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### DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND REHABILITATION EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION 500 E. Third Street Carson City, Nevada 89713-0001

#### Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Post Date: October 29, 2019

The Commission on Postsecondary Education will conduct a meeting on **November 6, 2019**, commencing 9:00 a.m., at the locations listed below via videoconferencing:

Place of Meeting: Live Meeting: Live Meeting:

DETR - SAO Auditorium DETR - Stan Jones Building, Conf. Rm. A-C

500 East Third Street 2800 E. St. Louis Avenue Carson City, Nevada 89713 Las Vegas, Nevada 89104

The Commission may take items out of order; combine two or more items for consideration; remove an item from the agenda; or, delay discussion on any item. The Commission will take public comment at the beginning and end of this meeting and may allow public comment after conclusion of any contested case or quasi-judicial proceedings that may affect the due process rights of an individual. The Commission will limit public comment to three minutes. Written submissions may be considered. While there will be no restriction on comments based on viewpoint, repetitive comments may be limited.

#### **AGENDA**

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	Chair may limit public comment to 3 minutes per speaker, but may not restrict comment based upon viewpoint. No
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Applicants for Added Program

10. CRI – Digital Marketing Specialist-----For possible action

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11. Public Comment ------Informational Chair may limit public comment to 3 minutes per speaker but may not restrict comment based upon viewpoint. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under the public comment period, unless the matter itself has been specifically included on this agenda as an action item.

-----For possible action 12. Adjournment ----

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Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation **Employment Security Division** Commission on Postsecondary Education Attn: Susan Beckett 8778 South Maryland Pkwy, Suite 115 Las Vegas, NV 89123

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- 2.DETR Stan Jones Building, 2800 E. St. Louis Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89148
- 3. DETR State Administrative Office, 500 E. Third Street, Carson City, NV 89713
- 4. Grant Sawyer Building, 2501 Washington Street, Las Vegas, NV 89101

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### STATE OF NEVADA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

This meeting, conducted by the Commission on Postsecondary Education Chapter 394 of Nevada Administrative Code pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute NRS 394.383.

#### NEVADA COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

Wednesday, September 18, 2019; 9

Place of Meeting: Video Conference to:

DETR - SAO Auditorium DETR - Stan Jos uilding, Conf. Rm. A-C 500

East Third Street 2800 E. St. Louis Avenue Carson City, Nevada 89713 Las Vegas, Neva

Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR) Staff

Present in Carson City

Kimberly Gaa, DETR ESD Administrator Kelly D. Wuest, CPE Administrator

Department of Employment. Training and Rehabilitation (DETR) Staff

Present in Las Veg

Michelle Nash, CPE ry Education Spalist – Veterans Affairs SAA Maricris Wu, CPE Postsecondary Edu Susan Beckett, CPE Administrative stant III

#### Membershe Public, Media and Other Agencies

Steve Watkintek

#### Members of the Public, Media and Other Agencies Present in Las Vegas

Robert Whitney, Nevada Attorney General Office Deputy Attorney General Gwen Ruter Mulhn, Save the Art
Omar Herrera, Covered 6
Dan Raimer, L.V. Institute of Welding
Jeremy Reed, L.V. Institute of Welding
Brie Roper, L.V. Institute of Welding
Thomas Pfundstein, Finishing Trades Institute
Roland Kailihiwa, Art Institute
Jeremy Daughrity, Faculty of Ai

Daniel Taylor, Save Ai LV

Josh Hudson, Save Ai LV

Rosa Padilla, TPR PSVTS
Charles Lee, AI
Susan Jarvis, AI
Alexis Lodge, Live Savers Training Center
Tracy Evans, Live Savers
Linda Montgomery, The Learning Center
Alex Sotelo, AI
Lisa A Mayo, AI

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Matthew Woodard, Covered 6 Michael Kopanski, Faculty & Staff S

Kato Charles, AI

Richard Rock, AIL.V.
Mike Zuliani, Save the Art
Iekes Sulliver, Save the Art Institute
Michael Brown, Art Institute
Mariah Abbott, AILV
Roxanne Montoya, AILV

#### <u>Members of the Commission on Postsecondary Education</u> <u>Present in Carson City</u>

Larry Nathan (Nate) Clark, Vice Chair

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### STATE OF NEVADA EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

September 18, 2019 ← 9:01 A.M.

#### Call to Order

The meeting was held at the Department of Employment Training and Rehabilitation Conference Meeting Rooms, in Las Vegas, Nevada and the SAO Arium, Carson City (via video conferencing). The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Commissioner Nathan Clark at approximately 9:01 AM.

#### **Public Comments**

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#### Public

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without pay), FLSA Emplo negligence of employment.

#### Written Comments

None, in th Administrator Wuest. For the record, this is Susan Beckett, we have two. The two public comms we ead aloud and attached as Exhibit C and Exhibit D at the end of the minutes.

#### Confirmation of Posting

Susan Beckett, for the record, Administrative Assistant III, Employment Security Division, Commission on Postsecondary Education. Yes, proper Notice was provided for this Meeting pursuant to Nevada's Open Meeting Law, NRS 241.020 and confirmation of posting was received.

#### **Open Meeting Compliance**

For the record, this is Susan Beckett, again, Administrative Assistant III, Employment Security Division, Commission on Postsecondary Education, we are in compliance with the open meeting law.

#### Roll Call

- Rene Cantu-Present
- Vice Chair Nathan Clark-Present
- Sharon Frederick-Present
- Jill Hersha-Present
- Jon Ponder-Present
- Chris Sewell-Present

This is Kelly Wuest, roll has been taken and quorum has been confirmed.

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion: Commissioner Clark -Motion to modify nd move agenda item eleven, Art

Institute of Las Vegas to fall after agenumber two Aviation Institute

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and: Frederick.

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Results: Unanimous, agenda is adoptenodifications.

Approval of Minutes May 8, 2019

Motion: Commissioner FredeMotion to approve the minutes from May 8, 2019

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ssion:

Results: Unanimous, motion passes.

November 4 to possibly November 11. However, November 11, is Veterans Day and that probably wonot work well for anyone.

Motion: Commissioner Frederick to table - Motion to table this until our next meeting. Until

Second: Commissioner Hersha.

Discussion: Commissioner ha, I would just recommend we come back with some back up

Results:

**Administrators Report** 

Administrator Kelly Wuest stated the Administrators report that was prepared on September 5, 2019 and submitted in the public posting packet remained the same for the meeting.

Introduced Kimberley Gaa, Employment Security Division Administrator and new Commissioner Chris Sewell.

#### **Applications for Full Term License**

HVAC Air Conditioning Academy

Testified: Cesar Garcia, Owner/Director updated information himself and about the school

which has exceeded his original expectations from a year ago.

Discussion: Commissioners discussed the findings from the audit and Mr. Garcia regarding the

student career services for employment in the field of training. Students who are

not working in the area of training can not be recorded as placed.

Motion: Commissioner Hersha - A motion that HV Air Conditioning Academy be

gran sure

Com None Unai

Aviation Institute of Maintenance

Testified:

extension wa The request is due to a required build out in the back of

Discussion: No further questions

Motion:

be extended for nine-monthse

Second:

Discussion: None.

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Discussion: Mark E. DUnited States District Court Receiver, is looking to transition the school to the purchaser and looking to keep the license until that purchase is completed or at least so I can finish the students I have in the school right now. As to the payroll, these people will be paid, one way or another I will find a way to pay those professors. I have funded through different assets I have sold and gotten permission from the court. I have not been paid a dime, you would see a court order from that, and my company has not been paid. The receivership is funding the rent, the utilities and the things that need to be put in. At this point, none of the students have paid a dime in tuition, from what I know, because the department (Department of Education) shut off the funding. They will be paid, this was set up

under an agreement I had with the purchasers on 3/29/19. I have continued to fund things except for the payroll. I made one payroll, by the way.

Commissioners asked about the list of items for compliance. Mr. Dottore stated we are not currently taking any new students and we will not be taking any new students because of ACICS. There are data problems due to a computer system in Pittsburg. One of the issues regarding attendance, I am sure the new folks are doing that. Enrollment agreements ask the folks that are running the school right now. I am in charge of the school, I am not running the school. I am in charge of the school; the buck stops here. Commissioner Clark requested to hear from representatives of the school for clarificar. Daniel Bliss (name from

recording only, did not sign in) and Mr. Turbaytspoke on behalf of the school on the local level as introduce Mr. Bliss stated the questions you have today, have been answered in the long-detailed submission we submitted.

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Institute, last name portions inaudible

enrollments until the school is successful in submission of a change in ownership

Second: Commissioner Frederick.

Discussion: Commissioner Hersha commented, the only contingency I would like to add is er, we need an update. Regarding the letter has

written, the ownership has been transferred, some of those key things are rward have actually occurred, a status report. Commissioner Frederick stat be included in the Administrator's Report to the commission? Commission Clark commented, you're asking for an update of the status of the things that I have already said they need to submit in November? Commissioner Hersha responded, this is actually an update of other things, that they have already done that – that's fine, but I also want that the sale has actually completed, that they have trained teachers, I want to see that some of those things that are critical of them moving forward and being productive moving forward and they have accomplished those by November. If they close in October, they said the money is free they can pay some of those things and resolve some of those issues. I would like to see them just get it done, I think prolonging it is prolonging it. Commissioner Sewell furthered, I wholeheartedly agree getting some sort of an

update at the November 6 meeting based on, we have already been told that they can move up the sale to the first of week or two of October and then after that they are going to have all this money; they can pay the teachers and move on. I think having that update will and we need to see this again.

Commissioner Cantu asked, there has been some mention of a bond, is that something the commissioners would like to add?

Mr. Turbay commented, I have one request, pertaining to the letter to the students. We have to be very careful of the wording of the school stays open the Department of Education will not foe loans to the students because they quit. The students might get the ssion because the school is in jeopardy. Commissioner Clark responded, don't I feel it is necessary in my amendment, but it is certainly you can supplement your letter with. I am not trying to get students to drop out or to stay. o do is make sure

#### Amended Motion:

Commissioner Clark – I would like tmotion to also add a contingency for an update on the status of the sale, and the release of the money from, I assume the department of education that has been discussed here today in addition to the omotion.

Mr.tated, Commissionergain, I don't know, it would be very

difficule partment of education is going to release the money by veral times in this meeting that the money is going to be released. I amended my motion, I am looking for a second.

Com – I will amend my second.

#### Second:

I think it would be good idea, something I would like to see. Just as the letter is going out to the students, giving them an update. Perhaps we can send an update to the teachers to let them know when they might be able to get paid. Maybe we can get an update on that at the November meeting. Commissioner Clark replied, I don't know if they are going to have an update on that. That is really a bankruptcy issues and not so much a Commission on Postsecondary Education issue. Is there an NRS that states for that issue? Administrator Wuest stated, NRS (394.450) states they have to follow all other regulations in Nevada. Commissioner Clark

asked, I dow't know how to word that in a motion, maybe you could help me with that? Commissioner Ponder replied, perhaps what we could do is put it in as an update so that we could just have an update as to where we are at with it. Commissioner Clark furthered, so are you suggesting that the school provide an update to us on how they are doing with their payroll or the notice to the students? Commissioner Ponder replied, just as you were talking about the notice to the students going out, perhaps we could see a notice to the teachers of when they might possibly be able to get paid. Somewhere in the language to be reported back. Commissioner Clark asked, can the school even respond to that? Mr. Turbay stated, Commissioner that is the thing we are working, see if you are granting us

and to continue on.

#### Amended Motion:

school explaining whrocess just like you just explained to us relaying when you expect t to be released, what conditions have to be

met in order for that moneyeleased, and then the priority of the payroll above ties of the school is paid once that money is released. The notice will formed decision on whether they want

to make an informed decision on whether they want to continuing working there

Second:
Discussion

Results: Umanimous, motion carries.

#### Applications for Initisional Licensure

#### Covered 6

Testified:

Christopher Dunn, CEO and Founder; Gina Rodriguez, Acting Director; Carmelina Ruiz, CFO; Omar Herrera, Chief Operating Officer; and Matthew Woodard, Campus Director present and available for innoformation pertaining to Covered 6. Mr. Dunan presented background innoformation for Covered 6 and the innoformation from their school, and business in California.

Discussion

Commissioner Frederick asked about the red man training and student laptops to use and retain in cyber security training. Mr. Dunn gave explanations. Commissioner Hersha asked about financial aid/scholarships and job placements. Mr. Dunn explained job placements along with apprenticeships. Further discussion about creating relationships with employers occurred between Commissioner Hersha and Mr. Dunn. Commissioner Clark asked about admission requirements and background check requirements. Mr. Dunn explained the reasons pertaining to background checks, the outcomes and employment. Commissioner Clark continued questions to include the fee for the hand gum. Mr. Dunn explained the gun is not provided to the student as a purchase rather a loan to use during specific training situations. Commissioner Frederick asked about the test out policies. Mr. Dunn explained possisible veterans and other areas. Commissioner Ponder thanked and then asked about job placement services for people with challenging backgr California. Commissioner Cantu

asked about training to be used for illicit purposes. Mr. Dunn explained how the

scho for a facility. Commissioner Sewell asked about the area. Mr. Dunn expanded and explained the use

of simulators and the to have it train to the law enforcement standards.

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Motion:

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Second: Commissioner erick second the motion.

Discussion: None Results: Unantimous,

Las Vegas Institute of

Testified: Dan Raimer, Director introduced Gabrielle Roper, Owner and Jeremy Reed,

Director of Education. Mr. Raimer gave background innformation on the

introductory course of welding at the school and plans for the future.

Discussions: Commissioner Clark asked about accreditation. Mr. Raimer explained the

accreditation information was submitted in the application. Further discussion included discussion urging the word certification no longer be used and replacing it with qualification. Commissioner Clark will talk with Mr. Raimer if he contacts

him regarding the difference between certifications and qualifications. Commissioner Ponder stated you had mentioned a desire to help incarcerated people, what are your plans moving forward with that? Mr. Raimer explained, he has been talking with Workforce Development and Hope for Prisoners. Mr. Ponder asked about the location of the school. Mr. Raimer stated he has an agent he is working with and wants the school to be easily accessible for bus travel. Commissioner Sewel asked what types of placement programs are going for graduates. Mr. Raimer stated he has contacts in the industry because they are part of the industry. Commissioner Hersha asked about advertising. Mr. Raimer stated there will be no initial advertising, he will besusing local leads and his current contacts.

Motion:

Commission Hersha – That a twelve-monthsprovisional license be granted to Las Vegas Institute of Welding, to offer the Introduction to Welding-Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW) that consists of 100 hours and Introduction to Welding-Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) that consists of 100 hours, contingent upon receipt of surety in the amou, facility information, and staffing information.

Second:

Commissioner Po

Discussion:

None.

Results:

Live Savers Training Center, LLC.

Testified:

Discussion:

a highsnumber of students for enrollment. If you didn't make your enrollment,

Commissioner Ponder, job placement what is the average salary? Ms. Lodge explained according to the State of Nevada \$24,000 to \$34,000. Additional discussion included other avenues for career and education advancement from this

Live Savers Training Center, LLC. to offer a nursing assistant certificate program, contingent upon surety bond in the amount of \$28,000, facility information, personnel requirements, and curriculum approval from Nevada State Board of

Nursing.

Second:

Commissioner Cantu.

Discussion:

None.

Results:

Unanimous, motion carries.

#### Reno Dental Assistant School

Testified: Peter Gilkey Compliance Director of Vandelay Education, gave background on the

school and information on the school programs based on the company's national

model

Discussion: Commissioner Sewell asked about placement options after program completion.

> Mr. Gilkey gave information about placement. Commissioner Sewell furthered with requesting information about salaries. Mr. Gilkey gave information on both

medical assistants and dental assistants.

Motion: Commission Hersha – That a twelve-month pral license be granted to Reno Dental

Assistant School to offer the Assistant Certificate program,

contingent upon surety bond in the amount of \$15,300, and personnel information.

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Pete Gilkey, Compliance Director of Vandelay Education discussion Testified:

and available for questions.

Commissioner Clark, Discussion:

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Medicale Assistante School to offer the Medical Assistant Certificate program, in the amount of \$60,000, and personnel

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Testified:

program.

Commissioner Cantu furthered with what is the career pathway regarding a certificate with this type of program. Ms. Padilla continued with options after working in the field. Commissioner Clark inquired about the budget and the limited number of students. Ms. Padilla explained the budget and the desire to spend time marketing and building her business.

Commission Frederick - That a twelve-month provisional license be granted to Motion:

Total Physician Resources Inc., dba TPR PSVTS to offer the Medication

Management and Caregiver programs, contingent upon facility information, and

personnel information.

Second:

Commissioner Hersha.

Discussion:

None.

Results:

Unanimous, motion carries.

#### Unitek College

Testified:

Steve Watkins, Vice President Program Development & Regulatory Affairs gave information and background information about school.

Discussion:

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Motion:

Second:

Results:

Unanimous, motion carries.

Finishing ...

Testified:

aly, Manager gave background their

credentials and on current school and need for the additional program.

Motion:

Co offer the proposed Associate of Applied Science Degree in

Construction Technologies with concentrations in Architectural Glazier, Master

Glazier, Commercial Paint, Drywall Finisher and Floor Coverer.

Second:

Commissioner Hersha.

Discussion:

None.

Results:

Unanimous, motion carries.

#### **Elections**

#### Election of Officers

Motion: Commissioner Frederick nominates Commissioner Clark as Chairman for the

Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education.

Acceptance: Commissioner Clark accepted nomination.

Discussion: None

Results: Unanimous, motion carries.

Motion: Commissioner Hersha nominated Commissi F erick as Vice-Chair; no further

nominations.

Acceptance: Commissioner Frederick accepted nomina

Discussion: None.

Results: Unanimous, motion carries.

#### **Commission Comments**

None.

#### **Public Comment**

Robert Whitney requested to make a comment du Mr. Whitney stated, we lost two board members unfortunately. Long time Cissioner BJ North turned in her resignation and Grant Nielson unfortunately ed awayted to publicly acknowledge Commissioner GranNorthwith tha long time, 9 years.

#### Meeting Adjourned

## Exhibit A

# COMMENT CARD COMPLETE ONLY IF YOU ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA AND WISH TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION

PRINTED NAME	
PRINTED BUSINESS OR SCHOOL YOU REPRESENT	(SAVE A; LV)
BRIEF OVERVIEW OF TOPIC YOU WISH TO COMMENT ON	# <b>P</b> _H

Please give completed form to CPE staff member.

# Exhibit B

#### **COMMENT CARD**

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Please give completed form to CPE staff member.

# Exhibit C

I Shanda Edwards enrolled in The Art Institute of Las Vegas in January 2016 under the Post 911 GI Bill under the impression that I was 100% covered for my education. I was misled into a situation, which resulted in me being \$19,000 in debt to the school before I even understood what was happening, this forced me into taking out student loans based on misinformation. It took me over a year to dig myself out of debt with the Institute.

Now that the Art Institute of Las Vegas is in a state of major transformation and financial discourse, I am left holding the responsibility of a massive student debt that I should never have been responsible for in the first place, along with that I was owed the amount over \$4000. Three legally binding documents were filed that prohibited DCEH from using my GI Bill and/or student stipends for the future use of any tuition costs.

As of the Winter Term of 2019, I received a total of \$1200 out of the over \$4000 of my stipends. The account of the remaining over \$3,000 was used to pay for my final Spring term before graduation due to their Chapter 5 funds being frozen. Even without them using my money to pay themselves off, that still left them with almost \$600 that they owed me, not counting pending Pell Grant and Student loans.

"Save AI LLC" has told me multiple times that they will get the money pay me the money that is owed to me, yet I have not seen a penny. I just want the money that was owed to my diploma and me and to move on with my life.

Sincerely Shanda Edwards

## Exhibit D

I'm a "former" adjunct instructor at the Art Institute, I resigned in July after a long association with Al.

I tendered my resignation with great regret, as I have worked very happily for the Art Institute, and have had a long association as a lecturer and guest speaker on campus as far back as 2006. From my first classes in April 2017 until my last I received several personal testimonies from my former students stating how much I influenced them, and how I was a significant contributor to their success in starting their careers.

I have been greatly disturbed by the actions of the parties involved in the "sale" of AI since the announcements at the beginning of the year. I feel it is important that someone gives a counterpoint to what we've seen and been told from the existing/current owners.

There is a large group of students and faculty who have not been heard who have been negatively affected by the current administration.

The videos/news stories about Al don't really tell the whole story. Firstly, the communication throughout the last 10 months between admin/owners and the "new" owners to the students and faculty has been virtually non-existent, and intentionally vague. We've heard lots of empty promises about "big changes" etc. and statements that "the deal is done" or "we're finally free" etc. but in reality there has been no concrete evidence to this day that this change will ever take place.

Dates keep getting pushed further back. Teaching staff did not get paid for the first quarter nor, to my knowledge, the second quarter despite numerous assurances and verbal promises. The latest info seems to indicate they "hope" the changeover will be complete in November, which means the teaching faculty won't have been paid for the last 9 months.

However, I recently was told that all this time the admin, and the "new owners" have all continued to be paid privately through the Receiver!

Any attempts to get real answers have either been met with incredulous rebukes or complete silence. Some teachers who have dared to challenge the new owners ended up being literally forced out and were told by the new owners that they will be reported as "abandoning" their jobs and blocked from receiving unemployment benefits.

Most of the faculty are resigned to the fact we are not likely to receive any of our back. Students have equally been kept in the dark without knowing if they are still enrolled in one school or the other, where their money is going and if they will ever graduate. The new owners secretly "enrolled" Arizona AI students to falsely boost their numbers for the accreditation bureau's investigation (search the internet for the article about Phoenix Arizona Art Institute loan forgiveness).

The Veterans Administration has told students enrolled under the "GI Bill" to drop out.

The new "owners" are NOT doing this honestly or transparently. They cry in front of the cameras and say how hard they are working but in reality they are lying, deceiving and misleading the teaching faculty and students.

I am disappointed because this group of people have described themselves as the better alternative to the "corporate monster". They've taken a "moral high ground" and see themselves as "saviours" but, despite the noble intentions at first, sadly this now feels like a desperate folly they refuse to abandon over their pride - and their actions have proven they lack the professional maturity to carry it out successfully.

All parties involved have been woefully negligent in fulfilling their promises of transparency and honest communication with the loyal, dedicated professionals at their mercy - many who by the way have been treated like criminals and traitors for simply seeking answers and making the difficult but unavoidable decision to move on.

The students have been kept in the dark and denied their chance to escape - they are simply a commodity being used for leverage.

This situation has caused FAR MORE collateral damage than if they had just let the school close.

**Gregory Anderson** 

To:

**CPE Commissioners** 

From:

Kelly D. Wuest, Administrato

Subject:

2020 Proposed Meeting Schedule

For Action:

November 6, 2019

Attached are the proposed meeting dates for review, modification, and/or discussion and adoption of the 2020 meeting schedule.

#### **Proposed Scheduled**

Meeting Date
February 12, 2020
May 6, 2020
August 12, 2020
November 12, 2020

Application Submission Deadline
December 12, 2019
March 6, 2020
June 12, 2019
September 11, 2020

The Commission is authorized by statute to meet a minimum of four times per calendar year and has traditionally met on Wednesday of February, May, August and November.

Included are the calendars for the month of the proposed meetings. The Commission can select to move any date due to scheduling conflicts. The application submission date will be a minimum of 60 days prior to the scheduled meeting date

February 2020								
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	May 2020							
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	November 2020							
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8	9	10	11 Veterans Day	12 CPE Meeting	13	14		
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22	23	24	25	26 Thanksgiving	27 Family Day	28		
29	30							

### Administrators Report Prepared October 24, 2019

#### 1. CPE Relocation

Effective 11/12/19, CPE will relocate to the DETR building at 2800 E. St. Louis Avenue, Las Vegas, NV 89104. Notices have gone out to all institutions, accrediting bodies and other stakeholders and posted on the CPE website. The office will be closed on the day for the move, but we expect to be operational on 11/13/19. The lease for the current office located at 8778 S. Maryland Parkway, Suite 115, Las Vegas, NV will expire in November 2019. CPE will become part of the DETR cost share for the space in the St. Louis office.

#### 2. Planned Computer System

In the 2019 legislative system, CPE received funding to implement a computer system to manage licensed school records and permit online payments of fees. Currently all submissions are received via paper. Funding for the IT solution will begin with FY 2020 and continue for three years. The system will permit the agency to automate several aspects of the work process benefiting all stakeholders.

#### 3. VA

CPE has been awarded a new cooperative agreement with the Department of Veteran affairs to serve as the State Approving Agency for Nevada for the federal FY 2020 budget year in the amount of \$121,198. CPE will receive a COLA in January 2020 based on FY 2019 amounts and any new COLA for FY 2020.

CPE held the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual State Approving Agency/SCO Apprenticeship Conference on September 26, 2019 with 12 attendees. Attendees were provided training on the online VA Once system, other recent federal changes and information on resources for Veterans. The VA Education Specialist served as a panelist for the inaugural Veterans Education Roundtable on July 22,2019 as an expert on VA Educational Benefits. The roundtable included NSHE, private postsecondary colleges and universities, CPE and several veterans.

#### 3. Closures and Openings

Allied Business School – Closed 3/31/19 – Received closure documents and transcripts Complete Contractors Services – August 23, 2019 – CPE has received the school transcript records and closure documents.

The following institutions met all contingencies to receive a provisional license during the quarter:

- Montessori Training of Southern Nevada
- Community Ambulance Health Science Center
- Laurus College
- Southeastern University

#### 4. CPE Quarterly Activities – July - September 2019

CPE Activity	Applications Processed	CPE Activity	Applications Processed
License Renewals	18	Added Programs	7
Experiential License/Agent Schools Applications	4	Agent Permits	17
SARA Notifications	4	Backgrounds Processed	308
Distance Education Exemptions	7	VA Compliance Visits/Other Visits	5
License Evaluations	7	VA Program Approvals	460
Change of Ownership	1	Transcripts (Closed School)	39

5. **Quarterly Report** – With 39 schools unreported, total enrollment for the July 1, 2019 – September 30, 2019 quarter stands at 8,157 students. An updated count will be provided at the meeting.

July - Sept 2019	July - Sept 2018	July - Sept 2017	July - Sept 2016	July - Sept 2015
8,157	8,561	9,797	7,053	6,789

#### 6. CPE Student Complaints:

School Name	Date Filed	Issues/Allegations	Findings	Status
Art Institute	5/13/19	Failure to Refund	Institution violated Nevada refund policy NRS 394.449. Required to pay student refund of \$3,351.83	Open
Art Institute	Email 7/2/19	Failure to Refund	Institution failed to process Yellow Ribbon. Required evidence of student payment \$2,032 for outstanding Pell, proof of Yellow Ribbon applied on student account. Provide CPE with evidence of letter to student explaining what occurred.	Open
Art Institute	5/2/19	Incorrect billing and VA processing	Certified request for transcripts and attendance sent 10/22.	Open
Art Institute	5/3/19	Failure to Refund	Certified request for transcripts and attendance sent 10/22. Receiver refunded \$4,005.77 to VA. Need to verify amount.	Open
Art Institute	2/1/19 and 5/1/19	Not receiving Stafford loan, unpaid credit balance	Institution violated Nevada refund policy NRS 394.449. Student and VA Refunded properly.	Closed
Art Institute	5/2/19	Incorrect VA processing Not receiving stipend		Open
Art Institute	5/9/19	Failure to provide disability accommodations	Current in ADA DOJ mediation.	Close
Art Institute	1/30/19	Failure to pay stipend Incorrect processing of VA Inadequate staffing		Open
Art Institute	2/4/19 and 5/13/19	Failure to Refund	Institution violated Nevada refund policy NRS 394.449. Student refunded. Payment to the VA in the amount of \$4,664 not verified.	Open
Art Institute	2/4/19	Failure to release stipend	Received response from Receiver. Parent indicates semester debt on Parent Plus Ioan. Awaiting documentation on whether Ioan was executed.	Open
Art Institute	Informal	Communication concerning financial aid and payments		Open
Art Institute	No date	Failure to release stipend		Open
Art Institute	6/3/19	Quality of Education		Open
Art Institute	6/15/19	Quality of Education School unable to answer questions about FA		Open
Art Institute	7/2/19	Failure to release stipend	Institution violated Nevada refund policy NRS 394.449. Payment to the VA in the amount of \$4,664 not verified.	Open

Art Institute	8/17/19	Quality of Education		Open
Art Institute	10/7/19	Quality of Education		Open
		Lack of equipment and up to		
		date software		
		Poor and dismissive		
		communication by staff		ļ
Let's Make a Dealer	9/21/19	Inappropriate comments by instructor	Student was refunded all monies. Instructor was terminated.	Closed
Let's Make a Dealer	10/7/19	Inappropriate comments by instructor	Student was refunded all monies. Instructor was terminated.	Closed

To: CPE Commissioners

From: Kelly D. Wuest, Administrat

Subject: Art Institute of Las Vegasa- Update Request

Date: November 6, 2019

#### Background

On September 18, 2019, the Commission made a unanimous determination concerning the denial of renewal set forth as follows. The motion made by the Commission extended the time of the effective date of the denial of renewal until the February 2020 with the following contingencies items to be reported to the Commission.

- Evidence of a notice to students informing them of the status the school has concerning state licensure and informing students of the risk involved in continuing their education at the school.
- Evidence of a notice to all employees relaying when the school expects money to be released, conditions that must be met for the money to be released and the priority of the payroll in relation to other liabilities. This notice will include a list of liabilities of the school that must be paid and the priority status of each item identified.
- Update on the status of the sale.
- Update on the release of Title IV monies by the U.S. Department of Education.

#### **Updates Requested by Commission**

The following documents were received by CPE on the evening of October 23, 2019 to including copies of letters sent to faculty and students requested by the Commission. As of the date of this report closing of the sale of Art Institute of Las Vegas must occur no later than November 1, 2019, or the Asset Purchase Agreement shall be null and void.

#### **Updates on Issues Previously Identified**

At the September 18, 2019, CPE provided the Commission with a table of outstanding issues requiring resolution. As the date of this report, the status on the table below indicates whether the institution was compliant with each item from CPE's requested information. Student complaint information is located within the Administrators report.

Additional updates will be provided at the Commission meeting as to whether the sale was complete.

Art Institute – Table of Outstanding Items from the September 18, 2019 Meeting

Requested item	Rationale	Status
Current student list	Provide Commissioners information on	Received
	student enrollment and impact of decision	
	by Commission.	
List of Current	Identify staff current teaching. CPE has received	Received for both Summer and
faculty with courses	complaints of faculty leaving and being replaced	Fall terms
taught and contact	with unqualified individuals.	
information	•	
All Faculty and	CPE had not received any backgrounds since	Partial – CPE has signed off for faculty
required staff	March 2019 in violation of NRS 394.465. ACICS	to fingerprint but completed
complete	visit revealed several new staff who had not	documents have not been received
background process	completed the process. CPE received a catalog	on three staff. CPE has requested
as required by NRS	dated 7/11/19 listing faculty who had	additional documentation for
394.465	communicated to CPE they left their position.	individuals without transcripts or
		qualifying through alternate means.
Submission of	Enrollment agreement not valid. Several	Received approvable EA
approvable	references to DCEH corporate structure.	
enrollment		
agreement		
Approvable catalog	Catalog not valid. Several references to	Receive update 10/23/19 and
	DCEH corporate structure and institutional	current under review
	processes that are no longer in existence.	
Enrollment Agreement for	DCEH inappropriately transferred students	Received "national" EA on
student who were	from other AI locations without a Nevada	individuals still in attendance
transferred & do not have	enrollment agreement in violation of NRS	without Nevada information.
a Nevada enrollment	394.441(4). Student fees for these	Need new EA and catalog
agreement along with	students were not paid.	approval to move forward with
related quarterly fees		implementation for impacted
		students
Payment of current	Pursuant to NRS 608.060, employers are	Letter of status sent to faculty.
and past employee	required to regularly pay employees. Several	
wages	faculty have indicated the institution last paid	
	wages in May 2019 for part of April wages.	
Payment of CPE	All institutions are required to pay	Past due quarter fees/fines of
quarterly fees	quarterly fee for new enrollments pursuant	\$800 were paid. Received
	to NRS 394.540(3). CPE has not received	payment for two new students
	payment for quarters Oct 2018 – December 2018 & January 2019 – March 2019 totaling	7/1-9/30/19 quarter within required time frame.
	\$300 and the required late fees of \$500.	required time mainle.
Resolution of	Provided the institution with list of required	Some student complaints have
Student Complaints	documents to investigate student issues and	been resolved. Staff working
Student complaints	complaints. NRS 394.441(3) requires	on sending out final outcomes
	institutions to maintain adequate records.	or requiring additional
		information.
	Several investigations were started during	
	Winter term. School has not provided	
	information required within the student	
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#### Kelly D. Wuest

From: Dan Taylor <dtaylor@citadelartsu.org>

Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 8:48 PM

To: Kelly D. Wuest

Cc: Gwen MULLINS; ALacey@thompsoncoburn.com; Richard Rock; William Turbay; Tim Kelly

**Subject:** Updates to Nevada CPE for November Meeting

Attachments: AiLV Cover letter and Proof of Notice distribution.pdf; Mediation update for Jonathan

Orozco.pdf; Ai LV Enrollment Agreement Revised 10\_23\_19.pdf; The Art Institute of Las

Vegas 2019-2020 Course Catalog Version 2.pdf

#### Administrator Wuest,

Please find attached to this email the following updates:

1. Copies of the letters that were sent to the students as well as supporting documentation that they have been distributed via email to all active students, faculty and staff.

2. Additional documentation concerning the scheduling of mediation with

3. Version 2 of the 2019 – 2020 Course Catalog

4. A current version of the Enrollment Agreement with the publish date of the updated catalog.

#### With regards,

Dr. Daniel M. Taylor
Interim Campus Director
Dean – School of Applied Arts

The Art Institute of Las Vegas 2350 Corporate Circle Henderson, NV 89074 702-992-8456 dtaylor@citadelartsu.org dantaylor2@aii.edu October 23, 2019

#### **Via Electronic Mail**

Kelly D. Wuest Commission Administrator Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education 8778 South Maryland Parkway, Suite 115 Las Vegas, NV 89123 kdwuest@detr.nv.gov

Re: Updates to be Included in November 6, 2019 Commission Packet

#### **Dear Administrator Wuest:**

By letter dated September 23, 2019, the Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education ("CPE") informed the Art Institute of Las Vegas ("AILV") that AILV's license to operate postsecondary educational programs under the name Art Institute of Las Vegas was suspended for new enrollments pursuant to NAC 394.670(1)(a). The letter further informed AILV that it was prohibited from enrolling any new students until the school has successfully submitted an application for change in ownership and CPE has assessed the application.

In the letter, CPE directed AILV to post an updated, suspended license document in a conspicuous location pursuant NRS 346.460. The letter also directed AILV to take certain action steps, and to provide certain information, by October 23, 2019. Following, we have restated each of the items noted in the letter, and followed each restatement with an update.

 Evidence of a notice to students informing them of the status the school has concerning state licensure and informing students of the risk involved in continuing their education at the school.

Included with this submission, please find a copy of the notice that was distributed via electronic mail to all AILV students, along with proof of delivery.

 Evidence of a notice to all employees relaying when the school expects money to be released, conditions that must be met for the money to be released and the priority of the payroll in relation to other liabilities. This notice will include a list of liabilities of the school that must be paid and the priority status of each item identified.

Included with this submission, please find a copy of the notice that was distributed via electronic mail to all AILV employees, along with proof of delivery.

Update on the status of the sale.

The proposed transaction continues to move forward on all fronts, with the parties targeting November 1, 2019, for the consummation of the sale. The prospective buyer, SAVE the Art Institute of Las Vegas (SAVE), has been in near daily communication with the Receiver to work through the various items that must be completed for the sale to close, to include the filing of

required notices and applications with the institution's regulators, the finalizing of amounts to be paid at closing, and operational and administrative transition.

With regard to the U.S. Department of Education (ED), the parties agreed to forgo a preacquisition review application in order to facilitate a timely closing of the transaction. After notifying ED of this decision, SAVE, on September 26, 2019, received a detailed letter from ED setting forth the various requirements for approval of the change of ownership following the sale, including the posting of a letter of credit. As it prepares to consummate the transaction, SAVE also is already working to secure the various items that will be submitted to ED in the days following the closing of the transaction.

AILV also has been in close communication with its accreditor, ACICS, on a nearly daily basis. The institution has filed the required Change of Ownership Part I application, and has been working to provide additional and clarifying information to the Council, as requested.

Perhaps most importantly, SAVE has been working to arrange financing sufficient to close the transaction and fund operations until the flow of federal financial aid funds can be reestablished (discussed below). As discussed in the letter to faculty, SAVE has been pursuing financing from three different sources. At this time, SAVE has a Letter of Intent from one lender that will make \$3,000,000 in funds available. These funds will allow the Institute to consummate the transaction, bring all salaries current, settle its other, current liabilities, and fund agency surety requirements (including ED's letter of credit). SAVE also has a Memorandum of Understanding from another lending group that will provide for up to \$7,000,000, which will fund operations while the Institute restores the flow of federal funds following the sale. Finally, SAVE also is developing a Private Placement Memorandum as part of its long-term strategy to raise capital.

• Update on the release of Title IV monies by the U.S. Department of Education.

As a threshold matter, it is worthwhile to reaffirm here that that AILV remains an "eligible institution," authorized to participate in the student federal financial aid programs. The delay in the receipt of federal financial aid funds is due to ED's decision, several months ago, to place AILV on heightened cash monitoring (HCM). Typically, institutions participating in the federal financial aid programs process funds for their students under the "advance pay" system. Under this system, the institutions determine the amount of aid owed to their students, draw it down, and post it to the students' accounts.

When ED develops concern regarding an institution's ability to properly administer the Title IV Programs, it may place the institution on HCM, which slows down the flow of Title IV funds to the school and provides ED with the opportunity for a more careful review of disbursements. Institutions may be placed on HCM for a range of reasons, including poor financial performance, severe audit, or Program Review findings.

There are two types of HCM, which ED refers to in practice as "HCM-1" and "HCM-2." In 2018, ED determined that any institution operating inside a state or federal receivership would be placed on the more restrictive HCM-2. Thus, AILV was placed on HCM-2 when the larger school group of which it is a part entered into a federal receivership in early 2019.

HCM-2 requires an institution to credit a student's account by disbursing institutional funds and filing the student's eligibility documents for ED's review and approval before seeking payment of funds from ED. This system is extraordinarily onerous, because ED only makes payment after the institution has filed and ED has reviewed extensive documentation to verify that the institution

disbursed the proper amount of funds to each student. Such documentation frequently includes 10 to 20 separate records, ranging from the enrollment agreement and student ledger card to attendance records and a certification that the student is making satisfactory academic progress.

An institution files its HCM-2 requests once a month and ED may require anywhere from 30 to 60 days (or more) to review and make payment, thereby placing a severe strain on the institution's cash flow. If ED identifies any deficiencies in the back-up documentation, it can further delay disbursement by weeks or even months.

Significantly, ED has not questioned whether the delayed funds were earned or should be disbursed. Eligible students attended an eligible institution and earned the aid. The institution – AILV – credited the students' accounts as required, by disbursing institutional funds, then requested reimbursement.

The issue has arisen in the final stage. As noted above, for every student, an institution on HCM-2 must submit 10 to 20 separate records. Ensuring that these records are all in order, complete, and accurate, can be a difficult task, particularly where hundreds of students are concerned. This becomes even more difficult when, as is the case here, certain of the data required to process the funds is held by a defunct corporate parent and an uncooperative vendor.

All this having been said, there is reason to believe that the new management team that will take over following sale will be able right the ship quickly. Following the close, the school and its assets, to include its data, will come under the control of the new owner. More importantly, this data, and the overall responsibility for supplying a complete and accurate back-up file for the delayed funds will fall to Global Financial Services. Global, which already has been retained and begun work, specializes in processing federal financial aid for schools and has deep experience managing HCM-2 filings. The prospective owners also will have assistance from its professional team, and the City of Las Vegas, each of which have direct relationships with ED's senior political management, and anticipate an improvement of the overall relationship following AILV's formal separation from the receivership.

We do not mean to suggest that the processing of the delayed funds will be instantaneous following the closing. We anticipate that it may still take several weeks to remedy the issues ED cited with the original submission. There is no reason to question, however, that delayed funds are owed. And the new management team has taken steps to retain the operational expertise and political support needed to ensure that the funds are properly requested as soon as it has control of the school and data. Finally, and significantly, ED can place an institution on HCM – or take it off – quite rapidly, and at its discretion.

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We appreciate your continued support of our students and we are excited to get our school back on a path of success for all.

Sincerely,

Dr. Daniel Taylor Ed.D Art Institute of Las Vegas William A. Turbay

Save the Art Institute of Las Vegas Limited

From: Taylor, Dan

Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 6:54 PM

To: Dan Taylor

**Subject:** School Update

# Dear Students,

Please take a few minutes to read the attached letter. It contains some important information about the current status of the school. If have any questions or concerns after reading the letter, please stop by and see me.

With regards,

Dr. Daniel M. Taylor

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# **AIThe Art Institute of Las Vegas®**

**CREATE TOMORROW** 

To: All Current Students of The Art Institute of Las Vegas.

From: Dr. Daniel Taylor, Ed,D., Interim Campus Director.

Re: AILV current status with Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education.

On September 18, 2019, the Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education considered the status of the Institute's license to operate in Nevada. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Commission directed the Institute to suspend new enrollments until it has successfully submitted an application for a change in ownership (which we presently anticipate submitting in early November).

The Commission also decided to defer a final decision on the Institute's license to operate pending completion of the proposed sale of the school from its current owner (the Receiver) to its proposed new owner (SAVE AILV), and further review of the school's operations following the transaction. The Commission is scheduled to again consider the status of the Institute's license during its February 2020 meeting.

It is possible that the Commission could elect not to renew the Institute's license in February, which would disrupt your education and require that you complete your education elsewhere. However, we are working very hard to complete the proposed sale, to secure the Commission's approval, and to ensure that the Institute is able to thrive for many years to come.

Thank you for your faithfulness.

From: Taylor, Dan

Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 6:57 PM

To: Dan Taylor

Subject: Upstate on Status of School

Dear Faculty and Staff,

Please take a few minutes to read the attached letter. It contains some important information about the current status of the school. If have any questions or concerns after reading the letter, please stop by and see me.

With regards,

Dr. Daniel M. Taylor
Interim Campus Director
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**To:** All Current Employees at The Art Institute of Las Vegas

**From:** Dr. Daniel Taylor, Ed.D., Interim Campus Director

**RE:** The Art Institute's Current Financial Status and Liabilities

First and foremost, we want you all to know how much we appreciate your hard work and dedication to the Art Institute of Las Vegas and our Students. It is your tireless dedication and hard work that make it all possible. This notice is to provide an update regarding the current licensing and financial status of the Art Institute of Las Vegas.

With regard to the Institute's licensure, on September 18, 2019, the Nevada Commission on Postsecondary Education considered the status of the Institute's license to operate in Nevada. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Commission directed the Institute to suspend new enrollments until it has successfully submitted an application for a change in ownership (which we presently anticipate submitting in early November).

The Commission also decided to defer a final decision on the Institute's license to operate pending completion of the proposed sale of the school from its current owner (the Receiver) to its proposed new owner (SAVE AILV), and further review of the school's operations following the transaction. The Commission is scheduled to again consider the status of the Institute's license during its February 2020 meeting.

With regard to the school's financial status, we are working to secure funding from several sources:

- 1. We are working with two different financing groups. One has indicated its intent to provide \$3,000,000 in financing. The other has indicated that it will provide financing of up to \$7,000,000. We are nearing completion of these negotiations and presently are finalizing the terms of the lending agreements.
- 2. We continue to work with the U.S. Department of Education to process the disbursement of federal financial aid funds that were earned by students in previous terms. These funds already have been earned, and presently total more than \$3,000,000. However, because the Institute is in receivership, it must produce a wide range of detailed records for each student before the Department will disburse the funds. This process is complex and difficult to complete. The Institute has engaged outside financial aid professionals to assist it in satisfying these requirements, and is hopeful that some or all of these funds will be disbursed before the end of the calendar year.
- 3. We are creating a Private Placement Memorandum (PPM) to raise approximately \$10,000,000 of additional capital from investors.

The aforementioned capital will allow us to consummate the transaction, to bring payroll current, and to ensure that the school will have adequate funds to operate in the short term, and to grow and thrive in the years to come. The primary, near-term liabilities and expenses that must be paid by the school include:

- Payroll
- Purchase Price (to consummate the transaction)
- Surety Expenses (costs associated with providing required bonds and other surety to state and federal regulators)
- Lease liabilities relating to the campus facility
- Utilities
- Unemployment
- Legal Services
- Third Party Professional Services

We anticipate securing the financing discussed in Item 1, above, in the coming days. Once in hand, these funds will be used to simultaneously bring payroll current, and to fund the costs associated with consummating the transaction (purchase price and surety expenses). We expect to address the remaining expense items shortly thereafter.

We assure you that we are working diligently to make all the above happen in a timely fashion and to continue operating the Art Institute of Las Vegas.

Thank you for your continued dedication.

To: CPE Commissioners

From: Maricris Wu, Postsecondary Education Specialist

Subject: Full Term Licensure Recommendation

Century 21 Americana Real Estate School

For Action: November 6, 2019

Century 21 Americana Real Estate School received a 12-month provisional licensure during the December 2017 Commission meeting to offer the 90 Hours of Pre-Licensing Real Estate Practices and Principals, and Law. A provisional audit was conducted on October 10, 2019. No deficiencies were noted, and the school substantially operates within the provisions of NRS and NAC Chapter 394, therefore:

Full term licensure is recommended.

To:

**CPE Commissioners** 

From:

Kelly D. Wuest, Administrat

Subject:

Full Term Licensure Recommendation, Skill Center

For Action:

November 6, 2019

Skill Center was granted provisional licensure during the November 2018 Commission meeting to offer Office Assistant and Microsoft Office Basic programs. The provisional audit was conducted on September 17, 2019 find one audit exception that was immediately corrected.

Therefore, the administrator recommends:

To grant full term licensure for Skill Center

To:

**CPE Commissioners** 

From:

Kelly D. Wuest, Administrato

Full Term Licensure Recommendation, SW Compliance & Safety Training

Subject:

Institute

For Action:

November 6, 2019

SW Compliance & Safety Training Institute was granted provisional licensure during the November 2018 Commission meeting to offer the Environmental Safety Health Training Programs The provisional audit was conducted on October 9, 2019. The results of the provisional review revealed that no students have competed the full program to date and the school did not meet all of the requirements of NAC 394.640. Due to the findings listed in the report, more time is required to ensure corrective actions has occurred and policies are effective.

Therefore, the Administrator recommends that, provisional license issued to SW Compliance & Safety Training Institute for nine-months.

Prepared by: Maricris Wu, Postsecondary Education Specialist

Kelly D. Wuest, Administrator

Applicant: Nikolina Tepavac, Owner

School: Glam Sophisticated Makeup Academy

For Action: November 6, 2019

### Recommendation

That a twelve-month provisional license be granted to Glam Sophisticated Makeup Academy contingent upon receipt of surety bond in the amount \$19,000, facility approval, personnel information and curriculum approval.

Curriculum: Curriculum received on September 6, 2019. Curriculum under pending review

**CONTINGENCY.** 

Bond: Recommend amount is \$19,000 CONTINGENCY.

**Financial** 

Statement: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on September 17-October 15, 2019.

Budget

Estimate: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on September 17-October 18, 2019.

**Financial** 

Release: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on September 17-October 15, 2019.

Personnel

Information: <u>CONTINGENCY.</u>

Certifications: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on September 17-October 15, 2019.

Catalog: Received on September 6, 2019, under pending review.

Contract: Received on September 6, 2019, under pending review.

Completion

Certificates: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on September 17-October 15, 2019.

Facility

Information: <u>CONTINGENCY.</u>

Fees: Received on September 6, 2019.

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Prepared by: Maricris Wu, Postsecondary Education Specialist

Applicant: Darren L. Nelson, Executive Director of Compliance

School: MyComputerCareer

For Action: November 6, 2019

#### Recommendation

That a twelve-month provisional license be granted to MyComputerCareer to offer five programs in Cyber Warrior; Information Technology Security and Administration; Cyber Security Engineer; Information Technology and Security Specialist; and AAS in Information Technology Network Administration and Security contingent upon surety in the amount of \$19,000, accreditation approval and personnel information.

Curriculum: Approved by the Accrediting Council of Continuing Education Training (ACCET)

**CONTINGENCY.** 

Bond: Recommend amount is \$19,000 CONTINGENCY.

**Financial** 

Statement: Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 12-October 8, 2019.

**Budget** 

Estimate: Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 12-October 8, 2019.

**Financial** 

Release: Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 12, 2019.

Personnel

Information: CONTINGENCY.

Certifications: Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 12, 2019.

Catalog: Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 12, 2019.

Contract: Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 12, 2019.

Completion

Certificates: Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on October 8, 2019.

Facility:

Information: Site previously approved by CPE.

Fees: Received on September 5, 2019.

Maricris Wu, Postsecondary Education Specialist

Prepared by: Kelly Wuest, CPE Administrator

Lauri Perdue, Nevada Director

Applicant: Kevin Lieu, Applicant

**Nevada Massage Academy** 

School:

November 6, 2019

For Action:

#### Recommendation

That a twelve-month provisional license be granted to Nevada Massage Academy to offer Massage Therapy program contingent upon surety in the amount of \$312,000, facility and personnel information and curriculum approval from the Nevada State Board of Massage.

Curriculum: Upon curriculum approval by the Nevada State Board of Massage pursuant to NRS

**394.440. CONTINGENCY.** 

Bond: Recommend amount is \$312,000 CONTINGENCY.

**Financial** 

Statement: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on Sept 13- Oct 16, 2019.

**Budget** 

Estimate: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on Sept 13- Oct 16, 2019.

**Financial** 

Release: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on Sept 13- Oct 16, 2019.

Personnel

Information: <u>CONTINGENCY.</u>

Certifications: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on Sept 13- Oct 16, 2019.

Catalog: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on Sept 26, 2019.

Contract: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on Sept 26, 2019.

Completion

Certificates: Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on Sept 26, 2019.

Facility:

Information: <u>CONTINGENCY.</u>

Fees: Received on September 6, 2019.

Prepared by:

Kelly D. Wuest, CPE Administrato

Applicant:

Gregory Stiber, Executive Director, Licensure and State Regulations

School:

Nova Southeastern University

For Action:

November 6, 2019

# Recommendation

That a twelve-month provisional license be granted to Nova Southeastern University, to offer the Doctor of Education with concentrations degree contingent upon facility information, staffing and surety in the amount of \$50,000.

Curriculum:

Accredited by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on

Colleges (SACSCOC). NSU provided notice of approval for Nevada campus.

**Surety Bond:** 

Recommended amount \$50,000. CONTINGENCY.

Financial

Statement:

Received on August 13, 2019 and reviewed on September 30, 2019.

**Budget** 

Estimate:

Received on August 13, 2019 and reviewed on September 30, 2019.

**Financial** 

Release:

Received on August 13, 2019 and reviewed on September 30, 2019.

Personnel

Information:

**CONTINGENCY.** 

Certifications:

Received on August 13, 2019 and reviewed on October 14, 2019.

Catalog:

Received on August 13, 2019, addendum required.

Contract:

Received on August 13, 2019 and reviewed on October 14, 2019.

Completion

Certificates:

Received on August 13, 2019 and reviewed on October 14, 2019.

**Facility** 

Information:

**CONTINGENCY.** 

Fees:

Received on August 13, 2019.

Prepared by:

Kelly D. & Wuest, & CPE Administrator

Applicant:

Michael Hagan

School:

**Strayer University** 

For Action:

November 6, 2019

#### Recommendation

That a twelve-month provisional license be granted to Strayer University, to offer the diploma, associate, bachelor, masters and graduate certificates as indicated on the application, contingent upon facility information, staffing and surety in the amount of \$366,000.

Curriculum:

Accredited by Middle States Commission on Higher Education. Nevada campus will need to be added as Additional Location. Institution needs to develop U.S. and Nevada

Constitution course. **CONTINGENCY.** 

**Surety Bond:** 

Recommended amount \$366,000. CONTINGENCY.

**Financial** 

Statement:

Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on October 1, 2019.

**Budget** 

Estimate:

Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on October 3, 2019.

**Financial** 

Release:

Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on October 3, 2019.

Personnel

Information:

**CONTINGENCY.** 

**Certifications:** 

Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on October 4, 2019.

Catalog:

Received on September 6, 2019, reviewed on October 15, 2019, revision requested.

**Contract:** 

Received on September 6, 2019 and revision requested.

Completion

Certificates:

Received on September 6, 2019 and reviewed on October 3, 2019.

**Facility** 

Information:

**CONTINGENCY.** 

Fees:

Received on September 6, 2019.

Prepared by:

Maricris Wu, Postsecondary Education Specialist

Applicant:

Laura Buzzallino

School:

**XCEL Solution, LLC.** 

For Action:

November 6, 2019

#### Recommendation

That a twelve-month provisional license be granted to XCEL Solution, LLC. contingent upon receipt of a \$14,000 bond, receipt of facility and personnel information, curriculum and instructor approvals from the Nevada Division of Insurance.

Curriculum:

Curriculum approval from the Nevada Division of Insurance CONTINGENCY.

Bond:

Recommend amount is \$14,000 CONTINGENCY.

**Financial** 

Statement:

Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 24, 2019.

**Budget** 

Estimate:

Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 10-24, 2019.

**Financial** 

Release:

Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 24, 2019.

Personnel

Information:

Instructor approval from the Nevada Division of Insurance CONTINGENCY.

**Certifications:** 

Received on September 5, 2019 and reviewed on September 10-24, 2019.

Catalog:

Received September 5, 2019 and reviewed on October 10, 2019.

**Contract:** 

Received September 5, 2019 and reviewed on October 10, 2019.

Completion

**Certificates:** 

Received September 5, 2019 and reviewed on October 10, 2019.

**Facility** 

Information:

**CONTINGENCY.** 

Fees:

Received on September 5, 2019.

# Added Program Licensing Worksheet

Prepared by: Kelly D. Wuest, Administrato

Maricris WuePostsecondary Education Specialist

Applicant: Christine Benbensity, Director & Owner

School: CRI Counter Terrorism Training School

For Action: November 6, 2019

#### Recommended Motion:

That CRI Counter Terrorism School be granted approval to offer the Digital Marketer Specialist program contingent on a surety bond increase in the amount of \$4,000; instructor information and curriculum approval.

Curriculum: CONTINGENGY. Received on September 6, 2018. Curriculum pending review by

independent evaluator.

Bond: <u>CONTINGENCY.</u> Recommend bond increase of \$4,000.

**Financial** 

Statement: On file with renewal application from June 28, 2018.

**Financial** 

Release: On file with renewal application from June 28, 2018.

Personnel

Information: CONTINGENGY. Digital Marketer Specialist Instructors Qualification &

Credentials.

Catalog: Received on October 18, 2018 and awaiting revisions for approval.

**Facility** 

Information: Facility previously approved.

Fees: Received on September 6, 2018.