

**BOARD OF REGENTS
BRIEFING PAPER**

1. Agenda Item Title: Faculty Organization: NSHE Bylaw Amendment to Title 5, Chapter 6, Chapter I, Sections 4.4.2 & 4.7

2. BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:

The University of Nevada Las Vegas is seeking to amend its bylaws to clarify certain administrative practices.

3. SPECIFIC ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED OR REQUESTED:

Requires the formation of college bylaw committees for the review of unit bylaws.

4. IMPETUS (WHY NOW?):

Recent changes to the Handbook requires that unit bylaws are consistent with Board of Regents bylaws.

5. BULLET POINTS TO SUPPORT REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

- A UNLV Campus Affairs Committee report (spring 2006) suggested that many colleges had bylaws inconsistent with UNLV bylaws.
- UNLV bylaws undergo periodic changes, creating additional inconsistencies.
- A college bylaw committee can facilitate reviews of unit bylaws.

6. POTENTIAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

- Review of college bylaws will require faculty time and effort.

7. ALTERNATIVE(S) TO WHAT IS BEING REQUESTED/RECOMMENDED:

The only alternative is to do nothing, allowing unit and college bylaws to become more inconsistent with the Handbook.

8. COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD POLICY:

- Consistent With Current Board Policy: Title #____ Chapter #____ Section #____
 Amends Current Board Policy: Title #_5_ Chapter #_6_ Chapter #_I_ Sections # 4.4.2 & 4.7____
 Amends Current Procedures & Guidelines Manual: Chapter #____ Section #____
 Other:_____
 Fiscal Impact: Yes____ No__X__
Explain:_____

PROPOSED *HANDBOOK* REVISION, BYLAWS, UNLV

TITLE 5, CHAPTER 6, CHAPTER I, SECTIONS 4.4.2 & 4.7

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4.4.2 College or Unit Bylaws Authorized. The faculty of all departments within a college or unit constitute the college or unit faculty and shall create bylaws to govern its internal operation. **The College Bylaw Committee shall periodically review unit bylaws and make appropriate recommendations to faculty.**

4.7 Academic College Committees Authorized. The academic faculty of each college shall create at least the following College committees:

4.7.1 College Curriculum Committee.

4.7.2 Academic Standards Committee.

4.7.3 College Bylaw Committee