

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

System Administration, Las Vegas
4300 South Maryland Parkway, Board Room

Thursday, January 17, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
Friday, January 18, 2019, 9:00 a.m.

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System Administration, Reno
2601 Enterprise Road, Conference Room
and
Great Basin College, Elko
1500 College Parkway, Berg Hall Conference Room

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ROLL CALL:	Mr. Kevin J. Page, Chairman	_____
	Dr. Jason Geddes, Vice Chairman	_____
	Dr. Patrick R. Carter	_____
	Ms. Amy J. Carvalho	_____
	Mrs. Carol Del Carlo	_____
	Dr. Mark W. Doubrava	_____
	Mr. Trevor Hayes	_____
	Mr. Sam Lieberman	_____
	Mrs. Cathy McAdoo	_____
	Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr.	_____
	Mr. John T. Moran	_____
	Ms. Laura E. Perkins	_____
	Mr. Rick Trachok	_____

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.

In accordance with the Board of Regents' Bylaws, Title I, Article V, Section 13, a quorum may be gained by telephone hookup.

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<https://nshe.nevada.edu/leadership-policy/board-of-regents/meeting-agendas/>

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CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

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ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

2. OPENING REMARKS FROM THE CHANCELLOR

INFORMATION ONLY

Chancellor Thom Reilly will report on the various efforts underway intended to support the Board of Regents' Student Success goal.

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

3. UNLV STUDENT SUCCESS SUMMIT INFORMATION ONLY

Akaisha Cook, a junior in the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Honors College, will report on the outcomes of the UNLV Student Success Summit held on November 9, 2018. The summit, envisioned by UNLV Acting President Marta Meana, was a student-driven event intended to provide University leadership with information and insights to support student success. ([Ref. BOR-3](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

4. NSHE STUDENT SUCCESS METRICS INFORMATION ONLY

Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs Crystal Abba will present student success data for each NSHE institution including, but not limited to, graduation rates, number of students conferred an award, transfer outcomes and persistence rates. ([Ref. BOR-4](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

5. IMPROVING STUDENT SUCCESS FROM A NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE INFORMATION ONLY

Dr. Bruce Vandal, Senior Vice President, Complete College America (CCA), will provide a national perspective on efforts to improve student success. Nevada is a member of the CCA alliance and, as such, committed to taking bold actions to: (1) significantly increase the number of students successfully completing college and achieving degrees and credentials with value in the labor market; and (2) close attainment gaps for traditionally underrepresented populations. Dr. Vandal will present research on those CCA identified “game changers” that are intended to significantly improve student success. ([Ref. BOR-5](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

6. STUDENT SUCCESS EFFORTS OF NSHE INSTITUTIONS: COMMUNITY COLLEGES INFORMATION ONLY

NSHE community college representatives will present on their respective efforts to improve student success, including information on historically successful programs and new services and programs designed to support students. ([Refs. BOR-6a, BOR-6b, BOR-6c and BOR-6d](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 60 mins.

7. STUDENT SUCCESS EFFORTS OF NSHE INSTITUTIONS: UNIVERSITIES AND STATE COLLEGE **INFORMATION ONLY**

Representatives from NSHE's four-year institutions will present on their respective efforts to improve student success, including information on historically successful programs and new services and programs designed to support students. ([Refs. BOR-7a](#), [BOR-7b](#) and [BOR-7c](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 45 mins.

8. PANEL DISCUSSION ON STUDENT SUCCESS MODERATED BY COMPLETE COLLEGE AMERICA **INFORMATION ONLY**

Dr. Bruce Vandal, Senior Vice President, Complete College America, will moderate a panel discussion on improving student success. Panel members will share their perspective on successful efforts to improve graduation and persistence rates. Panel members will include:

- Dr. Sunem Beaton-Garcia, President, Broward College ([Refs. BOR-8a](#) and [BOR-8b](#));
- Dr. Timothy Renick, Senior Vice President for Student Success, Georgia State University ([Ref. BOR-8c](#)); and
- Dr. José Cabrales, Senior Director of Student Success Programs & Operations, American Association of State Colleges and Universities ([Ref. BOR-8d](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 75 mins.

9. NSHE 2025 STUDENT SUCCESS GOALS **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chancellor Thom Reilly will request approval of institutional student success goals set through 2025. The goals include specific targets set for the first-time, full-time graduation rate; number of students conferred an award; and persistence rates. Each institution developed an action plan outlining what steps will be taken to achieve its respective student success goals. ([Refs. BOR-9a](#) and [BOR-9b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.

10. OATH OF OFFICE

INFORMATION ONLY

Chief Justice Mark Gibbons of the Nevada Supreme Court will administer the oath of office to the newly elected and re-elected Regents.

- Ms. Amy J. Carvalho
- Mrs. Carol Del Carlo
- Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr.
- Ms. Laura E. Perkins

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

11. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BOYD GAMING GIFT TO UNLV ATHLETICS

INFORMATION ONLY

UNLV Acting President Marta Meana will acknowledge a \$5 million commitment from Boyd Gaming to UNLV's Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. (*Ref. BOR-11*)

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

12. REGENT ORIENTATION

INFORMATION ONLY

A Regent orientation will be presented to provide the necessary framework for the new members of the Board of Regents for their future work on the Board. The orientation will also provide a refresher course for returning members of the Board. Presentations will be made on major areas of Regent responsibilities including Board governance and the role of a Regent, Nevada's Open Meeting Law, Regent ethics requirements, Title IX requirements and fiduciary duty. Information on these topics will be as follows:

12a. INTRODUCTIONS

INFORMATION ONLY

Chairman Kevin J. Page will ask meeting participants to make brief introductions.

12b. BOARD GOVERNANCE AND THE ROLE OF A REGENT

INFORMATION ONLY

The Board will discuss its role as the governing body of the Nevada System of Higher Education and the role of a Regent in furthering the mission and goals of the NSHE and its institutions.

12. REGENT ORIENTATION – (continued)

12c. NEVADA OPEN MEETING LAW INFORMATION ONLY

Nevada Chief Deputy Attorney General Gregory D. Ott will provide an overview of the Nevada Open Meeting Law. [\(Ref. BOR-12c\)](#)

12d. NEVADA ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT LAW INFORMATION ONLY

Nevada Commission on Ethics Executive Director Yvonne M. Nevarez-Goodson will provide an overview of the Nevada Ethics in Government Law. [\(Ref. BOR-12d\)](#)

12e. TITLE IX INFORMATION ONLY

Chief General Counsel Joe Reynolds will provide an overview of Title IX, which is a federal law that prohibits discriminating against anyone from participating in any educational program or activity on the basis of sex. The presentation will include information on NSHE's efforts to comply with Title IX. [\(Ref. BOR-12e\)](#)

12f. FIDUCIARY DUTY INFORMATION ONLY

Former Regent Michael B. Wixom will provide an overview of the Board's fiduciary duty in relation to governance and oversight of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

ESTIMATED TIME: 120 mins.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT Friday, January 18, 2019 INFORMATION ONLY

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ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

14. 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.

14a. MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for approval of the minutes from the November 16, 2018, Board of Regents' special meeting. [\(Ref. BOR-14a\)](#)

14b. APPOINTMENT, REGIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM BOARD

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs Crystal Abba requests approval of the appointment of Brian Zeiszler, Education Department Chair, GBC, to fill the vacancy on the Northeastern Nevada Regional Training Program Board for the remainder of the two-year term that expires on December 31, 2019. The appointments of the Board of Regents to the governing bodies of Nevada's K-12 regional training program boards are made pursuant to *Nevada Revised Statutes* 391A.150. [\(Ref. BOR-14b\)](#)

14c. HANDBOOK REVISION, IN-STATE TUITION FOR CERTAIN VETERANS

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs Crystal Abba requests approval of a revision to Board policy (*Title 4, Chapter 15, Section 3*) regarding in-state tuition for certain veterans living in Nevada, which was originally adopted by the Board in 2014 to ensure Nevada's compliance with Section 702 of the federal Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014 ("Choice Act"). Recently, Congress expanded the provisions governing in-state residency under the 2014 Choice Act (codified as 38 U.S.C. 3979) to include individuals using educational assistance under Chapter 31 (Training and Rehabilitation for Veterans with Service-Connected Disabilities). Board policy must be revised before March 1, 2019, to include these covered individuals to ensure Nevada remains compliant with federal law and NSHE institutions do not risk the loss of federal veteran educational assistance dollars. [\(Ref. BOR-14c\)](#)

FISCAL IMPACT: *Under the provisions of the proposed policy and federal law, NSHE institutions will forgo non-resident tuition to certain individuals using Chapter 31 VA benefits. The number of individuals who will move to Nevada and qualify cannot be estimated and, therefore, the revenue loss cannot be determined.*

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

15. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, NSHE AND CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chancellor Thom Reilly requests approval of a Memorandum of Understanding outlining a strategic partnership between NSHE and the Clark County School District. The agreement addresses areas of mutual interest that will be addressed by both parties, including expansion of dual credit programs, strengthening workforce and career preparation and addressing remediation at the high school level to ensure that students are prepared for the rigors of college-level coursework. ([Ref. BOR-15](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.

16. 2019-21 BIENNIAL BUDGET **INFORMATION ONLY**

Chancellor Thom Reilly will provide an update on the 2019-21 Biennial Budget Request submitted to the Governor and the Executive Budget Recommendation. The Board may provide direction to the Chancellor and/or the presidents regarding the Budget Request. ([Ref. BOR-16](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

17. SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION, SYSTEM COMPUTING SERVICES AND EPSCOR BUDGETS **INFORMATION ONLY**

Chancellor Thom Reilly will provide an overview of the budgets that make up NSHE System Administration, including the state and non-state support for the Chancellor's Office, System Computing Services, and NSHE Sponsored Programs and EPSCoR (Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research). ([Ref. BOR-17](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

18. RESOLUTION SUPPORTING IMPROVED HEALTH BENEFITS FOR NSHE EMPLOYEES **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chair of the Council of NSHE Faculty Senate Chairs Douglas Unger will present background information on health insurance benefits provided to NSHE employees and will request approval of a resolution statement urging the Governor and Nevada State Legislature to increase contributions to the Public Employees Benefits Program. ([Refs. BOR-18a, BOR-18b and BOR-18c](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.

19. GBC INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS PROGRAM; SCENIC WEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP; AND *PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES MANUAL* REVISION, ATHLETICS FEE **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

GBC President Joyce M. Helens requests approval for GBC to join the Scenic West Athletic Conference in order to offer a competitive intercollegiate athletics program at GBC. In addition, President Helens requests approval of a revision to the *Procedures and Guidelines Manual (Chapter 7, Section 12)* to charge a \$3.00 per credit student fee, which would be effective July 1, 2019, to support the athletics program. GBC will not move forward with the athletics program in Fall 2019 unless \$65,000 is raised in donations by March 31, 2019. ([Refs. BOR-19a](#) and [BOR-19b](#))

***FISCAL IMPACT:** Estimated expenditures over the next five years for this program will be between \$318,455 and \$425,157 annually. The athletics program will be funded 100 percent from non-state funding, including a \$3.00/credit student fee and donations. Student fee revenue is estimated to generate \$195,000 per year.*

***ESTIMATED TIME:** 15 mins.*

20. TMCC INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS PROGRAM, SCENIC WEST ATHLETIC CONFERENCE MEMBERSHIP **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

TMCC President Karin M. Hilgersom requests approval for TMCC to join the Scenic West Athletic Conference. ([Ref. BOR-20](#))

***ESTIMATED TIME:** 15 mins.*

21. 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