SPECIAL MEETING

BOARD OF REGENTS
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION
System Administration, Las Vegas
4300 South Maryland Parkway, Board Room
Thursday, May 12, 2016, 9:00 a.m.

Video or Telephone Conference Connection from the Meeting Site to:
System Administration, Reno
2601 Enterprise Road, Conference Room
and
Great Basin College, Elko
1500 College Parkway, Berg Hall Conference Room

A video conference and/or telephone conference connection will be made from the meeting site to the Reno System Administration Building, Conference Room, at 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, Nevada, and to Great Basin College, Berg Hall Conference Room, at 1500 College Parkway, Elko, Nevada. Members of the Board and/or the public may attend the meeting and provide testimony or public comment at these sites via the video or telephone conference connection.

ROLL CALL:
Mr. Rick Trachok, Chairman
Mr. Michael B. Wixom, Vice Chairman
Dr. Andrea Anderson
Mr. Cedric Crear
Mr. Robert Davidson
Dr. Mark W. Doubrava
Dr. Jason Geddes
Mr. Trevor Hayes
Mr. James Dean Leavitt
Mr. Sam Lieberman
Mr. Kevin C. Melcher
Mr. Kevin J. Page
Ms. Allison Stephens

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

NOTE: Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Notification is hereby provided that items on the agenda may be taken out of the order presented, two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration, and an agenda item may be removed from the agenda or discussion relating to an item on the agenda may be delayed at any time.

In accordance with the Board of Regents’ Bylaws, Title I, Article V, Section 20, items voted on may be the subject of a motion to reconsider at this meeting. A motion to reconsider an item may be made at any time before adjournment of this meeting. Similarly, if an item is tabled at any time during the meeting, it may, by proper motion and vote, be taken from the table and thereafter be the subject of consideration and action at any time before adjournment of this meeting.

In accordance with the Board of Regents’ Bylaws, Title I, Article V, Section 13, a quorum may be gained by telephone hookup.
Some agenda items are noted as having accompanying reference material. Reference material may be accessed on the electronic version of the agenda by clicking the reference link associated with a particular item. The agenda and associated reference material may also be accessed on the Internet by visiting the Board of Regents’ website at:
http://system.nevada.edu/Nshe/index.cfm/administration/board-of-regents/meeting-agendas/

Many public libraries have publicly accessible computer terminals. Copies of the reference material and any additional support materials that are submitted to the Board of Regents’ Office and then distributed to the members of the Board of Regents after the mailing of this agenda but before the meeting, will be made available as follows: 1. Copies of any such materials are available at the Board of Regents’ Office at 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, Nevada and the Board of Regents’ Office at 4300 South Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada. A copy may be requested by calling Keri Nikolajewski at (702) 889-8426; 2. Copies of any such materials will also be available at the meeting site.

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically disabled persons attending the meeting. Please call the Board Office at (775) 784-4958 in advance so that arrangements may be made.

CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

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In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047, as restated in the Attorney General’s Open Meeting Law Manual, the Board Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Board of Regents, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.
2. REVIEW OF NSHE’S PARTICIPATION IN DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW FUNDING FORMULA FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

The Board will review and discuss issues which have arisen regarding NSHE’s participation in the legislative Interim Study on the Funding of Higher Education, 2011-2012. Chancellor Daniel J. Klaich hired the National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS) to assist NSHE in the development of a new funding model for the System. The minutes of the legislative Committee and its Funding Formula Subcommittee (the “Subcommittee”) reflect references to and discussion regarding NCHEMS’ work. Chancellor Klaich submitted a Memorandum to the Committee to Study the Funding of Higher Education – Members, regarding “Funding Formula Information.” (Ref. BOR-2a) The Memorandum transmitted a copy of a Memorandum from Dennis P. Jones, President of NCHEMS to Daniel J. Klaich, Chancellor, dated August 23, 2012, regarding “Nevada’s Discipline Matrix” (“NCHEMS Memo”). The Board’s review and discussion will include but not be limited to:

- NSHE’s participation in the legislative Interim Study;
- The process followed by the Chancellor to develop a funding formula proposal from NSHE;
- The hiring of NCHEMS as a consultant;
- The disclosure to the legislative Committee and Subcommittee regarding NCHEMS’ relationship with NSHE; and
- The drafting of the NCHEMS Memo.

The Board will hear from Chancellor Klaich and, possibly, other NSHE staff regarding these matters. The Board will accept comments from members of the Interim Study Committee. The Board may consider the foregoing, as well as any other matters pertaining to NSHE’s participation in the development of the new funding formula and may take action, including but not limited to:

- Requesting additional review of these matters;
- Directing the development of policy and/or procedure regarding:
  - Hiring and use of outside consultants;
  - Working and communicating with legislative committees or other outside agencies;
  - Internal processes for development of budget and other legislative priorities; and

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2. REVIEW OF NSHE’S PARTICIPATION IN DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW FUNDING FORMULA FOR HIGHER EDUCATION – (continued)

- Administrative action, which pursuant to NRS 241.033 and NRS 241.034, may include a review of the Chancellor’s competence, alleged misconduct, character and mental or physical health. In compliance with the provisions of NRS 241.033 and NRS 241.034, without further notice to the Chancellor and in accordance with the Chancellor’s contract (Ref. BOR-2b), the Board may take any and all administrative action(s) against the Chancellor in accordance with the terms of the Chancellor’s contract and NSHE’s policies if the Board determines that such administrative action(s) is/are warranted, including, without limitation, termination of the contract for convenience, initiation of the process to terminate the contract for cause, reassignment to another position within NSHE, approval of a negotiated resolution or direction to negotiate and present any mutually agreed upon resolution for the Board’s approval at a future meeting.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Information Only

Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested. Any discussion of an item under “New Business” is limited to description and clarification of the subject matter of the item, which may include the reasons for the request.

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