref. CD-2)

46. HEALTH SCIENCES SYSTEM COMMITTEE FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair James Dean Leavitt will present for Board approval a report on the Health Sciences System Committee meeting held on December 2, 2016, and Board action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes: The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the September 9, 2016, meeting. (Ref. HSS-2)
- Memorandum of Understanding Between University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine and University of Nevada, Las Vegas School of Medicine Regarding Medical School Responsibilities under Nevada Revised Statues: The Committee considered for approval a Memorandum of Understanding developed by UNR Med and UNLVSOM regarding the meaning of “University of Nevada School of Medicine” and responsibilities under the various provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes that reference “University of Nevada School of Medicine.” (Ref. HSS-7)

47. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

In accordance with Board of Regents’ Bylaws (Article IV, Section 2), there will be an election of the Vice Chair to serve through June 30, 2017.

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

48. FAREWELL TO OUTGOING REGENTS INFORMATION ONLY

Members of the Board will express their gratitude to outgoing Regents Robert Davidson, James Dean Leavitt, Kevin C. Melcher and Michael B. Wixom for their service to the Nevada System of Higher Education.

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.
49. 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.

50. PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION ONLY

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. Comments will be limited to two minutes per person. Persons making comment will be asked to begin by stating their name for the record and to spell their last name. The Board Chair may elect to allow additional public comment on a specific agenda item when that agenda item is being considered.

In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047, as restated in the Attorney General’s Open Meeting Law Manual, the Board Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Board of Regents, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.