

# UCCSN Board of Regents' Meeting Minutes September 21-22, 1979

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BOARD OF REGENTS

UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA SYSTEM

September 21, 1979

The Board of Regents met on the above date at Clark County

Community College, North Las Vegas, Nevada.

Members present: Mr. James L. Buchanan, II

Mr. Robert A. Cashell

Mrs. Lilly Fong

Mr. Chris Karamanos

Louis E. Lombardi, M. D.

Mr. John R. Mc Bride

Mr. John Tom Ross

Mrs. June Whitley

Members absent: Mrs. Molly F. Knudtsen

Others present: Chancellor Donald H. Baepler

President William Berg, NNCC

President Joseph Crowley, UNR

President Jack Davis, WNCC

President Judith Eaton, CCCC

President Leonard Goodall, UNLV

President Lloyd Smith, DRI

Secretary Bonnie M. Smotony

Larry Lessly, Vice Chancellor Legal Affairs

Also present were Faculty Senate representatives: Christopher (CCCC); Elliott (WNCC/N); Marschall (UNR); Melrose (NNCC); Moser (Unit); Pugsley (WNCC/S); Van Vactor (UNLV); and Warburton (DRI), and student representatives Campbell (UNLV); Ritch (UNR); and Bennett (WNCC/S).

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Cashell at 10:10 A.M.

Following the Oath of Office, administered by Judge Addelair Guy, Chairman Cashell welcomed Mrs. June Whitley, newly appointed to the Board of Regents to replace Miss Brenda Mason.

1. Adoption of Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda containing the following items, was submitted for approval (identified as Ref. A and filed with permanent minutes):

- (1) Approval of Minutes
- (2) Report of Gifts and Grants
- (3) Request for Supplement to DRI and UNLV Interview and Recruiting Accounts
- (4) Request to name a room in the Orvis School of Nursing in memory of Nora Kawamura
- (5) Promotion of Dr. A. Bhuiya to Associate Professor, effective October 1, 1979
- (6) Augmentation of the Chancellor's Special Housing Account by \$4,000
- (7) Approval of UNR Fund Transfers #7, #20 and #21

Mr. Karamanos moved approval of the Consent Agenda as submitted. Motion seconded by Mrs. Fong, carried without dissent.

## 2. Bond Sale for Sports Pavilions

Chancellor Baepler reported that the University is ready to start the necessary documentation for the sale of the \$56

million bond issue for the Sports Pavilions. Because of the revenue base for the bonds; i. e., the federal slot machine tax rebate, the advantages of a negotiated sale rather than a public sale have been explored. Dr. Baepler introduced Mr. Nick Smith, President of Burrows, Smith and Co., the University's financial consultants for revenue bond issues, who urged all possible steps be taken now to compress the time required to market these securities. He suggested that a national sales effort would be required to market the bonds, and recommended the Board select a Management Underwriter to put together a syndicate to distribute the securities. Mr. Smith pointed out that such an Underwriter would then proceed to appoint his own legal counsel and would draft the necessary statements, and noted that Burrows, Smith and Co., as the University's financial consultants, would, with its own bond counsel, work with the Underwriter.

Chancellor Baepler recommended the Board authorize the University to proceed with preparations for a negotiated sale of the \$56 million in revenue bonds for the Sports Pavilions, and that the Board's Audit Committee be empowered to consider and recommend to the Board the selection of a Management Underwriter.

Mr. Mc Bride moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs. Fong, carried without dissent.

### 3. Discussion of Community College Division Organization

Mr. Mc Bride noted that presently the three Community Colleges are organized as a Division of the University of Nevada System with the University Code requiring that the three Presidents function as a collective executive for those matters having Division-wide impact. He stated that in his opinion this requirement does not work and places unnecessary restrictions on the Presidents in providing leadership to their Campuses. Mr. Mc Bride proposed that the Board of Regents Bylaws, the University Code, the Board of Regents Handbook, and all other appropriate documents be amended to remove the word, "Division", as it pertains to the organizational entity of the System, and that hereafter, the organization of the University of Nevada System shall include University of Nevada, Reno; University of Nevada, Las Vegas; Desert Research Institute; Clark County Community College; Northern Nevada Community College; and Western Nevada Community College as autonomous and independent institutions, and shall also include such spe-

cial and service units as approved by the Board.

Mr. Buchanan moved approval of the proposal by Mr. Mc Bride, but suggested that if this action is taken, the position of Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges would no longer be necessary. Motion seconded by Mr. Ross.

Dr. Lombardi objected to the proposed abolition of the position of Vice Chancellor for Community Colleges, stating that in his opinion the position was badly needed and dissolution of the Division status would not eliminate that need.

Chancellor Baepler recalled that it takes two months to amend the Code, and that this proposal by Regent Mc Bride will have to be referred to the Faculty Senates for consideration prior to action by the Board. Mr. Buchanan asked that in the consideration by the Senates of the proposed Code revision to dissolve the Division status of the Community Colleges, the Senates also be asked to consider the elimination of the Vice Chancellor position.

Mr. Mc Bride suggested that the consideration of elimination of the Vice Chancellor position be separated from the motion. Mr. Buchanan declined to amend his motion.

Mr. William Christopher reported that the CCCC Faculty supported the proposal for dissolution of the Division structure and resulting autonomy for each of the Community Colleges. Mr. Dale Pugsley and Mrs. Betty Elliott, speaking for WNCC/S and WNCC/N, also supported the proposal. Dr. Mark Melrose reported that NNCC opposed the proposal and preferred to retain the Division status for the Community Colleges.

Motion carried without dissent.

Mr. Mc Bride requested that as a separate consideration from the above, the Chancellor investigate the feasibility of separating Western Nevada Community College into two Colleges. It was agreed that the faculty, Administration and students of Western Nevada Community College would be asked to consider this.

#### 4. Enrollment Reports

Chancellor Baepler reported the following enrollment figures for the instructional divisions:

UNR	6,457 FTE	5.5% increase over 1978
UNR Medical School	180	33.3%
UNLV	5,997	7.4%
CCCC	3,117	10.0%
NNCC	325	1.9%
WNCC/S	853	7.7%
WNCC/N	1,555	8.1%

Chancellor Baepler noted that these increases in enrollment would permit the University to accept the invitation of the Interim Finance Committee to request supplemental funding for the second year of the biennium.

#### 5. Sports Pavilion Capacity, UNR

President Crowley reported that in January, 1979 the Board approved the conceptual design for the UNR Special Events Center as set forth in a Feasibility Study prepared by the architectural firm of Crane/Anderson, Inc. He noted that the design called for a single bowl oval arena configuration with a seating capacity of 12,000, based on a market study of the Reno-Sparks area, together with assessment of the growth potential of the area and of UNR, and an examination of the experiences of other Universities.

President Crowley noted that subsequent discussion indicated a need to reevaluate the capacity question and its implications for the facility so that the Board of Regents could have an opportunity to consider the matter again. The reevaluation was undertaken by the Special Events Center User/Programming Committee, a group representing a variety of Campus and community interests. The cost analysis in relation to the Special Events Center has not yet been completed and figures on the cost of the basic facility and several support areas will not be available until October or November; however, pending the completion of this analysis, President Crowley reported that the Committee has reaffirmed the Feasibility Study's original recommendation that the UNR Special Events Center be designed as a single bowl oval arena configuration with a seating capacity of 12,000 minimum, and special support areas for meeting rooms, facility management and athletic offices.

President Crowley reported that he concurred in the Committee's recommendation and requested Board reaffirmation.

Mr. Ross objected, stating that the recommendation goes further than necessary at this time, and suggested that the

configuration of the Center be left open.

Dr. Crowley pointed out that this recommendation does not differ from the action of the Board in January, in that the concept has already been approved, subject only to budget considerations.

The Chair declared the matter an information item in view of the Board's previous action to approve the concept, with further consideration by the Board as necessary when cost figures are available.

#### 6. Resolution Regarding Stead Easement

President Crowley recalled that in July, 1977 the Board approved the granting of an easement at Stead to the City of Reno. The U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, which deeded the property to the University for educational purposes, has now requested that the Board adopt the following formal resolution with regard to that easement:

RESOLUTION #79-9

WHEREAS, certain real property located in the County of Washoe, State of Nevada, has been deeded for educational or public health purposes by the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, under the provisions of Section 203 (k)(1) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a point at the southeasterly corner of Echo Avenue and Mt. Babcock Street from which the southeast corner of Section 29, T. 21 N., R. 19 E., M. D. B. & M., bears south  $71^{\circ}19'33''$  east, 4452.58 feet; thence N.  $83^{\circ}16'28''$  W., 60.00 feet; thence along the westerly right of way to Mt. Babcock Street, S.  $7^{\circ}00'47''$  W., 181.56 feet to the point of beginning of this description of a 15 foot sewer easement, 7.5 feet on each side of the following described center line; thence N.  $83^{\circ}16'28''$  W., 605.10 feet to the easterly right of way of Mt. Bismark Street and the end of this description.

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada needs and is utilizing said property for educational purposes in accordance with the requirements of said Act and the rules and regulations promulgated there under of which

this Board is fully informed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada shall make application to the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare for an easement for the City of Reno, 15' wide and 605.1' in length, near southeast corner of Echo Avenue and Mt. Babcock Street.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of the University has legal authority and that Donald H. Baepler, Chancellor of the University of Nevada, be and is hereby authorized, for and on behalf of the Board of Regents of the University to do and perform any and all acts and things which may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolution, including preparing, and filing of instruments pertaining to the transfer of said property; the payment of any and all sums necessary.

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

#### 7. Relocation of Building Given to College of Agriculture

President Crowley reported an offer of a gift to the College

of Agriculture of a 30' x 83' metal shop building from Mr. R. C. Wilcox of Pahrump, to be used at the Holly Park Field Laboratory. He noted that the building must be moved to the facility by January 1, 1980. President Crowley recommended acceptance of the gift and requested authorization to relocate the building.

Mr. Karamanos moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs. Ross, carried without dissent.

8. Recommendation to Proceed with Design of Addition to Agricultural Service Center in Fallon

President Crowley recalled that the Board had previously authorized construction in Fallon of a 5,000 square foot building to house the operations of the Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service, together with several federal agencies as tenants. In response to a request from these tenants, President Crowley requested authorization to construct a 2,000 square foot addition to the building, to be paid for from the Agricultural Facilities Account, which would then be repaid by the rents received from the tenants. President Crowley requested authorization to negotiate a contract with the arch-

itect who designed the original building, or, in the event this architect is unavailable, to negotiate a contract with another architect and to proceed with the design of this addition.

Mr. Ross moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Karamanos, carried without dissent.

#### 9. Request for Creation of a College of Arts and Science

##### Advisory Board

President Crowley requested authorization for the creation of an Advisory Board for the College of Arts and Science and introduced Dean Rebecca Stafford who commented briefly on the reasons for such a proposal and the ways in which she hoped the Advisory Board would be helpful to the College.

President Crowley recommended the following appointments for the terms indicated:

One-year term - Ms. Mary Gojack

Mrs. Moya Lear

Judge Procter Hug, Jr.

Mr. Steve Brown

Mrs. John de Winters

Mr. Clark Hamilton

Mr. Fred Davis, Jr.

Two-year term - Mrs. Barbara Feltner

Mr. Bill Thornton

Ms. Frankie Sue Del Papa

Mr. William Fox

Mrs. Ellen Thompson

Mr. George Hardaway

Three-year term - Senator Spike Wilson

Mrs. Dottie Benson

Mr. Rollan Melton

Dr. Carlos Romo

Mr. Lloyd Dyer

Mr. Bob Pearce

Mr. Karamanos moved approval. Motion seconded by Dr.

Lombardi, carried without dissent.

10. Sale of House at Knoll Creek Experiment Station

President Crowley noted that the University owns a two-story house at the Knoll Creek Experiment Station on land that has been leased for the past 32 years from the Salmon River Cattlemen's Association. The Experiment Station is in the process of being closed down and its operations transferred to Gund Ranch. The house must either be sold or moved; however, because of its construction, moving would not be feasible. President Crowley recommended that the house be sold to the Salmon River Cattlemen's Association.

Dr. Lombardi moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Mc Bride, carried without dissent.

#### 11. Lease for Drip Irrigation Purposes

President Crowley reported that the 1979 Legislature had appropriated \$100,000 to the Agricultural Experiment Station to do some experimenting with drip irrigation projects. He requested authorization to lease two acres of cultivated land and one share of preferred water rights from Mr. Jay Whipple, of Logandale, Nevada, for two years beginning September 1, 1979, at an annual rental of \$300.

Mr. Mc Bride moved approval. Motion seconded by Dr.

Lombardi, carried without dissent.

## 12. Request for Loan from Capital Improvement Fee Fund

President Crowley reported the Computerized Circulating Library System (CLSI) currently operating at the UNR Library is in need of updating and expansion. The cost of this expansion project, which would extend full service to the Washoe County Public Library and the State of Nevada Public Library in Carson City, is \$75,435. Of this, \$32,500 is currently available from a State Library grant and from UNR Library Operating funds, and an additional \$17,000 is available from a State Library grant to Washoe County.

President Crowley noted that a balance of \$25,935 is required to complete the funding for this project and he requested authorization to borrow that amount from the UNR Capital Improvement Fee Fund, to be repaid by July, 1, 1981, in two equal annual payments from fees paid by Washoe County and from UNR operating funds.

Mr. Ross moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Mc Bride, carried without dissent.

### 13. Recommendation for Appointment of Athletic Director, UNLV

President Goodall recommended the appointment of Dr. Al E. Negratti, currently Director of Athletics at the University of California, Santa Barbara, as Athletic Director for UNLV, effective January 1, 1980, at an annual salary of \$37,000.

Mr. Mc Bride moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs. Fong, carried without dissent.

### 14. Mandatory Athletic Fee

It was noted in the agenda that at the May, 1978 meeting, the Board authorized the assessment of a \$2 per credit athletic fee, effective Fall, 1978, for all students at UNLV. This per-credit-fee allows students registered for seven credits or more (i. e., those students who pay CSUN fees) to purchase tickets to athletic events at a discount price.

President Goodall noted that this matter was included on the agenda for discussion at the request of Chairman Cashell, and suggested that comments from the students be heard.

Danny Campbell, President of CSUN, recalled that because procedural errors were made in the previous election concerning the athletic fee, it was decided by CSUN to submit the matter to the student body through a second election. The first election had received a slim margin in favor of the athletic fee; the second election resulted in a vote of 691 no and 283 yes.

Mr. Campbell cited some of the problems with the athletic fee, particularly the inequity of assessing the fee to part-time and graduate students who do not benefit since they are ineligible for the discounted tickets. He reported that CSUN Senate is not asking that the fee be abolished but that it be reviewed for future correction of the inequities to graduate and part-time students, and requested that a subcommittee be formed on the UNLV Campus to look into the possibility of changing the fee.

Chairman Cashell agreed that such a committee would be appropriate and requested President Goodall to proceed accordingly.

## 15. Appointment of Law School Committee

Chancellor Baepler reported that several requests had been received for the appointment of a committee for the establishment of a Law School, and noted that the agenda item before the Board was at the request of Regent Buchanan.

Mr. Buchanan recalled that the Legislature had been asked during two sessions to provide funding for a Law School but each of the requests had been denied. He suggested that the only way the University could establish a Law School would be to raise the money from private sources sufficient to endow the School. He distributed a memorandum with the following proposal:

That a committee for the start-up of a Law School at UNLV be appointed, to see to it that the Law School is constructed, staffed, and begins operations; that the committee meet and vote to form a nonprofit corporation known as the UNLV Law School Foundation, and that it have the following authorities and duties:

- (1) The right to incorporate into a nonprofit corporation to be known as the UNLV Law School Foundation.

- (2) The right to solicit money on behalf of the Law School Foundation in order to fund the capital construction costs of the UNLV Law School estimated to be approximately \$5 million.
  
- (3) The right to solicit endowments for the Law School so as to insure that the Law School has top flight professors and starts out with a high academic theme that would be a model throughout the United States.
  
- (4) The right to hire architects and commence construction when the capital funds are obtained for the Law School on the UNLV Campus.
  
- (5) The right upon construction to hire a Dean for the Law School during the interim construction period in order to solicit top flight professors and staff needed for an eventual class into Law School in 1982.
  
- (6) All necessary authority to put the Law School into implementation.

Mr. Buchanan emphasized that the above conditions would all be subject to approval of the Board, and assured the Regents that there would be no design, hiring of people or any other action initiated without Board approval.

Mr. Buchanan proposed the following members of the committee noting that they have all been contacted and are willing to serve and further proposed that the members of the committee become Directors of the proposed Law School Foundation:

Chief Justice John Mowbray, Nevada Supreme Court

The Honorable David Zenoff, former Supreme Court Justice

E. Parry Thomas, Chairman, Valley Bank

The Honorable John Mendoza, 8th Judicial District Court

The Honorable Adel Guy, 8th Judicial District Court

Al Marquis, Las Vegas Attorney

Lisa Wyman, CSUN Vice President

Lisa Miller

Dale Dalehulen

Chrystal Hester

James L. Buchanan, II, University Regent

Gerald Moffitt, Las Vegas Architect

Larry Lessly, General Counsel

Fred Lewis, Summa Corporation

Mr. Buchanan moved that the Board approve the proposal as contained in his memorandum and that a committee be appointed with the authorities as cited.

Mr. Mc Bride stated that he was opposed to going beyond point three of Mr. Buchanan's proposal, pointing out that he was not against the formation of a committee but did not believe the Board should delegate the rather broad authority proposed by Mr. Buchanan.

Motion seconded by Mr. Karamanos.

Mr. Ross moved to amend the motion to authorize the Chairman only to establish a Law School Committee.

Motion to amend seconded by Mr. Karamanos, carried without dissent.

Amended motion then carried without dissent.

## 16. Payment for Legal Services

President Goodall requested an allocation of \$25,063.96 from

the Board of Regents Special Projects Account to pay for legal services rendered by Jones, Jones, Bell, Close & Brown, Ltd., through August 17, 1979 in the UNLV v. Tarkanian matter. Chancellor Baepler concurred.

Mr. Karamanos moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Buchanan, carried with Mrs. Fong opposing.

Mrs. Fong asked that the record show the reason for her opposing vote, explaining that the Boosters had raised a great deal of money for Intercollegiate Athletics and, in view of that, she did not believe that University funds should be used for legal fees arising from the athletic program.

Mr. Buchanan pointed out that this litigation was imposed upon the University by the actions of NCAA.

#### 17. Community College Division Collective Bargaining

##### Representation Application

Chancellor Baepler reported that the Nevada State Education Association had submitted its application to represent the faculty of the Community College Division of the University

of Nevada System. The application submitted is in compliance with the requirements stated in Title 4, Chapter 6 (University of Nevada System Professional Employees Collective Bargaining Regulations), Section 19, of the Board of Regents Handbook.

Dr. Baepler stated that all procedures have been followed, and he recommended that, in accordance with regulations, the Board of Regents authorize a secret ballot election to be held no sooner than 15 days, and no longer than 30 calendar days from September 21, 1979.

Mr. Buchanan moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Karamanos.

Chancellor Baepler stated that should the election be successful, he considered it very critical that the first contract be negotiated properly and he would request approximately \$100,000 from the Board of Regents Special Projects Account to hire the best labor attorneys available.

Mr. Dale Pugsley, Senate Chairman, presented the following request from the WNCC/S Senate:

That the Regents instruct the organization conducting the election, as specified in Section 20, Title 4, Chapter 6, to count and publish the ballots separately for each College and Campus.

Mr. Dale Etheridge, President of the CCCC Chapter of NSP, requested an opportunity to inform the Regents of the circumstances which led to the submission of the application of NSEA; however, Vice Chancellor Lessly advised that since that matter was not on the agenda it would not be permissible for him to do so.

Chancellor Baepler stated that attempts are still being made to locate the independent party who will conduct the election, and a date for the election will be set in due course with ample notification to all parties.

Motion carried without dissent.

#### 18. Request for Approval of Title Changes, WNCC/South

President Davis requested approval to change the title of the Associate Dean of Student Services to Dean of Student Services and the title of Associate Dean of Occupational

Education to Dean of Instruction at Western Nevada Community College South Campus.

Dr. Davis reported that these proposed changes had been discussed with and endorsed by the Faculty Senates of WNCC/N and WNCC/S and the Advisory Board, adding that this is the first step in reorganizing the College to cut back on administrative costs as mandated by the Legislature.

Chancellor Baepler stated that he had no objection to the title changes in that he was not aware of any change in the content of the positions; however, he suggested that a more critical question was raised by the earlier request from the Board to consider separating WNCC into two Colleges. He suggested deferring this matter until the decision is made on the organization of the College.

President Davis argued that it would be unfair to continue to defer this, noting that it had already been deferred for more than a year. He pointed out that these people have earned the title, they report to the President in carrying out their responsibilities, they are assuming additional duties, and further suggested that if a reorganization is approved that will separate WNCC into two Colleges, the

necessary adjustments can be made at that time.

Mr. Ross commented that this proposed reorganization appeared to be logical in that it focused the structure of the College on instruction and service, and suggested that President Davis be complimented on his response to the mandate of the Legislature to cut administrative costs.

Mrs. Fong moved approval of the changes in titles as proposed by President Davis. Motion seconded by Dr. Lombardi, carried without dissent.

Mrs. Fong requested that in submitting future reorganization proposals that organization charts, both present and proposed, be presented to the Regents.

#### 19. Appointment to Advisory Board, WNCC

President Davis requested approval of the appointment of William Van Patten to the WNCC Advisory Board.

Mr. Mc Bride moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Karamanos, carried without dissent.

## 20. Award of Bid, Phase IV, WNCC/South

President Davis reported that the State Public Works Board had opened bids for construction of Phase IV of WNCC/South. The low bidder, Nevada Builders, submitted a bid of \$1,455,800, which exceeded the project budget. The State Public Works Board successfully negotiated with Nevada Builders for a contract in the amount of \$1,323,271. It was necessary, however, to delete the furnishings budget of \$100,000 from the project to avoid redesign and rebidding to bring the negotiated contract within the budget.

President Davis requested concurrence by the Board in the award by the State Public Works Board of a negotiated contract to Nevada Builders for \$1,323,271 for construction of Phase IV of WNCC/S. He further requested approval to allocate \$100,000 from the WNCC Capital Improvement Fee Account to replace the \$100,000 reduced from the furnishings budget. Dr. Davis recalled that earlier the Board had authorized the expenditure of \$67,200 from the WNCC Capital Improvement Fee Account for recarpeting Phase II of WNCC/N; however, sufficient savings occurred in that project to cover the carpeting out of the contingency fund, thereby releasing the \$67,200 back to the Capital Improvement Fee

Fund.

Dr. Davis also recommended that commendation be extended to

Mr. William Hancock and the staff of the State Public Works

Board, and to the architectural firm of Sheehan and Haase,

for their cooperation in realizing this project.

Dr. Lombardi moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr.

Karamanos, carried without dissent.

#### 21. Request for Allocation from Board of Regents Special

Projects Account

President Eaton reported that the Nevada Humanities Commit-

tee had given approval to the UNLV Visibility Research Cen-

ter's application for the multi-media planetarium production

"Energy Paths: Time for Decision". NHC grant funds of

\$7,500 are to be matched by \$8,600 in cash gifts to the

Nevada Humanities Committee. Clark County Community College

will plan and develop this production to be presented by the

CCCC Planetarium in June and July, 1980.

Dr. Eaton requested that the Board of Regents allocate

\$4,300 from the Board of Regents Special Projects Account in

the form of a cash gift to the Nevada Humanities Committee.

This amount will be matched by local contributions raised under the auspices of the CCCC Advisory Board. Chancellor Baepler concurred.

Mr. Mc Bride moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs. Fong, carried without dissent.

## 22. Proposal for Practical Experience Farm, NNCC

President Berg presented a proposal for a Practical Experience Farm as part of NNCC's vocational program in agriculture. A copy of the proposal identified as Ref. 19, is filed with permanent minutes.

Dr. Berg reported that a grant award has been received from the Nevada Department of Vocational Education in the amount of \$30,000 per year for five years, under the provisions of the Nevada Five-Year State Plan and the Annual Program for Vocational Education. He requested authorization to proceed with the Practical Experience Farm as proposed.

Mr. Mc Bride moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Karamanos, carried without dissent.

23. Request for Loan from DRI Contingency Fund

President Smith requested approval of a loan of \$45,000 from the DRI Contingency Fund to the Water Resources Center for the purpose of purchasing computer equipment. He noted that the loan would be for one year and would be repaid by a use charge from existing grants and contracts. Chancellor Baepler recommended approval.

Mrs. Fong moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Mc Bride, carried without dissent.

24. Recommendation for Edgar J. Marston Research Professorship

President Smith recommended that Dr. John Hallett of the Atmospheric Sciences Center be the recipient of the Edgar J. Marston Research Professorship in Atmospheric Physics, effective September 1, 1979. Biographical material supporting the recommendation was included with the agenda (identified as Ref. 22 and filed with permanent minutes).

Dr. Lombardi moved approval. Motion seconded by Mr. Mc Bride, carried without dissent.

25. Appointment to National Advisory Board, DRI

President Smith recommended appointment of Dr. Peter J. Mehringer, Jr., Professor of Anthropology and Geology, Washington State University, to the National Advisory Board for DRI.

Mr. Mc Bride moved approval. Motion seconded by Mrs. Fong, carried without dissent.

26. DRI Space in Southern Nevada

President Smith reported concerning lack of office and laboratory space for the Institute's Water Resources Programs in Southern Nevada (report identified as Ref. 23 and filed with permanent minutes) and requested authorization to approach the Legislative Interim Finance Committee for \$75,000 with which to fund acquisition of temporary office and laboratory space.

Dr. Peter Krenkel, Executive Director of the Water Resources Center, spoke concerning the activities of that Center in Las Vegas and the space problem they are presently facing

both in office and laboratory space.

Dean Robert Smith, College of Science, Mathematics and Engineering, UNLV, spoke concerning the importance of the water studies in Southern Nevada, and the research collaboration between UNLV and the Water Resources Center.

Chancellor Baepler stated that although he did not disagree with the value of the Water Resources program in Southern Nevada, or in the need for space, he recommended against an approach to the Interim Finance Committee to seek a temporary alleviation to the problem. He pointed out that the University System has had, over the years, a very special relationship with the Interim Finance Committee. This relation has been safeguarded, he said, by not approaching the Interim Finance Committee each time a problem arises, but, rather, the University has attempted to seek alternatives.

He pointed out that the request for a building for DRI in Southern Nevada had not been turned down by the 1979 Legislature but had been deferred for two years. Had it been approved and funded, it would still be a year or more away from completion and occupancy, so the immediate space problem would still exist. He suggested that one alternative which should be examined would be to explore the commercial

value of the property owned by DRI, located across from UNLV on Maryland Parkway, to see what relief can be realized from that asset. He proposed that the value of that property be determined and an estimate made of annual income it might generate, and that DRI propose a specific solution to the space problem, identify the cost factor, and what alternatives are available for resolving the problem.

It appeared to be the consensus that a solution should be found to the problem of space for DRI but that approaching the Interim Finance Committee was not in the University's best interests. It was agreed that it would be preferable for the Chancellor, President Smith and President Goodall to confer on the matter and develop a specific proposal for the Board.

Mr. Buchanan moved to table this matter until the November meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Karamanos, carried without dissent.

## 27. University System Police Forces

Chancellor Baepler recalled that Chairman Cashell had requested a report concerning the University System Police

Forces, specifically related to how security is handled at each of the Campuses and recommendations concerning whether changes in the present organization are desirable. Dr.

Baepler reported that security within the System presently ranges from essentially no security at some facilities, private security at some, and full-fledged Campus police forces at UNR and UNLV. Collectively, security within the University System involves a great deal of money.

Chancellor Baepler noted that the signals he was getting from the Board was for a shift from the police force image to one of a security force. He suggested this could be achieved by changing the manner of dress, removing the flashing lights and sirens from police vehicles, removing arms during the daylight hours, and other such procedures.

He also suggested there were several options which could be examined, such as utilization of the State Highway Patrol on a contract basis. Dr. Baepler stated that he did not believe there is any great difference of opinion among the Campus Officers, but he wished to receive some direction from the Regents before engaging in development of a proposal.

It appeared to be the consensus that the security versus the

police force was preferable to most of the Regents, with the exception of Mr. Karamanos, who stated that the police force should be expanded rather than diminished, which, he suggested, would be the effect if it is converted to a security force.

It was agreed that the Chancellor, in cooperation with the Campus Presidents, would prepare a report for submission to the Board at a subsequent meeting.

#### 28. Hughes Estate - Texas

Vice Chancellor Lessly requested authority to retain the services of private counsel to issue an opinion that any indemnity agreement entered into by the Board of Regents on the Hughes Estate in Texas would be enforceable against the Board. Mr. Lessly noted that this request is pursuant to the requirements imposed by the attorneys for the estate. He also requested authority to bring suit on behalf of the Board in Nevada against the Texas Estate and its Administrators, based on the Texas judgment in favor of the Board, in the event that the Texas Estate does not make the required payments to the Board within a reasonable time after opinion is rendered by private counsel. Chancellor Baepler

recommended approval.

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

## 29. Report of Audit Committee

Mr. Mc Bride reported that the Audit Committee, together with the Chancellor, the Presidents and their Budget Officers, had met on September 14, 1979 for purposes of reviewing the revised Work Program for 1979-80. A report of the meeting was distributed and is filed with permanent minutes. Mr. Mc Bride stated that the Committee found the Work Program, in essence, to be in compliance with legislative intent and the budgeting process and recommended approval by the Board.

Mr. Ross moved approval of the report of the Audit Committee and approval of the Work Program as recommended by the Audit Committee. Motion seconded by Mr. Karamanos.

Mrs. Fong expressed strong disapproval of the reorganization of several UNR Departments without prior approval of the Board. Chairman Cashell reminded Mrs. Fong that President

Crowley had fully explained the reorganization and the events that had, in his opinion, made it necessary to proceed administratively, and pointed out that this had been taken into consideration by the Audit Committee in its review of the Work Program.

Chancellor Baepler explained that he and President Crowley had consulted concerning this and pointed out that this was merely a merger of existing functions and, in his opinion, was not in the category of a major change requiring Board approval.

Dr. Lombardi commented about the difference in the handling of Booster funds received by the two Universities and suggested that there be an audit of these funds, showing their source and where they are expended.

Chancellor Baepler reported that the independent auditors, Kafoury, Armstrong, Turner and Company, have noted the differences between the way in which the Universities handle and account for these funds, and stated that it was his understanding that the independent auditors will have a recommendation in their Management Letter concerning this matter, including a recommendation that a committee be

established to analyze how each University receives and accounts for the funds and to develop a uniform procedure to be followed.

Motion carried with Mrs. Fong opposing.

Mrs. Fong requested that the record reflect that her opposing vote was cast to demonstrate strong disapproval of any President taking administrative license in reorganizing Departments and programs by rearranging the budget and thereby sidestepping regular established procedures.

Mr. Mc Bride recalled that the Board had concurred in the need for expanded responsibilities for the Audit Committee, and he proposed the Audit Committee be retitled Finance Committee, with the following responsibilities, noting that the first five responsibilities are currently assigned to the Audit Committee with only the last three reflecting expanded responsibilities:

The Finance Committee shall:

- a. Provide assistance to the Board in fulfilling its fiduciary responsibilities relating to accounting and

reporting practices.

- b. Maintain, by way of regularly scheduled meetings, a direct line of communication between the Board and the independent auditors to provide for exchange of views and information.
- c. Consider and recommend to the Board a firm of independent certified public accountants which shall audit the financial books and records of the University.
- d. Review and evaluate reports prepared by the independent auditors concerning the University's internal accounting and management controls and make recommendations to the Board for appropriate action.
- e. Review the annual financial statements with the independent auditors.
- f. Provide guidance in the development of operating budget concepts and parameters and recommend to the Board the adoption of such concepts and parameters.
- g. Consider and recommend to the Board approval of operat-

ing budget requests and Work Programs prepared in conformance with previously approved concepts and guidelines.

h. Assist, where appropriate, in the presentation of all budget and financial matters to the Legislature.

Dr. Lombardi moved approval of the proposed responsibilities with the understanding that this be regarded as a first reading of a proposed amendment to the Bylaws, with final action to occur at the November meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Karamanos, carried without dissent.

### 30. Report of Investment Advisory Committee

Mr. Karamanos reported that the Investment Advisory Committee had met during the lunch break and presented the following actions for consideration by the Board:

(1) Recommended approval of the request of First National

Bank of Nevada to make the following transactions:

a) Conversion of \$100,000 El Paso Co. bonds to common stock.

b) Purchase of 600,000 P. V. Corporate Bonds, High Quality Long Term - at a discount price of approximately \$75, for an approximate value of \$450,000.

(2) Recommended approval of transactions by Security National Bank, as follows, within a latitude of 10% of the prices indicated:

PURCHASE

- 300 Union Carbide at approx. price of \$41
- 400 Continental Group at approx. price of \$28
- 300 Great No. Nekoosa at approx. price of \$37
- 300 Allis Chalmers at approx. price of \$34
- 300 ARA Services at approx. price of \$36
- 200 Smith-Kline at approx. price of \$43
- 500 Merrill Lynch at approx. price of \$19
- 300 American Express at approx. price of \$32
- 25K Pacific Gas & Electric 8.5%, due 2-1-09 at approx. price of \$86
- 25K Wells Fargo 8.60% due 4-1-02 at approx. price of \$87.50

RESCIND SALE OF 400 shares of American Telephone

- (3) Discussed the anticipated receipt of \$400,000 from an estate as the principal of an endowment fund for the support of a Chair in Historic Preservation at UNR.

Chancellor Baepler recommended that in order to realize adequate income for the Chair, it be invested as

follows:

\$200,000 to be managed by the Security National Bank with the objective of high yield, and that American Investors be invited to submit a proposal for the investment of the remaining \$200,000. The Committee concurred in this recommendation.

Dr. Lombardi moved approval of the recommendations of the Investment Committee. Motion seconded by Mrs. Fong, carried without dissent.

31. Appointments to Standing Committees

Chairman Cashell announced the appointment of Mrs. June Whitley to the Investment Advisory Committee and Dr.

Lombardi to the Finance Committee.

### 32. Proposal for Study of UNS Computing Center

Chancellor Baepler noted that the last review of the UNS Computing Center was in 1968-69, and a great many changes have occurred, both within the University and in the technology of computers during the past ten years, and suggested that it was timely that a study be done to guide the Computing Center during the next decade.

Chancellor Baepler proposed that consultants be retained for a study of the UNS Computing Center, that this study consist of a complete analysis of the capability of the hardware, programs and staff of the Center as it relates to the University, and that up to \$30,000 be provided from the Board of Regents Special Projects Account to fund the study.

Mr. Mc Bride moved approval. Motion seconded by Dr. Lombardi, carried without dissent.

### 33. Resignation of Brenda Mason

Chairman Cashell read the following letter from Brenda Mason

to the Board of Regents:

It has been a pleasure serving the State of Nevada in such an important capacity. I have truly enjoyed every moment of it, especially being among such important people. Perhaps when I finally become an attorney, I will again return to the State of Nevada to serve in some capacity. Thanks for the good times.

It was suggested by Mrs. Fong, and unanimously concurred in by the Board, that an appropriate resolution of appreciation be prepared for Miss Mason.

#### 34. New Business

(1) Mr. Mc Bride asked that the Board request the Chancellor to appoint a System Committee to investigate the feasibility of abolishing the DRI as a Division and assigning its research functions to the appropriate University Divisions. He requested that a progress report on this be made to the November meeting, and suggested that in addition to appointment to the Committee of individuals within the System, someone from the National Academy of Science or the National Science

Foundation, or some other outside prestigious scientific group, be asked to serve as an advisor.

Mr. Buchanan objected, stating that before such a committee is appointed, the Board should vote on whether it wishes such a study to be conducted, pointing out that this was not appropriate as new business, but should be placed on the November agenda as an action item.

President Smith recalled that a proposal similar to Mr. Mc Bride's had been considered several years previous, and the Board had, at that time, reaffirmed the Institute's status as a separate entity of the University System.

Mr. Mc Bride suggested that with Dr. Smith leaving and before a new President is appointed, it would be timely to look at the organization, and study the various options and issues that exist within DRI, including the possibility of its abolishment or other restructuring.

He pointed out that he, and several others on the Board, were not on the Board the last time this matter was reviewed.

Mr. Buchanan requested that this matter be brought back as an action item, and that documents resulting from the previous study be submitted as part of the agenda.

Chancellor Baepler pointed out that the last report to which Mr. Buchanan referred was mostly settled in-house at the Advisory Cabinet level, without great debate by the Board. He agreed, however, to prepare this as an agenda item for the November meeting and to provide the information requested.

- (2) Mr. Mc Bride noted that three new members have come on the Board of Regents since the last action taken concerning the Law School, and asked that the November agenda include a discussion of whether the action taken by the Board in December, 1978, should be reaffirmed.

It was agreed that copies of the previous study would be furnished all members of the Board and further discussion would be scheduled on the November agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 P.M.

Bonnie M. Smotony

Secretary of the Board

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