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ROLL CALL:

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ROLL CALL:

In addition to the ad hoc Committee on Athletics, 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.

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1. **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 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.

2. **MINUTES**

   Request is made for approval of the minutes of the November 30, 2015, meeting.  *(Ref. COA-2)*

3. **EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT FOR UNR ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**

   UNR President Marc A. Johnson requests approval of a new employment agreement proposed for UNR Director of Athletics Doug Knuth.  *(Ref. COA-3)*

   **ESTIMATED TIME:** 30 mins

4. **COACH CONTRACT TEMPLATE AND GUIDELINES**

   Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs, Brooke Nielsen, will introduce and the Committee will review and discuss the NSHE Basketball/Football Coach Contract template, Contract Checklist and Guidelines and may direct staff to seek additional information to revise the documents as necessary or may recommend approval of the documents.  *(Ref. COA-4)*

   **ESTIMATED TIME:** 45 mins.
5. REVIEW OF RESPONSES TO ATHLETICS COMPETITIVENESS AND BENCHMARKING RFP

Mr. Nicholas Vaskov, System Counsel, will introduce and the Committee will review and discuss the responses received to the Request for Proposals issued for an Athletics Competitiveness and Benchmarking Study of the UNR and UNLV Athletic Departments. The Committee may direct the award of a contract for the study and may recommend specific action to the Board, the Chancellor, the presidents and/or the athletic directors with regard to the Request for Proposals. (Ref. COA-5)

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

6. LITIGATION INVOLVING THE NCAA INFORMATION ONLY

Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs, Brooke Nielsen, and Mr. Nicholas Vaskov, System Counsel, will review and provide an update on recent litigation involving the NCAA and its impact on intercollegiate athletics. (Ref. COA-6)

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

7. COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN NEVADA ATHLETIC PROGRAM EXPANSION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

CSN Athletic Director, Dexter Irvin, will present for Committee review, a report on the College of Southern Nevada’s plan to expand its athletic programs. The Committee may discuss and provide guidance on the expansion plans and may approve or revise the plan as it determines necessary. (Ref. COA-7)

ESTIMATED TIME: 25 mins.

8. 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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