Members Present: Dr. Jill Derby, Chair

Mr. Mark Alden
Mrs. Thalia Dondero
Mrs. Dorothy S. Gallagher
Mr. Douglas Roman Hill
Dr. Tom Kirkpatrick
Mr. David Phillips
Mr. Howard Rosenberg
Mr. Douglas R. Seastrand
Mr. Steve Sisolak
Mr. Tom Wiesner

Others Present: Chancellor Richard Jarvis
Vice Chancellor Tom Anderes
Vice Chancellor Jane Nichols
General Counsel Tom Ray
President Stephen Wells, DRI
President Richard Moore, CCSN
President Ronald Remington, GBC
President John Richardson, TMCC
Interim President Michelle Dondero, WNCC
President Carol Harter, UNLV
President Joseph Crowley, UNR
Chair Jill Derby called the meeting of the Board of Regents to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday evening, January 13, 1999, in the Trent Lounge of Tam Alumni Center at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas with all members present except Regents Hill and Phillips.

1. Information Only-Orientation - 7:00 p.m., January 13, 1999 – A dinner meeting was held for newly elected Regents at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 13, 1999, in the Trent Lounge of Tam Alumni Center, UNLV.

   Committee chairs reviewed committee activities.

The meeting recessed at 10:00 p.m. and reconvened at 8:00 a.m., January 14, 1999, with all members present except Regents Hill and Phillips.

2. Oath of Office – 8:00 a.m., January 14, 1999 - The Honorable Nancy Becker, Nevada Supreme Court, administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Regents Mrs. Dorothy Gallagher, Dr. Tom Kirkpatrick, Mr. Douglas R. Seastrand, and Mr. Steve Sisolak. A brief reception followed.

The meeting recessed at 9:00 a.m. and reconvened at 1:10 p.m. with all members present except Regents Hill and Phillips.

Also present were Faculty Senate Chairs Dr. Diane Barone, UNR; Dr. William G. Culbreth, UNLV; Dr. Doris Dwyer, WNCC; Dr. Jack Smith, GBC; Dr. Maria Teirumniks, TMCC; Mr. J. Scott Wiley, System Administration; and Dr. Ken McGwire, DRI. Student government leaders present were Mr. Richard Thomas, GSA-UNLV; Ms. Daniela Gutierrez and Mr. John St. Clair, TMCC; and Mr. Will Price, UNLV.

3. Introductions – WNCC Interim President Michelle Dondero introduced Mr. Bus Scharmann, Dean of Off-Campus Programs, who assumed her former duties as Dean of Academic Affairs.

4. Chair’s Report – Chair Derby welcomed the newly elected Regents and acknowledged the absence of Mr. Douglas Roman Hill. Regent Hill committed to lecturing in a legal course this date prior to his election. Dr. Derby stated that the new members of the Board had several opportunities to meet prior to this first meeting as a new board. A Board Retreat in December 1998 provided members with the opportunity to review the Board’s role in higher education and an orientation dinner meeting the prior evening had been held to discuss committee activities. Dr. Derby acknowledged the large task at hand for the new Regents and encouraged them to seek input from experienced Regents and the Chancellor’s staff. Other items highlighted included:

   - The gold sheet included with each agenda provides the approximate amount of time allocated for each item. The importance of addressing each agenda item in a timely manner was stressed.
The chair does not vote on an issue except in the case of a tie or when the vote would change the result.

Pursuant to the theme of advocacy for higher education, Board members were asked to suggest methods for further involvement. The chair asked Regent Rosenberg to lead discussions with Regent Hill, Deputy to the Chancellor Suzanne Ernst, and other interested parties with a full report due back to the Board at the next meeting.

Upcoming national meetings include:

- Association of Governing Boards (AGB) national meeting will be held in Seattle, March 27-30, 1999. This is a valuable association meeting that offers a new regent’s workshop providing an opportunity for members to sit with other regents and trustees from across the country. The workshop focuses on the role of a regent and some of the compelling issues facing boards nationally.
- Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) national meeting will be held in October 1999. A regional conference will be held at Lake Tahoe in June 1999 with the UCCSN co-hosting the event.
- Strategic planning will take place in a workshop format with the Board breaking into small groups for discussion over the next four meetings. These workshops will help shape the face of higher education for the next century in Nevada.

5. Chancellor’s Report - Congratulations were offered to Ms. Suzanne Ernst, Deputy to the Chancellor for External Relations, for receiving a distinguished alumni award from the College of Education, UNLV. The Chancellor reported on his trip to Washington, D.C. Greetings were extended from Congresswoman and former Regent Shelley Berkley. The enthusiasm expressed by the congressional delegation to assist with the growth of the System was encouraging. Chancellor Jarvis called for the presidents’ reports:

President Richard Moore, CCSN – President Moore welcomed the new board members and thanked them for the opportunity to represent CCSN, adding that he felt it an honor to represent the 30,000 students for whom he cares deeply.

- Gratitude was expressed to Chancellor Jarvis for teaching Geography at CCSN this semester.
- Childcare is an important issue for CCSN as most students try to balance the demands of school, work, and children. UNR faculty member, Ms. Helen Jones, is leading a task force to develop drop-in childcare center at CCSN.
- Congratulations were offered to Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Alan Balboni, for co-authoring a new book published by the University Press that highlights prominent Nevadans. A copy of the book will be sent to Board members.
- GBC President Ron Remington and Dr. Moore are pursuing the development of a teaching academy for first-time community college teachers.
- CCSN is playing a small role in the diminishing number of Nevadans on welfare. A 47-yr. old female welfare recipient recently received her AA degree
from CCSN. She has obtained employment at CCSN and recently purchased her first car.

Interim President Michelle Dondero, WNCC – The college has been the recipient of numerous generous gifts in the past six weeks:

- The John H. Sheldon family pledged $150,000 for the Tool, Welding & Auto Technology area on the Carson City campus. The center is to be named after Mr. Sheldon.
- A $100,000 pledge was received from Custom Stamping.
- An anonymous donation of $30,000 was received for the computer lab in Hawthorne.
- $26,000 in Albert Lane scholarships was received.
- WNCC has been named as the beneficiary in a trust from former Senator Carl and Mrs. Betty Dodge worth approximately $350,000.

President Stephen Wells, DRI – President Wells welcomed the new board members and thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as president.

- The new Northern Nevada Science Center will consolidate northern Nevada DRI employees in one location. Approximately 150 faculty and staff of DRI’s Atmospheric Sciences Center and Energy and Environmental Engineering Center are being relocated from the Stead facility to the state-of-the-art environmental research laboratory and office facility. Occupancy is scheduled for March 1999. Dr. Wells expressed his gratitude for the support of the state and the DRI Foundation.
- March 23rd marks the 40th anniversary of the Desert Research Institute. A new logo has been developed for this occasion (on file in the Board office).

President John Richardson, TMCC – The primary mission of TMCC is serving students. Two initiatives to better serve the students of Washoe County were highlighted:

- A weekend college was started last Fall semester offering classes on Friday evenings, Saturdays, and Sunday afternoons. This initiative provides for a more efficient use of physical plant. It required funding for additional security and services to meet the needs of the students. Last fall 750 students enrolled in weekend classes. It is anticipated that enrollment in weekend courses will continue to grow.
- Inter-session classes are being offered during the 3 weeks between the Fall and Spring semesters. Currently 250 students are enrolled.
- Spring semester registration is 11% higher than last year at this time partially due to these new initiatives.

President Ron Remington, GBC –
The main campus is renovating its library, which will provide double the stack capacity, and three times the study space. The $4.5 million enhancement from the Reynolds Foundation will begin in March 1999 with completion expected in one year.

Appreciation was expressed to Chief Academic Officer Betty Elliot and Faculty Senate Chair Jack Smith for their efforts in a faculty initiative for academic advising. They will review the core curriculum and, with the help of consultants, are developing an elementary education program to serve rural Nevada.

Recent initiatives have been developed to help improve minority enrollments.

GBC has been awarded a small grant to work on the five reservations in its service area to help develop business opportunities for Native Americans.

President Joe Crowley, UNR –

Physiology & Cell Biology Chair, Dr. Ken Sanders, has had a grant for the past 10 years to study diseases of the intestinal tract. This grant has generated $15 million to the School of Medicine and Nevada during that 10-year period. Recently a team from NIH, the provider of the grant, visited the campus to determine extending the grant for 5 more years.

UNR is requesting permission to negotiate the transfer of farmland to the City of Reno.

UNR will receive a gift of land in northern California through the College of Agriculture worth $5 million.

Additional funding for Data Warehousing was used to develop a user-friendly management information system for financial management reports. The system is being expanded for Human Resources use.

An operational Cooperative Extension Service is now available to serve the needs of and develop partnerships with all of the campus units. The Cooperative Extension Service was formerly totally owned and operated by the College of Agriculture. Dr. Crowley has always believed that as a land-grant charter, the Cooperative Extension Service should serve as an engine for providing problem solving to all departments in addition to agriculture. Steps in that direction began with Dean Bernard Jones. The Cooperative Extension Service is now fully independent of the College of Agriculture. A long, difficult search for the first dean and director of the independent Extension Service has culminated in the selection of Acting Dean and Director Karen Hinton.

5. Chancellor’s Report – (Continued)

President Carol Harter, UNLV – President Harter welcomed the newly elected Regents.

Two articles in the January 1999 issue of Las Vegas Life discuss why Coach John Robinson and UNLV will prove to be a winning combination and how Coach Regina Miller has been building confidence in her Lady Rebels.

English graduate student Janice McIntyre-Strasburg has been notified that Northern Illinois Press has accepted her dissertation for publication. Her book
is entitled Mark Twain at the Buffalo Express, which has been chosen as Northern Illinois’ featured book for Spring 1999. She had accepted a position at St. Louis University.

- Former First Lady Sandy Miller helped establish the Nevada Institute for Children. Director Vince Juaristi has been instrumental in obtaining research and grants to help improve childcare in Nevada and help adolescents overcome drug and alcohol problems.
- The Barrick Lecture for January 25th will include a panel moderated by ABC’s Carole Simpson to discuss diversity issues in the next millenium.

o Chair’s Report (continued) – Dr. Derby reminded everyone that the deadline for nominating people for the Distinguished Nevadan award is January 25th. The awards are conferred at the commencement ceremonies and at receptions held in Reno and Las Vegas to honor recipients. A new process for nominating candidates has been initiated with all nominations coming from Regents and being forwarded to the chair. Mrs. Gallagher reminded the Board to be cognizant of individual’s feelings, as each nominee must be notified they will be discussed in a closed session. Additionally, the Board Secretary must also notify the unsuccessful candidates.

6. Information Only- Campus Presentation – Dr. Derby reported that a musical presentation by the UNLV jazz combo would be made during dinner that evening.

7. Accepted Academic, Research & Student Affairs Committee Report - Chair Thalia Dondero reported the Academic, Research & Student Affairs Committee met on January 14, 1999 with all action items on the agenda.

7.1 Approved Master Plan Updates & Revisions, UNLV & UNR - The Committee reviewed the updates and revisions to the current master plans for UNLV and UNR, and recommended approval.

Mrs. Dondero moved approval of the revisions.
Mr. Rosenberg seconded.
Motion carried.

7.2 Accepted Teacher Education Study - The Committee reviewed the report of the statewide teacher education study and recommended acceptance. This report will be forwarded to the Nevada State Legislature next month.

Mrs. Dondero moved acceptance of the report.
Mrs. Gallagher seconded.
Motion carried.

7.3 Approved New Program Proposals - The Committee reviewed the following new program proposals and recommended approval: Ref. A-1 & A-2 on file in the Board
7.4 Approved Designation of Edison Campus, TMCC - The Committee reviewed the designation of TMCC's new site for offering applied industrial technology programs as the Edison Campus and recommended approval. Ref. B on file in the Board office.

Mrs. Dondero moved approval of the campus designation. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Dondero commended the campuses for their cooperative programs.

7.5 Approved Handbook Revisions - The Committee reviewed the following Handbook revisions and recommended approval. Ref. C-1 & C-2 on file in the Board office.

Admission Requirements, Title 4, Chapter 16

WICHE Policy, Title 4, Chapter 17

Mrs. Dondero moved approval of the Handbook revisions. Mr. Alden seconded. Motion carried.

Dr. Derby commented on the Academic Master Plan updates from UNLV and UNR that focus on teaching excellence, partnerships, and student advisement.

8. Approved Audit Committee Report - Chair Tom Wiesner commended the System staff support and particularly the work of Internal Audit Director Sandi Cardinal. Mr. Wiesner reported the Audit Committee met on January 14, 1999 and heard follow-up reports for the following audits:

Distance Education, CCSN

Continuing Education, CCSN
Internal Audit Director Sandi Cardinal presented the Audit Exception Report for the six months ended December 31, 1998. Bank reconciliations are up to date for all campuses.

Mr. Wiesner moved acceptance of the report. Mrs. Gallagher seconded. Motion carried.

8.1 Approved Internal Audit Reports - The Committee reviewed the following Internal Audit reports as presented by Director Sandi Cardinal and recommended approval:
Ref. D on file in the Board office.
- UCCSN System Computing Services
- CCSN Admission & Records

Mr. Wiesner moved approval of the internal audit reports. Mrs. Dondero seconded. Motion carried.

9. Approved Campus Environment Committee Report - Chair Howard Rosenberg reported the Campus Environment Committee met on January 13, 1999. Dr. Larry Tirri, chairman of the UCCSN Safety, Health and Environmental Protection Advisory Committee presented the 1997-98 annual report for campus safety. Crime statistics are down on all campuses.

9.1. Approved Nepotism Law - The Committee reviewed the Nevada statute and Board policy on nepotism and considered the necessity for seeking changes. The State nepotism law has been a hindrance to recruiting at UCCSN. The Board has delegated to institution presidents the authority to appoint faculty/staff at their institutions. However, the institution presidents cannot hire family members within three degrees of consanguinity. The Committee agreed to a Code change, which will allow for flexibility for the Board to be the appointing authority for presidential family members who may become employees.

Mr. Rosenberg moved approval to amend the Code to allow flexibility as determined by General Counsel. Mrs. Gallagher seconded.
Mrs. Gallagher asked whether the Code was in conflict with the statute, with Mr. Ray responding that it was not. Two approaches were possible; one was to seek an amendment to the statute to allow an exemption for the System under the current Code addressing appointing authority. The other option was to amend the Code to change the appointing authority from the president to the Board in special circumstances. The Committee recommendation was to amend the Code. In compliance with policy, the Code change will be an action item on the February agenda.

Motion carried.

10. Accepted Finance & Planning Committee Report - Chair Mark Alden reported the Finance & Planning Committee met on January 14, 1999. There were no information items on the agenda.

Mr. Alden moved acceptance of the report. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. Motion carried.

10.1 Approved Fiscal Exceptions Report - The Committee reviewed the quarterly Fiscal Exceptions Report and recommended approval. There were no fiscal exceptions.

Mr. Alden moved acceptance of the report. Mrs. Gallagher seconded. Motion carried.

10.2 Approved Legislative Revision/Sponsorship - The Committee reviewed UNLV’s request to revise the existing legislation to include possible revenue bonding opportunities in the 1999-2001 biennium and to seek legislative sponsorship. The Committee recommended approval.

Mr. Alden moved approval of the revision to existing legislation and to seek legislative sponsorship. Mr. Wiesner seconded. Motion carried.

10.3 Approved Practice Plans, Fiscal Status, FY-99, School of Medicine - The Committee reviewed the fiscal status, FY-99, of the School of Medicine Practice Plans and actions taken to eliminate deficit positions and recommended approval of the actions taken.
Mr. Alden moved approval of the actions taken to eliminate deficits for the School of Medicine Practice Plans. Dr. Kirkpatrick seconded. Motion carried.

11. Approved Investment Committee Report - Chair Mark Alden reported the Investment Committee met on December 7, 1998 and received a report from Lindsay Vorhees, Cambridge Associates. UCCSN pooled endowment and operating funds allocations are near or at target. Director Tim Ortez presented information on absolute return strategies. Mr. Ted Balph and Mr. Greg Jansen, CommonFund, discussed private equity investments. The Committee allocated $4 million, or 1.99% to oil and gas companies, and $5 million, or 2.9% to venture capital.

Mr. Alden moved acceptance of the report. Mrs. Gallagher seconded. Motion carried.

11.1 Approved Gifts - The Committee reviewed the gifts and additions to the pooled endowment funds as contained in Ref. E (on file in Board office) and recommended approval.

Mr. Alden moved approval of new gifts and additions to the pooled endowment funds as presented. Mrs. Gallagher seconded. Motion carried.

11.2 Approved Resolution - The Committee reviewed the request to remain a member institution of the CommonFund group and recommended approval. Ref. F on file in the Board office.

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11.2 Approved Resolution – (Continued)

Resolution 99-3

A resolution to remain a member institution of the CommonFund group.

Mr. Alden moved approval of the resolution to remain a member of the CommonFund group. Mrs.
12. Approved Health Care Education Committee Report – Regent Mark Alden presented the report for Chair Thalia Dondero. The Health Care Education Committee met on December 4, 1998 and January 13, 1999 and heard an update on the search for the Dean of the School of Medicine.

Mr. Alden moved acceptance of the report. Mr. Sisolak seconded. Motion carried.

Chair Dondero reported on a meeting she attended in Las Vegas with the Nevada Development Authority to discuss the economic development advantages of a joint facility between the UNR School of Medicine, UNLV and CCSN.

12.1 Approved Health Care Education Study - The Committee reviewed the final draft of the Health Care Education Study presented by Dr. John Packham, Health Care Planning and Research Coordinator. This study, mandated by the Nevada Legislature, provides a detailed discussion of health care employment in Nevada, current and projected health care employment in Nevada, and existing and planned programs in the UCCSN. The report will be presented to the Nevada State Legislature next month. The Committee recommended acceptance of the report.

Mr. Alden moved acceptance of the report. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. Motion carried.

12.2 Approved School of Medicine Practice Plans - The Committee reviewed the progress made on Practice Plans of the School of Medicine and received a report on governance issues related to those plans. The Committee recommended approval of the progress to date.

Mr. Alden moved approval of the progress to date. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. Motion carried.

13. Approved Board Development Committee Report - Chair Howard Rosenberg reported on the Board workshop held December 2-3, 1998. The Committee has concentrated on new board member orientation and on the special Board Retreat/Workshop at the Si Redd Oasis in Mesquite, Nevada facilitated by Dr. Aims McGuinness of the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems.
The workshop divided into ten areas with a focus on major priorities for the UCCSN to consider. Mr. Rosenberg requested feedback from board members. Mr. Wiesner stated that it had been a casual, comfortable meeting for open discussion. He felt there had been a sense of working together.

13. Approved Board Development Committee Report – (Continued)

Mr. Sisolak stated he had benefited from meeting with present and outgoing Regents as well as System staff. He added that the nametags had been helpful and encouraged this type of orientation for future members.

Mr. Alden stated that the public realizes the Board cares about higher education and that the System is fortunate to have attracted such high caliber individuals. Mr. Alden suggested including all Regents, past and present, in future orientation meetings and training be provided for new Regents for travel, parking and procedures.

Mrs. Gallagher stated she had been pleased with the group interaction and the opportunity for Regents to speak openly with one another. She suggested that the facilitator should answer questions as they are posed instead of deferring them. Mrs. Gallagher encouraged the Board to hold this type of meeting on a more regular basis.

Mr. Rosenberg commented that there had been a positive exchange of information in a comfortable environment. The Board and the Chancellor need to make a concerted effort to maintain the strategic focus that has been set.

Mr. Rosenberg moved acceptance of the report.
Mr. Wiesner seconded.
Motion carried.

14. Approved WNCC Presidential Search Committee Report – Regent Steve Sisolak reported in the absence of Chair Douglas Roman Hill. The WNCC Presidential Search Committee and Institutional Advisory Committee met on December 18, 1998 to discuss the procedures for the Search for a new president for WNCC. On January 9, 1999 the two committees met to finalize the procedures and set the calendar for the search. An announcement of the position opening had been placed in the Chronicle of Higher Education. This resulted in 20 applications, several nominations, and a number of inquiries. Further advertising will be done in the Chronicle and the Community College Times through early February. The Committee plans to complete its work in mid-May and bring a recommendation to the Board at that time. Mr. Sisolak commented that it was refreshing to see the involvement displayed by all members.

Mr. Sisolak moved acceptance of the report.
Mr. Rosenberg seconded.
14.1 Approved Budget – Request was made for approval of $40,000 from Regents’ Special Projects Funds to be used for the search.

Mr. Sisolak moved approval to use Regents’ Special Projects Funds up to $40,000 for the search. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. Motion carried.

Chair Derby clarified that the Committee had released a generic announcement in December in the Chronicle of Higher Education before the actual advertisement for the position was released. The advertisement will appear in the January periodicals.

15. Approved Consent Agenda - Approved the Consent Agenda.

(1) Approved Minutes - Approved the minutes of the meeting held November 19-20, 1998.

(2) Approved Sabbatical Leaves, 1998-99 - Nevada Revised Statutes and Board of Regents’ policy provide for the total number of sabbatical leaves that may be awarded each year. Utilizing the criteria set forth, the Chancellor and the Presidents recommend the following:

A. University of Nevada, Las Vegas - President Harter recommended that sabbatical leave for UNLV be awarded to the following:

- Dr. Robert F. Boehm
- Dr. Jean S. Cline
- Dr. Isabelle Emerson
- Dr. Zheng Gu
- Dr. Mark A. Guadagnoli
- Dr. Margaret Harp
- Dr. Stanley D. Hillyard
- Dr. Brian J. Johnson
- Dr. Wayne A. Label
- Dr. Rodney V. Metcalf
Dr. Hal K. Rothman
Dr. Sahjendra N. Singh
Dr. Darlene Unrue
Dr. Craig Walton
Dr. Hart L. Wegner
Dr. Stanley J. Zehm

Alternates:
Dr. Alice J. Corkill
Dr. Thomas C. Wright
Dr. Thomas Holder
Dr. Paul J. Schulte
Dr. William M. Epstein

See Ref. C-2A for summary of proposed projects (on file in Board office.)

B. University of Nevada, Reno - President Crowley recommended that sabbatical leave for UNR be awarded to the following:
Dr. Susan Baker
Dr. Joseph Cline
Dr. George Danko
Dr. Kent Ervin
Dr. William Evans
Dr. Christopher Exline
Dr. Catherine Fowler
Dr. Robert Karlin

15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(2) Approved Sabbatical Leaves, 1998-99 – (Continued)

B. University of Nevada, Reno – (Continued)
Dr. Tom King
Dr. Johnson Makoba
Dr. Chris Pritsos
Dr. Elizabeth Raymond
Dr. Peter Sebaaly
Dr. Leonard Weinberg

Alternates:
Dr. James Bernardi
Dr. Linda Curcio

Ref. C-2B for summary of proposed projects (on file in Board office.)

C. Desert Research Institute - President Wells recommended that sabbatical leave for DRI be awarded to the following:

Dr. Eric Fujita (split equally in alternating 3-month increments)

Dr. Norman Robinson

Dr. Lynn Shaulis

Dr. Barbara Zielinska (split equally in alternating 3-month increments)

See Ref. C-2C for summary of proposed projects (on file in Board office.)

D. Community College of Southern Nevada - President Moore recommended that sabbatical leave for CCSN be awarded to the following:

Dr. Sue Blizard

Mr. Max Coe

Mr. Ed Eschner

Mr. Jim Keeton

Mr. Kaleswar Rao

Dr. Betty Scott
Ms. Ann Thomas

See Ref. C-2D for summary of proposed projects (on file in Board office.)

E. Great Basin College - President Remington recommended that sabbatical leave for GBC be awarded to the following:

Mr. Larry Hyslop

See Ref. C-2E for summary of proposed projects (on file in Board office.)

F. Truckee Meadows Community College - President Richardson recommended that sabbatical leave for TMCC be awarded to the following:

Mr. Kevin Dugan

Mr. Erik Lauritzen

Mr. Brad Tretten

Dr. Beverly Turner

See Ref. C-2F for summary of proposed projects (on file in Board office.)

G. Western Nevada Community College – Interim President Dondero recommends that sabbatical leave for WNCC be awarded to the following:

Dr. Faun Dixon

Dr. Bill Mewaldt

See Ref. C-2G for summary of proposed projects (on file in Board office.)

(3) Approved Emeritus, UNR - Approved recommendations for emeritus status for the following:

Dr. Robert C. Clift, Clinical Professor of Surgery, Emeritus, effective October 31, 1998.

Dr. William A. Douglass, Basque Scholar, Emeritus, effective
December 31, 1999.

Dr. Billy J. Fuller, Associate Professor of Accounting, Emeritus, effective December 31, 1998.

Ms. Yoshi Hendricks, Librarian, Emerita, effective June 30, 1999.

Dr. Anne Howard, Professor of English, Emerita, effective June 30, 1999.

Dr. Calton M. Lewis, Clinical Associate Professor of Family & Community Medicine, Emeritus, effective June 1, 1999.

Dr. Robert F. Peterson, Professor of Psychology, Emeritus, effective June 30, 1999.

Mr. Aldo William Ranallo, Student Financial Services Advisor, Emeritus, effective June 30, 1999.

Dr. K.B. Rao, Director, Mediation Center, Emeritus, effective June 30, 1999.

(3) Approved Emeritus, UNR – (Continued)

Dr. Ronald J. Rothstein, Clinical Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Emeritus, effective February 1, 1998.

Dr. Duane L. Varble, Professor of Psychology, Emeritus, effective June 30, 1999.


(6) Approved CIP Funds, UNLV - Approved UNLV to use $107,000 in capital improvement funds to support connecting faculty and research laboratory workstations to the Nevada Research network. The funds will be used to install conduit containing dedicated fiber lines from offices and laboratories in the Physics, Engineering, Biology, and Chemistry buildings to the campus high-speed network connection located in the Supercomputing Center in the Engineering building. The dedicated high-speed lines will allow investigators to connect their colleagues throughout the state on a network devoted to projects requiring high bandwidth and uninterrupted service.

(7) Approved Waiver of Annual Audit, UNLV - Board of Regents’ policy requires that
all foundations associated with the primary institutional foundation, in this case, the UNLV Foundation, conduct an annual independent audit unless the requirement is waived by action of the Board. Approved the Women’s Sports Foundation be permitted to provide an annual financial report in lieu of an independent audit because the expense of such an audit would create a financial hardship for the UNLV Women’s Sports Foundation. This recommendation was supported by the UNLV Foundation. Ref. C-7 on file in Board office.

(8) Approved Naming of Building, WNCC - Approved naming the Machine, Tool, Welding, and Auto Technology area on the Carson City campus the John H. Sheldon Technology Center. This request was made in recognition of Mr. Sheldon’s years of contributions to Western Nevada Community College.

(9) Approved Sale of Property, UNR - Approved the sale of 20.66 acres of mining property, located in Pleasant Valley, for $162,000 to the Nevada Department of Highways to construct a portion of the US-395 Freeway.

In November 1979, the Mackay School of Mines purchased 31.66 acres of mining property in Pleasant Valley, south of Reno, for $30,000. The property includes two (2) parcels, one containing 20.66 acres and the other 11 acres, and is referred to as both the Imperial Lead Mine and the Commonwealth Mine. Until recent years, the Mackay School of Mines had been using the underground shafts and tunnels as a working classroom.

The Nevada Department of Highways has advised the university that it is acquiring lands necessary for construction of a portion of the US-395 Freeway through Washoe Valley.

15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(9) Approved Sale of Property, UNR – (Continued)

They have offered to purchase the 20.66-acre parcel for $162,000. The appraisal office of Johnson-Perkins has advised the university that this is a fair and reasonable value. Dean Jane Long approves of the sale.

(10) Approved Self-Supporting Budgets, Summer Sessions - Approved the self-supporting budgets, Summer Sessions.

(11) Approved Main Station Farm, UNR - The City of Reno has contacted the University of Nevada, Reno for acquisition of approximately 160 acres of real estate located on the Main Station Farm property for the purpose of the city to be able to develop a golf course. Approved UNR to begin negotiating with the city on the terms and conditions for this property.

(12) Approved Resolution - Approved a resolution pertaining to the removal of the paying agent and registrar under certain bond resolutions. Resolution 99-1
A resolution pertaining to the removal of the paying agent and registrar under certain bond resolutions authorizing various series of Universities Bonds and the appointment of a successor paying agent and registrar.

(13) Approved Interlocal Agreements – Approved the following Interlocal Agreements:

A. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Department of Transportation.

Effective: January 1, 1999 to December 31, 2001.

$$: $502,201 to UNR.

Purpose: Research designed to facilitate the implementation of the superior performing asphalt pavement (SUPERPAVE) system within the State of Nevada.

B. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Division of Child and Family Services.


$$: $80,000 to UNR.

Purpose: Psychological services for victims of crime.

C. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Washoe County School District.

Effective: January 1, 1999 to December 31, 1999.

$$: UNR to pay $2.35 per mile for each mile logged by each bus and $16.00 per hour for each hour worked by each bus driver.

Purpose: UNR to lease school buses.

15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(13) Approved Interlocal Agreements – (Continued)

D. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and
Washoe County School District.

Effective: January 1, 1999, to remain in effect unless cancelled by either party with written notice of 90 days to the other party.

$$: UNR to pay Washoe County School District $200 for each 16 week placement (elementary and secondary placements) and $200 for each 10-week placement (special education and regular education placements) each semester.

Purpose: Washoe County School District will place approximately 150 student interns each semester in classrooms in its district.

E. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Washoe County School District.


$$: $14,349 to UNR.

Purpose: Behavior Analysis Program titled "Washoe County" (first of two agreements.)

F. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Washoe County School District.


$$: $14,349 to UNR.

Purpose: Behavior Analysis Program titled "Washoe County" (second of two agreements.)

G. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Clark County Department of Social Services.

Effective: Board approval date, with option to renew the contract annually for two additional years.

$$: None – mutual collaboration effort.

Purpose: Establish a pilot video-viewing program to present educational videos for clients of Clark County Department of Social Services.
H. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Division of Health (Interlocal Contract/Amendment #4.)

Effective: Board approval date through September 30, 1999.

$$: $86,491 to UNR.

Purpose: Conduct cross-sectional assessment of behavioral risk factors in accordance with procedures developed by the Office of Surveillance, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

I. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Division of Child and Family Services.


$$: $7,526 to UNR.

Purpose: ChildCare Provider Training Program.

15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(13) Approved Interlocal Agreements – (Continued)

J. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Division of Health.

Effective: Board approval date to June 30, 1999.

$$: $15,000 to UNR.

Purpose: Develop, implement and evaluate a three-day multidisciplinary rural health conference to provide continuing education to health care providers.

K. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles and Public Safety.

Effective: July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999.
$$: $62,000 to UNR.

Purpose: Research statistical information regarding drug usage in Nevada.

L. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Department of Transportation.


$$: $10,712 to UNR.

Purpose: Review of seismic retrofit design for bridges at I-80 Interchange.

M. Parties: Board of Regents/UNR and Nevada Commission on Economic Development.

Effective: Board approval date to June 30, 1999.

$$: $25,000 to UNR.

Purpose: Special Impact Zone Program.

N. Parties: Board of Regents/UNLV and Nevada Division of Child and Family Services.


$$: $4,800 to UNLV.

Purpose: Provide adoption services to the Division's Case Management Program.

O. Parties: Board of Regents/UNLV and Clark County.


$$: None.

Purpose: Provide facilities and instructors for social work field practicum courses.

P. Parties: Board of Regents/TMCC and Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows.

$: $20,000 per fiscal year to BGCTM.

Purpose: ChildCare Program.

15. Approved Consent Agenda – (Continued)

(13) Approved Interlocal Agreements – (Continued)

Q. Parties: Board of Regents/TMCC and Washoe County School District.

Effective: November 25, 1998, on a continuing basis, and may be terminated by either party with 45 days written notice.

$: WCSD and TMCC will not charge each other any direct rent. In consideration of additional use of WCSD’s facilities by TMCC, TMCC will pay 75% of registration fees for TMCC high school students enrolled in TMCC classes.

Purpose: WCSD and TMCC will mutually make available classroom space suitable for intended educational use.

R. Parties: Board of Regents/CCSN and Nevada Welfare Division.

Effective: Board approval date to June 30, 1999.

$: $165 per client per class for 1 credit hour classes, fifteen hours with instructor; $245 per client per class for 3 credit hour classes, forty-five hours with instructor.

Purpose: Develop and implement customized training classes.

Mr. Alden moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Gallagher seconded.

Mr. Seastrand requested clarification of Interlocal Agreement #13R, with President Moore explaining that it reflects a contract between the Nevada Welfare Division and CCSN where the Welfare Division pays CCSN to provide job skill training.
Mr. Sisolak asked about the number of sabbaticals allowed for each institution, with President Harter responding that the number cannot exceed 2% of the total faculty. Dr. Moore commented that although the Board authorizes 2% they do not automatically recommend as many individuals as are eligible.

Motion carried.


Mr. Alden moved approval of the change, Title 2, UCCSNCode 5.11. Mr. Sisolak seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 2:20 p.m. and reconvened at 2:40 p.m. with all members present except Regents Gallagher, Hill, and Phillips.

17. Information Only-Personnel Actions of the Board - Chancellor Jarvis reviewed the various personnel actions with regard to members of the executive officers, faculty and staff of the UCCSN in which the Board are directly engaged. He identified the principles by which the Board has delegated responsibility to System and campus administrators. The Chancellor’s handout is on file with the permanent minutes.

17. Information Only-Personnel Actions of the Board – (Continued)

Regent Gallagher returned to the meeting.

The Chancellor stressed the general underlying principle included two levels of review (recommendation and approval) and performance evaluations performed by the supervisor.

Dr. Derby commented that this was an opportunity for new Regents to become educated on Board issues. Dr. Jarvis asked the new members to bear in mind the two levels of review and to ask themselves if the Board required any more involvement.

18. Information Only-Contract Review, Head Football Coach, UNLV - President Harter reviewed for the Board the details of the contract recently executed for Head Football Coach Mr. John Robinson.

- Contract executed December 1, 1998 for three years
- $135,000-base salary
- $125,000-for supplemental radio/TV appearances
- $90,000-yearly appearances (other than radio/TV)
- Supplemental compensation up to 4-months additional salary for post-season
play
- 18 season tickets
- Use of two automobiles
- $15,000-expense account (recruitment luncheons, fund raisers, etc.)
- Detailed, clear language requiring adherence to all NCAA rules and regulations
- Includes a buy-out clause should candidate leave prior to contract expiration

Mrs. Dondero asked whether UNLV was only responsible for $135,000 base salary, with Dr. Harter responding that UNLV was responsible for all of the funds, but that they came from a self-supported budget.

Mr. Alden asked whether General Counsel had reviewed the contract, with Dr. Harter responding that he had. Mr. Alden requested a copy of the contract. Mr. Alden asked whether the $135,000 was state-funded, with Dr. Harter reiterating that all salary and supplements were funded from a self-supported budget.

Mr. Rosenberg questioned paying the coach for television appearances, with Dr. Harter responding that it was common practice as he receives many requests that take quite a bit of time. The Athletic Director and the President must approve any supplemental income from outside sources. Mr. Rosenberg commented that most faculty would find it difficult to believe there are stipends for radio/TV appearances. Mr. Rosenberg asked whether he was paid for other appearances, with Dr. Harter responding that he would be paid for appearances before rotary clubs, chambers of commerce, and national fundraisers. Mr. Rosenberg questioned the need for the use of two automobiles, with Dr. Harter responding that most Division I programs provide vehicles for the coach and a significant other. Mr. Rosenberg offered his congratulations on landing Coach Robinson. Dr. Harter stated that UNLV had already sold 150 season tickets for this coming season and had received many applications for walk on positions.

Dr. Kirkpatrick asked about the retirement benefits, with Dr. Harter responding that she believed benefits were based on the entire package.

18. Information Only-Contract Review, Head Football Coach, UNLV – (Continued)

Mr. Sisolak commented that the program had suffered a great deal of negative publicity in the past. This news has ignited the community and brought the university national attention. Dr. Harter responded that Coach Robinson was a very influential individual capable of bringing friends and financial support into the community.

Mr. Seastrand expressed his pleasure with the appointment.

Mrs. Dondero asked whether the women coaches were afforded the same opportunities, with Dr. Harter responding that they received a scaled down version dependant upon the sport, experience, and win/loss record. Each contract is negotiated independently.

Mr. Alden commended President Harter and Athletic Director Cavagnaro for signing Coach Robinson. Mr. Alden added that former Coach Jeff Horton set the standard
for excellence by stressing the importance of academics.


President Harter expressed her appreciation to those Regents who attended the January 8th special meeting to view a video of the building as well as tour the anticipated site. This building will provide much-needed space for faculty offices and laboratories. UNLV had chosen a site that it owns and no longer required a land trade as indicated in the agenda. The purchase price includes the cost of the building and its relocation.

Mrs. Gallagher moved approval of the purchase. Mr. Rosenberg seconded.

Dr. Harter related that Mr. Wiesner had asked good questions about the cost of renting comparable facilities in the local area or the cost of new construction for similar buildings. Dr. Juanita Fain, Vice President, Administration-UNLV provided a cost comparison (on file with the permanent minutes.) The cost of buying this building was less expensive than any other alternative.

Mrs. Gallagher asked whether the new building would include plumbing, with Dr. Harter responding that it would. The building will not solve all of UNLV’s space requirements, but will address the needs of the majority of the people.

Mr. Alden asked about additional costs, with Mr. George Scaduto, Interim Vice President, Finance-UNLV, responding that there would be costs associated with the pad and moving. Mr. Alden requested an updated original architectural drawing.

Mr. Seastrand asked about the building’s location, with Dr. Harter responding that it would be located in an inconspicuous location on Naples Street near the Thomas & Mack Center. Mr. Seastrand asked about parking accommodations, with Dr. Harter responding that there was ample parking at the Thomas & Mack Center.

Motion carried.

20. Approved Resolution, Bank Loan, TMCC - At its last meeting, the Board of Regents authorized TMCC to seek a $1,000,000 bank loan to finance the purchase of a PBX-Telecommunications system. TMCC has subsequently prepared and processed a Request for Proposal (RFP). The Board authorized TMCC to award the PBX-Telecommunications bid and approve the project financing.

Resolution 99-2

A resolution for a bank loan for TMCC to finance the purchase of a PBX-Telecommunications system in the amount of $1,000,000. The resolution authorizes TMCC to award the PBX-Telecommunications bid and approve the project financing.

Vice President Dave Keebler reported that the current system cannot provide for
future growth and would ultimately cost more to operate than the proposed new system. The new system initially provides 852 lines, allows direct inward dialing or the use of an auto-attendant, and can accommodate distance education requirements. TMCC is committed to providing a human contact for incoming calls. The centralized system is totally integrated and will be financed for 5 years with an 8-year life cycle.

Mrs. Gallagher moved approval to authorize award of bid and project financing. Mr. Rosenberg seconded. Motion carried.

21. Information Only-Update on Year 2000 Question (Y2K) - An update was given on Y2K progress within the UCCSN. Ref. I on file in Board office.

Vice Chancellor Tom Anderes reported that the Y2K issue is an international one that has been receiving System attention to assure future compliance. System Computing Services (SCS) has reviewed all centralized computing systems and determined that they are very close to compliance. Reference I outlines the responsibilities of the system and campuses.

Dr. Jarvis related that his office would bring routine updates on compliance progress to the Board. He added that he was pleased with the responses received from the presidents, Dr. Anderes, and SCS Director Van Weddle.

Dr. Derby asked whether there would be another report. Dr. Anderes responded that he would determine the need for that after reviewing the presidents’ reports.

Mr. Seastrand asked about the cost of this effort, with Dr. Anderes responding that the upgrades for existing systems had been relatively inexpensive. System-level upgrade expenses have been less than $100,000. President Harter commented that the amount of time people spend on this effort had been extensive. Mr. Alden asked whether the adjustments were required to the software or hardware. Director Van Weddle will send a memo addressing this issue.

22. Information Only-Update, UNLV Radio Station, KUNV - President Harter presented an update on a proposed plan of operation for KUNV radio station. At the August 1998 meeting, the Board reaffirmed its role as the FCC license holder for the campus radio station. A special committee was formed to recommend management, organization, and funding procedures. Dr. Harter is taking the committee’s report under advisement:

- Policy control and general oversight for the station should be delegated to a university executive officer with committee oversight.
- Day-to-day operation of the station should be assigned to a station general manager.
- Hire a general manager.
- Remain affiliated with the National Public Radio and the Corporation for Public
Broadcasting.

- Operational changes should be made to improve the usefulness of the station as an educational tool.
- Student government should become an active participant in running the station.
- Student government should contribute with funding of the station permanently or formally withdraw from participation in operating decisions.
- Minimum operating budget of $300,000/year.

- $65,000 provided by UNLV
- $65,000 provided by student government
- Remainder provided through fund raising efforts

UNLV Student Body President Mr. Will Price commented that he was proud of the accomplishments and compromise achieved by the committee. The students do want to be involved with the radio station and understand they must accept the associated responsibilities. He expressed his gratitude to Regent Rosenberg, President Harter, and Vice President Robert Ackerman for their efforts and compromise. Mr. Price stated they were on the road to making everyone happy.

Mr. Rosenberg thanked UNLV Foundation Executive Director, Mr. John Gallagher. Everyone has worked hard to arrive at a solution that allows the opportunity for everyone to participate. Dr. Derby stated that it was gratifying to see a serious problem resolved with cooperation.

23. Approved Handbook Revision: Community College Faculty Salary Schedule - The community college presidents and the Chancellor recommended changes to Board policy Title 4, Chapter 3, attached as Ref. 23 (on file with the permanent minutes) in order to ensure that placement of community college faculty on the four campuses is performed in a uniform manner. Dr. Jarvis highlighted the following:

- Identify the extent of qualifications to place and assess faculty when hiring
- Clarify that the goal is 60 credits beyond a bachelor degree
- Delegate responsibility of equivalent assessment to appropriate college administrator
- President to be the final approval, not the Board of Regents

Mr. Alden moved approval of the Handbook revisions. Title 4, Chapter 3. Mrs. Gallagher seconded. Motion carried.

Chair Derby announced there would be a dinner at 5:30 p.m., hosted by UNLV in the Si Redd Room prior to the basketball game. The campus presentation would be held during the dinner.

The meeting recessed at 3:50 p.m. and reconvened on Friday at 9:00 a.m. with all members present except Regent Phillips.

24. Information Only-Performance Indicators - The first annual report of the UCCSN
performance indicators selected by the Board in March 1998 was submitted to the Board. Compilation and publication of these data complete the charges established by the Board in their January 1998 workshop on Strategic Directions. The performance indicators will be used throughout the strategic planning workshops scheduled for this and the next three Board meetings. Dr. Jarvis expressed his appreciation to Associate Vice Chancellors Sherwin Iverson and Jim Randolph and Research Analyst Ms. Tamela Gorden for their efforts on this project.

25. Information Only-Regents’ Workshop: Strategic Planning for Undergraduate Access and Growth - Following the outline proposed in the October and November 1998 meetings of the Board, Chancellor Jarvis presented analyses, identified policy options, and made recommendations for strategic planning to deal with the critical issues of undergraduate access and growth in the UCCSN through the first decade of the next millennium. Board Chair Derby directed a series of Regent-led discussions in breakout groups that reported back to the full Board. This will be the first of two workshops on Undergraduate Access and Growth, to be followed by related workshops on Research and Graduate/Professional Education and Meeting State Needs. A copy of the Chancellor’s presentation is on file in the Board office.

Mrs. Gallagher asked whether Nevada’s community college population was older than in other areas, with Dr. Jarvis responding that it was older than one might anticipate. Mrs. Gallagher asked whether the projected figures were represented based on no growth in the north, with Dr. Jarvis stating that it was based on the same rate of growth as historically seen.

Mr. Wiesner requested a written report from the presidents reflecting their comments.

Mr. Sisolak asked how the System was to accomplish these tasks without funding, with Dr. Jarvis stating that they must change the state’s perspective and that benchmarks were required to judge capacity. Dr. Jarvis asked the Regents to define the number of students to plan for and define how big the system must grow so progress can be measured. The System must convince the legislature the need exists based on the Board’s projections for growth.

The meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. to the first breakout session and reconvened at 11:15 a.m. with all members present except Mr. Phillips.

Each group reported a summary of their discussions and conclusions.

The meeting recessed at 12:00 noon to the second breakout session and reconvened at 1:20 p.m. with all members present except Mr. Phillips.

Each group reported a summary of their discussions and conclusions. It was discussed that this level of growth would have huge implications for diversity and there were questions as to how to ensure quality while trying to keep up with the growth. Feedback from the institution presidents was requested and concerns were expressed for quality and diversity. Group responses will be forwarded to Dr. Randolph for compilation. A report of all questions generated will be forwarded to
workshop participants.

26. Public Comment – Mrs. Selma Bartlett, a 45-year resident of Henderson, expressed her desire for a state college to be developed in Henderson. She stated that it was of vital importance to southern Nevada and the Board’s Strategic Directions. She requested funding be appropriated for a feasibility study. She expressed her desire for the planning of a 4-year college to be a collaborative effort between CCSN and UNLV and requested the Board’s support.

Henderson Mayor Jim Gibson stated that the Board fulfills an important role for the state and that education has a high priority. He proposed partial funding for a study to explore the feasibility of a 4-year college in Henderson. Mayor Gibson stated the community is poised to bring assistance to the higher education requirements of the Board. Chair Derby stated the Board would take their remarks under advisement.

Regent Phillips joined the meeting via teleconference.

27. Failed, Naming of High Tech Center at Western High School, CCSN – Did not approve the request to rescind the action of the Board in naming the High Tech Center at Western High School in Las Vegas.

Mr. Phillips stated that he had asked for this item to be included on the agenda at the request of Senator Joe Neal and Assemblyman Wendell Williams. He acknowledged that he had placed the second on the original motion, but upon reconsideration, was asking the Board to rescind its previous action.

Mr. Phillips moved approval to rescind the action of the Board in naming the High Tech Center at Western High School in Las Vegas. The motion failed due to lack of second.

Chair Derby read a letter from County Commissioners Bruce L. Woodbury and Erin Kenny voicing their support of the original naming of the building in honor of Senator William Raggio and his late wife, Dorothy (on file with the permanent minutes.)

Assemblyman Williams stated that he was not questioning the integrity of Senator Raggio nor his family. Since the building was in the middle of Senator Joe Neal’s district he felt it made more sense to name the high tech center after Senator Neal. Mr. Williams questioned the motives involved in the naming of the building and suggested it was a political move made at the expense of those who live in the neighborhood. Mr. Williams said he also had letters from constituents who are appalled at the naming of the building. Assemblyman Williams stated that other problems had surfaced at CCSN due to the change in naming and that the debate will continue. Mrs. Dondero commented that she had requested a review of the policy for naming buildings. Mr. Williams thanked Mrs. Dondero, but stated it did not help in this particular circumstance. He suggested removing the name from the
building until such policies are in place and then to rename it. He felt it inappropriate to name a building after one senator when the building is located in another senator’s district.

Ms. Shirley Barber, Clark County School Board Trustee, District C, expressed her concern that the neighborhood had been provided no warning of the Raggio naming. She stated that she felt it important for everyone to know their responsibility with the high tech centers, and has requested information on them. Ms. Barber stated that she had met Senator Raggio and bore him no ill will, but did not want the building named in his honor.

Mr. Williams questioned whether R & R Advertising should be handling damage control for CCSN in this matter. President Moore stated that the only communication he had received from R & R Advertising was that Senator Raggio had requested his name be removed from the building. Mr. Williams stated he has a fax that implies more involvement on the part of the advertising firm.

27. New Business – Mr. Alden requested looking into revising the existing funding formulas.

Chair Derby thanked President Harter and UNLV personnel for their generous hospitality.

The meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Mary Lou Moser
Secretary to the Board