BOARD OF REGENTS BRIEFING PAPER

Handbook Revision, Campus Service Areas

BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:

Existing Board policy sets forth the boundaries of campus service areas under Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 13 of the *Handbook*. In recent years, the areas within the State that institutions are serving have shifted, in part due to budgetary decisions by the Board of Regents, as well as institutional decisions to try to best serve and meet the needs of the students in a particular area. Great Basin College has been uniquely situated to offer services more efficiently than other institutions in some of Nevada's rural counties that are not currently within its designated service area, including Esmeralda, Lincoln, Mineral and Pershing Counties. In addition, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV); the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR); and Nevada State College (NSC) realistically now serve the entire State.

In recent meetings, members of the Board of Regents have noted the changes in campus service areas and asked to revise the language in the *Handbook* to reflect these changes.

SPECIFIC ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED OR REQUESTED:

Amend Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 13, subsection 7 of the *Handbook* (Campus Service Areas) to move Esmeralda, Lincoln, Mineral and Pershing Counties into Great Basin College's geographic service area. In addition, revise the geographic service area boundaries for UNLV, UNR, and NSC to specify statewide service areas. (See the attached policy proposal.)

IMPETUS (WHY NOW?):

The campus service areas identified under the *Handbook* (Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 13) no longer reflect the current service areas for some institutions.

BULLET POINTS TO SUPPORT REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

- The geographic service areas have necessarily shifted in recent years, and Board policy should be revised to reflect these changes.
- Accurately identifying the geographic service areas of NSHE institutions helps ensure that students and potential students in those areas will be better served.

POTENTIAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION: None have been brought forward. ALTERNATIVE(S) TO WHAT IS BEING REQUESTED/RECOMMENDED: Retain the existing language in the Handbook. COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD POLICY: Consistent With Current Board Policy: Title #___ Chapter #__ Section #___ X Amends Current Board Policy: Title # 4 Chapter # 14 Section # 13 Amends Current Procedures & Guidelines Manual: Chapter #___ Section #___ Other: Other: Fiscal Impact: Yes___ No_X___ Explain:

POLICY PROPOSAL TITLE 4, CHAPTER 14, SECTION 13

Campus Service Areas

Additions appear in boldface italics; deletions are [stricken and bracketed]

Section 13. Distance Education

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7. Campus Service Areas:

Geographic service areas are appropriate for interactive video when designating the institution with responsibility for 1.) establishing and maintaining interactive video sites in an area and 2.) coordinating the receipt of programs using interactive video with offering institutions. Geographic service areas do not apply to web-based instruction. If an agreement is entered into by two or more NSHE institutions for delivery into the host institution's campus service area, these restrictions do not apply.

<u>College of Southern Nevada:</u> Clark *County* [, Lincoln, and Esmeralda counties]. CSN and GBC serve Nye County.

Great Basin College: Elko, Esmeralda, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lincoln, Mineral, Pershing, and White Pine counties. CSN and GBC serve Nye County.

<u>Truckee Meadows Community College:</u> The greater urban area of Reno-Sparks, and Incline Village.

Western Nevada College: Storey, Carson City, Douglas, Lyon, and Churchill [, Pershing and Mineral] counties and the rural areas of Washoe County, with the exception of Incline Village.

Nevada State College, Henderson: [The southern portion of the state including Clark and Lincoln counties. UNLV, NSCH and UNR serve Esmeralda, Nye and White Pine counties. Within Nye and White Pine counties, UNLV, NSCH, and UNR serve Tonopah and Ely, with NSCH and UNLV serving all parts south of a line joining the two cities.] Statewide.

<u>University of Nevada, Las Vegas:</u> [The southern portion of the state including Clark and Lincoln counties. UNLV, NSCH and UNR serve Esmeralda, Nye and White Pine counties. Within Nye and White Pine counties, UNLV, NSCH, and UNR serve Tonopah and Ely, with UNLV and NSCH serving all parts south of a line joining the two cities.] Statewide.

University of Nevada, Reno: [The northern portion of the state including Washoe, Douglas, Carson City, Storey, Lyon, Humboldt, Pershing, Churchill, Mineral, Elko, Lander, Eureka. UNLV, NSCH and UNR serve Esmeralda, Nye and White Pine counties. Within Nye and White Pine counties, UNLV, NSCH, and UNR serve Tonopah and Ely, with UNR serving all parts north of a line joining the two cities.] Statewide.

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