Section 2. Purpose of the UNLV Bylaws

2.1 Contents of the UNLV Bylaws. The UNLV Bylaws shall contain the current educational organization and faculty organization of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; procedures for implementing statements of policy found in the Nevada System of Higher Education Code; statements of policy that relate to the authority and responsibility delegated to the faculty by the Board of Regents; and procedures for implementing these statements of policy. (See Section 1.3.4 of the Nevada System of Higher Education Code)

2.1.1 Academic Policy. Academic policy refers to provisions which govern the granting of academic credit, degrees or other certifications of student achievement or to the recognition, evaluation, and certification of faculty achievement in instruction, research, clinical activity or service to the campus, community, academic discipline or professoriate. The authority to create and maintain academic policy is contained within the NSHE Code, and, in most cases, is delegated to the president of the university, who in turn has delegated it to a process of shared governance between the Office of the Provost and the Faculty Senate and its committees. Academic policy is expressed throughout Chapter II and III of the UNLV Bylaws, the academic catalogs of the university, college and unit bylaws, and the Provost’s designated policy repository.

2.1.2 Every approved policy is owned by the Provost or the Provost’s designee. The policy owner is responsible for the implementation of, and campus compliance with, that policy. Every proposed policy must contain a set of assessment metrics designed to evaluate the effectiveness of the policy, and the degree to which it is enforced fairly across all parties. Every academic policy shall also be assigned to and reviewed by the appropriate Faculty Senate Committee.