

**Nevada Office of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education
(Nevada WICHE Commission) Meeting**

Nevada System of Higher Education
System Administration Building
2601 Enterprise Road
Reno, NV 89512
Room 114

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Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE)
System Administration Building
4300 S. Maryland Parkway
Las Vegas, NV 89119
Room 105

Thursday, January 25, 2024, 3:00 pm

Via Telephone: Dial 1-669-900-9128, Meeting ID: 975 1359 5096, Passcode: 156974

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Some agenda items are noted as having accompanying reference material. The agenda and associated reference material may also be accessed on the Internet by visiting the Nevada Office of WICHE website at: <https://nvwiche.nevada.edu/>. Copies of reference material and any supporting materials that are submitted to the Nevada WICHE Commission after the posting of this agenda and before or during the meeting will be made available at the NV WICHE Commission Office, 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, Nevada 89512. A copy may be requested by contacting Director Patty Porter by email at nvwiche@nevada.edu or by telephone at 775-784-4901. Copies of any such additional materials will also be available at Nevada WICHE Commission website at: <https://nvwiche.nevada.edu/>.

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BOARD

ROLL CALL:

Mr. Fred Lokken, Executive Commissioner _____
Ms. Cathy Dinauer, Commissioner _____
Mr. Dale Erquiaga, Commissioner _____

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

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2. MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The Commission will consider approval of the minutes from the December 8, 2023, meeting.

(Ref. 2-WICHE Commission Meeting Minutes, December 8, 2023)

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

3. COMMISSIONER UPDATES

INFORMATION ONLY

The WICHE Commissioners will provide updates on their activities as commissioners.

ESTIMATED TIME: 15 minutes

4. DIRECTOR UPDATE

INFORMATION ONLY

Director Patty Porter will provide the Commissioners with an update on the Nevada Office of WICHE activities.

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

**5. UPDATE ON CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY TO ENACT SB 342**

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Director Patty Porter and Deputy General Counsel Carrie Parker will provide the Commissioners with an update on contract negotiations with Utah State University

(USU) to comply with SB 342. Possible action may include review and approval of a contract or further direction to staff regarding negotiations and next steps.

ESTIMATED TIME: 30 minutes

(Ref. 3-Nevada WICHE/USU Contract)

6. DOCUSIGN ESIGNATURE ENTERPRISE PRO QUOTE **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Commission may consider approval of the DocuSign eSignature Enterprise Pro quote for one year service agreement and may authorize Director Patty Porter to execute the contract on behalf of the Commission subject to any State contract authorization requirements.

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

7. COMMISSION DELEGATION TO EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Director Patty Porter will ask the commissioners for possible action to delegate authority to the Executive Commissioner to reappoint Nevada legislative members, previously approved by the Commission, to the regional WICHE Legislative Advisory Committee (LAC).

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

8. 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, and no substantive discussion may occur at this meeting on new business items in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.010 *et seq.*).

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