

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

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

Friday, January 14, 2022, 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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<b>ROLL CALL:</b>	Mrs. Carol Del Carlo, Chair Pro Tem	_____
	Ms. Amy J. Carvalho, Vice Chair Pro Tem	_____
	Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada	_____
	Mr. Patrick J. Boylan	_____
	Mr. Byron Brooks	_____
	Dr. Patrick R. Carter	_____
	Dr. Mark W. Doubrava	_____
	Dr. Jason Geddes	_____
	Mrs. Cathy McAdoo	_____
	Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr.	_____
	Mr. John T. Moran	_____
	Ms. Laura E. Perkins	_____
	Dr. Lois Tarkanian	_____

**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 1, 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.

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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**

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**2. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Chair Pro Tem Carol Del Carlo will discuss issues related to NSHE and her activities as Board Chair.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**3. STATE OF THE SYSTEM ADDRESS** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Chancellor Melody Rose will present the 2022 State of the System address. ([Ref. BOR-3](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 45 mins.*

**4. MINUTES** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Board will consider approval of the minutes from the November 12, 2021, special meeting. ([Ref. BOR-4](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**5. LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR STUDENT COVID-19 VACCINATIONS** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chancellor Melody Rose will present for approval a proposed Letter of Support for student COVID-19 vaccinations prepared by the Chancellor, in consultation with Chair Pro Tem Carol Del Carlo, on behalf of the Board of Regents, to be issued to appropriate governing bodies with jurisdiction to impose vaccine requirements, including, without limitation, the Governor, Nevada Board of Health and Nevada Legislative Commission. The Board directed the preparation of this letter during its December 30, 2021, meeting to be brought back for approval at the January 14, 2022, meeting. ([Ref. BOR-5](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.*

**6. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT, PRESIDENT JOYCE M. HELENS, GBC** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chancellor Melody Rose will request approval of a one-year extension to the current Employment Agreement of GBC President Joyce M. Helens, so that her contract expires on June 30, 2024. ([Refs. BOR-6a and BOR-6b](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

7. **EXTENSION TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT, INTERIM CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE BOARD KERI D. NIKOLAJEWSKI** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chair Pro Tem Carol Del Carlo will request approval of an extension to the current Employment Agreement of Keri D. Nikolajewski to serve as Interim Chief of Staff to the Board beyond the January 14, 2022, expiration date, and continue until a permanent candidate to fill the position of Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Board is selected by the Board and that individual's first day of employment commences.

[\(Refs. BOR-7a and BOR-7b\)](#)

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

8. **UPDATE ON AD HOC CHIEF OF STAFF AND SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE BOARD SEARCH COMMITTEE** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Committee Chair John T. Moran will provide an update on the progress of the ad hoc Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Board Search Committee.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

9. **UPDATE ON AD HOC STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Committee Chair Amy J. Carvalho will provide an update on the progress of the ad hoc Strategic Planning Committee.

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

10. **UPDATE ON AFFILIATION WITH RENOWN HEALTH, UNR MED** **INFORMATION ONLY**

UNR President Brian Sandoval and UNR Med Acting Dean Melissa Piasecki, M.D., will provide a summary of the progress achieved in operationalizing and implementing the clinical and academic affiliation between UNR Med and Renown Health. [\(Ref. BOR-10\)](#)

*ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.*

**11. UPDATE ON SIERRA NEVADA UNIVERSITY TRANSFER, UNR** **INFORMATION ONLY**

UNR President Brian Sandoval will provide an update on the transfer of Sierra Nevada University to UNR. ([Ref. BOR-11](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.*

**12. INSTITUTIONAL METRICS, UNR** **INFORMATION ONLY**

UNR President Brian Sandoval will present data and metrics on UNR's progress in achieving the strategic goals adopted by the Board. The metrics to be presented include those identified by the Board designed to compare the performance of NSHE and its institutions to other states or respective peers in five key areas: 1) Access; 2) Success; 3) Closing the Achievement Gap; 4) Workforce; and 5) Research. ([Ref. BOR-12](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.*

**13. 2023-25 BIENNIAL OPERATING BUDGET/  
2023 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS  
AND OVERVIEW OF FUNDING FORMULA** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Board, with the assistance of Chancellor Melody Rose and System staff, will discuss the process of developing the NSHE's 2023-25 biennial operating budget request and the budget for capital improvements for the 2023 Legislative Session, including the establishment of System budget priorities and possible enhancements to the base formula funded operating budgets, as well as other state-funded budgets. In addition, Chief Financial Officer Andrew Clinger will provide an overview of the NSHE's funding formula. The Board may provide direction to the Chancellor concerning the development of budget priorities and themes or take other appropriate actions relating to the budgetary process. ([Ref. BOR-13](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.*

**14. NSHE FEE WAIVER REPORT** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and Community Colleges Crystal Abba will present a report on NSHE fee waivers. The report includes a history of the various fee waiver programs that are currently implemented, including the cost of each program, the number of students served and how such programs have expanded over time. ([Refs. BOR-14a and BOR-14b](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.*

**15. SYSTEM COMPUTING SERVICES STRATEGIC PLAN** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Chief Information Officer Anne Milkovich will provide an update on System Computing Services operations and services, and will introduce the SCS Strategic Plan 2020-2023. ([Ref. BOR-15](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.*

**16. ad hoc FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE INITIATIVE UPDATE - SHARED SERVICES/ SYSTEM COMPUTING SERVICES** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Chief Financial Officer Andrew Clinger will provide an update on the status of the analysis of System Computing Services as both a component of the ad hoc Fiscal Sustainability Committee's general charge for shared service efficiency as well as the specific direction to explore the creation of a new SCS governance structure. ([Ref. BOR-16](#))

*FISCAL IMPACT: Estimated cost to conduct the study is \$100,000 which will be funded by UNR on behalf of Business Center North.*

*ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.*

**17. 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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**18. PUBLIC COMMENT – (continued)**

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GBC, Berg Hall, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, NV 89801  
NSC, Rogers Student Center, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 1300 Nevada State Drive, Henderson, NV 89002  
TMCC, Red Mountain Building (RDMT 200), 7000 Dandini Boulevard, Reno, NV 89512  
UNLV, Flora Dungan Humanities Building (FDH), 4505 Maryland Pkwy, Las Vegas, NV 89154  
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