

Mr. Douglas Seastrand, Chair
Mr. Mark Alden
Dr. Stavros Anthony
Ms. Marcia Bandera
Dr. Jill Derby
Mr. Douglas Roman Hill
Mrs. Linda Howard
Dr. Tom Kirkpatrick
Mr. Howard Rosenberg
Dr. Jack Lund Schofield
Mr. Steve Sisolak
Mr. Bret Whipple

: Mrs. Thalia Dondero (excused)

Chancellor Jane Nichols
Vice Chancellor, Finance & Administration Dan Miles
Vice Chancellor, Academic & Student Affairs Richard Curry
General Counsel Tom Ray
President Ron Remington, CCSN
President Stephen Wells, DRI
President Paul Killpatrick, GBC
President Kerry Romesburg, NSC
President Philip Ringle, TMCC
President Carol Harter, UNLV
President John Lilley, UNR
President Carol Lucey, WNCC
Chief Administrative Officer Suzanne Ernst

Also present were faculty senate chairs Ms. Mitzi Ware, CCSN Dr. Lynn Fenstermaker, DRI Dr. Joel Shrock, GBC Ms. Bridgett Boulton, TMCC Dr. John Readence, UNLV Dr. Trudy Larson, UNR Mr. Rick Van Ausdal, WNCC and Mr. John Tully, System Administration. Student government leaders present included Ms. Evelyn Flores, CCSN Mr. Steve Houk, GBC Ms. Janell Mihelic, NSCH Mr. Kiyoshi "Teddy" Noda, TMCC Ms. Monica Moradkhan, UNLV Ms. Jocelina Santos, UNLV-GPSA Mr. Chul Yim, UNR Ms. Jessica Muehlberg, UNR-GSA and Mr. Billy Jennings, WNCC.

Chair Douglas Seastrand called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m. on June 18, 2003 with all members present except Regent Dondero.

– Chair Seastrand introduced Dr. Noel Tiano from the Nevada Center for Ethics and Health Policy at the University of Nevada, Reno who offered the invocation.

President Killpatrick introduced GBC's newly elected Faculty Senate Chair, Dr. Joel Shrock, and reelected Student Body President, Mr. Steve Houk.

President Ringle introduced TMCC's newly elected Faculty Senate Chair, Ms. Bridgett Boulton, reelected Student Body President, Mr. Teddy Noda, and Student Body Vice President, Ms. Christine Hansen.

President Lucey introduced WNCC faculty senate representative, Mr. Rick Van Ausdal, who was sitting in for the vacationing Mr. Michael Hardie, and newly elected Student Body President, Mr. Billy Jennings.

President Wells introduced DRI's outgoing Faculty Senate Chair Dr. Lynn Fenstermaker.

President Lilley introduced UNR's newly elected GSA Student Body President, Ms. Jessica Muehlberg, and two visiting interns from the Minority Undergraduate Fellows Program, Ms. Tiffany Labon and Mr. Jose Rocha.

President Harter introduced UNLV's Faculty Senate Chair Dr. John Readence, Student Body President Ms. Monica Moradkhan, and Graduate and Professional Student Body President Ms. Jocelina Santos. She related that Mr. Dick Jensen was attending his last meeting as Assistant to the President and would be replaced by Dr. John Fillep

TMCC Student Body President Teddy Noda expressed sadness and condolences to the family of UNLV transfer student, Rie Shibuya, who was recently killed while pursuing higher education in Nevada. Dr. Robert Anderson, Vice President, Student Services-CCSN, noted that Ms. Shibuya had also been a student at CCSN. The results of an investigation regarding the incident will be reported to the Board at a future date.

– The Board approved the Consent Agenda with the exception of items #3 (Tenure, NSC), #4 (Handbook Revision, CSUN Constitution, UNLV), and #5 (Handbook Revision, Student Health Insurance Rates, UNLV & UNR), which were approved separately:

(1) Approved-Minutes – The Board approved the minutes from the regular meeting held May 8-9, 2003 and the Board Orientation Committee meeting held April 11, 2003.

(2) Approved-Tenure on Hire, UNLV – The Board approved President Carol C. Harter's recommendation for tenure upon hire for the following faculty members:

- Dr. Joanne Thompson, Full Professor and Director of the School of Social Work in the M oar pproved a

the wording.

Regent Rosenberg moved approval of the Handbook revision as amended. Regent Sisolak seconded. Motion as amended carried. Regent Dondero was absent.

(5) Approved-Handbook Revision, Student Health Insurance Rates, UNLV & UNR – The Board approved President Carol C. Harter's and President John M. Lilley's request for the respective bids for student health insurance at UNLV and UNR/TMCC/WNCC and to add the new rates to the Board Handbook (Title IV, Chapter 17) (Ref. C-5 on

Regent Derby moved approval of the Committee recommendations and acceptance of the report. Regent Kirkpatrick seconded.

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Regent Derby asked whether higher education was providing the necessary teaching that supports an educated democracy. Dr. Miller replied that only indirect indicators existed (i.e., college graduates vote more frequently than people without a college education - charitable giving is also higher). She related that the critical thinking problems would provide a sense of where the students are, adding that it was only a beginning.

President Killpatrick asked about the difference in academic rigor between the tests given to community college vs. university students. Dr. Miller replied that the emphases were slightly different. The 2-year college test tends to focus more on practical skills for the workplace. President Killpatrick felt it would make sense for community colleges to administer both tests depending upon what the student is pursuing (Applied Science degree vs. transfer degree). Dr. Miller said that this would provide an opportunity to try both measures. She acknowledged that it could be determined that one test is an appropriate measure for both populations.

President Lucey asked about the reason for developing two different student engagement tests (NSSE and CCSSE) and how they differed. Dr. Miller replied that the community colleges felt the NSSE addressed residential student populations and did not reflect the reality of community college student life. The CCSSE attempts to be more sensitive to other commitments that community college students face.

President Harter asked which states were participating in the study and how were they chosen.udent engagem oll II of

responses indicated that it likely would remain so. Regent Hill speculated that more than one-third would not refuse it next time and suggested consideration of a small fee.

Regent Sisolak asked about the funding. President Harter replied that it would be covered by offering fewer stipends.

Motion carried. Regent Dondero was absent.

decision was made requiring UNR to purchase property. Regent Sisolak asked who was donating the \$2.5 million. President Lilley replied that it was an anonymous gift. Regent Sisolak again recalled a commitment to raise private funds for trading the Manogue property. Chancellor Nichols agreed with his assessment. She explained that this was one of the things the legislature does without Board approval. Acquiring the Manogue property is part of UNR's master plan. Historically, it was part of an agreement between the university and the Catholic diocese for UNR to assist in raising money so the new high school could be built. The land was then to be gifted to the university. The diocese has had difficulty raising money and decided they could not afford to give the land to the university. Regent Sisolak asked about the price. Chancellor Nichols replied that the cost was \$5 million. The \$2.5 million donation is related to the land purchase and contingent upon state funding, but is not for the purpose of purchasing the land. Regent Sisolak asked whether UNR would purchase the 22 acres for \$5 million. Chancellor Nichols replied that it would require Board approval.

Regent Anthony asked whether there was a plan if the legislature failed to identify a funding source for the budget. Chancellor Nichols replied that higher education could proceed July 1st to spend money. If the session is still in, UCCSN's budget is not secure and could be changed. She has cautioned the presidents to be very conservative about making assumptions about new money until the session is over.

Chair Seastrand asked whether all institutions were on notice for contingency plans in case their budgets were cut. Chancellor Nichols said that each campus had been working on the assumption that new contracts are offered contingent upon funding. Effective July 1st, each campus will delay implementing the new budget if a legislative decision has not been rendered. K-12 will not have funds with which to operate. UCCSN would be in the same position if their budget were reopened. Chancellor Nichols contacted the University of Tennessee to discuss their actions last year when they were forced to close. She said that such action would require a special Board meeting.

Regent Schofield urged the Board to help by lobbying legislators to convince them the UCCSN really needs the money. He told Regent Howard that addition of these projects was not uncommon.

Regent Kirkpatrick was disturbed by the legislature adding/funding projects with no Board input. He recalled that the Board had been told there would be plenty of private donations to fund the Manogue project and wondered about additional costs associated with the project. He recalled a promise for \$30-50 million in donations for NSC yet the college was having difficulty raising \$10 million to complete their building. He observed there appeared to be a great deal of inequity with the legislative allocations to the individual institutions.

Regent Rosenberg asked whether summer school would be discontinued if a budget was not approved by July 1st. Chancellor Nichols said that it was highly unlikely that would happen. She related that Tennessee closed everything and locked the doors, which was horrible. She said that Nevada would not want to do that.

Regent Schofield reminded the Board that Chancellor Nichols had fought hard for the System during the legislative session, adding that the Board should now support her work.

Vice Chancellor Miles reported that erroneous information had been published by the media. He demonstrated that the information was wrong so Board members could respond to any questions posed. The state general fund appropriation increased from \$717,438,630 (2001-2003 biennium) to \$987,808,259 (2003-2005 biennium), which equated to an increase of \$270,369,629 (37.7%). After deducting the Estate Tax contribution to the state, the net increase is reduced to \$181,134,781 (25.2%). The total budget increased 24.5% from 2001-2003 to 2003-2005 while budgeted FTE increased 19,652 (19.7%). System Administration has offered to correct the Nevada Taxpayer's Association's erroneous numbers. The correct figures were e-mailed that morning. Chancellor Nichols said it was critical to correct this misperception.

President Romesburg said that it was difficult for the institutions to hire faculty under these conditions since often they were considering multiple offers. He related that the longer the uncertain budget situation prevailed, the more difficult it would become.

Regent Bandera asked about the Nevada Taxpayer's Association's response upon receiving the corrected information. Vice Chancellor Miles replied that the figures had been e-mailed that morning, so no response had yet been received. Chancellor Nichols did not believe that it was their intention to provide misinformation.

Regent Schofield said the legislature would likely base their decision on the erroneous information, adding that Board members must work diligently to correct the misinformation.

Regent Derby asked whether the heart of the message should be not re-opening the budget. Chancellor Nichols agreed that it should be. UCCSN is the fastest growing system of higher education. UCCSN will not be able to serve the needs of those wanting to go to college if the budget is cut further. UCCSN will need to turn students away. If the budget is not approved the nursing initiative will not happen.

Chancellor Nichols then provided a review of the bills:

Regent Schofield entered the meeting.

Regent Sisolak said that he was concerned because the building has asbestos. He asked whether the company was moving immediately. Mr. Peterson said the company had earmarked \$99,000 for remodeling the building, adding that those concerns would be addressed by the company (asbestos floor tiles). Regent Sisolak expressed concern for system liability.

Chair Seastrand felt it would be helpful to have the reasons why an individual should be given tenure.

Regent Bandera respectfully disagreed with the Chancellor's recommendation. She noted that the Board had previously discussed foregoing Board approval of tenure recommendations, yet now was asking for more information, and was cautioned that there were many reasons for not denying tenure.

Regent Kirkpatrick said there were several processes that an individual goes through before being recommended for tenure.
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Chair Seastrand thanked Regent Hill for bringing this matter to the Board's attention. He said the Board supported the process and was pleased with the progress made. He asked whether the committee should continue into perpetuity. Dr. Vreeland said that their (Dr. Vreeland and Dr. Haller's) work was completed, but they strongly advocated the creation of a System-wide committee to facilitate problem solving. Ongoing discipline meetings were also recommended. She felt the institutions should collaborate on (rather than duplicate) high cost programs.

Dr. Joel Shrock reported that faculty had very intense discussions about history, adding that it required a great deal of work to write the report. He emphasized the need to get a process in place soon. He said that community college faculty had been very forceful in those discussions.

Regent Hill thanked committee members for their work and hoped the results would be worthwhile for the faculty in the long run. He was pleased with the progress being made.

Dr. Haller stated that more than 450 faculty participated as discipline representatives and that 10,000 courses had been reviewed. There is only one course upon which the faculty has not reached agreement. He thanked the faculty for their collaboration. Chair Seastrand acknowledged the effort and thanked the faculty for their cooperation.

Regent Hill moved acceptance of the report. Regent Alden seconded.

Regent Rosenberg noted that faculty had accomplished this. He felt that much of the resistance was due to the appearance of such a large task. Knowing that the new catalogs had to be processed urged the faculty into action. He said there were three courses in art that he was unsure how to handle. He observed that some 100-level courses had moved to the 200-level, adding that course creep moved in both directions.

Motion carried. Regents Dondero and Sisolak were absent.

The meeting recessed at 12:20 p.m. and reconvened at 12:40 p.m. with all members present except Regents Derby, Dondero, Howard, Kirkpatrick, and Sisolak.

– The Board approved President Kerry Romesburg's request for an interlocal agreement between the City of Henderson and the University and Community College System of Nevada to finalize the conveyance of public lands identified for the state college campus. The 2002 Public Lands Act requires that the City of Henderson and the UCCSN enter into an agreement that sets the terms for the conveyance and use of the land (Ref. P on file in the Board office).

Regent Alden moved approval of the interlocal agreement for NSC. Regent Bandera seconded. Motion carried. Regents Derby, Dondero, Howard, Kirkpatrick, and Sisolak were absent.

– The Board approved

President Carol C. Harter's requests to: (Ref. O on file in the Board office)

- Execute a Third Amendment to an existing office and classroom space lease at the Executive Center West, 1455 East Tropicana Avenue, for the Center for Academic Enrichment and Outreach (CAEO). The Third Amendment will provide 2,189 additional square feet, for a total of 16,140 sq. ft., in order to accommodate up to 100 new full- and part-time CAEO employees. A provision of the Third Amendment gives UNLV the "First Right to Negotiate" for additional suites in the future, but places a 45-day deadline on completion of the negotiations. Thus, UNLV also requested the following:
 - Grant the Chancellor authority to approve future amendments to the CAEO lease in order to meet the 45-day clause. This authority will provide flexibility for the Center to expand into additional suites as they become available, per the terms provided in the Third Amendment.

Fiscal Impact: Lease rent will begin at the prevailing rate of \$1.59 per square foot/month with annual increases to a ceiling of \$1.89 per square foot/month in 2010. The annual rent for CAEO will increase by approximately \$37,000 per year beginning July 1, 2003. Rent will continue to increase as additional suites in this complex become available and are added to the lease by amendments. The Additional rent will be funded from existing CAEO federal grants that began September 1, 2002.

General Counsel Ray asked that the record reflect that the reason the Board did not take action was because the action was within the authority of the Chancellor.

Regent Kirkpatrick entered the meeting.

institution is different. Students will need to be introduced to new course taking patterns and possibilities early in their college attendance so they begin to adjust work schedules accordingly. All institutions noted a need to track actual

- April 2002 - master plan development concluded.
- Summer 2002 - campus representatives began meeting to discuss the structure of the accountability plan. A suggested list of preliminary measures was developed, which resulted in a suggested list of measures.

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Regent Alden was willing to reserve the proposed dates. He suggested the full Board should meet quarterly on Wednesday-Thursday (3 meetings-Las Vegas, 1 meeting-Reno/rural). He suggested the Board should meet in January, April, July, and October. He felt committees should be expanded to meet eight times per year. He suggested that a budget committee of the whole should be formed as well as an athletic committee. He felt the Board should receive Board meeting materials 30 days in advance of the meeting. He felt the new Board Chair should determine the calendar. Chair Seastrand suggested that some of Regent Alden's ideas required discussion, which could be entertained under New Business. Regent Alden said that he would agree to reserve the dates, but he would not support the proposed calendar.

Regent Derby moved approval of the proposed 2004 meeting dates for the Board of Regents. Regent Rosenberg seconded.

Regent Alden requested a roll call vote.

Regent Whipple asked whether the dates could change in the future or as JndH

concerned that Regent Anthony's job might also interfere with his ability to serve as chair. He indicated that he would vote against the motion and requested a roll call vote.

Upon a roll call vote the motion carried. Regents Alden, Anthony, Bandera, Derby, Hill, Schofield, Seastrand, and Whipple voted yes. Regents Kirkpatrick and Rosenberg voted no. Regents Dondero, Howard, and Sisolak were absent.

Regent Rosenberg moved approval of making the vote unanimous. No objections were expressed. Motion carried. Regents Dondero, Howard, and Sisolak were absent.

Regent Anthony said that he was honored to serve as chair. He stressed the importance of team work, adding that he realized that nothing could be accomplished alone. He said that he would do the best job possible.

Vice Chair - Regent Derby nominated Regent Marcia Bandera as Vice Chair. No other nominations were offered.

Motion carried. Regents Dondero, Howard, and Sisolak were absent.

– Regent Alden requested a discussion of the number of meetings, the meeting dates, the time for materials to reach Regents, the number of committees, and the establishment of new committees at the next meeting.

Approved-Resolution 03-11 – The Board approved a resolution honoring outgoing Board Chair Douglas Seastrand (on file in the Board office). Chair Seastrand thanked the Board, adding that it had been a pleasure serving with them.

President Lilley noted that UNR won a national championship in rifle in 1956 and in women's swimming in 1979. Recently the American Marketing Association held the World Series of Marketing competition and UNR's team won. The team was comprised of and coached by Ms. Bourne Morris, Reynolds School of Journalism, and Ms. Judy Strauss, College of Business.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Suzanne Ernst
Chief Administrative Officer to the Board