



**Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education
(WICHE)**

Notice of Public Meeting

April 30, 2014

3:00 p.m.

For Information call (775) 784-3221

Via videoconference:

Nevada System of Higher Education offices
2601 Enterprise Road
Reno, NV 89512

Grant Sawyer Building, Room 4412
555 E. Washington Street
Las Vegas, NV 89101

AGENDA

1.	Call to order.	For Possible Action
2.	Public Comment*.	Information Only
3.	Presentation on Project ECHO telehealth program, National Health Service Corps (NHSC) and the State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) - Dr. Evan Klass, University of Nevada School of Medicine.	Information Only
4.	Review and approval of the minutes for February 19, 2014.	For Possible Action
5.	Discussion, recommendations, and action regarding certification of HCAP Loan Repayment applicants in the fields of dentistry, mental health and nursing; and, alternate applicants in the field of physician assistant.	For Possible Action

<p>6. Discussion, recommendations, and action regarding expiration of Nevada WICHE contract with ECSI loan servicing company on June 30, 2014. Determine extension with ECSI and number of months/years for contract renewal, or select alternate company; determine possible delegation of future contract renewals.</p>	For Possible Action
<p>7. Discussion, recommendations, and action regarding Annual Year 2014 performance and goals for Nevada WICHE programs.</p>	For Possible Action
<p>8. Discussion regarding the Nevada Policy Research Institute (NPRI) lawsuit on the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) over Catalyst Fund subsidies and its potential impact(s) on Nevada WICHE.</p>	Information Only
<p>9. Discussion, recommendations, and action regarding 2015-2017 Loan & Stipend Budget drafts; Major Budget Initiatives (MBI) brief; begin selection of WICHE-supported programs, health care fields and financial support for legislative request.</p>	For Possible Action
<p>10. Discussion, recommendations, and action regarding review of Bill Draft Request draft for revisions to Nevada Revised Statute 397 to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - modify language to address programmatic inconsistencies, regulations, loan repayment, funding in the form of stipends, and other recommendations; - request additional budget flexibility in Loan & Stipend Programs for more reliable biennial funding; and, - determine any fiscal impact to state agencies. 	For Possible Action
<p>11. New business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Future agenda items including, but not limited to, Administration Budget, review of final budgets, and review of Priorities & Performance Based Budgeting - Future meeting dates 	Information Only
<p>12. Public comment*.</p>	Information Only
<p>13. Adjournment.</p>	For Possible Action

***Public Comment Note:** No vote or action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken (NRS 241.020). Persons making comment will be asked to begin by stating their name for the record and to spell their last name. The Commission Chair may elect to allow additional public comment on a specific agenda item when that item is being considered (AB59, effective January 1, 2012).

The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education may address agenda items out of sequence to accommodate persons appearing before the Commission or to aid the efficiency or effectiveness of the meeting. The Commission may combine two or more agenda items for consideration; remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time (AB 59); and, convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person (NRS 241.030).

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**THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROPERLY NOTICED AND POSTED
IN THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:**

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