

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

Joe Crowley Student Union, Milt Glick Ballrooms B & C
University of Nevada, Reno
87 West Stadium Way, Reno
Thursday, June 8, 2017, 9:00 a.m.

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4300 S. 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	_____
Ms. Allison Stephens, Vice Chair	_____
Dr. Andrea Anderson	_____
Dr. Patrick R. Carter	_____
Mr. Cedric Crear	_____
Mrs. Carol Del Carlo	_____
Dr. Mark W. Doubrava	_____
Dr. Jason Geddes	_____
Mr. Trevor Hayes	_____
Mr. Sam Lieberman	_____
Mrs. Cathy McAdoo	_____
Mr. John T. Moran	_____
Mr. Kevin J. Page	_____

COMMITTEE

ROLL CALL:

Dr. Jason Geddes, Chair	_____
Mr. Sam Lieberman, Vice Chair	_____
Dr. Andrea Anderson	_____
Dr. Patrick R. Carter	_____
Mrs. Carol Del Carlo	_____
Mrs. Cathy McAdoo	_____

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, including moving an item to a different day if the meeting is noticed for more than one day, 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 and Compliance Committee; the Business, Finance and Facilities Committee; the Cultural Diversity and Title IX Compliance Committee; the Investment 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 2, 2017, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2a](#))

**2b. UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL
UNIT ELIMINATION,
DEPARTMENTS OF PSYCHOSOCIAL
AND PHYSIOLOGIC NURSING**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

UNLV requests approval to eliminate the Departments of Psychosocial and Physiologic Nursing. There are no academic programs related to the departments. ([Ref. ARSA-2b](#))

**2c. TMCC – PROGRAM
ELIMINATION, AAS
ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONAL**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

TMCC requests approval to eliminate its Associate of Applied Science (AAS), Administrative Professional following development of a new Administrative Professional emphasis under the AAS Business that better serves student and employer needs. ([Ref. ARSA-2c](#))

2. **CONSENT ITEMS – (Continued)**

2d. **CODE REVISIONS, USE AND POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests approval of Code revisions regarding the use and possession of marijuana within NSHE (*Title 2, Chapter 6, Section 6.2.1(ee) and Title 2, Chapter 10, Section 10.2.1(t)*). The use, possession or cultivation of marijuana is still prohibited by federal law at institutions that receive Title IV funding. Following the approval of Ballot Question No. 2 (Initiative to Regulate and Tax Marijuana), the policy proposal revises Code provisions governing prohibited activity for faculty and students to clarify that the use and possession of marijuana, including for medical purposes, is prohibited. The proposed Code revisions were presented for initial discussion at the March 2-3, 2017, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2d](#))

2e. **HANDBOOK REVISION, MILLENNIUM SCHOLARSHIP TECHNICAL UPDATES** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests approval of a revision to Board policy regarding the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship (GGMS) to update provisions governing administration of the GGMS based on existing practice (*Title 4, Chapter 18, Sections 9.13, 9.15 and 9.5*). Specifically, the policy revision provides that recipients of the Nevada Advanced Diploma are deemed to meet the GGMS core curriculum requirements as the curriculum requirements are the same for both; reflects the existing practice under which the school districts determine which courses taken by high school students meet the GGMS core curriculum requirements for purposes of initial eligibility for the GGMS; changes the terms “natural science” to “science” and “social science” to “social studies” for the GGMS core curriculum to match the terms used on high school transcripts; and reflects the current process for handling initial eligibility appeals through the Chancellor’s Office. ([Ref. ARSA-2e](#))

2. **CONSENT ITEMS – (Continued)**

2f. **HANDBOOK REVISION, CTE – GRADES FOR ARTICULATED CREDIT** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests approval of a revision to Board policy regarding the course grades entered by NSHE institutions for high school graduates identified as Career and Technical Education (CTE) Program Completers (*Title 4, Chapter 16, Section 2*). Specifically, the revision provides that on a case-by-case basis and at the request of a CTE Program Completer seeking transfer to another postsecondary institution, an institution may assign a grade point value for the CTE articulated credit instead of the standard Satisfactory/ Unsatisfactory grade to facilitate transfer of the credit. ([Ref. ARSA-2f](#))

2g. **HANDBOOK REVISION, CO-ADMISSION AND REVERSE TRANSFER** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests approval of a revision to Board policy regarding co-admission to support and clarify existing policy regarding reverse transfer (*Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 15 and Title 4, Chapter 16, Section 6*). The policy revision clarifies the existing authority of institutions to establish co-admission and reverse transfer agreements to accommodate course requirements and potential reverse transfer under transfer agreements. ([Ref. ARSA-2g](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

3. **UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT PROPOSAL, MATHEMATICS LEARNING CENTER** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval of the Mathematics Learning Center (MLC) to assist students in preparing for and passing the college-level math course appropriate to their course of study. The MLC is a collaborative retention, progression, completion-driven initiative sponsored by the College of Sciences, the College of Education, Educational Outreach, the Graduate College, and the Offices of the Senior Vice Provost and the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs. The MLC focuses on effective solutions to the challenges students face with completing “gateway” or college math courses. ([Ref. ARSA-3](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

**4. UNR – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
CHANGES, SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY
HEALTH SCIENCES**

UNR requests approval of two related organizational unit changes as part of the reorganization of the School of Community Health Sciences (SCHS):

- a. School of Community Health Sciences – Change SCHS to a free-standing entity within UNR. With the anticipated increase in undergraduate enrollment to serve the high-demand field of public health workers, the SCHS plans to seek accreditation as a full School of Public Health to enhance student and faculty recruitment and retention and improve the School's competitiveness for research and center grants ([Ref. ARSA-4a](#)); and
- b. Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT) – Move CASAT within the SCHS. CASAT at UNR focuses on training and developing the prevention/ behavioral health workforce and includes an academic unit offering minor, certificate and graduate emphasis programs within the UNR Division of Health Sciences. This proposal recommends that CASAT join the proposed SCHS, as the mission and vision of the two entities are consistent with best practices at other research universities and will enhance the instructional and research activities of CASAT and the proposed new SCHS. ([Ref. ARSA-4b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

**5. UNR – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
CHANGE, SANFORD CENTER
FOR AGING**

UNR requests approval for the Sanford Center for Aging (SCA) to become a unit within the UNR School of Medicine (UNR Med). The SCA is currently a unit within the UNR Division of Health Sciences (DHS). With the transition of the School of Nursing from an academic unit within the DHS to a free-standing academic program (as approved by the Board in September 2016), as well as the pending transitions of the Schools of Community Health Sciences and Social Work, UNR proposes joining SCA with UNR Med, based on the existing collaboration between the two entities. ([Ref. ARSA-5](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

**6. CSN – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
BAS DEAF STUDIES**

CSN requests approval of a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS) degree in Deaf Studies with an emphasis in American Sign Language/English Interpreting. This degree, which responds to a national and local shortage of qualified interpreters for the Deaf, will allow students pursuing certification to be in compliance with degree mandates from the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf and also meet the requirements for qualifications set forth in Nevada state law. ([Ref. ARSA-6](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

**7. HANDBOOK REVISION, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba and Brooke Nielsen, former Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs, request approval of a revision to Board policy regarding intellectual property (*Title 4, Chapter 12*). The comprehensive revision updates, reorganizes and streamlines the NSHE policy on intellectual property, including clarification of ownership of intellectual property and copyrightable works; guidelines for “significant use of NSHE resources”; and procedures governing net income sharing. ([Ref. ARSA-7](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 minutes

**8. HANDBOOK REVISION, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
ACCESSIBILITY FOR INDIVIDUALS
WITH DISABILITIES**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba and former Vice Chancellor Brooke Nielsen, co-chairs of the NSHE Accessibility Working Group, request approval of a revision to Board policy regarding accessibility for individuals with disabilities (*Title 4, Chapter 8, new Sections 14 through 17*). The policy revision includes a general policy on compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as well as policies regarding information and communications technology accessibility, service animals and emotional support animals. In addition to mandating accessibility for individuals with disabilities in compliance with federal law, the policy revisions also provide guidance for the adoption of institutional policies governing accessibility. ([Ref. ARSA-8](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 minutes

**9. CODE REVISION, TENURE - FACULTY INFORMATION ONLY
PAID WITH SHORT TERM, NONSTATE FUNDS**

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests consideration of a proposed revision to Board policy requested by the NSHE Academic Affairs Council clarifying eligibility for tenure of academic faculty whose initial appointments are in positions paid with more than .5 FTE short term, nonstate funds (*Title 2, Chapter 3, Section 3.2.2*). Specifically, the policy revision deletes the phrase “short term, nonstate” and specifies that the funds referenced are “grant, endowment, gift, clinical, contract, sponsored project or self-supporting funds.” This revision is presented for information only and will be presented for approval at a subsequent meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-9](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 minutes

10. 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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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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