

**REVISED AGENDA**

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

Truckee Meadows Community College  
Sports and Fitness Center  
7000 Dandini Boulevard, Reno  
Thursday, September 7, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Video or Telephone Conference Connection from the Meeting Site to:  
System Administration, Las Vegas  
4300 South Maryland Parkway, Board 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 Las Vegas System Administration Building, Board Room, at 4300 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada, and to 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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**BOARD**

**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. Michele 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMITTEE**

**ROLL CALL:**

- Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada, Chair \_\_\_\_\_
- Mrs. Carol Del Carlo, Vice Chair \_\_\_\_\_
- Dr. Michele Cruz-Crawford \_\_\_\_\_
- Ms. Stephanie Goodman \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr. \_\_\_\_\_

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 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.

\*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 Health Sciences System Committee; the Security Committee; and the Workforce 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 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' Office at 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, Nevada and the Board of Regents' Office at 4300 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada. A copy may be requested by calling Winter Lipson at (702) 889-8426; 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 attending 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**

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**2. MINUTES**

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Committee will consider approval of the minutes from the June 8, 2023, meeting. ([Ref. ARSA-2](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**3. UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT  
PROPOSAL, INSTITUTE FOR  
FINANCIAL LITERACY AND WELLNESS**

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval to establish the UNLV Institute for Financial Literacy and Wellness (IFLW). The proposed Institute will support financial education and empowerment to promote financial wellness for all members of the university community, with targeted programming for the southern Nevada community-at-large. The Institute will provide financial education, information, resources, and tools to help participants achieve personal short-term fiscal health and long-term financial stability and wellbeing. ([Ref. ARSA-3](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**4. UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT PROPOSAL, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EDUCATION, RETENTION, AND EXPANSION NETWORK OF NEVADA** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval to establish the Behavioral Health Education, Retention, and Expansion Network of Nevada (BeHERE NV) in accordance with Assembly Bill 37 passed during the 82nd Session of the Nevada State Legislature. This network will establish a main hub at UNLV and have regional hubs in NSHE institutions to serve the entire state of Nevada. The primary purposes of BeHERE NV are to provide outreach and education about behavioral health professions to K-12 and adult learners; expand behavioral health training programs within higher education with an emphasis on building a diverse workforce; increase post-graduate internships and the number of approved supervisors; and offer support to the existing Nevada behavioral health workforce through continuing education and technical assistance. ([Ref. ARSA-4](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**5. UNLV – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT PROPOSAL, TOURIST SAFETY INSTITUTE** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval to establish the Tourist Safety Institute (TSI) to be housed in the Greenspun College of Urban Affairs. The TSI is designed to primarily serve Nevada, but will have implications for community resilience, tourism, and tourist safety both nationally and internationally. ([Ref. ARSA-5](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**6. UNLV – PROGRAM PROPOSAL, BA CREATIVE PRACTICE** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNLV requests approval of a Bachelor of Arts in Creative Practice in the College of Fine Arts. The proposed program is designed with a contemporary vision toward redefining how one thinks about and practices creativity and the creative arts. The program will appeal to two different types of students: those who are looking to shape the future of the arts in an entrepreneurial way as arts leaders; and those who have already achieved a number of credits toward a professional arts degree but are looking for opportunities to reframe and synthesize knowledge and experience in the arts to use in other fields as creatives. ([Ref. ARSA-6](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

7. **UNR – ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT PROPOSAL, LARSON INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH IMPACT AND EQUITY** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

UNR requests approval to establish the Larson Institute for Health Impact and Equity within the School of Public Health. The goal of the Institute is to connect community engaged research, health equity programming, academic health departments, health communications, global health, rural health capacity building, community health partnership building and the current work of the statewide training center into one cohesive unit. ([Ref. ARSA-7](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

8. **HANDBOOK REVISION, FEE WAIVERS FOR NATIVE AMERICANS** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Acting Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and Community Colleges Patricia Charlton will present for approval revisions to Title 4, Chapter 17, Section 16, ensuring Board policy aligns with all provisions of Assembly Bill 150 of the 2023 Session of the Nevada State Legislature. The proposed revision adds clarifying language recognizing eligibility for the fee waiver to include certified members or descendants of members of federally recognized tribes or nations that are located wholly or partially within the boundaries of Nevada, whether or not they reside on tribal lands. Additionally, this proposal includes language to clarify that a 2.0 GPA is required to qualify for the fee waiver if the student has enrolled in courses for which a letter grade is awarded. ([Ref. ARSA-8](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

9. **HANDBOOK REVISION, FEE WAIVERS FOR RECIPIENTS OF THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Acting Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and Community Colleges Patricia Charlton will present for approval revisions to Title 4, Chapter 17, Section 15, expanding the fee waiver for recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor to include children of such recipients. Existing provisions remain unchanged, with the waiver covering registration fees, laboratory fees, and other mandatory fees after any federal education benefits are applied. ([Ref. ARSA-9](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.*

**10. FOSTER YOUTH FEE WAIVER AND PROGRAM REPORT** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Foster Youth Ambassador Laura Obrist will present a report on the NSHE Foster Youth Fee Waiver adopted by the Board in 2018. The fee waiver policy permits qualifying NSHE undergraduate students to register for eligible courses without being charged registration or certain laboratory fees. The report will provide an overview of the fee waiver, information on the requirements of the waiver, number of recipients and total fees waived, recipient demographics, and student success metrics. The presentation will also include a high-level review of the NSHE Fostering Success Initiative grant-funded activities and accomplishments. ([Refs. ARSA-10a](#) and [ARSA-10b](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.*

**11. 2021-22 NSHE FINANCIAL AID REPORT** **INFORMATION ONLY**

Research Analyst José Quiroga will present highlights from the 2021-22 NSHE Financial Aid Report, including data on financial aid programs, recipient attributes, and awards distributed across the System as well as NSHE total financial aid disbursed by category, source, and type. In addition, the presentation will include general information on financial aid concepts and the variety of programs available to support students. ([Refs. ARSA-11a](#) and [ARSA-11b](#))

*ESTIMATED TIME: 30 mins.*

**12. 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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CSN, Building D, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 6375 W. Charleston Boulevard, Las Vegas, NV 89146  
DRI, Maxey Building, 2215 Raggio Parkway, Reno, NV 89512  
DRI, Southern Nevada Science Center, 755 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89119  
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  
UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557  
WNC, Bristlecone Building Lobby, 2201 W. College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89703  
System Administration, 4300 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89119  
System Administration, 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, NV 89512