

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Thursday, September 17, 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, 026 AND 029, 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, SEPTEMBER 16, 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, 026 and 029, 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, 026 and 029, 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

INFORMATION ONLY

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. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

Chancellor Melody Rose will report to the Board concerning ongoing planning activities and major projects within the NSHE, including issues related to the current COVID-19 pandemic.

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

3. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

Chair Mark W. Doubrava will discuss issues related to NSHE and his activities as Board Chair, including issues related to the current COVID-19 pandemic.

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

4. APPOINTMENT, UNR PRESIDENT

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Pending a potential recommendation that may be made as a result of its September 16-17, 2020, meeting, the Regents' ad hoc UNR 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, Reno:

- Chaden Djalali, Ph.D. ([Ref. BOR-4a](#))
- Jennifer Evans-Cowley, Ph.D. ([Ref. BOR-4b](#))
- Jonathan Koppell, Ph.D. ([Ref. BOR-4c](#))
- Brian Sandoval, J.D. ([Ref. BOR-4d](#))

Based on the Committee's recommendation(s), the Board will consider the approval of the recommended individual(s) to be President of UNR. 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.

5. **CODE AMENDMENTS TO AUTHORIZE FURLOUGHS IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 EMERGENCY BUDGET SHORTFALL** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chief General Counsel Joe Reynolds requests final 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*). The amendments were unanimously adopted on a temporary and emergency basis by the Board at its May 29, 2020, special meeting, and will expire 120 days from that date. ([Ref. BOR-5](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

6. **HANDBOOK REVISION, STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES FOR THE OPERATING FUNDS** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chief Financial Officer Andrew Clinger will provide an update on the balances in the Operating Fund and Operating Fund reserve and request approval of revisions to the Statement of Investment Objectives and Policies for the Operating Funds (*Title 4, Chapter 10, Section 6*) to establish a minimum Operating Fund reserve balance.

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

7. **MISSION STATEMENT FOR THE BUDGET REDUCTION RESPONSE COMMITTEE AND AD HOC ADVISORY COMMITTEE** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chair Mark W. Doubrava will request that the Board adopt a Mission Statement for the Budget Reduction Response Committee and Ad Hoc Advisory Committee, which may include, but not be limited to, amendments and/or edits to the draft Mission Statement. ([Ref. BOR-7](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.

8. **me3 NEVADA DEMONSTRATION** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges Nate Mackinnon will present a demonstration of the new me3 Nevada career and major exploration tool that has been developed in partnership with EdPlus at Arizona State University. A demonstration of the Arizona version of me3 was presented to the Board at its March 5-6, 2020, meeting. This demonstration will show the Nevada version of the tool that directs students to degrees and certificates at NSHE institutions. This work was possible thanks to a generous gift from The Rogers Foundation.

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.

9. 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, and no substantive discussion may occur at this meeting on new business items in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.010 *et seq.*).

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

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PURSUANT TO SECTION 3 OF DIRECTIVE 006, AND EXTENDED BY DIRECTIVES 016, 018, 021, 026 AND 029, THE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN NRS 241.020(4)(a) THAT PUBLIC NOTICE AGENDAS BE POSTED AT PHYSICAL LOCATIONS WITHIN THE STATE OF NEVADA HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 4 OF DIRECTIVE 006, AND EXTENDED BY DIRECTIVES 016, 018, 021, 026 AND 029, 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.