MEMORANDUM

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To: UNLV Campus Community

From: Michael W. Bowers
Vice Provost for Academic Affairs

Subject: Approval of the Center for Atmospheric, Oceanic & Space Sciences (CAOS)

Please note that the Center for Atmospheric, Oceanic & Space Sciences (CAOS) was approved at the December 2005 NSHE Board of Regents meeting. CAOS will deal with the following activities:

- participating and collaborating in funded research will serve as the primary focal point representing approximately 70% of the center’s effort, with a secondary focus in support services and outreach;
- competing for external funding;
- providing a platform for all interested and qualified NSHE faculty to start new research, nurture and sustain existing research, and/or be able to participate in Atmospheric, Oceanic & Space Science activities supported by NASA, NOAA, DOD, DOE, and NSF;
- building firm and equitable relations with industries doing business with NASA, NOAA, DOD, and DOE;
- helping the State of Nevada reach its goals as an additional U.S. Space Port; and
- implementing NASA, NOAA, DOD, and DOE work force development programs.

The center will be housed in CBC B416 and will report to the Deans of Science and Engineering and the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies.

Date of initiation: 1 January 2006

Please note for lists, databases, and generation of appropriate codes, etc.

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