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BOARD OF REGENTS

UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA SYSTEM

May 29, 1981

The Board of Regents met in special session on the above date in

the Carlson Education building, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Members present: Vice Chairman John R. Mc Bride, Presiding

Mr. James L. Buchanan, II

Mrs. Lilly Fong

Mrs. Dorothy Gallagher

Mrs. June Whitley

Members absent: Mr. Robert A. Cashell

Ms. Frankie Sue Del Papa

Mr. Chris Karamanos

Mr. John Tom Ross

Others present: President William Berg, NNCC

President Joseph Crowley, UNR

President Jack Davis, WNCC

President James Eardley, TMCC

President Judith Eaton, CCCC

President Leonard Goodall, UNLV

President Clifford Murino, DRI

Vice Chancellor Larry Lessly

Secretary Bonnie Smotony

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Mc Bride at 9:50 A.M. Mr. Mc Bride explained that Chairman Cashell and Chancellor Bersi had been called to Carson City on legislative matters and had asked that the meeting proceed without them.

1. Proposed Professional Salary Schedule for 1981-82

Mr. Mc Bride presented the following memorandum from Chancellor Bersi:

A meeting of the System Professional Compensation Committee and the Officers of the University of Nevada

System was held on Wednesday, May 27, 1981, for the

purpose of developing a recommendation for the allocation of the 14% increase in professional salaries provided by the 1981 Legislature.

In accordance with consensus reached by the Compensation Committee and the Officers, it is recommended that the 14% increase be distributed among continuing faculty in the following manner:

- (1) 11% be distributed as an across-the-board increase by an appropriate adjustment in each step of current salary schedules.
- (2) 3% be reserved for distribution as additional step increases, for correction of inequities, or for recognition of merit, with actual distribution to be determined within each institution following consultation between the faculty and the Administration of that institution.

Resulting salary schedules were distributed and are filed with permanent minutes.

Mr. Buchanan stated his regret that only 3% was available

for recognition of merit and expressed concern that outstanding faculty could become discouraged and leave.

Dr. Eric Martin, UNLV Senate Chairman, express his concern that the amount provided for professional salary increases falls short of that provided by classified employees.

Dr. Crowley commented on the special problems faced by the School of Medicine as a consequence of the substantially higher salaries paid to its faculty. He stated that a 14% increase cannot be accommodated without a sacrifice in programs, and reported that the Department Chairmen of the School of Medicine have indicated their willingness, after consultation with the faculty, to accept on behalf of the faculty less than 14% as an increase. He requested that the motion reflect that flexibility for the School of Medicine.

Mrs. Fong moved approval of the Chancellor's recommendation including the request for flexibility in the application of the salary increase to School of Medicine faculty. Motion seconded by Mrs. Gallagher, carried without dissent.

2. Proposal for Financing Facility for Diesel Mechanics

President Berg reported that the Diesel Mechanics Program, which had been initiated at NNCC through a CETA grant, had been funded by the 1981 Legislature and a facility will be needed in which to continue the program.

He noted that the program has been operated in a rented facility. In the 5-year budget presented when requesting the new program, building rental was projected at \$95,000. However, cost studies have shown that a suitable facility can be constructed by the College at a total capital investment of \$75,000, with an additional \$15,000 to make it usable for the program.

Dr. Berg requested that up to \$90,000 be made available as a loan from the Board of Regents Special Projects Account to be repaid over a 5-year period from program funds which would otherwise be allocated for annual rent payments.

Mrs. Gallagher moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs. Whitley, carried without dissent.

In discussing the proposal, it was suggested that alter-

native sources for repaying the loan other than State appropriation be explored, beginning with the 1983-85 biennium.

3. Acceptance of Gift, UNR

President Crowley reported that the Wolf Club, through the efforts of Robert Mc Donald and Robert Sullivan, had raised a total of \$550,000 in contributions for the purpose of expansion and beautification of Mackay Stadium. The Wolf Club has offered to use these funds to cover the cost of construction of 34 executive boxes for the stadium, under the following conditions:

- A. The boxes will be built by the Boosters and donated to the University of Nevada, Reno;
- B. Each donor of \$15,000 to this gift fund will be offered a 20-year lease on one of the boxes.

Mr. Buchanan pointed out that UNLV plans to sell boxes in the new pavilion for an initial \$25,000 donation, and \$20,000 per year thereafter. He questioned why UNR would not wish to impose a higher price on these proposed boxes.

Dr. Crowley explained that these boxes will be in the foot-ball stadium, whereas Mr. Buchanan is referring to a basketball pavilion. He also pointed out that the purpose of the boxes for the pavilion is to provide operating costs, whereas the purpose of the boxes proposed for Mackay Stadium is to provide funding for construction.

Mr. Dick Trachok, Athletic Director for UNR, stated that after the initial \$15,000 is paid, the donor must still purchase 8 season tickets per year. He also confirmed that all of the boxes had been sold and there is a waiting list.

Mrs. Whitley moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs.

Gallagher, failed to receive 5 affirmative votes with Mrs.

Fong casting an opposing vote.

Mrs. Fong explained that she was concerned that this would not generate income, and that she also shared Mr. Buchanan's concern that this would establish a precedent which would have an adverse effect on sale of boxes for the pavilions at a substantially higher price.

President Crowley pointed out that the effect of the vote would be to reject a \$550,000 gift offered to the University.

It was agreed that the record would reflect that this action would not establish a precedent affecting the future sale of executive boxes at either of the pavilions.

Mrs. Fong asked that her vote be changed to affirmative.

The Chair declared the motion carried.

4. Proposed Change in Underwriting Team

Mr. Mc Bride recalled for the record that in November, 1979 the Board approved a management underwriting team, consisting of Paine, Weber, Jackson and Curtis as the senior management underwriter, with Bache, Halsey, Stuart, Shields, Inc., Dean, Witter, Reynolds, Inc., and Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, Inc. functioning as co-managers, for the revenue bond issue for the two sports pavilions.

Burrows, Smith and Company was retained as the financial consultant for the issue.

UNS has recently been informed by the Bache firm that

since their recent acquisition of Burrows, Smith and Co., they are unable to serve as both a member of the underwriting team and as financial consultant. They have, therefore, withdrawn to allow Burrows, Smith to continue as the University's financial consultant for the issue.

Mr. Mc Bride reported that Chancellor Bersi recommends that Sutro and Company, a Nevada firm with an office in Reno, be added to the underwriting team.

Mr. Buchanan moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs.

Gallagher, carried without dissent.

Request for Allocation from Board of Regents Special
 Projects Account

Mr. Mc Bride presented a request from Chancellor Bersi for an appropriation of \$1000 from the Board of Regents Special Projects Account to underwrite part of the costs of the Special Olympics to be held on the UNLV Campus in June.

Mrs. Fong moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs. Gallagher, carried without dissent.

Mr. Mc Bride reported that two additional items required consideration as emergency items - a recommendation for student fee increases and a recommendation for action on an investment matter.

Mrs. Fong moved that the following matters be added to the agenda as emergency items. Motion seconded by Mrs. Gallagher, carried without dissent.

6. Recommendation for Changes in Portfolio

Mr. Monte Miller requested approval of the following transactions in the University's portfolio managed by Valley Bank:

Account #52-000113-2

SELL AT MARKET

Shares	Description	Proceeds	Gain/Loss
1,800	Pittston @28	\$ 50,400	\$ 1,210
2,400	Internorth @30	72,000	33,671-

SELL STOP

2,300 ASARCO @40 7/8 94,012 3,232-

TOTAL \$216,412 \$35,693-

Mrs. Gallagher moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs. Whitley, carried without dissent.

In response to a question from Mr. Buchanan concerning why the banks could not be given the authority to make decisions which would protect the University against losses sustained when the market changes, Mr. Lessly explained that the banks cannot act without Board approval and the Constitution requires that the Board control all such transactions.

7. Recommendation for Student Fee Increases

Mr. Mc Bride presented the following recommendation from Chancellor Bersi:

As part of the appropriation approved by the 1981 Legisla-

ture, the following increases in the per-credit registration fee and the out-of-state tuition were recommended:

- The out-of-state tuition to be increased from \$750 to \$1000 per semester.
- (2) The per-credit registration fee for the Universities to be increased from \$24 to \$28 in 1981-82 and to \$30 in 1982-83.
- (3) The per-credit registration fee for the Community Colleges to be increased from \$13 to \$16 in 1981-82 and to \$17 in 1982-83.

The Officers recommended that the Work Program be prepared to reflect projected revenue which these fee increases would provide and that adoption of the new fee schedule be included on the June 12 agenda of the Board of Regents.

Mr. Mc Bride explained that the Chancellor proposed to bring this recommendation back to the Board meeting at its next meeting for approval but there needed to be some signal from the Board that the projected revenues be used in the development of the Work Program.

Mrs. Fong moved approval of the Chancellor's recommendation.

Motion seconded by Mrs. Gallagher, carried without dissent.

8. New Business

- A. Mr. Buchanan distributed a letter requesting that the next agenda include discussion of the Ed. D. program at UNLV and the report in the media that a moratorium had been placed on the program. He suggested that imposition of a moratorium on any degree program was the prerogative of the Board and suggested that Dean Kunkel be requested to attend the June 12 meeting and that the Administration be prepared to discuss this matter.
- B. Mr. Mc Bride asked that the June agenda include consideration of the establishment of the School of Medicine as a separate entity within the UNS, reporting to the Office of the Chancellor.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Bonnie M. Smotony

Secretary of the Board