



PUBLIC NOTICE
DRI RESEARCH FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Thursday, May 14, 2026
8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

DRI Las Vegas Campus
Rogers Auditorium
755 E Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89119

This meeting will be held in person and virtually via Microsoft Teams.

Public Access via Microsoft Teams

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Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented at the discretion of the chair. Two or more items may be combined for consideration. The board may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

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AGENDA

1) Call to Order

Chair Beth Campbell will welcome participants and call the meeting to order.

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(Estimated Time: 5 minutes)

2) 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 Chair may limit or prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Board, or if the content of that comment 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.

(Estimated Time: 2 minutes)

3) Approval of Minutes

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair Beth Campbell will request review and possible approval of the minutes of the February 12, 2026 DRI Research Foundation Board of Trustee meeting. (Ref: [Agenda #3 2.12.24 DRIF Trustee Meeting Minutes DRAFT for approval](#))

(Estimated Time: 3 minutes)

4) Chair's Report

INFORMATION ONLY

Chair Beth Campbell will provide an update on behalf of the DRI Foundation including a status update on the Yerington properties and a conversation about board engagement.

(Estimated Time: 15 minutes)

5) President's Report and DRI Research Highlights

INFORMATION ONLY

DRI President Kumud Acharya will provide an update on topics impacting or relevant to DRI. President Acharya will invite Executive Directors Naresh Kumar and Trey Flowers to provide research updates from their divisions.

(Estimated Time: 15 minutes)

6) Faculty Senate Update

INFORMATION ONLY

Faculty Senate Chair Dr. Vera Samburova will provide an update on behalf of the DRI Faculty Senate.

(Estimated Time: 5 minutes)

7) DRI Scientist Presentation

INFORMATION ONLY

Megan Stueve, Assistant Research Scientists of Anthropology and Archaeology, will provide an overview of her research and work at DRI including a feature of the Virtual Outdoor Experience program.

(Estimated Time: 15 minutes)

8) Resolution Adopting Rules & Regulations Relating to the Approval and Execution of Agreements and Contracts

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Director of Foundation Operations Julie Mathews will request approval of a resolution adopting rules and regulations relating to the approval and execution of agreements and contracts on behalf of the DRI Research Foundation. (Ref: [Agenda #8 DRAFT DRIF Resolution re Contract Signature Authority](#))

(Estimated Time: 10 minutes)

9) Establishment of the Gallagher IRP Restricted Quasi-Endowment

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

DRI Chief Financial Officer Lindsay Sessions will request approval of a resolution authorizing the establishment of a restricted quasi-endowment, to be known as the Gallagher IRP Restricted Quasi-Endowment, and to be managed as part of the NSHE endowment pool for the purposes of supporting the DRI Innovation Research Program. CFO Sessions will further request to transfer the balance of the donor-restricted IRP expendable contributions to be utilized in establishing the Gallagher IRP Restricted Quasi-Endowment, and that the DRI President, or designee, be authorized to approve and execute such other documents on behalf of the Foundation as may be necessary to effectuate the establishment of the Gallagher IRP Restricted Quasi-Endowment. (Ref: [Agenda #9 DRAFT Resolution to Establish Gallagher IRP Restricted Quasi-Endowment](#))

(Estimated Time: 10 minutes)

10) Treasurer's Report and FY2027 Operating Budget Presentation

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

DRIF Treasurer Lisa Gallagher will present the April 2026 Treasurer's Report and the FY2027 DRIF Operating Budget for review and possible approval. (Ref: [Agenda #10a April 2026 Treasurers Report](#) and Ref: [Agenda #10b FY27 DRIF Operating Budget DRAFT](#))

(Estimated Time: 15 minutes)

11) AWE+ Working Group Update

FOR DISCUSSION

Trustee Kristin McMillan Porter will provide a summary of recent planning discussions on possible next steps and directions for the AWE+ initiative.

(Estimated Time: 15 minutes)

12) Fundraising Working Group Update

FOR DISCUSSION

Trustee Steph Kruse and Director of Advancement Kristin Burgarello will discuss the board's role in supporting fundraising and present a plan for launching the DRI planned giving program. Topics presented will include the establishment of a relationship with the National Gift Annuity Foundation which can help facilitate accepting complex non-cash assets and issuing annuities, and proposals to engage with Endowment Development Services, a leading planned giving marketing firm and to add functionality to the Salesforce database to facilitate effective planned giving gift administration. Information on these services will be discussed. Consideration and approval to move forward with these services will be included as part of the DRIF FY27 operating budget item. (Ref: [Agenda #12a NGAF and DFI FAQ](#); Ref: [Agenda #12b EDS in a Nutshell](#))

(Estimated Time: 15 minutes)

13) Office of Advancement Update

INFORMATION ONLY

Director of Advancement Kristin Burgarello will highlight FY26 YTD fundraising activity, share fundraising goals for FY27, and highlight some new engagement opportunities.

(Estimated Time: 10 minutes)

14) DRI Communications & External Affairs Updates

INFORMATION ONLY

Communications Manager Detra Page will provide an update on DRI outreach events including Curiosity Lab and May the Science be With and share an update on scientific misinformation in the age of AI.

(Estimated Time: 10 minutes)

15) New Business

INFORMATION ONLY

Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested. Any discussion of an item under "New Business" is limited to a description and clarification of the subject matter of the item, which may include the reasons for the request. No substantive discussion may occur at this meeting on new business items in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting law.

(Estimated Time: 3 minutes)

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17) Adjournment

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