

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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

Tuesday, August 29, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Video or Telephone Conference Connection from the Meeting Site to:
System Administration, Reno
2601 Enterprise Road, Conference Room
and
Great Basin College, Elko
1500 College Parkway, Berg Hall Conference Room

A video conference connection will be made from the meeting site to the Reno System Administration Building, Conference Room, at 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, Nevada, and Great Basin College, Berg Hall Conference Room, at 1500 College Parkway, Elko, Nevada. In the event the video conference connection is not functioning, a teleconference connection will be made available.

Members of the Board and/or the public may attend the meeting and provide testimony or public comment at these sites. Public comment may also be submitted via the online public comment form (<https://nshe.nevada.edu/regents/public-comment/>) or voicemail (702-800-4705 or 775-300-7661). Written comments will no longer be read into the record and voicemails will not be played for broadcast, but both will be included in the permanent meeting record.

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ROLL CALL:	Mr. Byron Brooks, Chair	_____
	Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada, Vice Chair	_____
	Mr. Patrick J. Boylan	_____
	Mrs. Susan Brager	_____
	Ms. Heather Brown	_____
	Mrs. Amy J. Carvalho	_____
	Dr. Michelee Cruz-Crawford	_____
	Mrs. Carol Del Carlo	_____
	Mr. Jeffrey S. Downs	_____
	Ms. Stephanie Goodman	_____
	Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr.	_____
	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.

In accordance with the Board of Regents' Bylaws, Title 1, Article V, Section 12, a quorum may be gained by telephonic, video, or electronic transmission provided that notice to that effect has been given.

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/regents/upcoming-meetings/>

Many public libraries have publicly accessible computer terminals. 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 as follows: 1. Copies of any such materials are available at the Board of Regents Offices at 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, Nevada, and 4300 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada. A copy may be requested by calling Angela Palmer at (775) 784-3465; 2. Copies of any such materials will also be available at the meeting site.

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.

Land Acknowledgment

Before beginning, we take a moment to recognize that here in Nevada we stand on the land of the Wa She Shu – Washoe; Numu – Northern Paiute; Nuwe – Western Shoshone; and Nuwu – Southern Paiute. We take a moment to recognize and honor their stewardship that continues into today. With this recognition, we state an intention to rightfully include their voice and respect them as the 27 sovereign tribal nations of Nevada.

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 (2) minutes per person. Persons making comment are asked to begin by stating their name for the record and to spell their last name. The Board Chair may elect to allow additional public comment on a specific agenda item when that agenda item is being considered.

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. APPOINTMENT, INTERIM CHANCELLOR

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

At its June 30, 2023, meeting, the Board took action to discontinue the search for Chancellor and begin the process to appoint an interim Chancellor. Pursuant to the NSHE Code (*Title 2, Chapter 1, Section 1.5.4(d)*), within sixty (60) days of the Board's request, the Chair and Vice Chair shall recommend to the Board an individual for consideration and appointment. Prior to making the recommendation, the Chair and Vice Chair shall first meet with major constituencies of the NSHE, including presidents and faculty senate chairs, to receive their suggestions and input for the appointment. Chair Brooks will provide an overview of the meetings and conversations held to receive input and suggestions concerning the appointment of an interim Chancellor.

If an interim Chancellor is appointed, the Board shall determine whether a search will be conducted, or if an interim Chancellor will be appointed to a specified term of one to three years (*Title 2, Chapter 1, Section 1.5.4(e)*).

Chair Brooks and Vice Chair Arrascada will recommend for consideration and approval by the Board the appointment of Patricia Charlton to serve as interim Chancellor for a specified term of one (1) year. Alternatively, the Board may consider the appointment of Patricia Charlton as interim Chancellor and commence a search, in which case the interim Chancellor would serve until a permanent Chancellor is appointed at the conclusion of the search process.

The Board will conduct an interview with the recommended candidate prior to considering the appointment. The Board may also consider approval of the proposed Employment Agreement.

2. APPOINTMENT, INTERIM CHANCELLOR - FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
(continued)

If no action is taken, the Board shall consider whether it will request recommendations for an acting Chancellor or an interim Chancellor following the procedure set forth in Board policy (*Title 2, Chapter 1, Section 1.5.4(d)*). The officer in charge shall exercise the powers of the Chancellor until an acting or interim Chancellor is appointed by the Board (*Title 2, Chapter 1, Section 1.5.4(c)*). ([Ref. BOR-2](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 90 mins.

3. REMOVAL OF “SPECIAL COUNSEL” FROM THE CHIEF OF STAFF TITLE CONSISTENT WITH ARTICLE VIII, SECTION 1 OF THE BYLAWS AND BOARD ACTION INFORMATION ONLY

Chief General Counsel James J. Martines will present for information the removal of “Special Counsel” from the Chief of Staff title, consistent with Article VIII, Section 1 of the Bylaws of the Board of Regents, and recent Board action. ([Ref. BOR-3](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 mins.

4. EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT, CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The Board will consider approval of the proposed employment agreement for Keri D. Nikolajewski as Chief of Staff to the Board of Regents. On July 21, 2023, the Board took action to appoint Ms. Nikolajewski as the permanent Chief of Staff to the Board of Regents effective at its next meeting, special or otherwise, at which time the contractual terms, including compensation, will be considered. As such, the appointment is effective on August 29, 2023, and the proposed contractual terms, including compensation, shall be considered for approval. ([Ref. BOR-4](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.

5. 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 and NRS 241.020(3)(d) *et seq.*).

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

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