

**BOARD OF REGENTS  
BRIEFING PAPER**

**1. Agenda Item Title: President Sheehan Emeritus Request**

**Meeting Date: June 9-10, 2016**

**2. BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:**

Pursuant to Board Policy (Title 4, Chapter 3, Section 32), Presidents that choose to retire after at least five years of service are eligible for emeritus status. Emeritus status for Presidents must be recommended by the Chancellor and approved by the Board of Regents.

**3. SPECIFIC ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED OR REQUESTED:**

Chancellor Daniel J. Klaich requests that former president of Truckee Meadow Community College, Dr. Maria C. Sheehan be granted President Emeritus status.

**4. IMPETUS (WHY NOW?):**

President Sheehan retired in January 2016, after nearly eight years of distinguished service as TMCC president. She not only meets the eligibility criteria for Emeritus, but is well-deserving of the title of President Emeritus.

**5. BULLET POINTS TO SUPPORT REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:**

- Pursuant to Board Policy (Title 4, Chapter 3, Section 32), Presidents that choose to retire after at least five years of service are eligible for emeritus status.
- President Sheehan served nearly eight years as a President.
- Chancellor Klaich recommends approval by the Board.

**6. POTENTIAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:**

None.

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

Do not to approve the request for President Emeritus status for President Sheehan.

**8. COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD POLICY:**

- Consistent With Current Board Policy: Title # 4 Chapter # 3 Section #32
- Amends Current Board Policy: Title # \_\_\_ Chapter # \_\_\_ Section # \_\_\_
- Amends Current Procedures & Guidelines Manual: Chapter # \_\_\_ Section # \_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Fiscal Impact: Yes \_\_\_ No X
- Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
HANDBOOK**

**Title 4 - Codification of Board Policy Statements**

**Chapter 3**

**PROFESSIONAL STAFF**

**Section 32. Regents Professor and Emeritus Status**

1. Presidents who choose to retire from NSHE after serving as president for a period of at least five years are eligible for emeritus status and shall be provided office space on campus and attendant privileges. Emeritus status must be recommended by the chancellor and approved by the Board of Regents.
2. Upon the recommendation of the chancellor and the approval of the Board of Regents presidents who elect to assume or resume a faculty position after serving as president for a period of at least ten years shall be awarded the title of Regents Professor.
3. The Regents Professorship provides an office, a part-time secretary, telephone, personal computer, allowances for supplies and travel, in addition to parking and library privileges as an active faculty member. Regents Professors shall provide an annual report of their activities to appropriate campus officers, the chancellor's Office and the Board of Regents.
4. A chancellor who becomes a Regents Professor may choose the campus at which he or she wishes to serve, and may, following appropriate consultation, move to another campus from time to time. Presidents who wish to serve at institutions other than their own may do so if such service is mutually agreeable.
5. To the extent practicable, and where not inconsistent with the individual's assigned teaching duties at the institution, the costs and salary and fringe benefits of Regents' Professorships shall be borne by the NSHE institutions. The costs and salary and fringe benefits for the chancellor's Regents Professor shall be borne by the Board of Regents.
6. The word "president" in this section is intended to apply as well to the NSHE chancellor. emeritus status and a Regents Professorship for the chancellor must be recommended by the Chairman of the Board of Regents and approved by the Board.

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