SPECIAL MEETING

BOARD OF REGENTS NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Friday, April 16, 2021

This meeting was held via videoconference and teleconference only pursuant to Section 1 of the Declaration of Emergency Directive 006 ("Directive 006"), and extended through current Directive 043, issued by the State of Nevada Executive Department. There were no physical locations for this meeting.

Members Present:	Dr. Mark W. Doubrava, Chair Mrs. Carol Del Carlo, Vice Chair Mr. Joseph C. Arrascada Mr. Patrick J. Boylan Mr. Byron Brooks Dr. Patrick R. Carter Ms. Amy J. Carvalho Dr. Jason Geddes Mrs. Cathy McAdoo Mr. Donald Sylvantee McMichael Sr. Ms. Laura E. Perkins
Members Absent:	Mr. John T. Moran

Dr. Lois Tarkanian

Others Presentsol AsD Silector Of Human Resources

- Mr. Joe Reynolds, Chief General Counsel
- Mr. Michael B. Wixom, Special Counsel
- Dr. Federico Zaragoza, President, CSN
- Dr. Kumud Acharya, President, DRI
- Ms. Joyce M. Helens, President, GBC
- Dr. Vickie Shields, Executive Vice President & Provost, NSC (sitting in for NSC President Bart J. Patterson)
- Dr. Karin M. Hilgersom, President, TMCC
- Dr. Keith E. Whitfield, President, UNLV
- Mr. Brian Sandoval, PresirnT3evas

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Faculty senate chairs in attendance

1. <u>Information Only – Public Comment</u> – (Continued)

3. <u>Approved – Donation of Medical Education Building to Rename the UNLV School of</u> <u>Medicine and Medical Education Building in Honor of Kirk Kerkorian, UNLV –</u> *(Continued)* 4. <u>Approved – Engineering Building Financing Sale Resolution, UNLV</u> – (Continued)

Resolution at the June Board meeting. The estimated debt service of \$1.84 million will be funded through a combination of donor funds and Capital Improvement Fee revenues.

Regent Carter moved approval of a Resolution authorizing the preparation and circulation of a preliminary official statement for a tax-

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5. Approved –

7. <u>Information Only – Institutional Metrics, GBC</u> – (*Continued*)

Regent Boylan thanked President Helens for the presentation.

Regent Arrascada thanked President Helens for a well-done presentation and asked President Helens to expand on mandatory advisement. President Helens noted the Board discussed the importance of mandatory advisement. GBC at the time had one advisor, which made mandatory advising impossible. GBC reorganized and took salary savings from unfilled positions and placed the savings into advising. GBC also created a student academic plan that is advising intensive.

In response to a question from Regent Carvalho related to succession planning for faculty, President Helens stated GBC is just beginning succession planning as a part of the strategic planning.

Regent Carter stated many community colleges are struggling across the country and he was happy to see GBC's positive progress toward mandatory advising.

Vice Chair Del Carlo appreciated the fact that President Helens is constantly raising the bar.

8. <u>Approved – Board of Regents Special Counsel</u> – The Board approved filling the current vacancy in the position of Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Board of Regents with a combined full-time Special Counsel and Chief of Staff and to establish a Regents' Search Committee to conduct the Search.

Chair Doubrava asked for guidance and possible authorization to fill the Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Board of Regents vacancy. Authorization may include direction on whether to maintain a combined Chief of Staff and Special Counsel position, establish a full-time or part-time Special Counsel position that is separate from the Chief of Staff position, direction on whether to enter into a contractual agreement with outside legal counsel to fill a separate Special Counsel position or to establish a Regents' Search Committee and conduct a search for either a permanent combined Chief of Staff and Special Counsel or a separate Special Counsel.

> Regent McAdoo moved to fill the current vacancy in the position of Chief of Staff and Special Counsel to the Board of Regents with a combined full-time Special Counsel and Chief of Staff and to establish a Regents' Search Committee to conduct the Search. Regent Carter seconded.

Regent Geddes believed it was prudent to begin the search, but other actions may need to be taken depending on NSHE budget outcomes at the end of the legislative session.

Regent Carter stated this had been a successful model and he will support the motion. He further expressed that if the budget is not there, this can come back to the Board.

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