

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

Thursday, December 3, 2020, 7:30 a.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, 029 AND 033, ISSUED BY THE STATE OF NEVADA EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. THERE WILL BE NO PHYSICAL LOCATION FOR THE MEETING.

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**BOARD**

**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	_____

**COMMITTEE**

**ROLL CALL:**

Dr. Jason Geddes, Chair	_____
Dr. Patrick R. Carter, Vice Chair	_____
Mrs. Cathy McAdoo	_____
Ms. Laura E. Perkins	_____
Mr. Rick Trachok	_____

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 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.

\*The Board of Regents, at its regularly scheduled meetings, meets concurrently with its Committees (the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee; the Audit, Compliance and Title IX Committee; the Business, Finance and Facilities Committee; the Cultural Diversity Committee; the Health Sciences System Committee; and the Security 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.

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, 029 and 033, 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, 029 and 033, 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 Winter Lipson 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 (775) 784-4958 in advance so that arrangements may be made.

**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 September 10, 2020, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2a](#))

2. **CONSENT ITEMS – (continued)** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

2b. **UNLV – PROGRAM ELIMINATIONS** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

A review of the NSHE [Academic Program Information System](#) (APIS) indicated a number of degree programs that are no longer active; therefore, UNLV requests approval to eliminate the following inactive programs:

- Human Resource Management, BS ([Ref. ARSA-2b1](#))
- Educational Psychology, M.Ed ([Ref. ARSA-2b2](#))
- Educational Leadership, MS ([Ref. ARSA-2b3](#))
- Pharmacy, Ph.D ([Ref. ARSA-2b4](#))
- Science and Education, PDD ([Ref. ARSA-2b5](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes*

3. **NSHE PLANNING REPORT/ ACADEMIC MASTER PLAN** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Assistant Vice Chancellor Renee Davis will present for approval the *2021-2025 Planning Report* that highlights the institutional plans for the next four years for each NSHE institution, including plans for new academic programs, student services and research initiatives. ([Ref. ARSA-3](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes*

4. **UNLV – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, MS DATA ANALYTICS** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval of an interdisciplinary Master of Science in Data Analytics, an interdisciplinary program between the Colleges of Engineering, Sciences, Liberal Arts, Hospitality, the School of Public Health, and the Lee Business School. Data analytics is a growing field with numerous open jobs in all areas of the country, in a wide variety of industries, including banking, retail, entertainment and healthcare. ([Ref. ARSA-4](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes*

**5. UNLV – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
PH.D. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND  
BRAIN SCIENCES**

UNLV requests approval of a Doctor of Philosophy in Psychological and Brain Sciences. This program would replace what is currently a concentration in Experimental Psychology under the Ph.D. in Psychology. ([Ref. ARSA-5](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes*

**6. UNR – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
PH.D. NATURAL RESOURCES AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

UNR requests approval of a Doctor of Philosophy in Natural Resources and Environmental Science. This program addresses the need for professionals trained in the use of data-driven approaches and applications to address issues impacting the management of resources. The program will prepare students to address critical regional and global needs in natural resource ecology and management, and more broadly the field of environmental science. ([Ref. ARSA-6](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes*

**7. CSN – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
BAS CULINARY ARTS**

CSN requests approval of a Bachelor of Applied Science in Culinary Arts. This degree program focuses on the operational aspects of culinary arts in addition to the management facet of the profession. It will provide students with hands-on labs covering advance culinary techniques and business and management courses necessary for obtaining a career in today's food services and hospitality industries. ([Ref. ARSA-7](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes*

**8. CSN – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
BAS FOOD SERVICE OPERATIONS**

CSN requests approval of a Bachelor of Applied Science in Food Service Operations. This degree is designed to focus on the practical skills, soft skills, leadership, and critical thinking skills used by successful food service supervisors and middle managers. Focusing on the applied nature of this degree, the program will provide students with a rigorous, active learning environment that presents real workplace problems inside the classroom.

[\(Ref. ARSA-8\)](#)

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes*

**9. CSN – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
BAS TOURISM, CONVENTION,  
AND EVENT PLANNING**

CSN requests approval of a Bachelor of Applied Science in Tourism, Convention, and Event Planning. This program is a practical, application-oriented degree that will cover the economic, social, and commercial philosophies of tourism, convention and event planning while giving students an opportunity to learn from professionals. [\(Ref. ARSA-9\)](#)

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes*

**10. NEW AND EXISTING PROGRAM REVIEW INFORMATION ONLY**

Senior Analyst for Academic and Student Affairs Terina Caserto will present the first, third and fifth year new academic program reviews and the report on institutional reviews of existing programs as mandated by Board policy (*Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 5*). In addition, representatives of UNR and TMCC will present the reviews conducted for at least one program at their respective institutions. The presentations include, but are not limited to, the process for evaluating existing programs generally, indications of quality, whether programs are meeting employer expectations, improvements in student learning outcomes, and any action steps identified based on the review of programs and the status of action steps. [\(Refs. ARSA-10a, ARSA-10b, ARSA-10c and ARSA-10d\)](#)

*ESTIMATED TIME: 30 minutes*

**11. COREQUISITE ACTION PLAN, PART II** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs Crystal Abba and Assistant Vice Chancellor and Director of Corequisite Implementation James McCoy will present for approval Part II of the action plan developed by the NSHE Corequisite Implementation Task Force charged with supporting institutions in the implementation of the corequisite and gateway policy adopted by the Board at its June 6-7, 2019, meeting. Part II of the action plan includes protocols for enrollment enforcement, training and professional development content and timelines for delivery, a statewide assessment plan, and final branding related to the communications toolkit. ([Refs. ARSA-11a](#) and [ARSA-11b](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 15 minutes*

**12. ACT NEVADA HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2020 PROFILE REPORT AND NSHE COLLEGE READINESS DASHBOARD** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Mr. Bruce Smith, ACT Director of State Partnerships, will present the ACT state profile report that includes information on ACT English, mathematics, reading and science subject scores for the Nevada high school graduating Class of 2020. The report will summarize the preparation and performance of Nevada high school graduates who took the ACT as sophomores, juniors, or seniors. In addition, Vice Chancellor Crystal Abba will present the recently developed NSHE data dashboard that includes ACT data for Nevada high school graduates by factors such as diploma type and NSHE institution of enrollment. ([Refs. ARSA-12a](#), [ARSA-12b](#) and [ARSA-12c](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 25 minutes*

**13. UNR – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT PROPOSAL, GUINN CENTER** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNR requests approval to locate the Kenny Guinn Center for Policy Priorities on the University of Nevada, Reno campus. The Guinn Center is an existing statewide, independent, nonpartisan policy center that will be self-funded. The mission of the Guinn Center is to advance evidence-based policy solutions through research, public engagement, and strategic partnerships. ([Ref. ARSA-13](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes*

**14. 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.*).

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PURSUANT TO SECTION 4 OF DIRECTIVE 006, AND EXTENDED BY DIRECTIVES 016, 018, 021, 026, 029 AND 033, 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.