

SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF REGENTS
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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

Friday, February 16, 2024, 12:00 p.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

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

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**2. AUDIT, COMPLIANCE AND TITLE IX
COMMITTEE REPORT**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair Joseph C. Arrascada will present for approval a report on the Audit, Compliance and Title IX Committee meeting held on February 16, 2024, and Board of Regents action may be requested on the following:

- External Audit Services: The Committee heard presentations from finalist external audit firms, as noted in Request for Proposal #8937. Consistent with the Bylaws of the Board of Regents (*Title 1, Article VI, Section 3(a)(2)*), the Committee interviewed the finalist firms. The Board of Regents may consider approval of a recommendation from the Committee to select one of the following firms as external auditors for the Nevada System of Higher Education for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, 2025, and 2026.
 - a) Grant Thornton LLP ([Refs. A-3a1, A-3a2 and A-3a3](#))
 - b) Eide Bailly ([Refs. A-3b1, A-3b2 and A-3b3](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

3. ad hoc COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE POLICIES GOVERNING A SEARCH FOR CHANCELLOR REPORT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair Susan Brager will present for approval a report on the ad hoc Committee to Review the Policies Governing a Search for Chancellor meetings held on December 12, 2023, and February 16, 2024, and Board of Regents action may be requested on the following:

- Minutes: The Committee considered for approval the minutes from the December 12, 2023, meeting. ([Ref. PGS-2](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 mins.

4. PROPOSED REVISIONS, POLICIES GOVERNING A SEARCH FOR CHANCELLOR INFORMATION ONLY

At its February 16, 2024, meeting, the ad hoc Committee to Review the Policies Governing a Search for Chancellor reviewed and discussed proposed changes to the NSHE Code and *Procedures and Guidelines Manual* relating to a vacancy in the Office of Chancellor and a search for Chancellor.

If the Committee concurs with the proposal and has no recommended changes, Special Counsel to the Board of Regents Michael B. Wixom will present the proposed revisions to the Board of Regents for information only. The proposed revisions will be brought back to a future meeting for possible action.

4a. CODE REVISIONS, VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR INFORMATION ONLY

The proposed revisions to the NSHE Code (*Title 2, Chapter 1, Section 1.5.4*) clarify procedures for recommending an acting or interim Chancellor, setting the parameters and general timeline for commencing a Chancellor search, composition of the advisory group, the selection process for a search consultant, and how the selected consultant will assist and support the Committee throughout the Chancellor search process. ([Ref. BOR-4a](#))

**4. PROPOSED REVISIONS, POLICIES
GOVERNING A SEARCH FOR CHANCELLOR – (continued)**

**4b. PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES INFORMATION ONLY
MANUAL REVISIONS, APPOINTMENTS
AND VACANCIES OF SYSTEM OFFICERS**

The proposed revisions to the *Procedures and Guidelines Manual (Chapter 2, Section 1)* include streamlining the procedures relating to resignation notifications for the Chancellor and presidents, appointment of an acting or interim Chancellor when a vacancy occurs or is about to occur, appointment of a Regent Chancellor Search Committee, and selection of a Chancellor search consultant. ([Ref. BOR-4b](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 mins.

**5. CHANCELLOR'S AD HOC COMMITTEE INFORMATION ONLY
ON PUBLIC SAFETY**

Adam Garcia, Vice President of Public Safety and Director of University Police Services, Southern Command, and Chair of the Chancellor's ad hoc Committee on Public Safety, will provide an update on the activities of the Committee, including its charge, membership, and progress.

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

6. NJCAA REGION CHANGE, CSN ATHLETICS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

College of Southern Nevada President Federico Zaragoza will request approval to move CSN Athletics from the National Junior College Athletic Association's (NJCAA) Region 18 to Region 1, pending NJCAA approval. ([Ref. BOR-6](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

**7. UPCOMING VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION ONLY
PRESIDENT, CSN**

Interim Chancellor Patricia Charlton, in consultation with Board of Regents Chair Amy J. Carvalho, will present for information a proposed process for the appointment of an acting President for the College of Southern Nevada that will include utilization of The Registry, which is widely recognized as a premier executive placement firm for acting or interim executive positions in higher education. ([Ref. BOR-7](#))

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 mins.

8. 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.*).

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- CSN, Building D, 1st 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
- NSU, Rogers Student Center, 1st 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 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89119
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