SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Thursday, July 23, 2020, 1:00 p.m.

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE AND TELECONFERENCE ONLY PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 OF THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY DIRECTIVE 006 (“DIRECTIVE 006”), AND EXTENDED BY DIRECTIVES 016, 018, 021 AND 026, ISSUED BY THE STATE OF NEVADA EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. THERE WILL BE NO PHYSICAL LOCATION FOR THE MEETING.

PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE SUBMITTED VIA THE ONLINE PUBLIC COMMENT FORM (http://nshe.nevada.edu/public-comment/) OR VOICEMAIL (702-800-4705 or 775-300-7661). MESSAGES RECEIVED BY 4:00 PM ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2020, MAY BE ENTERED INTO THE RECORD DURING THE MEETING. ANY OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT FORM SUBMISSIONS AND/OR VOICEMAILS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING WILL BE TRANSCRIBED AND INCLUDED IN THE PERMANENT RECORD.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO VIEW THE MEETING MAY DO SO VIA LIVE STREAM (http://nshe.nevada.edu/live/).

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

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 18, 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 12, a quorum may be gained by telephone hookup.
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: https://nshe.nevada.edu/leadership-policy/board-of-regents/meeting-agendas/

Pursuant to Section 5 of Directive 006, and extended by Directives 016, 018, 021 and 026, the requirement contained in NRS 241.020(3)(c) that physical locations be available for the public to receive supporting material for public meetings has been suspended. Pursuant to Section 6 of Directive 006, and extended by Directives 016, 018, 021 and 026, copies of the reference material and any additional support materials that are submitted to the Board of Regents’ Office and then distributed to the members of the Board of Regents after the posting of this agenda but before the meeting, will be made available upon request by calling Keri Nikolajewski at (702) 889-8426.

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically disabled persons to participate in the meeting. Please call the Board Office at (702) 889-8426 in advance so that arrangements may be made.

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

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.

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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.
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 Board.

2a. MINUTES FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for approval of the following meeting minutes:

- April 7, 2020, Board of Regents’ special meeting (Ref. BOR-2a1)
- April 10, 2020, Board of Regents’ special meeting (Ref. BOR-2a2)
- May 8, 2020, Board of Regents’ special meeting (Ref. BOR-2a3)

2b. CODE AMENDMENTS TO AUTHORIZE FURLOUOGHS IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 EMERGENCY BUDGET SHORTFALL

Chief General Counsel Joe Reynolds requests approval of amendments to the NSHE Code (Title 2, Chapter 1, Section 1.1(i); Title 2, Chapter 5, Section 5.4.4; and Title 2, Chapter 5, new section 5.4.12). These amendments will permit the Board to authorize NSHE institutions and/or System Administration to implement one or more furlough days during the 2021 fiscal year for all academic and administrative faculty pursuant to a directive from either the Office of the Governor or Nevada Legislature, and without the declaration of financial exigency. The amendments also establish protocols for employees receiving notice of a furlough decision and a procedure for limited reconsideration. Final approval is requested of these amendments that were unanimously adopted on an emergency basis by the Board at its May 29, 2020, special meeting, and will expire 120 days from that date. (Ref. BOR-2b)

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

3. APPOINTMENT, UNLV PRESIDENT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Pending a potential recommendation that may be made as a result of its July 22-23, 2020, meeting, the Regents’ ad hoc UNLV President Search Committee may make a recommendation for the appointment of one or more of the following individuals as President of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas:

- Kenneth G. Furton, Ph.D. (Ref. BOR-3a)
- Chris L. Heavey, Ph.D. (Ref. BOR-3b)
- Karla K. Leeper, Ph.D. (Ref. BOR-3c)
- Keith E. Whitfield, Ph.D. (Ref. BOR-3d)
3. **APPOINTMENT, UNLV PRESIDENT** – (continued) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Based on the Committee’s recommendation(s), the Board will consider the approval of the recommended individual(s) to be President of UNLV. The proposed salary and contract terms may be discussed and considered for approval at the meeting. If the Board determines not to appoint a nominee recommended by the Committee, the Board may direct the Committee to continue the search process and to recommend an additional nominee or nominees for consideration by the Board at a future meeting.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.*

4. **FY 2021 NSHE OPERATING BUDGET UPDATE** INFORMATION ONLY

Chancellor Thom Reilly and Chief Financial Officer Andrew Clinger will discuss the impact of COVID-19 on FY21 NSHE operating budgets and actions taken to date including the hiring freeze, spending restrictions and budget reduction scenarios presented to the Legislature during the Special Session on July 8 and 9, 2020.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.*

5. **PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES MANUAL** FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

**REVISION, FACULTY FURLOUGHS DUE TO COVID-19 FY21 BUDGET SHORTFALL**

Chancellor Thom Reilly, Chief Financial Officer Andrew Clinger and Chief General Counsel Joe Reynolds request approval of a revision to the Procedures and Guidelines Manual (Chapter 4, new Section 20) applicable to unclassified academic and administrative faculty at NSHE institutions and System Administration, with limited exceptions for certain grant-funded, self-supporting and student-related positions, requiring NSHE faculty to take 12 days of unpaid furlough during the 2021 fiscal year, which will result in a corresponding monthly reduction in salary.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.*

6. **PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES MANUAL** FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

**REVISION, FEES AND TUITION - STUDENT SURCHARGE FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-21**

Chief Financial Officer Andrew Clinger requests approval of a revision to the Procedures and Guidelines Manual (Chapter 7, Section 1) to include the previously approved Student Surcharge for the 2020-21 academic year. *(Ref. BOR-6)*

*ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.*
7. **NSHE INSTITUTION FALL 2020 CAMPUS REOPENING PLANS**

Chancellor Thom Reilly will provide an overview and NSHE presidents will present plans for reopening their respective campuses to instruction for the Fall 2020 semester, including current health and safety protocols in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

*ESTIMATED TIME:* 60 mins.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

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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PURSUANT TO SECTION 4 OF DIRECTIVE 006, AND EXTENDED BY DIRECTIVES 016, 018, 021 AND 026, THIS AGENDA HAS BEEN ELECTRONICALLY POSTED ON THE NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION WEBSITE (http://system.nevada.edu/) AND ON THE NEVADA PUBLIC NOTICE WEBSITE (http://notice.nv.gov/) IN ACCORDANCE WITH NRS 232.2175.