TAB	DESCRIPTION	ACTION
1	AMENDMENT TO BOARD POLICY Section I.N – Miscellaneous Provisions –Second Reading	Motion to approve
2	BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY  Multi-Year Employment Agreement – Men's Head  Basketball Coach	Motion to approve
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4	UNIVERSITY of IDAHO  Multi-Year Employment Agreement – Men's Head  Basketball Coach	Motion to approve
5	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS/TERMS	Motion to approve

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#### **SUBJECT**

Board policy I.N. - Miscellaneous Provisions

#### REFERENCE

February 2010 Board approved second reading of I.N. regarding

timely submission and payment of honorariums and

reimbursements

April 2013 Board approved first reading of I.N. regarding

proration of honorarium payments

## APPLICABLE STATUTES, RULE OR POLICY

Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies & Procedures, Section I.N.

Idaho Code §33-104 Idaho Code §59-509(h)

### **BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION**

Idaho Code sections 33-104 and 59-509(h), Idaho Code, provide that Board members shall receive \$50 for each day spent in the actual performance of duties. The Office has historically paid partial honorariums of \$25 per day when Board members perform official duties for less than four hours on a given day, but Code is silent with regard to proration of the daily rate.

### **IMPACT**

The proposed amendments would codify the current practice of prorating honorarium payments.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Section I.N. – second reading

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## STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

There were no changes between first and second reading. Staff recommends approval.

## **BOARD ACTION**

I move to approve the second reading of proposed amendments to Board policy section I.N., Miscellaneous Provisions, with all revisions as presented.

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Idaho State Board of Education ATTACHMENT 1
GOVERNING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Section: I. GENERAL GOVERNING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Subsection: N. Miscellaneous Provisions June 2013

Honorarium and Reimbursement for Actual and Necessary Expenses

State Board members, Public Charter School commissioners, and staff of either entity shall submit claims for reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses in the fiscal year in which they were incurred. Board members and commissioners shall be entitled to an honorarium in the amount of \$50 per day when performing official duties, provided that if less than four (4) hours is spent on official duties, the honorarium will be \$25. Board members and commissioners shall submit claims for honorarium compensation as provided in section 59-509(h), Idaho Code. Claims shall be submitted and paid in the fiscal year in which they were incurred. Claims not submitted in accordance with this policy may be denied.

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Idaho State Board of Education ATTACHMENT 1
GOVERNING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Section: I. GENERAL GOVERNING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Subsection: N. Miscellaneous Provisions June 2013

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#### **BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY**

#### **SUBJECT**

Employment Agreement for Men's Basketball Head Coach Leon Rice

#### REFERENCE

June 2010 Board approved employment agreement with Leon

Rice as Men's Basketball Head Coach

## APPLICABLE STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies & Procedures, Section II.H

#### **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

In 2010, the State Board of Education approved a five year employment contract with Leon Rice for the position of Men's Basketball Head Coach at Boise State University (BSU). This contract term is consistent with contracts recently signed by Mountain West Conference coaches.

Coach Rice has had a substantial impact on the Boise State University men's basketball program. In his three year tenure, Coach Rice has achieved a 21-win season, a NCAA tournament team and a USA Today 2013-14 pre-season top 25 team. The 2012-13 season marked Boise State's first at-large selection to the NCAA Tournament in school history and was just the second appearance in the last 18 seasons for the Broncos. Additional accomplishments include:

- Coach Rice has accumulated an overall record of 56-41 (.577), the best record for a head coach in his first three seasons since Boise State became a four-year institution in 1968-69.
- Coach Rice won 50 games at Boise State faster than any previous head coach since the school joined Division I in the 1970-71 season.
- Coach Rice had two 20-win seasons during his first three years (2010-11 and 2012-13). He is the only head coach to win at least 20 games in two of his first three seasons at Boise State. Boise State has only won 20 or more games nine times since joining Division I in 1970-71, two of which under Coach Rice.
- Under Coach Rice, Boise State is 37-10 (.787) at Taco Bell Arena, the best home winning percentage for a head coach since the school joined Division I in 1970-71. This includes a 14-1 (.933) run in 2012-13, the best home record in 15 seasons, and the third-best in school history.
- The Broncos recorded four of the 27 highest attended games in school history this past season.

Based on the above achievements, the University believes a five year commitment is justified and will provide continuity for the program.

### **IMPACT**

The new contract makes the following changes from the prior version:

- 1. Extends the contract through March 31, 2018.
- 2. Increases the overall compensation package to an annual salary of \$482,110 per year with a 3% increase on April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year of the agreement.
- 3. Provides additional supplemental compensation to provide \$5,000 for an atlarge selection to the NCAA Tournament.
- 4. If the University schedules an away contest with a non-conference opponent for which a game guarantee is paid to the University, the net proceeds in excess of \$50,000 may be distributed to Coach Rice and the assistant coaches at the coach's recommendation, subject to the athletic director's approval.
- 5. Provides a one-time signing bonus in the amount of \$10,875.
- 6. Provides for an automatic one year extension for a 20 win season.
- 7. Provides for an automatic one year extension if the University changes athletic conferences.

**Compensation:** Mr. Rice will be paid a base salary of \$400,000 per year. **Supplemental Compensation** 

## **Athletic Achievement:**

- Regular season conference champions: \$5,000
- The greater of the following two: Conference Tournament Finalist: \$3,000; or Conference Tournament Champion: \$15,000
- NCAA Tournament game wins: \$5,000 per game;
- National Invitation Tournament Appearances: \$3,000 per game;
- The greater of the following two: winning recording (more wins than losses) \$4,000 or 20 wins \$8,000
- At-large selection to the NCAA tournament: \$5,000

**Academic Incentive Pay**: Coach may qualify for supplemental pay if the academic progress rate for that year meets the following percentages in the national rankings within men's basketball

50-59.9%	\$5,000
60-69.9%	\$7,500
70-79.9%	\$10,000
80% or above	\$12,500

In the event Mr. Rice terminates the agreement for convenience on or before the expiration of the term, the sum of \$175,000 shall be due as liquidated damages.

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Total first year potential annual compensation (including base salary, supplemental compensation and signing bonus) is \$546,485 (using an estimated number of one NCAA tournament game win and one NIT appearance).

Mr. Rice is also eligible to receive other supplemental compensation through University operated summer camps.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Proposed Contract 2013-2018

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#### STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The academic incentives are strong, the highest amount being almost equivalent to supplemental compensation pay for conference tournament champion. The contract also contains adequate liquidated damages in favor of the University. The employment agreement follows the Board-approved model contract.

In addition to the compensation package summarized above, Mr. Rice also participates in the Board-approved supplemental deferred compensation plan. The mandatory contributions rates for Mr. Rice are as follows:

University: 3.69% Employee: 2.80%

BSU requests approval of a five-year year contract for Mr. Rice. Board policy provides as follows:

The chief executive officer of an institution is authorized to enter into a contract for the services of a head coach or athletic director with that institution for a term of more than one (1) year, but not more than three (3) years ... A contract in excess of three (3) years, or a rolling three (3) year contract, may be considered by the Board upon the documented showing of extraordinary circumstances.

The Board will need to make a determination as to whether BSU has met its burden of proof demonstrating extraordinary circumstances.

## **BOARD ACTION**

I move to approve the request by Boise State University to enter into a new five year employment agreement with Leon Rice as Men's Basketball Head Coach, for a term commencing July 1, 2013 and expiring on March 31, 2018 with an annual base salary of \$482,110 and such base salary increases and supplemental compensation provisions, in substantial conformance with the terms of the contract set forth in Attachment 1.

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#### EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by and between Boise State University (University), and Leon Rice (Coach).

#### ARTICLE 1

- 1.1. Employment. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the University shall employ Coach as the head coach of its intercollegiate Men's Basketball team (Team). Coach represents and warrants that Coach is fully qualified to serve, and is available for employment, in this capacity.
- 1.2. Reporting Relationship. Coach shall report and be responsible directly to the University's Director of Athletics (Director) or the Director's designee. Coach shall abide by the reasonable instructions of Director or the Director's designee and shall confer with the Director or the Director's designee on all administrative and technical matters. Coach shall also be under the general supervision of the University's President (President).
- 1.3. Duties. Coach shall manage and supervise the Team and shall perform such other duties in the University's athletic program as the Director may assign and as may be described elsewhere in this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 2

- 2.1. Initial Term. This Agreement is for a fixed-term appointment of five (5) years, commencing on March 26July 1, 2010-2013 and terminating on March 31, 2015-2018 (with a potential one (1) year extension as provided in section 2.3) unless sooner terminated in accordance with other provisions of this Agreement.
- 2.2. Renewal. This Agreement is renewable solely upon an offer from the University and an acceptance by Coach, both of which must be in writing and signed by the parties. Any renewal is subject to the prior approval of University's Board of Trustees. This Agreement in no way grants to Coach a claim to tenure in employment, nor shall Coach's service pursuant to this agreement count in any way toward tenure at the University.
- 2.3. Conference Change Term Extension. If the conference affiliation of the University (currently the Western Athletie Mountain West Conference) changes during the term of this agreement and Coach's employment is not already terminated or suspended as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall automatically be extended by one (1) additional year to its then existing term; provided, however, that at no time may the term of this Agreement exceed five (5) years. If the extension of the additional year as provided in this section 2.3 would have the effect of making the then existing term of this agreement longer than five (5) years, then this provision shall be null and void and of no effect.

2.3.2.4. Automatic Extensions. The term of this Agreement will be automatically extended by one (1) additional year commencing on April 1 and concluding on March 31 for each season in which the Team has at least twenty (20) wins or advances to the NCAA Tournament; provided, however, that at no time may the term of this Agreement exceed five (5) years. If the extension, as provided in this section 2.4, would have the effect of making the then existing term of this Agreement longer than five (5) years, then this provision shall be null and void and of no effect. For the purpose of calculation of wins, such wins must occur during the regular season, the conference tournament, the National Invitation Tournament ("NIT"), or the NCAA Tournament, to the exclusion of all other pre-season exhibition games or post-season invitational tournaments.

#### **ARTICLE 3**

- 3.1 Regular Compensation.
- 3.1.1 In consideration of Coach's services and satisfactory performance of this Agreement, the University shall provide to Coach:
  - a) An annual salary of \$400,000482,110 per year, payable in biweekly installments in accordance with normal University procedures, such amount to increase by three percent (3%) on April 1 of each year of the Agreement; and such salary increases as may be determined appropriate by the Director and President and approved by the University's Board of Trustees;
  - b) The opportunity to receive such employee benefits as the University provides generally to non-faculty exempt employees; and
  - c) The opportunity to receive such employee benefits as the University's Department of Athletics (Department) provides generally to its employees of a comparable level. Coach hereby agrees to abide by the terms and conditions, as now existing or hereafter amended, of such employee benefits.
- 3.2 Supplemental Compensation. Coach may earn supplemental compensation as follows:

#### 3.2.1. Athletic Achievement:

- a) Regular Season Conference Champions \$5,000
- b) The greater of the following two:
   Conference Tournament Finalist
   Conference Tournament Champions
   Conference Tournament game wins
   \$5,000 per game

d) NIT appearances

\$3,000 per game

e) The greater of the following two:
Winning Record (more wins than losses) \$4,000
20 Wins \$8,000

f) At-large selection to the NCAA Tournament \$5,000

#### 3.2.2 Academic Achievement

a) Coach shall qualify for supplemental pay annually if the one-year Academic Progress Rate ("APR", meaning the measurement as used by the NCAA to track academic progress of NCAA eligible student athletes and NCAA athletic programs) for that year meets the following levels in the National Ranking within men's basketball (four-year rate):

i.	50% to 59.9%	\$5,000
ii.	60% to 69.9%	\$7,500
iii.	70% to 79.9%	\$10,000
iv.	80% or above	\$12,500

- 3.2.3 Conditions for payment of Academic and Athletic Achievement supplemental compensation.
  - a) Payment Date for Academic Achievement Supplemental Compensation and for Athletic Achievement Supplemental Compensation shall be made July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year following the completion of the season in which it is earned
  - b) In order to receive the 3.2.1 supplemental compensation, the basketball team's retention rate must be at least 50 percent for the academic year in which the supplemental pay is earned. The retention rate will be calculated anew each year and will not be cumulative.
- 3.2.4 Each year Coach may be eligible to receive supplemental compensation based on the overall development of the intercollegiate men's basketball program; ticket sales; fundraising; outreach by Coach to various constituency groups, including University students, staff, faculty, alumni and boosters; and any other factors the President wishes to consider. The determination of whether Coach will receive such supplemental compensation and the timing of the payment(s) shall be at the discretion of the President to request from, and subject to approval at the sole discretion of, the State Board of Education.

- 3.2.5 Compensation for Media. The Coach may receive a portion of the section 3.1.1(a) compensation from the University, the University's designated media outlet(s), or from public appearance fees or a combination thereof (at the discretion of the University and the Media outlets), each year during the term of this Agreement in compensation for participation in media programs and public appearances (Programs). This sum may be paid either through the University by-weekly payroll or may be paid monthly directly from the media outlets. The Coach will be advised annually, or at other times as needed, as to the source of payment. Coach acknowledges that the differing sources of payment may change the nature of the benefits attached to such payments and the University and Coach shall mutually agree on such changes if there is a alteration to the source of payment. Agreements requiring the Coach to participate in Programs related to his duties as an employee of University are the property of the University. The University shall have the exclusive right to negotiate and contract with all producers of media productions and all parties desiring public appearances by the Coach. Coach agrees to cooperate with the University in order for the Programs to be successful and agrees to provide his services to and perform on the Programs and to cooperate in their production, broadcasting, and telecasting. It is understood that neither Coach nor any assistant coaches shall appear without the prior written approval of the Director on any competing radio or television program (including but not limited to a coach's show, call-in show, or interview show) or a regularly scheduled news segment, except that this prohibition shall not apply to routine news media interviews for which no compensation is received. Without the prior written approval of the Director, Coach shall not appear in any commercial endorsements which are broadcast on radio or television that conflict with those broadcast on the University's designated media outlets.
- 3.2.6 Summer Camp. The University may operate a summer youth basketball camp using University facilities, and in so doing, the University shall allow Coach the opportunity to earn supplemental compensation by assisting the University in his capacity as a University employee. Coach hereby agrees to assist in the marketing, supervision, and general administration of the University's camps. Coach also agrees that Coach will perform all obligations mutually agreed upon by the parties. In considering whether to operate a summer youth camp, the University may consider the following conditions:
  - a) The summer youth camp operation reflects positively on the University and the Department;
  - b) The summer youth camp is operated as a University activity in which the University shall pay Coach a reasonable supplemental income based in part upon the revenue and expenses of the summer camp. The camp operation will have the opportunity to internally lease University facilities for the summer camp which will be charged as an operating expense of the camp;
  - c) The Coach complies with all NCAA, Conference, and University rules and regulations related, directly or indirectly, to the operation of summer youth camps;

- d) All revenues and expenses of the camp shall be deposited with and paid by the University.
- e) If required by the University, Coach shall secure through University risk management as an expense of the camp, supplemental liability insurance as follows: (1) liability coverage: spectator and staff--\$1 million; (2) catastrophic coverage: camper and staff--\$1 million maximum coverage with \$100 deductible;

In the event of termination of this Agreement, or suspension from employment of the Coach, University shall not be under any obligation to hold a summer youth camp with the Coach after the effective date of such termination or suspension and the University shall be released from all obligations relating thereto.

- 3.2.7 Coach agrees that the University has the exclusive right to select footwear, apparel and/or equipment for the use of its student-athletes and staff, including Coach, during official practices and games and during times when Coach or the Team is being filmed by motion picture or video camera or posing for photographs in their capacity as representatives of University. Coach recognizes that the University has the authority to enter into an agreement with a company to supply the University with athletic footwear, apparel and/or equipment. Coach agrees that, upon the University's reasonable request, Coach will consult with appropriate parties concerning a product's design or performance, shall act as an instructor at a clinic sponsored in whole or in part by the University's designated company, or give a lecture at an event sponsored in whole or in part by said company, or make other educationally-related appearances as may be reasonably requested by the University. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, Coach shall retain the right to decline such appearances as Coach reasonably determines to conflict with or hinder his duties and obligations as head basketball coach. In order to avoid entering into an agreement with a competitor of the University's designated company, Coach shall submit all outside consulting agreements to the University for review and approval prior to execution. Coach shall also report such outside income to the University in accordance with NCAA rules. Coach further agrees that Coach will not, without University approval, endorse any athletic footwear, apparel and/or equipment products, and will not participate in any messages or promotional appearances which contain a comparative or qualitative description of athletic footwear, apparel or equipment products.
- 3.2.8 Away Game Guarantee. In the event University schedules an away contest with a non-conference opponent for which a game guarantee is paid to University by the host institution, the payment shall be distributed as follows: (a) the first \$50,000 of the game guarantee will be retained by the Department; (b) any amount of the game guarantee exceeding \$50,000, less expenses associated with the contest, will be distributed to Coach and Assistant Coaches at the recommendation of Coach, subject to Director's final approval.
- 3.2.9 Signing Bonus. In consideration for execution of this Employment Agreement, Coach, following execution, will receive a one-time signing bonus in the amount of \$10,875 within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Employment Agreement, or the next applicable payroll period.

3.3 General Conditions of Compensation. All compensation provided by the University to Coach is subject to deductions and withholdings as required by law or the terms and conditions of any fringe benefit in which Coach participates. However, if any fringe benefit is based in whole or in part upon the compensation provided by the University to Coach, such fringe benefit shall be based only on the salary provided pursuant to section 3.1.1 that is also paid through the University, except to the extent required by the terms and conditions of a specific fringe benefit program.

#### **ARTICLE 4**

- 4.1. Coach's Specific Duties and Responsibilities. In consideration of the compensation specified in this Agreement, Coach, in addition to the obligations set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, shall:
- 4.1.1. Devote Coach's full time and best efforts to the performance of Coach's duties under this Agreement;
- 4.1.2. Develop and implement programs and procedures with respect to the evaluation, recruitment, training, and coaching of Team members which enable them to compete successfully and reasonably protect their health, safety, and well-being;
- 4.1.3. Observe and uphold all academic standards, requirements, and policies of the University and encourage Team members to perform to their highest academic potential and to graduate in a timely manner; and
- 4.1.4. Know, recognize, and comply with all applicable laws and the policies, rules and regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, and the NCAA; supervise and take appropriate steps to ensure that Coach's assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, and the members of the Team know, recognize, and comply with all such laws, policies, rules and regulations; and immediately report to the Director and to the Department's Director of Compliance if Coach has reasonable cause to believe that any person or entity, including without limitation representatives of the University's athletic interests, has violated or is likely to violate any such laws, policies, rules or regulations. Coach shall cooperate fully with the University and Department at all times. The names or titles of employees whom Coach supervises are attached as Exhibit C. The applicable laws, policies, rules, and regulations include: (a) State Board of Education Governing Policies and Procedures and Rule Manual; (b) University's Policies; (c) University's Administrative Procedures Manual; (d) the policies of the Department; (e) NCAA rules and regulations; and (f) the rules and regulations of the athletic conference of which the University is a member.
- 4.2 Outside Activities. Coach shall not undertake any business, professional or personal activities, or pursuits that would prevent Coach from devoting Coach's full time and best efforts to the performance of Coach's duties under this Agreement, that would otherwise detract from those duties in any manner, or that, in the opinion of the University, would reflect

adversely upon the University or its athletic program. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Coach may, with the prior written approval of the Director, who may consult with the President, enter into separate arrangements for outside activities and endorsements which are consistent with Coach's obligations under this Agreement. Coach may not use the University's name, logos, or trademarks in connection with any such arrangements without the prior written approval of the Director and the President.

- 4.3 NCAA Rules. In accordance with NCAA rules, Coach shall obtain prior written approval from the University's President for all athletically related income and benefits from sources outside the University and shall report the source and amount of all such income and benefits to the University's President whenever reasonably requested, but in no event less than annually before the close of business on June 30th of each year or the last regular University work day preceding June 30th. The report shall be in a format reasonably satisfactory to University. In no event shall Coach accept or receive directly or indirectly any monies, benefits, or gratuities whatsoever from any person, association, corporation, University booster club, University alumni association, University foundation, or other benefactor, if the acceptance or receipt of the monies, benefits, or gratuities would violate applicable law or the policies, rules, and regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA.
- 4.4 Hiring Authority. Coach shall have the responsibility and the sole authority to recommend to the Director the hiring and termination of assistant coaches for the Team, but the decision to hire or terminate an assistant coach shall be made by the Director and shall, when necessary or appropriate, be subject to the approval of President and the University's Board of Trustees.
- 4.5 Scheduling. Coach shall consult with, and may make recommendations to, the Director or the Director's designee with respect to the scheduling of Team competitions, but the final decision shall be made by the Director or the Director's designee.
- 4.7 Other Coaching Opportunities. Coach shall not, under any circumstances, interview for, negotiate for, or accept employment as a coach at any other institution of higher education or with any professional sports team, requiring performance of duties prior to the expiration of this Agreement, without the prior approval of the Director. Such approval shall not unreasonably be withheld.
- 4.8 Specific Duties of Coach. The Coach is expected to devote full time to coaching and recruitment involving the Men's Basketball team as the Head Coach. The Coach will attend all staff meetings, public relation functions, dinners, awards banquet and make appearances as directed by Athletic Director unless excused by Athletic Director. Such functions shall include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - a) The annual BAA Bar-B-que;
  - b) The weekly BAA gatherings during the relevant season;
  - c) The annual BAA Endowment dinner;
  - d) The BSU Athletic Hall of Fame dinner;

- e) The BAA Bronze Bronco Award banquet;
- f) The BAA/Alumni Auction dinner;
- g) All Athletic Department staff meetings called by Athletic Director;
- h) Athletic Department Graduation Reception;
- i) Bronco Series Golf Tournaments.

#### ARTICLE 5

- 5.1 Termination of Coach for Cause. The University may, in its discretion, temporarily or permanently suspend Coach from some or all of Coach's duties with or without pay, or terminate this Agreement at any time for good or adequate cause, as those terms are defined in applicable policies, rules and regulations.
- 5.1.1 In addition to the definitions contained in applicable policies, rules and regulations, University and Coach hereby specifically agree that the following shall constitute good or adequate cause for suspension or termination of this Agreement:
  - a) A repetitive or major violation of Coach's duties under this agreement or the refusal or unwillingness of Coach to perform such duties in good faith and to the best of Coach's abilities;
  - b) The failure of Coach to cure any violation of any of the terms of this agreement within 30 days after written notice from the University;
  - c) (i) A repetitive or major violation by Coach of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board or the conference, or (ii) the finding by the NCAA of a repetitive or major violation of the rules or policies of the NCAA, including but not limited to any major violation which may have occurred during the employment of Coach at another NCAA member institution;
  - d) Ten (10) working days' absence of Coach from duty without the University's consent;
  - e) Any conduct of Coach that constitutes a grave violation of the moral sentiment or accepted moral standards of society or that would, in the University's reasonable judgment, reflect adversely on the University or its athletic programs;
  - f) The failure of Coach to represent the University and its athletic programs positively in public and private forums;
  - g) The failure of Coach to fully and promptly cooperate with the NCAA or the University in any investigation of possible violations of any applicable

- law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA;
- h) The failure of Coach to report a violation of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA, by one of Coach's assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, or a member of the Team when the Coach had actual knowledge of, or in the proper and faithful performance of his duties should have known of, such violation; or
- i) A major violation of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University or the University's governing board, or the finding by the conference or the NCAA of a major violation of the rules or policies of the conference or the NCAA by one of Coach's assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, or a member of the Team if Coach knew or, in the proper and faithful performance of his duties, should have known of the violation and could have prevented it by ordinary supervision.
- 5.1.2 Suspension or termination for good or adequate cause shall be effectuated by the University as follows: before the effective date of the suspension or termination, the Director or his designee shall provide Coach with notice, which notice shall be accomplished in the manner provided for in this Agreement and shall include the reason(s) for the contemplated action. Coach shall then have an opportunity to respond. After Coach responds or fails to respond, University shall notify Coach whether, and if so when, the action will be effective.
- 5.1.3 In the event of any termination for good or adequate cause, the University's obligation to provide compensation and benefits to Coach, whether direct, indirect, supplemental or collateral, shall cease as of the date of such termination, and the University shall not be liable for the loss of any collateral business opportunities or other benefits, perquisites, or income resulting from outside activities or from any other sources.
- 5.1.4 If found in violation of NCAA regulations, Coach shall, in addition to the provisions of Section 5.1, be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the provisions of the NCAA enforcement procedures. This section applies to violations occurring at the University or at previous institutions at which the Coach was employed.
  - 5.2 Termination of Coach for Convenience of University.
- 5.2.1 At any time after commencement of this Agreement, University, for its own convenience, may terminate this Agreement by giving ten (10) days prior written notice to Coach.
- 5.2.2 In the event that University terminates this Agreement for its own convenience, University shall be obligated to pay to Coach the salary set forth in section 3.1.1(a),

excluding all deductions required by law, on the regular paydays of the University until the term of this Agreement ends or until Coach obtains reasonably comparable employment, whichever occurs first, provided however, in the event Coach obtains other employment after such termination, then the amount of compensation University pays will be adjusted and reduced by the amount of compensation paid Coach as a result of such other employment, such adjusted compensation to be calculated for each University pay-period by reducing the gross salary set forth in section 3.1.1(a) (before deductions required by law) by the gross compensation paid to the Coach under the other employment, then subtracting from this adjusted gross compensation deductions according to law. In addition, Coach will be entitled to continue the health insurance plan and group life insurance as if Coach remained a University employee until the term of this Agreement ends or until Coach obtains reasonably comparable employment or any other employment providing Coach with a reasonably comparable health plan and group life insurance, whichever occurs first. Coach shall be entitled to no other compensation or fringe benefits, except as otherwise provided herein or required by law. Coach specifically agrees to inform University within ten business days of obtaining other employment and to advise University of all relevant terms of such employment, including without limitation, the nature and location of the employment, salary, other compensation, health insurance benefits, life insurance benefits, and other fringe benefits. Failure to so inform and advise University shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and University's obligation to pay compensation under this provision shall end. Coach further agrees to repay to University all compensation paid by University after the date Coach obtains other employment, to which Coach is not entitled under this provision.

5.2.3 The parties have bargained for and agreed to the foregoing liquidated damages provision, giving consideration to the fact that the Coach may lose certain benefits, supplemental compensation, or outside compensation relating to his employment with University, which damages are extremely difficult to determine with certainty. The parties further agree that the payment of such liquidated damages by University and the acceptance thereof by Coach shall constitute adequate and reasonable compensation to Coach for the damages and injury suffered by Coach because of such termination by University. The liquidated damages are not, and shall not be construed to be, a penalty. Coach has been given an opportunity to consult with legal counsel of his own choosing and has not relied upon the advice of any legal counsel acting on behalf of the University.

#### 5.3 Termination by Coach for Convenience.

- 5.3.1 The Coach recognizes that his promise to work for University for the entire term of this Agreement is of the essence of this Agreement. The Coach also recognizes that the University is making a highly valuable investment in his employment by entering into this Agreement and that its investment would be lost were he to resign or otherwise terminate his employment with the University before the end of the contract term.
- 5.3.2 The Coach, for his own convenience, may terminate this Agreement during its term by giving prior written notice to the University. Termination shall be effective ten (10) days after notice is given to the University.

- 5.3.3 If the Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience at any time, all obligations of the University shall cease as of the effective date of the termination. If the Coach terminates this Agreement for his convenience and pursues employment as, or performs the services or duties regularly associated with, a head coach in NCAA Division 1 collegiate basketball, professional basketball in any capacity, sports media in any capacity he shall pay to the University, as liquidated damages and not a penalty, for the breach of this Agreement if the Agreement is terminated on or before March 31, 2012expiration of the term, including any extensions thereof, the sum of \$250,000175,000 and the sum of \$125,000 if the Agreement is so terminated after March 31, 2012 and prior to March 31, 2014. The liquidated damages shall be due and payable within twenty (20) days of the effective date of the termination, and any unpaid amount shall bear simple interest at a rate eight (8) percent per annum until paid.
- 5.3.4 The parties have bargained for and agreed to the foregoing liquidated damages provision, giving consideration to the fact that the University will incur administrative and recruiting costs in obtaining a replacement for Coach, in addition to potentially increased compensation costs if Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience, which damages are extremely difficult to determine with certainty. The parties further agree that the payment of such liquidated damages by Coach and the acceptance thereof by University shall constitute adequate and reasonable compensation to University for the damages and injury suffered by it because of such termination by Coach. The liquidated damages are not, and shall not be construed to be, a penalty. This section 5.3.4 shall not apply if Coach terminates this Agreement because of a material breach by the University. Coach has been given an opportunity to consult with legal counsel of his own choosing and has not relied upon the advice of any legal counsel acting on behalf of the University.
- 5.3.5 Except as provide elsewhere in this Agreement, if Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience, he shall forfeit to the extent permitted by law his right to receive all supplemental compensation and other payments.
  - 5.4 Termination due to Disability or Death of Coach.
- 5.4.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall terminate automatically if Coach becomes totally or permanently disabled as defined by the University's disability insurance carrier, becomes unable to perform the essential functions of the position of head coach, or dies.
- 5.4.2 If this Agreement is terminated because of Coach's death, Coach's salary and all other benefits shall terminate as of the last day worked, except that the Coach's personal representative or other designated beneficiary shall be paid all compensation due or unpaid and death benefits, if any, as may be contained in any fringe benefit plan now in force or hereafter adopted by the University and due to the Coach's estate or beneficiaries thereunder.

- 5.4.3 If this Agreement is terminated because the Coach becomes totally or permanently disabled as defined by the University's disability insurance carrier, or becomes unable to perform the essential functions of the position of head coach, all salary and other benefits shall terminate, except that the Coach shall be entitled to receive any compensation due or unpaid and any disability-related benefits to which he is entitled by virtue of employment with the University.
- 5.5 Interference by Coach. In the event of termination or suspension, Coach agrees that Coach will not interfere with the University's student-athletes or otherwise obstruct the University's ability to transact business or operate its intercollegiate athletics program.
- 5.7 No Liability. The University shall not be liable to Coach for the loss of any collateral business opportunities or any other benefits, perquisites or income from any sources that may ensue as a result of any termination of this Agreement by either party or due to death or disability or the suspension of Coach, regardless of the circumstances.
- 5.8 Waiver of Rights. Because the Coach is receiving a multi-year contract and the opportunity to receive supplemental compensation and because such contracts and opportunities are not customarily afforded to University employees, if the University suspends Coach, or terminates this Agreement for good or adequate cause or for convenience, Coach shall have all the rights provided for in this Agreement but hereby releases the University from compliance with the notice, appeal, and similar employment-related rights provide for in the State Board of Education and Board Rule Manual (IDAPA 08) and Governing Policies and Procedures Manual, and the University Policies.
- 5.9 Use of Annual Leave. In the event of non-renewal or termination Coach will use all accumulated annual leave prior to the end of the contract period.

#### **ARTICLE 6**

- 6.1 Board Approval. This Agreement shall not be effective until and unless approved of the University's Board of Trustees and executed by both parties as set forth below. In addition, the payment of any compensation pursuant to this agreement shall be subject to the approval of the University's Board of Trustees, the President, and the Director; the sufficiency of legislative appropriations; the receipt of sufficient funds in the account from which such compensation is paid; and the Board of Trustees and University's polices regarding furloughs and financial exigency.
- 6.2 University Property. All personal property (excluding vehicle(s) provided through the Courtesy Car program), material, and articles of information, including, without limitation, keys, credit cards, personnel records, recruiting records, team information, films, statistics or any other personal property, material, or data, furnished to Coach by the University or developed by Coach on behalf of the University or at the University's direction or for the University's use or otherwise in connection with Coach's employment hereunder are and shall remain the sole property of the University. Within twenty-four (24) hours of the expiration of the term of this agreement or its earlier termination as provided herein, Coach shall immediately

cause any such personal property, materials, and articles of information in Coach's possession or control to be delivered to the Director.

- 6.3 Assignment. Neither party may assign its rights or delegate its obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.
- 6.4 Waiver. No waiver of any default in the performance of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing and signed by the waiving party. The waiver of a particular breach in the performance of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. The resort to a particular remedy upon a breach shall not constitute a waiver of any other available remedies.
- 6.5 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Agreement shall not be affected and shall remain in effect.
- 6.6 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be subject to and construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Idaho as an agreement to be performed in Idaho. Any action based in whole or in part on this Agreement shall be brought in the courts of the state of Idaho.
- 6.7 Oral Promises. Oral promises of an increase in annual salary or of any supplemental or other compensation shall not be binding upon the University.
- 6.8 Force Majeure. Any prevention, delay or stoppage due to strikes, lockouts, labor disputes, acts of God, inability to obtain labor or materials or reasonable substitutes therefore, governmental restrictions, governmental regulations, governmental controls, enemy or hostile governmental action, civil commotion, fire or other casualty, and other causes beyond the reasonable control of the party obligated to perform (including financial inability), shall excuse the performance by such party for a period equal to any such prevention, delay or stoppage.
- 6.9 Confidentiality. The Coach hereby consents and agrees that this document may be released and made available to the public after it is signed by the Coach. The Coach further agrees that all documents and reports he is required to produce under this Agreement may be released and made available to the public at the University's sole discretion.
- 6.10 Notices. Any notice under this Agreement shall be in writing and be delivered in person or by public or private courier service (including U.S. Postal Service Express Mail) or certified mail with return receipt requested or by facsimile. All notices shall be addressed to the parties at the following addresses or at such other addresses as the parties may from time to time direct in writing:

the University: Director of Athletics

1910 University Drive Boise, ID 83725-1020

with a copy to: President

1910 University Drive Boise, ID 83725-100

the Coach: Leon Rice

Last known address on file with

University's Human Resource Services

Any notice shall be deemed to have been given on the earlier of: (a) actual delivery or refusal to accept delivery, (b) the date of mailing by certified mail, or (c) the day facsimile delivery is verified. Actual notice, however and from whomever received, shall always be effective.

- 6.11 Headings. The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation hereof.
- 6.12 Binding Effect. This Agreement is for the benefit only of the parties hereto and shall inure to the benefit of and bind the parties and their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns.
- 6.13 Non-Use of Names and Trademarks. The Coach shall not, without the University's prior written consent in each case, use any name, trade name, trademark, or other designation of the University (including contraction, abbreviation or simulation), except in the course and scope of his official University duties.
- 6.14 No Third Party Beneficiaries. There are no intended or unintended third party beneficiaries to this Agreement.
- 6.15 Entire Agreement; Amendments. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, including the Employment Agreement dated and effective March 26, 2010, with respect to the same subject matter. No amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing, signed by both parties, and approved by University's Board of Trustees.
- 6.16 Opportunity to Consult with Attorney. The Coach acknowledges that he has had the opportunity to consult and review this Agreement with an attorney, and has not relied upon the advice of any legal counsel acting on behalf of the University. Accordingly, in all cases, the language of this Agreement shall be construed simply, according to its fair meaning, and not strictly for or against any party.

UNIVERSITY	СОАСН	
Robert W. Kustra, President Date	Leon Rice	Date
Approved by the Board of Trustees on the	e day of, <del>2</del> 4	<del>010</del> 2013.

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#### **UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO**

### **SUBJECT**

Multi-year contract for Men's Basketball Team Head Coach

## APPLICABLE STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

Idaho State Board of Education Governing Polices & Procedures Section II.H.1.

### **DISCUSSION**

The University of Idaho (UI) requests Regents' approval to extend the employment of the Men's Basketball Team Head Coach, Don Verlin, for three years, through June 30, 2016 with some modifications to add a rolling extension term for each year the coach has at least 15 wins or advances to the NCAA Tournament, an automatic extension in the event of a conference change, modifying terms of the Net Game Guarantee payment, and modifying terms for termination by the Coach. Attachment 1 to these materials shows the specific changes in terms from the current contract.

The University submits the attached multi-year contract (Attachment 2) to the Regents for approval. The primary terms of the agreement are set forth below.

Attachment 3 sets out the accomplishments of Coach Verlin in support of the addition of a rolling term provision.

## **IMPACT**

The extended term of the employment contract runs through June 30, 2016.

The annual base salary reflects a 4% annual increase in the out-years as follows:

2013-14 \$156,832.00
2014-15 \$163,105.28
2015-16 \$169,629.49

The salary increases are expressly contingent upon the following: (1) academic achievement and behavior of team members, as described in Paragraph 3.2.4 of this agreement; (2) appropriate behavior by, and supervision of, all assistant coaches, as determined by the director; (3) compliance with the University's financial stewardship policies as set forth in University's Administrative Procedures Manual Chapter 25; and (4) approval by the president, in the president's sole discretion.

Annual media payments are \$60,000.00.

Coach is entitled to receive the following incentive/supplemental compensation:

- 1. Conference champions or co-champion or team becomes eligible for the NCAA tournament 1/13<sup>th</sup> of annual salary.
- 2. Team ranked in the top 25 in any published national final poll 1/13<sup>th</sup> of annual salary.
- 3. Conference Coach of the Year = \$5,000.
- 4. Academic achievement and behavior of team based on APR national rank exceeding 950 \$5,000.
- 5. Team Victories:

14 victories - \$5,000

Additional \$5,000 for 17 or more victories

Additional \$5,000 for 20 or more victories

- 6. Team progresses to Round 16 in the NCAA tournament \$25,000.
- 7. Supplement Increase for Repeat Performance: any of the supplements under items 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be increased by 25% if the coach achieves the same goal in the next succeeding year.
- 8. Gate Receipts: 20% of gate receipts in excess of \$35,000 up to \$50,000 and 25% of gate receipts in excess of \$50,000.
- 9. Away Game Guarantee (non-conference): the amount by which the game guaranty paid to the University for each non-conference opponent paying a game guaranty exceeding the sum of \$50,000 plus the expenses associated with the game.

Maximum potential annual compensation (base salary, media payment and estimated maximum potential incentive) is as follows:

•	2013-14	\$290,960.00
•	2014-15	\$313,835.04
•	2015-16	\$337,113.44

Coach may participate in youth basketball camps as follows:

- Remaining income from any University operated camp, less \$500, after all claims, insurance, and expenses of camp have been paid, OR
- In the event University elects not to operate a camp, coach may do so within Board guidelines for such camps.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

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#### STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The academic incentive is equivalent to supplemental compensation pay for conference coach of the year. The contract also contains adequate liquidated damages in favor of the University. The employment agreement is in substantial compliance with the Board-approved model contract. Staff notes, however, that UI is proposing giving the president authority and discretion to approve an annual

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4% base salary increase for Mr. Verlin without Board approval. If the Board is comfortable delegating this level of authority to presidents, it would be helpful to direct staff to document this discretion in the model contract or Board policy.

UI requests approval of a three-year year contract with a contingent rolling extension provision. Board policy provides as follows:

The chief executive officer of an institution is authorized to enter into a contract for the services of a head coach or athletic director with that institution for a term of more than one (1) year, but not more than three (3) years ... A contract in excess of three (3) years, or a rolling three (3) year contract, may be considered by the Board upon the documented showing of extraordinary circumstances.

The Board will need to make a determination as to whether UI has met its burden of proof demonstrating extraordinary circumstances.

### **BOARD ACTION**

I move to approve the request by the University of Idaho to enter into a multi-year employment contract with Don Verlin as Men's Basketball Head Coach for a term extending through June 30, 2016, with an annual base salary of \$156,832 and such base salary increases, rolling one year extensions and supplemental compensation provisions, in substantial conformance with the form submitted to the Board in Attachment 2.

Moved by	Seconded by	Carried Yes	No
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# DRAFT EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by and between the University of Idaho (University), and Don Verlin (Coach).

#### ARTICLE 1

- 1.1. <u>Employment</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the University shall employ Coach as the head coach of its intercollegiate men's basketball team. Coach represents and warrants that Coach is fully qualified to serve, and is available for employment, in this capacity.
- 1.2. <u>Reporting Relationship</u>. Coach shall report and be responsible directly to the University's Director of Athletics (Director) or the Director's designee. Coach shall abide by the reasonable instructions of Director or the Director's designee and shall confer with the Director or the Director's designee on all administrative and technical matters. Coach shall also be under the general supervision of the University's President (President).
- 1.3. <u>Duties</u>. Coach shall manage and supervise the Team and shall perform such other duties in the University's athletic program as the Director may assign and as may be described elsewhere in this Agreement. The University shall have the right, at any time, to reassign Coach to duties at the University other than as head coach of the Team, provided that Coach's compensation and benefits shall not be affected by any such reassignment, except that the opportunity to earn supplemental compensation as provided in sections 3.2.1 through 3.2.11 shall cease.

#### **ARTICLE 2**

- 2.1. <u>Term.</u> This Agreement is for a fixed-term appointment of five (5) years, effective March 24, 2010,3 years commencing on July 1, 2013, and terminating, without further notice to Coach, on March 23, 2015, June 30, 2016, unless extended (in section 2.3 only) or unless sooner terminated in accordance with other provisions of this Agreement.
- 2.2. Extension or Renewal. This Agreement is renewable solely upon an offer from the University and an acceptance by Coach, both of which must be in writing and signed by the parties. Any renewal is subject to the prior approval of University's Board of Regents. This Agreement in no way grants to Coach a claim to tenure in employment, nor shall Coach's service pursuant to this agreement count in any way toward tenure at the University.
- <u>2.3</u> Extensions to Initial Term. The term of this Agreement will be automatically extended by one (1) additional year commencing on July 1, and concluding on June 30, for

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2.4 Conference Change Term Extension. If the conference affiliation of the University (currently the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) and, as of July 1, 2014, the Big Sky Athletic Conference) changes during the term of this agreement and Coach's employment is not already terminated or suspended as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall automatically be extended by one (1) additional year to its then existing term; provided however that the planned change from the WAC to the Big Sky Athletic Conference effective July 1, 2014 shall not cause such an extension; and provided further, that at no time may the term of this Agreement exceed three (3) years. If the extension of the additional year as provided in this section 2.4 would have the effect of making the then existing terms of this agreement longer than three (3) years, then this provision shall be null and void and of no effect.

#### ARTICLE 3

# 3.1 <u>Regular Compensation</u>.

- 3.1.1 In consideration of Coach's services and satisfactory performance of this Agreement, the University shall provide to Coach:
  - a) An annual salary as follows;
    - i. From March 24, 2010 through March 23, 2011: \$132.808.
    - ii. From March 24, 2011 through March 23, 2012: \$140,816.
    - iii. From March 24, 2012 through March 23, 2013: \$148,824.
    - iv. From March 24, 2013 through March 23, 2014: \$156.832.
    - From March 24, 2014 through March 23, 2015: ₩. \$164,840.The above salary amounts are of \$156,832 per year payable in biweekly installments in accordance with normal University procedures, such amount will increase by (4%) on July 1 of each year of the Agreement. The above salary amount is payable in biweekly installments in accordance with normal University procedures. The Any salary increases in paragraphs ii, iii, and iv are expressly contingent upon the following: (1) academic achievement and behavior of Team members, as described in Paragraph 3.2.4 of this Agreement; (2) appropriate behavior by, and supervision of, all assistant coaches, as determined by the Director; (3) compliance with the University's financial stewardship policies as set forth in Administrative University's Procedures Manual Chapter 25; and (4) approval by the President, in the President's sole discretion.
  - b) The opportunity to receive such employee benefits as the University provides generally to non-faculty exempt employees; and
  - c) The opportunity to receive such employee benefits as the University's Department of Athletics (Department) provides

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# 3.2 Supplemental Compensation

- 3.2.1. Each year the Team is the conference champion or co-champion or becomes eligible for the NCAA tournament pursuant to NCAA Division I guidelines, and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, the University shall pay to Coach supplemental compensation in an amount equal to one-thirteenth (1/13) of Coach's Annual Salary during the fiscal year in which the championship or NCAA tournament eligibility is achieved. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.2 Each year the Team is ranked in the top 25 in any published national final poll of intercollegiate men's basketball teams and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, the University shall pay Coach supplemental compensation in an amount equal to one-thirteenth (1/13) of Coach's Annual Salary in effect on the date of the final poll. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.3 Each year Coach is named Conference Coach of the Year, and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of \$5,000. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.4 Coach shall be eligible to receive supplemental compensation each year based on the academic achievement and behavior of Team members. If the Team's annual APR (for the previous fall and spring semesters) exceeds the NCAA Division 1 average for men's basketball teams, exceeds 950, and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head football basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of \$5,000. Any such supplemental compensation paid to Coach shall be accompanied with a justification for the supplemental compensation based on the factors listed above, and such justification shall be separately reported to the Board of Regents as a document available to the public under the Idaho Public Records Act.
- 3.2.5 The Coach shall receive the sum of \$60,000 from the University or the University's designated media outlet(s) or a combination thereof each year during the term of this Agreement in compensation for participation in media programs and public appearances (Programs). Each year, one-half of this sum shall be paid prior to the first regular season men's basketball game, and one-half shall be paid no later than two weeks after the last regular season men's basketball game or post season game, whichever occurs later. Coach's right to receive the second half of such payment shall vest on the date of the Team's last regular season or post season competition, whichever occurs later, and contingent upon Coach's continued employment as of that date March 1 each year. Coach's right to receive

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any such media payment under this Paragraph is expressly contingent on Coach's compliance with University's financial stewardship policies as set forth in University's Administrative Procedures Manual Chapter 25. Agreements requiring the Coach to participate in Programs related to his duties as an employee of University are the property of the University. The University shall have the exclusive right to negotiate and contract with all producers of media productions and all parties desiring public appearances by the Coach. Coach agrees to cooperate with the University in order for the Programs to be successful and agrees to provide his services to and perform on the Programs and to cooperate in their production, broadcasting, and telecasting. It is understood that neither Coach nor any assistant coaches shall appear without the prior written approval of the Director on any radio or television program (including but not limited to a coach's show, call-in show, or interview show) or a regularly scheduled news segment, through a media outlet that is not University-designated, except that this prohibition shall not apply to routine news media interviews for which no compensation is received. Without the prior written approval of the Director, Coach shall not appear in any commercial endorsements that are broadcast on radio or television that conflict with those broadcast on the University's designated media outlets.

- 3.2.6 If Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of \$5,000 for 14 victories; an additional \$5,000 for 17 victories; and an additional \$5,000 for 20 victories. The victories will include contests in both non-conference and conference competition. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.7 Each year the Team progresses to the Round of 16 in the NCAA tournament, the Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of \$25,000. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.8 If the Coach earns any of the forms of supplemental compensation described in paragraphs 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.2.4, 3.2.6, or 3.2.7, such supplemental compensation will increase by 25% in the next contract year. For example, if Coach is named conference coach of the year, and the conditions of Paragraph 3.2.3 are otherwise met, he will receive supplemental compensation of \$5000 in the year he is named. If he is again named conference coach of the year, his supplemental compensation will be \$6250 (\$5000 + 25%).
- 3.2.9 Each year gross gate receipts for men's basketball exceed \$35,000, and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of 20% of the gate receipts that exceed \$35,000 and 25% of the gate receipts that exceed \$50,000. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.

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- a. Each year Coach continues to be employed as University's head coach of its intercollegiate men's basketball team as of the ensuing May 1<sup>st</sup> following the end of the competitive season, the University shall pay to Coach supplemental compensation equal to a Net Game Guarantee (as defined in paragraph b below). Such supplemental compensation will be paid to Coach prior to the end of the current fiscal year in an appropriate manner as determined by the University.
- b. The Net Game Guarantee will be calculated as follows: from the gross-revenue paid to the University by all non-conference opponents during the regular competitive season, the University will deduct a base amount of \$65,000, and will further deduct any game guarantees (including travel, hotel or other support provided to an opponent) paid out to non-conference opponents during the same regular competitive season. The remaining balance shall be the Net Game Guarantee paid to Coach.3.2.10

  Non-Conference Basketball Net Game Guarantee Away Game Guarantee. In the event the University schedules away contests with a non-conference opponents for which a game guarantee is paid to the University by the host institution, the payment shall be distributed as follows: (a) the first \$50,000 of the game will be retained by the Department of Athletics; (b) any amount of the game guarantee exceeding the \$50,000, less expenses associated with the contest, will be distributed to Coach subject to Director of Athletics final approval.
  - c. Coach shall schedule at least one non-conference game each regular competitive season, in consultation with the Director of Athletics, that will generate net revenue to the University of a minimum of \$65,000.
- 3.2.11 Coach agrees that the University has the exclusive right to operate youth basketball camps on its campus using University facilities. The University shall allow Coach the opportunity to earn supplemental compensation by assisting with the University's camps in Coach's capacity as a University employee. Coach hereby agrees to assist in the marketing, supervision, and general administration of the University's youth basketball camps. Coach also agrees that Coach will perform all obligations mutually agreed upon by the parties. In exchange for Coach's participation in the University's youth basketball camps, the University shall pay Coach the remaining income from the youth basketball camps, less \$500, after all claims, insurance, and expenses of such camps have been paid.

Alternatively, in the event the University notifies Coach, in writing that it does not intend to operate youth basketball camps for a particular period of time during the term of this Agreement, then, during such time period, Coach shall be permitted to operate youth basketball camps on the University's campus and using its facilities under the following terms and conditions:

a) The summer youth camp operation reflects positively on the University of Idaho and the Department;

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- b) The summer youth camp is operated by Coach directly or through a private enterprise owned and managed by Coach. The Coach shall not use University of Idaho personnel, equipment, or facilities without the prior written approval of the Director;
- Assistant coaches at the University of Idaho are given priority when the Coach or the private enterprise selects coaches to participate;
- d) The Coach complies with all NCAA, Conference, and University of Idaho rules and regulations related, directly or indirectly, to the operation of summer youth camps;
- e) The Coach or the private enterprise enters into a contract with University of Idaho and Sodexho for all campus goods and services required by the camp.
- f) The Coach or private enterprise pays for use of University of Idaho facilities.
- g) Within thirty days of the last day of the summer youth camp(s), Coach shall submit to the Director a preliminary "Camp Summary Sheet" containing financial and other information related to the operation of the camp. Within ninety days of the last day of the summer youth camp(s), Coach shall submit to Director a final accounting and "Camp Summary Sheet."
- h) The Coach or the private enterprise shall provide proof of liability insurance as follows: (1) liability coverage: spectator and staff--\$1 million; (2) catastrophic coverage: camper and staff--\$1 million maximum coverage with \$100 deductible;
- i) To the extent permitted by law, the Coach or the private enterprise shall defend and indemnify the University of Idaho against any claims, damages, or liabilities arising out of the operation of the summer youth camp(s)
- j) All employees of the summer youth camp(s) shall be employees of the Coach or the private enterprise and not the University of Idaho while engaged in camp activities. The Coach and all other University of Idaho employees involved in the operation of the camp(s) shall be on annual leave status or leave without pay during the days the camp is in operation. The Coach or private enterprise shall provide workers' compensation insurance in accordance with Idaho law and

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In the event of termination of this Agreement, suspension, or reassignment, University of Idaho shall not be under any obligation to permit a summer youth camp to be held by the Coach after the effective date of such termination, suspension, or reassignment, and the University of Idaho shall be released from all obligations relating thereto.

- Coach agrees that the University has the exclusive right to select 3.2.12 footwear, apparel and/or equipment for the use of its student-athletes and staff, including Coach, during official practices and games and during times when Coach or the Team is being filmed by motion picture or video camera or posing for photographs in their capacity as representatives of University. Coach recognizes that the University is negotiating or has entered into an agreement with Nike to supply the University with athletic footwear, apparel and/or equipment. Coach agrees that, upon the University's reasonable request, Coach will consult with appropriate parties concerning a Nike product's design or performance, shall act as an instructor at a clinic sponsored in whole or in part by Nike, or give a lecture at an event sponsored in whole or in part by Nike, or make other educationally-related appearances as may be reasonably requested by the University. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, Coach shall retain the right to decline such appearances as Coach reasonably determines to conflict with or hinder his duties and obligations as head men's basketball coach. In order to avoid entering into an agreement with a competitor of Nike, Coach shall submit all outside consulting agreements to the University for review and approval prior to execution. Coach shall also report such outside income to the University in accordance with NCAA rules. Coach further agrees that Coach will not endorse any athletic footwear, apparel and/or equipment products, including Nike, and will not participate in any messages or promotional appearances that contain a comparative or qualitative description of athletic footwear, apparel or equipment products.
- 3.3 <u>General Conditions of Compensation</u>. All compensation provided by the University to Coach is subject to deductions and withholdings as required by law or the terms and conditions of any fringe benefit in which Coach participates. However, if any fringe benefit is based in whole or in part upon the compensation provided by the University to Coach, such fringe benefit shall be based only on the compensation provided pursuant to section 3.1.1, except to the extent required by the terms and conditions of a specific fringe benefit program.

#### ARTICLE 4

- 4.1. <u>Coach's Specific Duties and Responsibilities</u>. In consideration of the compensation specified in this Agreement, Coach, in addition to the obligations set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, shall:
- 4.1.1. Devote Coach's full time and best efforts to the performance of Coach's duties under this Agreement;

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- 4.1.2. Develop and implement programs and procedures with respect to the evaluation, recruitment, training, and coaching of Team members that enable them to compete successfully and reasonably protect their health, safety, and well-being;
- 4.1.3. Observe and uphold all academic standards, requirements, and policies of the University and encourage Team members to perform to their highest academic potential and to graduate in a timely manner; and
- 4.1.4. Know, recognize, and comply with all applicable laws and the policies, rules and regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, and the NCAA; supervise and take appropriate steps to ensure that Coach's assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, and the members of the Team know, recognize, and comply with all such laws, policies, rules and regulations; and immediately report to the Director and to the Department's Director of Compliance if Coach has reasonable cause to believe that any person or entity, including without limitation representatives of the University's athletic interests, has violated or is likely to violate any such laws, policies, rules or regulations. Coach shall cooperate fully with the University and Department at all times. The applicable laws, policies, rules, and regulations include: (a) State Board of Education and Board of Regents of the University of Idaho Governing Policies and Procedures and Rule Manual; (b) University's Faculty Staff Handbook; (c) University's Administrative Procedures Manual; (d) the policies of the Department; (e) NCAA rules and regulations; and (f) the rules and regulations of the men's basketball conference of which the University is a member.
- 4.2 <u>Outside Activities</u>. Coach shall not undertake any business, professional or personal activities, or pursuits that would prevent Coach from devoting Coach's full time and best efforts to the performance of Coach's duties under this Agreement, that would otherwise detract from those duties in any manner, or that, in the opinion of the University, would reflect adversely upon the University or its athletic program. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Coach may, with the prior written approval of the Director, who may consult with the President, enter into separate arrangements for outside activities and endorsements that are consistent with Coach's obligations under this Agreement. Coach may not use the University's name, logos, or trademarks in connection with any such arrangements without the prior written approval of the Director and the President.
- 4.3 NCAA Rules. In accordance with NCAA rules, Coach shall obtain prior written approval from the University's President for all athletically related income and benefits from sources outside the University and shall provide a written detailed account of all such income and benefits to the University's President whenever reasonably requested, but in no event less than annually before the close of business on June 30th of each year or the last regular University work day preceding June 30th. The report shall be in a format reasonably satisfactory to University. Sources of such income include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - (a) Income from annuities;
  - (b) Sports camps;

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- (c) Housing benefits, including preferential housing arrangements;
- (d) Country club memberships;
- (e) Complimentary ticket sales;
- (f) Television and radio programs; and
- (g) Endorsement or consultation contracts with athletics shoe, apparel or equipment manufacturers.

In no event shall Coach accept or receive directly or indirectly any monies, benefits, or gratuities whatsoever from any person, association, corporation, University booster club, University alumni association, University foundation, or other benefactor, if the acceptance or receipt of the monies, benefits, or gratuities would violate applicable law or the policies, rules, and regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA.

- 4.4 <u>Hiring Authority</u>. Coach shall have the responsibility and the sole authority to recommend to the Director the hiring and termination of assistant coaches for the Team, but the decision to hire or terminate an assistant coach shall be made by the Director and shall, when necessary or appropriate, be subject to the approval of President and the University's Board of Regents.
- 4.5 <u>Scheduling</u>. Coach shall consult with, and may make recommendations to, the Director or the Director's designee with respect to the scheduling of Team competitions, but the final decision shall be made by the Director or the Director's designee.
- 4.6 Other Coaching Opportunities. Coach shall not, under any circumstances, interview for, negotiate for, or accept employment as a coach at any other institution of higher education or with any professional sports team, requiring performance of duties prior to the expiration of this Agreement, without the prior approval of the Director. Such approval shall not unreasonably be withheld.

#### **ARTICLE 5**

- 5.1 <u>Termination of Coach for Cause</u>. The University may, in its discretion, suspend Coach from some or all of Coach's duties, temporarily or permanently, and with or without pay, or terminate this Agreement at any time for good or adequate cause, as those terms are defined in applicable policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA..
- 5.1.1 In addition to the definitions contained in applicable policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA, University and Coach hereby specifically agree that the following shall constitute good or adequate cause for suspension or termination of this Agreement:
  - a) A deliberate or major violation of Coach's duties under this agreement or the refusal or unwillingness of Coach to perform such duties in good faith and to the best of Coach's abilities;

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- b) The failure of Coach to remedy any violation of any of the terms of this agreement within 30 days after written notice from the University;
- c) A deliberate or major violation by Coach of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University 's governing board, the conference or the NCAA, including but not limited to any such violation that may have occurred during the employment of Coach at another NCAA or NAIA member institution;
- d) Ten (10) working days' absence of Coach from duty without the University's consent;
- e) Any conduct of Coach that constitutes moral turpitude or that would, in the University's judgment, reflect adversely on the University or its athletic programs;
- f) The failure of Coach to represent the University and its athletic programs positively in public and private forums;
- g) The failure of Coach to fully and promptly cooperate with the NCAA or the University in any investigation of possible violations of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA;
- h) The failure of Coach to report a known violation of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA, by one of Coach's assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, or a member of the Team; or
- i) A violation of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA, by one of Coach's assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, or a member of the Team if Coach knew or should have known of the violation and could have prevented it by ordinary supervision.
- 5.1.2 Suspension, reassignment, or termination for good or adequate cause shall be effectuated by the University as follows: before the effective date of the suspension, reassignment, or termination, the Director or his designee shall provide Coach with notice, which notice shall be accomplished in the manner provided for in this Agreement and shall include the reason(s) for the contemplated action. Coach shall then have an opportunity to respond. After Coach responds or fails to respond, University shall notify Coach whether, and if so when, the action will be effective.

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- 5.1.3 In the event of any termination for good or adequate cause, the University's obligation to provide compensation and benefits to Coach, whether direct, indirect, supplemental or collateral, shall cease as of the date of such termination, and the University shall not be liable for the loss of any collateral business opportunities or other benefits, perquisites, or income resulting from outside activities or from any other sources.
- 5.1.4 If found in violation of NCAA regulations, Coach shall, in addition to the provisions of Section 5.1, be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the provisions of the NCAA enforcement procedures. This section applies to violations occurring at the University or at previous institutions at which the Coach was employed.

## 5.2 <u>Termination of Coach for Convenience of University.</u>

- 5.2.1 At any time after commencement of this Agreement, University, for its own convenience, may terminate this Agreement by giving ten (10) days prior written notice to Coach.
- 5.2.2 In the event that University terminates this Agreement for its own convenience, University shall be obligated to pay Coach the salary set forth in section 3.1.1(a), excluding all deductions required by law, on the regular paydays of University until the term of this Agreement ends or until Coach obtains employment, whichever occurs first; provided however, in the event Coach obtains lesser employment after such termination, then the amount of compensation the University pays will be adjusted and reduced by the amount of compensation paid Coach as a result of such lesser employment, such adjusted compensation to be calculated for each University pay-period by reducing the gross salary set forth in section 3.1.1(a) (before deductions required by law) by the gross compensation paid to Coach under the lesser employment, then subtracting from this adjusted gross compensation deductions according to law. In addition, Coach will be entitled to continue his health insurance plan and group life insurance as if he remained a University employee until the term of this Agreement ends or until Coach obtains employment providing Coach with a reasonably comparable health plan and group life insurance, whichever occurs first. Coach shall be entitled to no other compensation or fringe benefits, except as otherwise provided herein or required by law. Coach specifically agrees to inform University within ten business days of obtaining other employment, and to advise University of all relevant terms of such employment, including without limitation the nature and location of the employment, salary, other compensation, health insurance benefits, life insurance benefits, and other fringe benefits. Failure to so inform and advise University shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and University's obligation to pay compensation under this provision shall end. Coach agrees not to accept employment for compensation at less than the fair value of Coach's services, as determined by all circumstances existing at the time of employment. Coach further agrees to repay to University all compensation paid to him by University after the date he obtains other employment, to which he is not entitled under this provision.
- 5.2.3 University has been represented by legal counsel, and coach has either been represented by legal counsel or has chosen to proceed without legal counsel, in the

Employment Agreement University of Idaho/Don Verlin Page 12 of 49 contract negotiations. The parties have bargained for and agreed to the foregoing provision, giving consideration to the fact that the Coach may lose certain benefits, supplemental compensation, or outside compensation relating to his employment with University that are extremely difficult to determine with certainty. The parties further agree that the payment of such sums by University and the acceptance thereof by Coach shall constitute adequate and reasonable compensation to Coach. Such compensation is not, and shall not be construed to be, a penalty.

## 5.3 Termination by Coach for Convenience.

- 5.3.1 The Coach recognizes that his promise to work for University for the entire term of this Agreement is of the essence of this Agreement. The Coach also recognizes that the University is making a highly valuable investment in his employment by entering into this Agreement and that its investment would be lost were he to resign or otherwise terminate his employment with the University before the end of the contract term.
- 5.3.2 The Coach, for his own convenience, may terminate this Agreement during its term by giving prior written notice to the University. Termination shall be effective ten (10) days after notice is given to the University.
- 5.3.3 If the Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience at any time, all obligations of the University shall cease as of the effective date of the termination. If the Coach terminates this Agreement for his convenience he shall pay to the University, as liquidated damages and not a penalty, for the breach of this Agreement the following sum: (a) if the Agreement is terminated on or before March 24, 2011, with greater than two years on the contract; the sum of \$175,000.0075,000.00; (b) if the Agreement is terminated between March 24, 2011 and March 23, 2012 inclusive, the sum of \$100,000.00; (c) if the Agreement is terminated between March 24, 2013 and March 23, 2013 inclusive, with greater than one (1) year and less than two (2) years remaining on the contract; the sum of \$50,000.00; (d) if the Agreement is terminated between March 24, 2013 and March 23, 2014 inclusive, the sum of \$25,000; (e) if the Agreement is terminated between March 24, 2014 and March 23, 2015 inclusive.) In the event that less than one (1) year remains on the contract, the sum of \$0. zero. The applicable sumliquidated damages shall be due and payable within twenty (20) days of the effective date of the termination, and any unpaid amount shall bear simple interest at a rate eight (8) percent per annum until paid.
- 5.3.4 The parties have bargained for and agreed to the foregoing provision, giving consideration to the fact that the University will incur administrative and recruiting costs in obtaining a replacement for Coach, in addition to potentially increased compensation costs if Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience, which costs are extremely difficult to determine with certainty. The parties further agree that the payment of such sums by Coach and the acceptance thereof by University shall constitute adequate and reasonable compensation to University. Such payments are not, and shall not be construed to be, a penalty. This section 5.3.4 shall not apply if Coach terminates this Agreement because of a material breach by the University.

Employment Agreement University of Idaho/Don Verlin Page 13 of 49 5.3.5 Except as provided elsewhere in this Agreement, if Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience, he shall forfeit his right to receive all supplemental compensation and other payments unpaid as of the date Coach gives notice of termination, unless Coach's right to receive those payments has vested pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

## 5.4 Termination due to Disability or Death of Coach.

- 5.4.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall terminate automatically if Coach becomes totally or permanently disabled as defined by the University's disability insurance carrier, becomes unable to perform the essential functions of the position of head coach, or dies.
- 5.4.2 If this Agreement is terminated because of Coach's death, Coach's salary and all other benefits shall terminate as of the last day worked, except that the Coach's personal representative or other designated beneficiary shall be paid all compensation due or unpaid and death benefits, if any, as may be contained in any fringe benefit plan now in force or hereafter adopted by the University and due to the Coach's estate or beneficiaries thereunder.
- 5.4.3 If this Agreement is terminated because the Coach becomes totally or permanently disabled as defined by the University's disability insurance carrier, or becomes unable to perform the essential functions of the position of head coach, all salary and other benefits shall terminate, except that the Coach shall be entitled to receive any compensation due or unpaid and any disability-related benefits to which he is entitled by virtue of employment with the University.
- 5.5 <u>Interference by Coach</u>. In the event of termination or suspension, Coach agrees that Coach will not interfere with the University's student-athletes or otherwise obstruct the University's ability to transact business or operate its intercollegiate athletics program.
- 5.6 <u>No Liability</u>. The University shall not be liable to Coach for the loss of any collateral business opportunities or any other benefits, perquisites or income from any sources that may ensue as a result of any termination of this Agreement by either party or due to death or disability or the suspension of Coach, regardless of the circumstances.
- 5.7 <u>Waiver of Rights</u>. Because the Coach is receiving a multi-year contract and the opportunity to receive supplemental compensation and because such contracts and opportunities are not customarily afforded to University employees, if the University suspends Coach, or terminates this Agreement for good or adequate cause or for convenience, Coach shall have all the rights provided for in this Agreement but hereby releases the University from compliance with the notice, appeal, and similar employment-related rights provided for in the State Board of Education and Board of Regents of the University of Idaho Rule Manual (IDAPA 08) and Governing Policies and Procedures Manual, and the University Faculty-Staff Handbook.

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### ARTICLE 6

- 6.1 <u>Board Approval</u>. This Agreement shall not be effective until and unless approved by the University's Board of Regents and executed by both parties as set forth below. In addition, the payment of any compensation pursuant to this Agreement shall be subject to the approval of the University's Board of Regents, the President, and the Director; the sufficiency of legislative appropriations; the receipt of sufficient funds in the account from which such compensation is paid; and the Board of Regents and University's rules regarding financial exigency.
- 6.2 <u>University Property</u>. All personal property (excluding vehicle(s) provided through the Vandal Wheels program), material, and articles of information, including, without limitation, keys, credit cards, personnel records, recruiting records, team information, films, statistics or any other personal property, material, or data, furnished to Coach by the University or developed by Coach on behalf of the University or at the University's direction or for the University's use or otherwise in connection with Coach's employment hereunder, are and shall remain the sole property of the University. Within twenty-four (24) hours of the expiration of the term of this Agreement or its earlier termination as provided herein, Coach shall immediately cause any such personal property, materials, and articles of information in Coach's possession or control to be delivered to the Director.
- 6.3 <u>Assignment</u>. Neither party may assign its rights or delegate its obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.
- 6.4 <u>Waiver</u>. No waiver of any default in the performance of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing and signed by the waiving party. The waiver of a particular breach in the performance of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. The resort to a particular remedy upon a breach shall not constitute a waiver of any other available remedies.
- 6.5 <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Agreement shall not be affected and shall remain in effect.
- 6.6 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be subject to and construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Idaho as an agreement to be performed in Idaho. Any action based in whole or in part on this Agreement shall be brought in the courts of the state of Idaho.
- 6.7 <u>Oral Promises</u>. Oral promises of an increase in annual salary or of any supplemental or other compensation shall not be binding upon the University.
- 6.8 <u>Force Majeure</u>. Any prevention, delay or stoppage due to strikes, lockouts, labor disputes, acts of God, inability to obtain labor or materials or reasonable substitutes

Employment Agreement University of Idaho/Don Verlin Page 15 of 49 therefore, governmental restrictions, governmental regulations, governmental controls, enemy or hostile governmental action, civil commotion, fire or other casualty, and other causes beyond the reasonable control of the party obligated to perform (including financial inability), shall excuse the performance by such party for a period equal to any such prevention, delay or stoppage.

- 6.9 <u>Confidentiality</u>. The Coach hereby consents and agrees that this document may be released and made available to the public after it is signed by the Coach. The Coach further agrees that all documents and reports he is required to produce under this Agreement may be released and made available to the public at the University's sole discretion.
- 6.10 <u>Notices</u>. Any notice under this Agreement shall be in writing and be delivered in person or by public or private courier service (including U.S. Postal Service Express Mail) or certified mail with return receipt requested or by facsimile. All notices shall be addressed to the parties at the following addresses or at such other addresses as the parties may from time to time direct in writing:

the University: Director of Athletics

University of Idaho P.O. Box 442302

Moscow, Idaho 83844-2302

with a copy to: President

University of Idaho P.O. Box 443151

Moscow, ID 83844-3151

the Coach: Don Verlin

Last known address on file with

University's Human Resource Services

Any notice shall be deemed to have been given on the earlier of: (a) actual delivery or refusal to accept delivery, (b) the date of mailing by certified mail, or (c) the day facsimile delivery is verified. Actual notice, however and from whomever received, shall always be effective.

- 6.11 <u>Headings</u>. The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation hereof.
- 6.12 <u>Binding Effect.</u> This Agreement is for the benefit only of the parties hereto and shall inure to the benefit of and bind the parties and their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns.
- 6.13 <u>Non-Use of Names and Trademarks</u>. The Coach shall not, without the University's prior written consent in each case, use any name, trade name, trademark, or

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- 6.14 <u>No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. There are no intended or unintended third party beneficiaries to this Agreement.
- 6.15 <u>Entire Agreement; Amendments.</u> This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings with respect to the same subject matter. No amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing, signed by both parties, and approved by University's Board of Regents.
- 6.16 Opportunity to Consult with Attorney. The Coach acknowledges that he has had the opportunity to consult and review this Agreement with an attorney, and has either consulted with legal counsel or chosen not to. Accordingly, in all cases, the language of this Agreement shall be construed simply, according to its fair meaning, and not strictly for or against any party.

UNIVERSITY		COACH	
M. Duane Nellis, President Date		Don Verlin	Date
Approved by the Board of Regents on the	day of		. <del>2010.</del> 2013.

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## DRAFT EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by and between the University of Idaho (University), and Don Verlin (Coach).

#### ARTICLE 1

- 1.1. <u>Employment</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the University shall employ Coach as the head coach of its intercollegiate men's basketball team. Coach represents and warrants that Coach is fully qualified to serve, and is available for employment, in this capacity.
- 1.2. <u>Reporting Relationship</u>. Coach shall report and be responsible directly to the University's Director of Athletics (Director) or the Director's designee. Coach shall abide by the reasonable instructions of Director or the Director's designee and shall confer with the Director or the Director's designee on all administrative and technical matters. Coach shall also be under the general supervision of the University's President (President).
- 1.3. <u>Duties</u>. Coach shall manage and supervise the Team and shall perform such other duties in the University's athletic program as the Director may assign and as may be described elsewhere in this Agreement. The University shall have the right, at any time, to reassign Coach to duties at the University other than as head coach of the Team, provided that Coach's compensation and benefits shall not be affected by any such reassignment, except that the opportunity to earn supplemental compensation as provided in sections 3.2.1 through 3.2.11 shall cease.

## **ARTICLE 2**

- 2.1. <u>Term.</u> This Agreement is for a fixed-term appointment of 3 years commencing on July 1, 2013, and terminating, without further notice to Coach, on June 30, 2016, unless extended (in section 2.3 only) or unless sooner terminated in accordance with other provisions of this Agreement.
- 2.2. Extension or Renewal. This Agreement is renewable solely upon an offer from the University and an acceptance by Coach, both of which must be in writing and signed by the parties. Any renewal is subject to the prior approval of University's Board of Regents. This Agreement in no way grants to Coach a claim to tenure in employment, nor shall Coach's service pursuant to this agreement count in any way toward tenure at the University.
- 2.3 <u>Extensions to Initial Term</u>. The term of this Agreement will be automatically extended by one (1) additional year commencing on July 1, and concluding on June 30, for

each season in which the Team earns at least fifteen (15) wins versus Division I classified institutions or advances to the NCAA Tournament.

2.4 <u>Conference Change Term Extension.</u> If the conference affiliation of the University (currently the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) and, as of July 1, 2014, the Big Sky Athletic Conference) changes during the term of this agreement and Coach's employment is not already terminated or suspended as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement shall automatically be extended by one (1) additional year to its then existing term; provided however that the planned change from the WAC to the Big Sky Athletic Conference effective July 1, 2014 shall not cause such an extension; and provided further, that at no time may the term of this Agreement exceed three (3) years. If the extension of the additional year as provided in this section 2.4 would have the effect of making the then existing terms of this agreement longer than three (3) years, then this provision shall be null and void and of no effect.

#### **ARTICLE 3**

## 3.1 Regular Compensation.

- 3.1.1 In consideration of Coach's services and satisfactory performance of this Agreement, the University shall provide to Coach:
  - An annual salary of \$156,832 per year payable in biweekly a) installments in accordance with normal University procedures, such amount will increase by (4%) on July 1 of each year of The above salary amount is payable in the Agreement. biweekly installments in accordance with normal University procedures. Any salary increases are expressly contingent upon the following: (1) academic achievement and behavior of Team members, as described in Paragraph 3.2.4 of this Agreement; (2) appropriate behavior by, and supervision of, all assistant coaches, as determined by the Director; (3) compliance with the University's financial stewardship policies as set forth in University's Administrative Procedures Manual Chapter 25; and (4) approval by the President, in the President's sole discretion.
  - b) The opportunity to receive such employee benefits as the University provides generally to non-faculty exempt employees; and
  - c) The opportunity to receive such employee benefits as the University's Department of Athletics (Department) provides generally to its employees of a comparable level. Coach hereby agrees to abide by the terms and conditions, as now existing or hereafter amended, of such employee benefits.

## 3.2 Supplemental Compensation

- 3.2.1. Each year the Team is the conference champion or co-champion or becomes eligible for the NCAA tournament pursuant to NCAA Division I guidelines, and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, the University shall pay to Coach supplemental compensation in an amount equal to one-thirteenth (1/13) of Coach's Annual Salary during the fiscal year in which the championship or NCAA tournament eligibility is achieved. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.2 Each year the Team is ranked in the top 25 in any published national final poll of intercollegiate men's basketball teams and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, the University shall pay Coach supplemental compensation in an amount equal to one-thirteenth (1/13) of Coach's Annual Salary in effect on the date of the final poll. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.3 Each year Coach is named Conference Coach of the Year, and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of \$5,000. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.4 Coach shall be eligible to receive supplemental compensation each year based on the academic achievement and behavior of Team members. If the Team's annual APR exceeds 950, and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of \$5,000. Any such supplemental compensation paid to Coach shall be accompanied with a justification for the supplemental compensation based on the factors listed above, and such justification shall be separately reported to the Board of Regents as a document available to the public under the Idaho Public Records Act.
- 3.2.5 The Coach shall receive the sum of \$60,000 from the University or the University's designated media outlet(s) or a combination thereof each year during the term of this Agreement in compensation for participation in media programs and public appearances (Programs). Each year, one-half of this sum shall be paid prior to the first regular season men's basketball game, and one-half shall be paid no later than March 1 each year. Coach's right to receive any such media payment under this Paragraph is expressly contingent on Coach's compliance with University's financial stewardship policies as set forth in University's Administrative Procedures Manual Chapter 25. Agreements requiring the Coach to participate in Programs related to his duties as an employee of University are the property of the University. The University shall have the exclusive right to negotiate and contract with all producers of media productions and all parties desiring public appearances by the Coach. Coach agrees to cooperate with the University in order for the Programs to be successful and agrees to provide his services to and perform on the Programs and to

cooperate in their production, broadcasting, and telecasting. It is understood that neither Coach nor any assistant coaches shall appear without the prior written approval of the Director on any radio or television program (including but not limited to a coach's show, call-in show, or interview show) or a regularly scheduled news segment, through a media outlet that is not University-designated, except that this prohibition shall not apply to routine news media interviews for which no compensation is received. Without the prior written approval of the Director, Coach shall not appear in any commercial endorsements that are broadcast on radio or television that conflict with those broadcast on the University's designated media outlets.

- 3.2.6 If Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of \$5,000 for 14 victories; an additional \$5,000 for 17 victories; and an additional \$5,000 for 20 victories. The victories will include contests in both non-conference and conference competition. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.7 Each year the Team progresses to the Round of 16 in the NCAA tournament, the Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of \$25,000. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.8 If the Coach earns any of the forms of supplemental compensation described in paragraphs 3.2.2, 3.2.3, 3.2.4, 3.2.6, or 3.2.7, such supplemental compensation will increase by 25% in the next contract year. For example, if Coach is named conference coach of the year, and the conditions of Paragraph 3.2.3 are otherwise met, he will receive supplemental compensation of \$5000 in the year he is named. If he is again named conference coach of the year, his supplemental compensation will be \$6250 (\$5000 + 25%).
- 3.2.9 Each year gross gate receipts for men's basketball exceed \$35,000, and if Coach continues to be employed as University's head men's basketball coach as of the ensuing July 1st, Coach shall receive supplemental compensation of 20% of the gate receipts that exceed \$35,000 and 25% of the gate receipts that exceed \$50,000. The University shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.
- 3.2.10 Away Game Guarantee. In the event the University schedules away contests with a non-conference opponents for which a game guarantee is paid to the University by the host institution, the payment shall be distributed as follows: (a) the first \$50,000 of the game will be retained by the Department of Athletics; (b) any amount of the game guarantee exceeding the \$50,000, less expenses associated with the contest, will be distributed to Coach subject to Director of Athletics final approval.
- 3.2.11 Coach agrees that the University has the exclusive right to operate youth basketball camps on its campus using University facilities. The University shall allow Coach the opportunity to earn supplemental compensation by assisting with the University's

camps in Coach's capacity as a University employee. Coach hereby agrees to assist in the marketing, supervision, and general administration of the University's youth basketball camps. Coach also agrees that Coach will perform all obligations mutually agreed upon by the parties. In exchange for Coach's participation in the University's youth basketball camps, the University shall pay Coach the remaining income from the youth basketball camps, less \$500, after all claims, insurance, and expenses of such camps have been paid.

Alternatively, in the event the University notifies Coach, in writing that it does not intend to operate youth basketball camps for a particular period of time during the term of this Agreement, then, during such time period, Coach shall be permitted to operate youth basketball camps on the University's campus and using its facilities under the following terms and conditions:

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- a) The summer youth camp operation reflects positively on the University of Idaho and the Department;
- b) The summer youth camp is operated by Coach directly or through a private enterprise owned and managed by Coach. The Coach shall not use University of Idaho personnel, equipment, or facilities without the prior written approval of the Director;
- c) Assistant coaches at the University of Idaho are given priority when the Coach or the private enterprise selects coaches to participate;
- d) The Coach complies with all NCAA, Conference, and University of Idaho rules and regulations related, directly or indirectly, to the operation of summer youth camps;
- e) The Coach or the private enterprise enters into a contract with University of Idaho and Sodexho for all campus goods and services required by the camp.
- f) The Coach or private enterprise pays for use of University of Idaho facilities.
- g) Within thirty days of the last day of the summer youth camp(s), Coach shall submit to the Director a preliminary "Camp Summary Sheet" containing financial and other information related to the operation of the camp. Within ninety days of the last day of the summer youth camp(s), Coach shall submit to Director a final accounting and "Camp Summary Sheet."

- h) The Coach or the private enterprise shall provide proof of liability insurance as follows: (1) liability coverage: spectator and staff--\$1 million; (2) catastrophic coverage: camper and staff--\$1 million maximum coverage with \$100 deductible;
- i) To the extent permitted by law, the Coach or the private enterprise shall defend and indemnify the University of Idaho against any claims, damages, or liabilities arising out of the operation of the summer youth camp(s)
- j) All employees of the summer youth camp(s) shall be employees of the Coach or the private enterprise and not the University of Idaho while engaged in camp activities. The Coach and all other University of Idaho employees involved in the operation of the camp(s) shall be on annual leave status or leave without pay during the days the camp is in operation. The Coach or private enterprise shall provide workers' compensation insurance in accordance with Idaho law and comply in all respects with all federal and state wage and hour laws

In the event of termination of this Agreement, suspension, or reassignment, University of Idaho shall not be under any obligation to permit a summer youth camp to be held by the Coach after the effective date of such termination, suspension, or reassignment, and the University of Idaho shall be released from all obligations relating thereto.

3.2.12 Coach agrees that the University has the exclusive right to select footwear, apparel and/or equipment for the use of its student-athletes and staff, including Coach, during official practices and games and during times when Coach or the Team is being filmed by motion picture or video camera or posing for photographs in their capacity as representatives of University. Coach recognizes that the University is negotiating or has entered into an agreement with Nike to supply the University with athletic footwear, apparel and/or equipment. Coach agrees that, upon the University's reasonable request, Coach will consult with appropriate parties concerning a Nike product's design or performance, shall act as an instructor at a clinic sponsored in whole or in part by Nike, or give a lecture at an event sponsored in whole or in part by Nike, or make other educationally-related appearances as may be reasonably requested by the University. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, Coach shall retain the right to decline such appearances as Coach reasonably determines to conflict with or hinder his duties and obligations as head men's basketball coach. In order to avoid entering into an agreement with a competitor of Nike, Coach shall submit all outside consulting agreements to the University for review and approval prior to execution. Coach shall also report such outside income to the University in accordance with NCAA rules. Coach further agrees that Coach will not endorse any athletic footwear, apparel and/or equipment products, including Nike, and will not participate in any messages or promotional

appearances that contain a comparative or qualitative description of athletic footwear, apparel or equipment products.

3.3 <u>General Conditions of Compensation</u>. All compensation provided by the University to Coach is subject to deductions and withholdings as required by law or the terms and conditions of any fringe benefit in which Coach participates. However, if any fringe benefit is based in whole or in part upon the compensation provided by the University to Coach, such fringe benefit shall be based only on the compensation provided pursuant to section 3.1.1, except to the extent required by the terms and conditions of a specific fringe benefit program.

### **ARTICLE 4**

- 4.1. <u>Coach's Specific Duties and Responsibilities</u>. In consideration of the compensation specified in this Agreement, Coach, in addition to the obligations set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, shall:
- 4.1.1. Devote Coach's full time and best efforts to the performance of Coach's duties under this Agreement;
- 4.1.2. Develop and implement programs and procedures with respect to the evaluation, recruitment, training, and coaching of Team members that enable them to compete successfully and reasonably protect their health, safety, and well-being;
- 4.1.3. Observe and uphold all academic standards, requirements, and policies of the University and encourage Team members to perform to their highest academic potential and to graduate in a timely manner; and
- 4.1.4. Know, recognize, and comply with all applicable laws and the policies, rules and regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, and the NCAA; supervise and take appropriate steps to ensure that Coach's assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, and the members of the Team know, recognize, and comply with all such laws, policies, rules and regulations; and immediately report to the Director and to the Department's Director of Compliance if Coach has reasonable cause to believe that any person or entity, including without limitation representatives of the University's athletic interests, has violated or is likely to violate any such laws, policies, rules or regulations. Coach shall cooperate fully with the University and Department at all times. The applicable laws, policies, rules, and regulations include: (a) State Board of Education and Board of Regents of the University of Idaho Governing Policies and Procedures and Rule Manual; (b) University's Faculty Staff Handbook; (c) University's Administrative Procedures Manual; (d) the policies of the Department; (e) NCAA rules and regulations; and (f) the rules and regulations of the men's basketball conference of which the University is a member.
- 4.2 <u>Outside Activities</u>. Coach shall not undertake any business, professional or personal activities, or pursuits that would prevent Coach from devoting Coach's full time and

best efforts to the performance of Coach's duties under this Agreement, that would otherwise detract from those duties in any manner, or that, in the opinion of the University, would reflect adversely upon the University or its athletic program. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Coach may, with the prior written approval of the Director, who may consult with the President, enter into separate arrangements for outside activities and endorsements that are consistent with Coach's obligations under this Agreement. Coach may not use the University's name, logos, or trademarks in connection with any such arrangements without the prior written approval of the Director and the President.

- 4.3 <u>NCAA Rules</u>. In accordance with NCAA rules, Coach shall obtain prior written approval from the University's President for all athletically related income and benefits from sources outside the University and shall provide a written detailed account of all such income and benefits to the University's President whenever reasonably requested, but in no event less than annually before the close of business on June 30th of each year or the last regular University work day preceding June 30th. The report shall be in a format reasonably satisfactory to University. Sources of such income include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - (a) Income from annuities;
  - (b) Sports camps;
  - (c) Housing benefits, including preferential housing arrangements;
  - (d) Country club memberships;
  - (e) Complimentary ticket sales;
  - (f) Television and radio programs; and
  - (g) Endorsement or consultation contracts with athletics shoe, apparel or equipment manufacturers.

In no event shall Coach accept or receive directly or indirectly any monies, benefits, or gratuities whatsoever from any person, association, corporation, University booster club, University alumni association, University foundation, or other benefactor, if the acceptance or receipt of the monies, benefits, or gratuities would violate applicable law or the policies, rules, and regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA.

- 4.4 <u>Hiring Authority</u>. Coach shall have the responsibility and the sole authority to recommend to the Director the hiring and termination of assistant coaches for the Team, but the decision to hire or terminate an assistant coach shall be made by the Director and shall, when necessary or appropriate, be subject to the approval of President and the University's Board of Regents.
- 4.5 <u>Scheduling</u>. Coach shall consult with, and may make recommendations to, the Director or the Director's designee with respect to the scheduling of Team competitions, but the final decision shall be made by the Director or the Director's designee.
- 4.6 Other Coaching Opportunities. Coach shall not, under any circumstances, interview for, negotiate for, or accept employment as a coach at any other institution of higher education or with any professional sports team, requiring performance of duties prior

to the expiration of this Agreement, without the prior approval of the Director. Such approval shall not unreasonably be withheld.

#### **ARTICLE 5**

- 5.1 <u>Termination of Coach for Cause</u>. The University may, in its discretion, suspend Coach from some or all of Coach's duties, temporarily or permanently, and with or without pay, or terminate this Agreement at any time for good or adequate cause, as those terms are defined in applicable policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA...
- 5.1.1 In addition to the definitions contained in applicable policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA, University and Coach hereby specifically agree that the following shall constitute good or adequate cause for suspension or termination of this Agreement:
  - a) A deliberate or major violation of Coach's duties under this agreement or the refusal or unwillingness of Coach to perform such duties in good faith and to the best of Coach's abilities;
  - b) The failure of Coach to remedy any violation of any of the terms of this agreement within 30 days after written notice from the University;
  - c) A deliberate or major violation by Coach of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University 's governing board, the conference or the NCAA, including but not limited to any such violation that may have occurred during the employment of Coach at another NCAA or NAIA member institution;
  - d) Ten (10) working days' absence of Coach from duty without the University's consent;
  - e) Any conduct of Coach that constitutes moral turpitude or that would, in the University's judgment, reflect adversely on the University or its athletic programs;
  - f) The failure of Coach to represent the University and its athletic programs positively in public and private forums;
  - g) The failure of Coach to fully and promptly cooperate with the NCAA or the University in any investigation of possible violations of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA;
  - h) The failure of Coach to report a known violation of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA, by one of Coach's

- assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, or a member of the Team; or
- i) A violation of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University, the University's governing board, the conference, or the NCAA, by one of Coach's assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, or a member of the Team if Coach knew or should have known of the violation and could have prevented it by ordinary supervision.
- 5.1.2 Suspension, reassignment, or termination for good or adequate cause shall be effectuated by the University as follows: before the effective date of the suspension, reassignment, or termination, the Director or his designee shall provide Coach with notice, which notice shall be accomplished in the manner provided for in this Agreement and shall include the reason(s) for the contemplated action. Coach shall then have an opportunity to respond. After Coach responds or fails to respond, University shall notify Coach whether, and if so when, the action will be effective.
- 5.1.3 In the event of any termination for good or adequate cause, the University's obligation to provide compensation and benefits to Coach, whether direct, indirect, supplemental or collateral, shall cease as of the date of such termination, and the University shall not be liable for the loss of any collateral business opportunities or other benefits, perquisites, or income resulting from outside activities or from any other sources.
- 5.1.4 If found in violation of NCAA regulations, Coach shall, in addition to the provisions of Section 5.1, be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as set forth in the provisions of the NCAA enforcement procedures. This section applies to violations occurring at the University or at previous institutions at which the Coach was employed.

## 5.2 Termination of Coach for Convenience of University.

- 5.2.1 At any time after commencement of this Agreement, University, for its own convenience, may terminate this Agreement by giving ten (10) days prior written notice to Coach.
- 5.2.2 In the event that University terminates this Agreement for its own convenience, University shall be obligated to pay Coach the salary set forth in section 3.1.1(a), excluding all deductions required by law, on the regular paydays of University until the term of this Agreement ends or until Coach obtains employment, whichever occurs first; provided however, in the event Coach obtains lesser employment after such termination, then the amount of compensation the University pays will be adjusted and reduced by the amount of compensation paid Coach as a result of such lesser employment, such adjusted compensation to be calculated for each University pay-period by reducing the gross salary set forth in section 3.1.1(a) (before deductions required by law) by the gross compensation paid to Coach under the lesser employment, then subtracting from this adjusted gross

compensation deductions according to law. In addition, Coach will be entitled to continue his health insurance plan and group life insurance as if he remained a University employee until the term of this Agreement ends or until Coach obtains employment providing Coach with a reasonably comparable health plan and group life insurance, whichever occurs first. Coach shall be entitled to no other compensation or fringe benefits, except as otherwise provided herein or required by law. Coach specifically agrees to inform University within ten business days of obtaining other employment, and to advise University of all relevant terms of such employment, including without limitation the nature and location of the employment, salary, other compensation, health insurance benefits, life insurance benefits, and other fringe benefits. Failure to so inform and advise University shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and University's obligation to pay compensation under this provision shall end. Coach agrees not to accept employment for compensation at less than the fair value of Coach's services, as determined by all circumstances existing at the time of employment. Coach further agrees to repay to University all compensation paid to him by University after the date he obtains other employment, to which he is not entitled under this provision.

5.2.3 University has been represented by legal counsel, and coach has either been represented by legal counsel or has chosen to proceed without legal counsel, in the contract negotiations. The parties have bargained for and agreed to the foregoing provision, giving consideration to the fact that the Coach may lose certain benefits, supplemental compensation, or outside compensation relating to his employment with University that are extremely difficult to determine with certainty. The parties further agree that the payment of such sums by University and the acceptance thereof by Coach shall constitute adequate and reasonable compensation to Coach. Such compensation is not, and shall not be construed to be, a penalty.

## 5.3 Termination by Coach for Convenience.

- 5.3.1 The Coach recognizes that his promise to work for University for the entire term of this Agreement is of the essence of this Agreement. The Coach also recognizes that the University is making a highly valuable investment in his employment by entering into this Agreement and that its investment would be lost were he to resign or otherwise terminate his employment with the University before the end of the contract term.
- 5.3.2 The Coach, for his own convenience, may terminate this Agreement during its term by giving prior written notice to the University. Termination shall be effective ten (10) days after notice is given to the University.
- 5.3.3 If the Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience at any time, all obligations of the University shall cease as of the effective date of the termination. If the Coach terminates this Agreement for his convenience he shall pay to the University, as liquidated damages and not a penalty, for the breach of this Agreement the following sum: (a) if the Agreement is terminated with greater than two years on the contract; the sum of \$75,000.00; (b) if the Agreement is terminated with greater than one (1) year and less than two (2) years remaining on the contract; the sum of \$50,000.00; (c) In the event that less than one (1) year remains on the contract, the sum of zero. The liquidated damages shall be

due and payable within twenty (20) days of the effective date of the termination, and any unpaid amount shall bear simple interest at a rate eight (8) percent per annum until paid.

- 5.3.4 The parties have bargained for and agreed to the foregoing provision, giving consideration to the fact that the University will incur administrative and recruiting costs in obtaining a replacement for Coach, in addition to potentially increased compensation costs if Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience, which costs are extremely difficult to determine with certainty. The parties further agree that the payment of such sums by Coach and the acceptance thereof by University shall constitute adequate and reasonable compensation to University. Such payments are not, and shall not be construed to be, a penalty. This section 5.3.4 shall not apply if Coach terminates this Agreement because of a material breach by the University.
- 5.3.5 Except as provided elsewhere in this Agreement, if Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience, he shall forfeit his right to receive all supplemental compensation and other payments unpaid as of the date Coach gives notice of termination, unless Coach's right to receive those payments has vested pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

## 5.4 Termination due to Disability or Death of Coach.

- 5.4.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall terminate automatically if Coach becomes totally or permanently disabled as defined by the University's disability insurance carrier, becomes unable to perform the essential functions of the position of head coach, or dies.
- 5.4.2 If this Agreement is terminated because of Coach's death, Coach's salary and all other benefits shall terminate as of the last day worked, except that the Coach's personal representative or other designated beneficiary shall be paid all compensation due or unpaid and death benefits, if any, as may be contained in any fringe benefit plan now in force or hereafter adopted by the University and due to the Coach's estate or beneficiaries thereunder.
- 5.4.3 If this Agreement is terminated because the Coach becomes totally or permanently disabled as defined by the University's disability insurance carrier, or becomes unable to perform the essential functions of the position of head coach, all salary and other benefits shall terminate, except that the Coach shall be entitled to receive any compensation due or unpaid and any disability-related benefits to which he is entitled by virtue of employment with the University.
- 5.5 <u>Interference by Coach</u>. In the event of termination or suspension, Coach agrees that Coach will not interfere with the University's student-athletes or otherwise obstruct the University's ability to transact business or operate its intercollegiate athletics program.

- 5.6 <u>No Liability</u>. The University shall not be liable to Coach for the loss of any collateral business opportunities or any other benefits, perquisites or income from any sources that may ensue as a result of any termination of this Agreement by either party or due to death or disability or the suspension of Coach, regardless of the circumstances.
- 5.7 Waiver of Rights. Because the Coach is receiving a multi-year contract and the opportunity to receive supplemental compensation and because such contracts and opportunities are not customarily afforded to University employees, if the University suspends Coach, or terminates this Agreement for good or adequate cause or for convenience, Coach shall have all the rights provided for in this Agreement but hereby releases the University from compliance with the notice, appeal, and similar employment-related rights provided for in the State Board of Education and Board of Regents of the University of Idaho Rule Manual (IDAPA 08) and Governing Policies and Procedures Manual, and the University Faculty-Staff Handbook.

#### ARTICLE 6

- 6.1 <u>Board Approval</u>. This Agreement shall not be effective until and unless approved by the University's Board of Regents and executed by both parties as set forth below. In addition, the payment of any compensation pursuant to this Agreement shall be subject to the approval of the University's Board of Regents, the President, and the Director; the sufficiency of legislative appropriations; the receipt of sufficient funds in the account from which such compensation is paid; and the Board of Regents and University's rules regarding financial exigency.
- 6.2 <u>University Property</u>. All personal property (excluding vehicle(s) provided through the Vandal Wheels program), material, and articles of information, including, without limitation, keys, credit cards, personnel records, recruiting records, team information, films, statistics or any other personal property, material, or data, furnished to Coach by the University or developed by Coach on behalf of the University or at the University's direction or for the University's use or otherwise in connection with Coach's employment hereunder, are and shall remain the sole property of the University. Within twenty-four (24) hours of the expiration of the term of this Agreement or its earlier termination as provided herein, Coach shall immediately cause any such personal property, materials, and articles of information in Coach's possession or control to be delivered to the Director.
- 6.3 <u>Assignment</u>. Neither party may assign its rights or delegate its obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.
- 6.4 <u>Waiver</u>. No waiver of any default in the performance of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing and signed by the waiving party. The waiver of a particular breach in the performance of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. The resort to a particular remedy upon a breach shall not constitute a waiver of any other available remedies.

- 6.5 <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Agreement shall not be affected and shall remain in effect
- 6.6 <u>Governing Law.</u> This Agreement shall be subject to and construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Idaho as an agreement to be performed in Idaho. Any action based in whole or in part on this Agreement shall be brought in the courts of the state of Idaho.
- 6.7 <u>Oral Promises</u>. Oral promises of an increase in annual salary or of any supplemental or other compensation shall not be binding upon the University.
- 6.8 <u>Force Majeure</u>. Any prevention, delay or stoppage due to strikes, lockouts, labor disputes, acts of God, inability to obtain labor or materials or reasonable substitutes therefore, governmental restrictions, governmental regulations, governmental controls, enemy or hostile governmental action, civil commotion, fire or other casualty, and other causes beyond the reasonable control of the party obligated to perform (including financial inability), shall excuse the performance by such party for a period equal to any such prevention, delay or stoppage.
- 6.9 <u>Confidentiality</u>. The Coach hereby consents and agrees that this document may be released and made available to the public after it is signed by the Coach. The Coach further agrees that all documents and reports he is required to produce under this Agreement may be released and made available to the public at the University's sole discretion.
- 6.10 <u>Notices</u>. Any notice under this Agreement shall be in writing and be delivered in person or by public or private courier service (including U.S. Postal Service Express Mail) or certified mail with return receipt requested or by facsimile. All notices shall be addressed to the parties at the following addresses or at such other addresses as the parties may from time to time direct in writing:

the University: Director of Athletics

University of Idaho P.O. Box 442302

Moscow, Idaho 83844-2302

with a copy to: President

University of Idaho P.O. Box 443151

Moscow, ID 83844-3151

the Coach: Don Verlin

Last known address on file with

University's Human Resource Services

Any notice shall be deemed to have been given on the earlier of: (a) actual delivery or refusal to accept delivery, (b) the date of mailing by certified mail, or (c) the day facsimile delivery is verified. Actual notice, however and from whomever received, shall always be effective.

- 6.11 <u>Headings</u>. The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation hereof.
- 6.12 <u>Binding Effect.</u> This Agreement is for the benefit only of the parties hereto and shall inure to the benefit of and bind the parties and their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns.
- 6.13 <u>Non-Use of Names and Trademarks</u>. The Coach shall not, without the University's prior written consent in each case, use any name, trade name, trademark, or other designation of the University (including contraction, abbreviation or simulation), except in the course and scope of his official University duties.
- 6.14 <u>No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. There are no intended or unintended third party beneficiaries to this Agreement.
- 6.15 <u>Entire Agreement; Amendments.</u> This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings with respect to the same subject matter. No amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing, signed by both parties, and approved by University's Board of Regents.
- 6.16 Opportunity to Consult with Attorney. The Coach acknowledges that he has had the opportunity to consult and review this Agreement with an attorney, and has either consulted with legal counsel or chosen not to. Accordingly, in all cases, the language of this Agreement shall be construed simply, according to its fair meaning, and not strictly for or against any party.

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M. Duane Nellis, President Date		Don Verlin	Date
Approved by the Board of Regents on the	day of	, 20	13.

## **ATTACHMENT 2**

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#### **Coach Verlin Accomplishments**

#### Year Four: 2011-12 Highlights

- ► Third postseason invitation in four seasons and second year in a row
- ► First time earning back-to-back postseason bids since 1989-90
- ► One of two WAC schools to play in postseason each of last two seasons
- ► Most wins (19) since 1992-93 season
- ► Finished third in the WAC after being picked fifth in the preseason poll
- ▶ 9-5 WAC record is best since 1998-99 went 11-5
- ▶ Double-digit home wins for the third time in four seasons
- ► One Second-Team All-WAC honor (Kyle Barone)
- ► One All-WAC Honorable Mention honor (Deremy Geiger)
- ► One WAC All-Defensive Team honor (Landon Tatum)
- ▶ One WAC All-Newcomer Team honor (Djim Bandoumel)
- ► Two WAC Player of the Week honors
- ► Third ESPN BracketBusters victory in four seasons
- ▶ One of two WAC teams to beat every other league opponent
- ▶ 5-0 record in WAC games decided by five points or fewer
- ► Led WAC in 3-point shooting (.392) for second year in a row
- ► Had 12 double-doubles by four different players during the season
- ▶ Top 150 final RPI ranking for third time in four years
- ► Average final RPI ranking of 148 under head coach Don Verlin
- ▶ Won on Senior Night for fourth year in a row
- ▶ 21 Idaho record book entries
- ► Shot .500 or better as a team 14 times during the season (14-0 record in those games)
- ▶ 74-60 win at Oregon second consecutive Pac-12 road win (only school in the WAC to do so)
- Finished the season ranked 16th in NCAA in 3-point shooting and 20th in NCAA in overall shooting

#### Don Verlin's Vandals

- ▶ Most wins (69) in a four-year span since 1991-95
- ► Highest two-year win total (37, 2010-12) since 1992-94
- ▶ Won 70 percent of home games (42-18) last four seasons
- ► Three postseason tournaments in four seasons (first time since 1980-83)
- ► Six All-WAC Awards, Two WAC All-Defensive Team selections
- ▶ 2-2 record against Pac-12 last two seasons rest of WAC is 4-11
- Hosted first regular-season tournament in 21 years, and won BTI Classic title in 2010-11
- ▶ Nine players have moved on to play professionally.
- ▶ 68 entries into the Idaho school record book, two school records broken
- ▶ 31 double-digit victories in four years (more than the previous nine seasons at Idaho combined)
- ► Shot 50 percent from the field 47 times in four seasons (42-5 record)
- ► Held 36 opponents below .400 shooting in four seasons (32-4 record)
- ▶ 27-2 record when opponents score below 60 points
- ▶ Played in 31 televised games, including nine times on national TV
- ► Readers as Leaders community involvement program grew to 2,200+ participants in fourth year

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## BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND HUMAN RESOURCES JUNE 20, 2013

#### **SUBJECT**

Chief Executive Officers Contracts/Terms

June 2009 Board approved annual compensation for its

chief executive officers and directed staff to prepare employment agreements containing terms and conditions for further Board

consideration.

August 2009 Board approved chief executive officers

**Employment Agreements** 

June 2010 Board approved annual compensation for its

chief executive officers and directed staff to prepare employment agreements containing terms and conditions for further Board

consideration.

August 2010 Board approved chief executive officer

employment agreements.

June 2011 Board approved salaries and contract terms

for BSU, ISU, UI, and OSBE Chief Executive

Officers.

May 2012 Board approved salaries for BSU, ISU, UI and

LCSC Chief Executive Officers.

June 2012 Board approved amended employment

agreements for UI, BSU, ISU, LCSC, and

OSBE Chief Executive Officers.

## **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

The Board approved three year contracts for the four year institution presidents at the August 2010 Board meeting, and extended those terms for one additional year for FY11 and FY12. In May of 2013 the Board completed performance evaluations for the chief executive officers of Boise State University, Idaho State University, Lewis-Clark State College and the Office of the State Board of Education. The proposed amendment to the employment agreements extend them for one additional year.

## **BOARD ACTION**

I move to approve the amended employment agreement for Dr. Kustra as President of Boise State University, extending the current contract term for one (1) additional year.

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