

**REVISED AGENDA
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**BOARD OF REGENTS* and its
ACADEMIC, RESEARCH AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**
Paul Laxalt Education Center, S-144
College of Southern Nevada
3200 E. Cheyenne Avenue, North Las Vegas
Thursday, March 2, 2017, 9:00 a.m.

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 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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2. Copies of any such materials will also be available at the meeting site.

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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 December 1, 2016, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2a](#))

**2b. UNLV – PROGRAM
DEACTIVATION,
MA SCIENCE**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

UNLV requests approval to deactivate its Master of Arts in Science to update the curriculum. Students currently enrolled in the program will be able to complete their degrees. ([Ref. ARSA-2b](#))

2. CONSENT ITEMS – (continued) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

**2c. UNLV – PROGRAM FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
ELIMINATION, MS, M.Ed.
WORKFORCE EDUCATION
AND DEVELOPMENT**

UNLV requests approval to eliminate its Master of Science and Master of Education in Workforce Education and Development following a 2011 restructuring of the UNLV College of Education. At the time of restructuring, undergraduate degrees in workforce education were eliminated and the M.S. and M.Ed. in Workforce Education and Development were moved to the dean's office with the intent of future elimination after students completed these degrees. There are no students currently enrolled in these two degrees. ([Ref. ARSA-2c](#))

**2d. UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
UNIT ELIMINATION,
INTERDISCIPLINARY
CENTER FOR AGING
RESEARCH AND EDUCATION**

UNLV requests approval to eliminate the Interdisciplinary Center for Aging Research and Education (ICARE), which was funded primarily by a federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) grant. The activities of ICARE ended when the funding ended in July 2015. ([Ref. ARSA-2d](#))

**2e. TMCC – PROGRAM FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
DEACTIVATION, AAS
ARCHITECTURAL
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY**

TMCC requests approval to deactivate its Associate of Applied Science in Architectural Design Technology as the new Associate of Applied Science in Construction and Design with an emphasis in Residential Design (as approved by the Board in September 2016) is replacing this degree. Students currently working on the degree will be able to continue and complete their coursework under the new degree. ([Ref. ARSA-2e](#))

2. CONSENT ITEMS – (continued)

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

**2f. TMCC – PROGRAM
DEACTIVATION, AA
ARCHITECTURE**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

TMCC requests approval to deactivate its Associate of Arts in Architecture as the new Associate of Applied Science in Construction and Design with an emphasis in Architecture (as approved by the Board in September 2016) is replacing this degree. Students currently working on the degree will be able to continue and complete their coursework under the new degree. ([Ref. ARSA-2f](#))

**2g. TMCC – PROGRAM
ELIMINATION, AA
EARLY CHILDHOOD
EDUCATION**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

TMCC requests approval to eliminate its Associate of Arts in Early Childhood Education, which will be replaced by an Early Childhood emphasis within the general Associate of Arts degree. The new emphasis will mirror the eliminated degree, but it will not be a named degree. Students currently enrolled will be able to complete the AA in Early Childhood Education as all the required courses will continue to be offered. ([Ref. ARSA-2g](#))

**2h. HANDBOOK REVISION,
RESIDENCY
RECLASSIFICATION**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests approval of a revision to Board policy regarding student residency reclassification (*Title 4, Chapter 15, Section 8*). Specifically, the policy revision clarifies that students who initially enroll in an NSHE institution under a Board-approved tuition discount program that includes nonresidence as a qualification will be treated the same way as WICHE Western Undergraduate Exchange (“WUE”) students for purposes of residency reclassification. ([Ref. ARSA-2h](#))

2. CONSENT ITEMS – (continued)

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

2i. HANDBOOK AND CODE REVISIONS, USE AND POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests approval of a revision to Board policy regarding the use and possession of marijuana at NSHE campuses and facilities following the approval of Ballot Question No. 2 (Initiative to Regulate and Tax Marijuana) by Nevada voters in November 2016. Because the use, possession or cultivation of marijuana is still prohibited by federal law at institutions that receive Title IV funding, the policy proposal revises current Board policy that is specific to medical marijuana to clarify that the use and possession of marijuana in general is prohibited.

The revisions to Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 32 are presented for approval. Two Code revisions (*Title 2, Chapter 6, Section 6.2.1(ee)* and *Title 2, Chapter 10, Section 10.2.1(t)*) are presented for information only and will be presented for approval at a subsequent meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2i](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

3. UNLV – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, MS NUTRITION SCIENCES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

UNLV requests approval of a Master of Science in Nutrition Sciences that will provide graduates will skills and knowledge to be nutrition and dietetics professionals, serving in numerous community, food service, management and clinical settings. This degree ideally serves students who have completed a Bachelor of Science in Nutrition Sciences and wish to become Registered Dietitian Nutritionists (RDN), as completion of a master's degree is a new accreditation requirement for licensure as an RDN. ([Ref. ARSA-3](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

4. UNLV – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, DOCTOR OF DENTAL SURGERY **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval of a Doctor of Dental Surgery (D.D.S.) for graduates of non-U.S. accredited dental school programs. Twenty-seven dental schools in the U.S. already have similar programs, accepting between ten and 80 foreign-trained dentists per year as part of their fast-track dental curricula. These dentists are pursuing a degree from a U.S. accredited dental school to meet the fundamental requirement for either state licensure or graduate study. ([Ref. ARSA-4](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

5. UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT PROPOSAL, THE INTERSECTION: ACADEMIC MULTICULTURAL RESOURCE CENTER **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval of The Intersection: Academic Multicultural Resource Center to serve as a comprehensive center for UNLV first generation college students and students of color. Through targeted programming and partnerships with academic colleges, departments, community stakeholders and organizations, The Intersection is designed to cultivate success for first generation and students of color by serving as an intersecting campus resource that provides access, resources and linkages to research, information and services designed to cultivate success for first generation students and students of color. ([Ref. ARSA-5](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

6. NSC – PROGRAM PROPOSAL BA DEAF STUDIES **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSC requests approval of a Bachelor of Arts in Deaf Studies to train students in American Sign Language (ASL), deaf culture and history, and interpreting. This degree responds to the strong demand for qualified interpreters in Nevada and nationally. Through the study of ASL, deaf culture and interpreting, students in the BA in Deaf Studies program learn to improve intercultural communication and bridge cultural divides, ultimately reducing inequality and strengthening the community. ([Ref. ARSA-6](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

7. TMCC – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT CHANGE, ACADEMIC DIVISIONS/STUDENT SERVICES FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

TMCC requests approval to reorganize its departments within the academic divisions under the office of the Vice President of Academic Affairs (VPAA) and to move the office of Equity, Inclusion and Sustainability from the President’s office to the office of the VPAA. The proposed reorganization better aligns the academic departments under the VPAA, facilitates TMCC’s ability to respond to workforce development needs and addresses an imbalance among the academic divisions involving shared resources and faculty workload. ([Ref. ARSA-7](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

8. UPDATE ON THE CABNR CONSOLIDATION INFORMATION ONLY

UNR will provide an update on the consolidation of the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources (CABNR), the Nevada Agricultural Experiment Station (NAES) and the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension (UNCE) into one administrative structure reporting to the Dean of CABNR. The consolidation was approved by the Board of Regents in September 2016.

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 minutes

9. HANDBOOK REVISION, STUDENT ABSENCES FROM CLASS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba requests approval of a revision to Board policy governing student absences to address concerns raised by the Committee when it approved a policy revision in December 2016 that was necessary to address a conflict in Board policy regarding student absences. The Committee Chair requested a subsequent revision to address the Committee’s concerns. Specifically, the policy revision deletes language setting forth expectations regarding class attendance and the ability of instructors to set course attendance requirements under certain circumstances that the Committee indicated was not appropriate for Board policy (*Title 4, Chapter 20, Section A.3*). ([Ref. ARSA-9](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

10. REGENTS' AWARDS

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

NSHE Board of Regents' policy calls for the Committee's approval of recommended candidates for various Regents' awards. The following individuals are nominated for 2017 Regents' awards. ([Ref. ARSA-10](#))

- a. Nevada Regents' Creative Activities Award
Candace Garlock, TMCC (Community College)
Francisco Menendez, UNLV (University, State College)
- b. Nevada Regents' Teaching Award
Thomas Herring, WNC (Community College)
Sarah Cummings, UNR (University, State College & DRI)
- c. Nevada Regents' Academic Advisor Awards
Christine Marshall, GBC (Community College)
Pamela Sandstrom, UNR (Undergraduate – Universities, State College)
James Sedinger, UNR (Graduate – Universities, State College)
- d. Nevada Regents' Researcher Award
John Cushman, UNR
- e. Nevada Regents' Rising Researcher Award
Alyssa N. Crittenden, UNLV
Sarah Blithe, UNR
Casey Schmidt, DRI

FISCAL IMPACT: \$46,000. Each recipient of the Regents' Creative Activities Award, Regents' Teaching Award, Regents' Academic Advisor Award, and Regents' Researcher Award receives an award of \$5,000. Each recipient of the Regents' Rising Researcher Award receives an award of \$2,000 paid by recipient's institution directly to the approved recipient. Each NSHE campus shares the costs of funding the remaining Regents' Awards with the exception of the Scholar Award (see main Board agenda) that is funded 100 percent by System Administration, and the Academic Advisor Award that is funded 50 percent by System Administration and 50 percent by the institutions. For specific costs to the institution, see the cost sharing table in the Procedures and Guidelines Manual Chapter 8, Section 2, Subsection 6.

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

11. UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT PROPOSAL, UNLV PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval of the UNLV Public Policy Institute, a research institute with the goal of engaging in constructive policy discourse through the development and use of practical, rigorous, solution-based research. The Institute will work collaboratively with policy stakeholders to identify critical areas for inquiry and develop rigorous analyses that shape further discourse on innovative public/private solutions. ([Ref. ARSA-11](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

12. 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
System Administration, 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, NV 89512