



Board of Regents  
Nevada System of Higher Education  
4300 S. Maryland Parkway  
Las Vegas, NV 89119

November 22, 2024

**RE: Support for the Athletics and Recreation Student Fee at Nevada State University**

Dear Members of the Board of Regents,

We are writing to express our enthusiastic support for agenda item 25, the Athletics and Recreation Student Fee at Nevada State University (NSU). The Nevada State Student Alliance (NSSA) has voted to support this proposal. As our student body population continues to grow, so does the school spirit and demand for athletic opportunities. This fee represents a unique opportunity to enrich our campus culture and create a more vibrant, engaging environment for all students.

Athletics will bring our community together, fostering a sense of connection that aligns with Nevada State's mission of building a stronger, united community. It will enhance the university's visibility, attract prospective students, and provide current students with opportunities to engage in healthy competition. By establishing an athletics program, we strengthen the bonds among students, staff, and alumni, creating a legacy for future generations.

This initiative will promote inclusivity by uniting students from diverse backgrounds under a shared sense of pride and belonging. Additionally, an athletics program will cultivate leadership, teamwork, and resilience, equipping students with skills that prepare them for success both on and off the field. It exemplifies our commitment to fostering well-rounded student development and reinforces the values that define Nevada State, inspiring pride and enhancing campus life.

We urge the Board of Regents to vote "Yes" on agenda item 25, the Athletics and Recreation Student Fee at NSU. Thank you for your consideration. If you need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us directly.

With deepest gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin Osorio Hernández".

Kevin Osorio Hernández,  
Student Body President

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lahana Pearce".

Lahana Pearce,  
Student Body Vice President

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** jon.carpineta@csn.edu

**Name:** Jon Carpineta

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** General Public Comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

**Comment:**

I humbly ask the Board or the NSHE Administration to implement a more timely posting of the Board Meetings and Committee Meetings in the meeting archives at <https://nshe.nevada.edu/regents/archive/> or on the NSHE Media YouTube channel. There are many who are working that are unable to watch the live feed or attend in person when the scheduled meeting is happening. It would be helpful to be able to view the video while the information is still new. We currently must wait at least a week for the audio to be posted, at least 2 weeks for the video, and a few months for the Minutes to be posted for the meetings. This delay in posting the video also has other consequences. If something controversial happens during a meeting the media immediately jumps on it and skews it in a way that fits whatever their agenda might be. Meanwhile, there is no full video record to refer to that people could judge for themselves. Instead, we are expected to blindly “trust” what the media reports to us. Thank you for this platform to be able to present this issue to you.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** cjames0802@gmail.com

**Name:** Cydney James

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Increase student fees for athletics to \$5/credit

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The value added to CSN athletics and recreation brings plenty of potential to CSN's campus. Giving the opportunity for the local kids to join sports and continue their academics. This provides a positive impact on campus life and the community.

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**Email:** abmiller1424@gmail.com

**Name:** Alexander Miller

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Increase student fees for athletics

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

Athletics are a vital part of the community that helps enrich many peoples' lives. Increasing student fees for athletics will allow for more athletes at CSN to succeed inside and outside of the classroom. CSN athletics bolster the brand of the school and helps to inspire future generations of athletes to compete athletically at the collegiate level.

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**Name:** Sage Leehey

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** College of Southern Nevada Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Public comment about \$5 fees raise for athletics

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

As a high school cross country coach, I have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the positive impact that the College of Southern Nevada's cross country team and coaching staff have on our local athletic community. Raising student fees by just \$5 to support athletics would be an investment not only in the college's teams but also in the broader community, which benefits greatly from the program's involvement.

The CSN cross country team and coaching staff are committed to fostering talent and supporting local athletes. They regularly make themselves available at middle and high school meets across the region, offering guidance, mentorship, and encouragement to young athletes. This involvement helps to develop future stars and enhances the overall quality of our athletic programs. Their dedication extends far beyond the track or field, as they work tirelessly to grow the sport and make it accessible to more young people.

I believe this modest fee increase is a small price to pay for the enormous value that CSN's athletics program brings to our community, particularly in terms of mentorship, youth development, and overall athletic growth. Supporting these initiatives is an investment in the future of our student-athletes, both at the collegiate and high school levels.

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## Public Comment for the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** georgies@unr.edu

**Name:** Georgie Sullivan

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Indoor Fieldhouse

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

Hi, my name is Georgie Sullivan and I am a student here at the University of Nevada, Reno. I am voicing my support for the Indoor Fieldhouse.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee, December 4, 2024

**Email:** zsutton@unr.edu

**Name:** Zali Sutton

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee, December 4, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Indoor Field-house Project

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I think this project will bring great benefit to all students and staff!

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** imozen@unr.edu

**Name:** Isaac Mozen

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Indoor field house project

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I believe this will benefit the school as well as the community. This field house is necessary for a university in a mountainous region, like Reno, where winter is no joke.

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## Public Comment for the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** [ericalynch@unr.edu](mailto:ericalynch@unr.edu)

**Name:** Erica Lynch

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Indoor Fieldhouse Facility

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I am in favor of the construction of the indoor fieldhouse facility at the University of Nevada Reno

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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**Name:** Sovereign Hone

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 23b

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

CSN Athletics is very important to me as a student, it brings school pride and collectivity to CSN. As a community college there are not many things that bring pride as a student. But being able to go games and cheer my team on at the finals brings me so much pride. Having a connection to your school is very important, especially in a college setting. If athletics were taken away then I would no longer want to come to CSN. I support the fee increase because if it will help broaden the athletic experience for student I am all for it.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** meoncle.cothron@csn.edu

**Name:** Meoncle cothron( CSN)

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**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 23 B CSN ATHLETIC RECREATION FEE INCREASE

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This will help increase what Athletics already does which is school spirit, connecting with none student athletes. Giving our students chances in life that they would not have other wise. We are in need pf student retention and this program will help do so. Lets look towards making the students college life experience worth the hardship they will be encountering.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** jalapham@unr.edu

**Name:** Julia Lapham

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Fieldhouse Project Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Opposition

**Comment:**

I am writing today to express my strong concerns about this proposed fee for the upcoming year. As an alumni of the University of Nevada and a current staff member, I feel passionately about keeping our institution affordable and accessible to students from all backgrounds. After learning about this proposed fee specifically to develop a \$25 million indoor practice facility I am horrified that this burden is falling to our students. While the university has had tremendous growth in the past decade, we are also in financial turmoil – anyone who works on campus would tell you this. I am genuinely curious why a brand new facility like this is necessary at this time, when so many department and programs across campus can hardly afford to exist. Can it not wait until the university is financially stable or has a donor willing to front the costs? I

Going back to my point about accessibility for all students, adding on yet another fee to their already growing tuition is going to hurt both retention and recruitment efforts of students. It seems reckless, unnecessary & unfair to add this specific fee (burden) that does not benefit the majority of students on campus at this time in our university's history.

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**Email:** stpasto@gmail.com

**Name:** Steve Pastorino

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** BOR 23b

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### **Comment:**

As both an NSHE student and parent, I would like to express my support for the revisions to CSN Athletics / Recreation Fee & Technology Fees. CSN athletics are one of the under-reported success stories across its three major campuses. CSN student-athletes regularly outperform non-athletes academically, contribute thousands of hours to community service, and provide a rallying point for all CSN students. The excitement of CSN baseball and women's basketball in the past year culminated in post-season tournament berths, and a march to the Junior College World Series Final Four for baseball. On top of generating excitement across campus, CSN athletes (including soccer, cross-country, basketball, baseball/softball, Dance/Cheer and volleyball) show amazing persistence, and earn scholarships at four-year institutions on the basis of their solid academic foundation earned at CSN.

As a UNLV graduate student, I was privileged to work with CSN athletics (and their amazing leader Yvonne Wade) on long-term plans to increase opportunities for student-athletes, engage further with the community, and continue to provide lifelong experiences on- and off- the field for the athletes, team managers, athletic trainers and so many others who engage with Coyotes' sports. An increase in funding (along with the technology fee increase) will mean more opportunities, more success stories, more campus enthusiasm, higher graduation rates and more Coyote pride.

I hope the NSHE board follows the will and desire of the ASCSN student government

leadership who agree that Coyote athletics is a bright spot on CSN campuses – and deserves funding more in line with other institutions in Nevada and the West. Go Coyotes!

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** [bolinechris@gmail.com](mailto:bolinechris@gmail.com)

**Name:** Chris Boline

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Item 23, University of Nevada's Athletics and Recreation Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

Good morning,

My name is Chris Boline and I am a two-time alumnus of the University of Nevada, a proud member of the Nevada Sagebrush (former EIC), and also a member of both the College of Business Alumni Association (where I was president) and the Sagebrush Alumni Chapter.

The field house project is a chance to leave a lasting legacy on this campus. I was part of the initial conversations back in 2013-14 when a student fee was passed to create the field house and fitness center and wrote an op-ed in favor of both at the time. The fitness center was of course completed and is a tremendous facility and whenever I bring alumni who are sponsors or prospective sponsors back to campus, they love seeing the growth of their alma mater. Additionally, I remember sitting in your shoes having a similar thought of not being able to use the fruits of that credit fee labor, but I can assure you that all of my peers from when I was in undergrad are incredibly proud of their alma mater's growth over the last 15 years. Also, looking back on that student fee being passed clearly has had an impact on the university as the entire gateway to campus is just awesome to behold.

As noted in this presentation, we lag behind UNLV and our MWC peers in having significantly lower athletics fees (\$2.867 million per year) than UNLV students (\$5.697 million). In fact, Nevada's student fees for athletics are the third lowest in the MW and around

half the conference average. The bottom line is we need more overall support to compete with other institutions the same way our teams compete on the field or court.

This is a project that has been talked about for decades and we are finally close enough to getting this accomplished with your help. The Wolf Pack has always punched above its weight during its entire history as an athletic department and I am fired up to see how we can do on a more level playing field.

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## Public Comment for the College of Southern Nevada Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** kcb12@cox.net

**Name:** Kody Bialas

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** College of Southern Nevada Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda item 23b, CSN Athletics and Recreation Fee Increase

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

Hello, my name is Kody Bialas. I am a sophomore at CSN and a pitcher for the Coyotes baseball team. I am writing because of what this Coyote baseball team means to me. About halfway through our fall schedule, my family had to endure something that no one should have to go through. I lost my sister, my parents lost their daughter, my younger sister lost her best friend. This is in no way something you can prepare yourself for and certainly not something you can comprehend. When she was only 22 years old, pneumonia took my sister. There weren't any words to be said, only hugs to be given and tears to be shed. I of course took some time with my family but needed something to take my mind off things. For this I turned to Coyote baseball to escape this world that couldn't be real. I had already received messages from our entire coaching staff checking in on me and I received further support when I was back at the field. My first day back Coach Garritano called me into his office to share some helpful advice. I remember he told me that I had his full support in anything I needed. The only thing I could think of was pitching in our weekend series which he made sure of would happen. My family got to watch me pitch that weekend and for those three outs, nothing else mattered. They didn't have to think about the tragedy we suffered, they just got to watch their son play the game he loves at the school he loves to play it at. That's what CSN baseball is to me. It's not just nine players taking a field, it's a family that I turn to in the darkest of times. It's a team my family can watch when everything isn't sunshine and rainbows. They have been there for me through more than this comment can discuss. CSN produces great players, but if there's anything the coaches have taught us, family comes first and they epitomize that

above all else. Please let CSN reach others the way they have me for years to come by implementing this three dollar fee increase.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** anniekelly@unr.edu

**Name:** Annie Kelly

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23- Nevada Athletics Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

My name is Annie Kelly, and I work at Nevada. I am in support of passing this agenda item for multiple reasons. The University of Nevada is at a significant disadvantage compared to other schools in our conference, let alone the country. This is a fee that is insignificant in the long run when you consider the fact that students and the northern Nevada community will be able to use the indoor space for decades to come.

A successful athletics department enhances a university and the student body- enrollment numbers go up, donations are increased, and there is a stronger sense of community. I think we all know that the University of Nevada would greatly benefit from these things, and supporting the Indoor Fieldhouse is the first step.

Nevada is one of twelve schools without an indoor practice facility/dedicated space out of the 134 schools in the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS). The other eleven schools are all in warm climates – we are the only cold-weather school without an indoor practice facility IN THE NATION.

I urge you to pass this, as Nevada students have shown their support for it, and help improve our campus as well as the collegiate experience.

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**Email:** [audreybull@unr.edu](mailto:audreybull@unr.edu)

**Name:** Audrey Bull

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** University of Nevada Field House

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The establishment of a field house on the Nevada campus would be a massive asset to not only the student-athletes but also the student population. The field house would be used for intramural sports as well as organized university athletics when training outdoors is unsuitable for athletes. It is not uncommon for Reno to be subjected to snow, ice, and smoke that would normally prevent athletes from training outdoors. The field house would make Nevada athletics stronger and provide more resources for athletes to train in adverse conditions. As a current student-athlete at Nevada, I am in favor of the establishment of the field house and believe that the student fees will be worth the benefits the field house will provide to students and student athletes alike.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** aleontini@unr.edu

**Name:** Anthony Leontini Undergraduate Student

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 – Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The fieldhouse demonstrates Nevada Athletics' commitment to the physical and mental health of all students, not just student-athletes. All students have the opportunity to utilize this state-of-the-art facility. This presents an opportunity to meet like-minded individuals and share passions and experiences. For our athletic programs, the fieldhouse is a much-needed creation. For my fellow students, it is a glorious opportunity and amenity for us. During smoke, snow, and everything in between, we all have a safe space to be together and carry on with our desired activities. Furthering our campus's development will continue to draw new students. Offering impressive new facilities will benefit the perception and character of our institution. In the end, the fieldhouse will grow our status as a tier 1 institution and is yet another reason to attend and stay at our great university.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** sferris@unr.edu

**Name:** Scarlett Ferris

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Field house

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The Field House would elevate the university's sporting facilities for the entire student body. It would provide another opportunity for students to get active, particularly during the very cold weather we experience here. It would additionally protect our athletes from potentially damaging weather, such as bad air quality. This field house would allow students to include sports and exercise into their daily schedule and promote a more active lifestyle while providing athletes with a safer way to practice.

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**Subject:** Public Comment for the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee, December 4, 2024  
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## Public Comment for the Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee, December 4, 2024

**Email:** saharah@unr.edu

**Name:** Sahara Harrington

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Academic, Research and Student Affairs Committee, December 4, 2024

**Agenda Item:** General Public Comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

**Comment:**

Hello everyone,

My name is Sahara and I am a graduate student at the University of Nevada, Reno. I want to highlight the urgent need for better support systems for students affected by war tragedies worldwide. Many of our graduate students are international, and some are directly impacted by conflicts in their home countries. Others are deeply affected by global tragedies, whether through family ties, personal experiences, or a shared sense of humanity.

Balancing academic demands while processing the emotional and mental toll of these events is overwhelming. I urge the board and university leadership to establish more accessible support systems, such as group counseling sessions facilitated by professionals experienced in trauma related to war and displacement. These resources should be available to all students, regardless of their background, to ensure everyone has a safe space to find support and healing.

Our university prides itself on its diverse and inclusive community. By acknowledging and addressing these challenges, we show our commitment to the well-being and success of all students.

Thank you for your time.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** saharah@unr.edu

**Name:** Sahara Harrington

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 25

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Opposition

**Comment:**

Good afternoon, members of the Board of Regents,  
My name is Sahara, and I am a graduate student at the University of Nevada, Reno. I want to speak about the proposed fee increase to fund a new sports field building, of which graduate students were not informed. While such facilities are valuable for fostering undergraduate engagement, the reality is that graduate students rarely use these amenities. The inclusion of graduate students in this fee structure is inequitable, as it places a financial burden on a population that will not benefit from the project. I respectfully request that this fee proposal be amended to exclude graduate students.  
Thank you for your time and consideration.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** kent.ervin@nevadafacultyalliance.org

**Name:** Kent Ervin

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Nevada Faculty Alliance

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Items 22-26, student fee changes

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

### Comment:

Significant student fee increases are being considered in agenda items 22-26. Nobody likes raising student fees. However student fees are necessary, given limited state funding. Inflation in the costs of providing services and programs means that fees must be adjusted from time to time. As the elected fiduciaries of the higher education system, it falls on you as the Board of Regents to make these hard decisions.

An important context is that our overall student fees and tuition are quite low compared with other states. Because state funding is also below average, NSHE's overall revenue per full-time-equivalent student is the very lowest among 50 states, according to the 2023 State Higher Education Finance report of the State Higher Education Executive Officers Association [[https://shef.sheeo.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/SHEEO\\_SHEF\\_FY23\\_Report.pdf#page=29](https://shef.sheeo.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/SHEEO_SHEF_FY23_Report.pdf#page=29)]. Our instructional budgets are very stretched limiting our ability to serve students. That doesn't mean every proposed fee should be approved, but there is room for some increases without harming our competitiveness.

I would suggest the following criteria and questions for judging individual student fee increases:

- 1) What is the benefit of the fee on its own merits?
- 2) Does the fee support a core mission of the institution?
- 3) Given a variety of needs and budget shortfalls, is this the best use of a fee increase?
- 4) Is the fee being charged appropriately? That is, to all students for a broad program or to a

specific course or discipline. On a per-credit basis versus a per-student basis?

5) Is this an existing program that needs to be maintained, or a new project that could be deferred?

6) Given the recent increases in registration fees, is now the time to place an additional burden on students?

Thank you for your consideration and for your hard work for the benefit of higher education and students.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate: Yes**

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**Email:** kent.ervin@nevadafacultyalliance.org

**Name:** Kent Ervin

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Nevada F

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 11. CODE AMENDMENTS, POLICY OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS,  
DECISION ON APPEAL

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Opposition

### Comment:

First, I'd like to cordially welcome Regent Pete Goicoechea. The NFA looks forward to working with you. We now have a former Senator on the Board of Regents and a former Regent in the Senate. That's an opportunity for dialog and resetting the relationship between the Regents and the Legislature. I hope we can take advantage.

The NFA opposes agenda item 11. Tenure is not an absolute right of continued employment, but the termination of a tenured faculty member for cause must follow full due process. By removing the step where the full Board reviews the appeal of a termination and putting it in the hands of one person, this proposal short circuits the diversity of perspectives from the full board on a decision that could end an individual's career or damage an institution's reputation. Due process should not be sacrificed for expediency.

The well-established standards of academic freedom and tenure that are the hallmark of the American higher education system are outlined in the 1940 Statement on Principles of Academic Freedom and Tenure, a joint statement of the American Association of University Professors and the American Association of Colleges and Universities. The 1940 Statement establishes that it is the responsibility of the governing board, not an executive officer, to review these appeals and consider arguments from both sides. As for most leading colleges and universities, our regulations in chapters 6 and 8 of the NSHE Code are based on these principles in the 1940 Statement. The governing board's role should be maintained.

We ask you to reject this proposal.

Finally, the NFA supports agenda Item 12. Inflation adjustments to starting salaries are critical to ensure we can attract and keep the most qualified candidates.  
Thank you.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate: Yes**

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**Name:** Vanessa Valentine

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** In SUPPORT of the UNR Fieldhouse

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This field house will provide a safe structure for our students and athletes to participate in during the hot, Smokey summer months and the cold, snowy winter months. We currently have to train and play in unsafe conditions. This field use will also allow more space for both students and athletes to participate their given sports.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** [dburstein@unr.edu](mailto:dburstein@unr.edu)

**Name:** Danny Burstein

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda item #23: Nevada athletics and recreation student fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The field house will provide a safe environment for not only student-athletes but also for all students to enjoy a covered indoor space that provides shelter from the elements during times when outdoor activity would not be considered a healthy option. This would be during extreme cold and snow Reno has in the winter and the Smokey conditions during fire season. Not only will student-athletes be able to continue their development, but all students through either intramurals or general physical activity can also use this. I like to think it will be used as an indoor quad at times during the day. It will elevate the campus and University of Nevada to comparable levels of competing universities.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

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**Name:** Avery Moore

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** In support of UNR fieldhouse!

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This fieldhouse will give us students and athletes a safe environment to participate in. We currently have to be stuck in unsafe conditions.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** cstangel@unr.edu

**Name:** Casey Stangel

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda item #23, Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

The proposed Fieldhouse at the University of Nevada represents a transformational opportunity for our students and campus community. This is not just a building—it is a vital space for engagement, wellness, and connection that will serve as a beacon for the university’s commitment to enriching student life.

The Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN) have demonstrated their agreement of this importance, passing a resolution in support of the project. This endorsement proves the widespread recognition of the Fieldhouse’s potential to impact all students, even if not all will use it directly. Much like other campus facilities funded by student fees, the Fieldhouse offers an invaluable opportunity for those who choose to engage with it.

The Fieldhouse will serve as a resource to thousands of students, including ROTC, band, PEX/PED classes, club and intramural sports, cheerleaders, and intercollegiate athletics. Additionally, it will be available for student events, organized activities, and open recreation times. With Northern Nevada’s unpredictable weather—smoke, snow, and lightning—the Fieldhouse ensures safe, year-round opportunities for physical activity and wellness.

This project aligns with the university’s strategic goals of fostering community and supporting student success. By supporting a facility that brings people together, we not only elevate the student experience but also create a symbol of pride and innovation for the entire campus.

I urge the members of the board to join us in supporting this initiative, which has been



thoughtfully designed to maximize student benefit, maintain affordability, and meet the pressing needs of our campus community. Your support getting this through the finish line will create a legacy of opportunity and engagement that will impact generations of University of Nevada Wolf Pack students.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate: Yes**

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** vhayward@unr.edu

**Name:** Victoria Hayward

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

Strongly in favor of the fieldhouse. This would elevate our program in so many ways and open doors for us recruiting wise and with respect to competition. Being nearly the only institution without access to an indoor facility it's paramount we catch up before the gap becomes too big!

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** schwarze.katie@gmail.com

**Name:** Katie Schwarze

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** general public comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The field house would positively impact students on campus at the University of Nevada, Reno, giving the opportunity for all students to practice and host athletic events on the club and intramural level, while also providing a safe indoor facility for Wolf Pack athletics to continue training through inclement weather conditions.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** maddiebenson03@gmail.com

**Name:** Maddie Benson

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Women's soccer

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** General Public Comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

My name is Maddie Benson – M A D D I E B E N S O N- Regents, Chancellor, Presidents, thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on agenda item 23, University of Nevada's Athletics and Recreation Fee. The field house is important because our school is located in a region where we experience both the snow and smoke from wildfires. The snow and smoke can make the outdoor fields unsafe and unusable for extended periods of time. Thus, a field house could ensure that teams can practice and compete on a consistent basis year round.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** olivialoomis2023@gmail.com

**Name:** Olivia Loomis

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Womens soccer

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Fieldhouse

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

My name is Olivia Loomis for the record – O L I V I A L O O M I S- Regents, Chancellor, Presidents, thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on agenda item 23, University of Nevada's Athletics and Recreation Fee. The fieldhouse gives us an opportunity to practice indoors when the air quality is bad.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** natalie.sippos@gmail.com

**Name:** Natalie Sippos

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Field House-General Public

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

My name Natalie Sippos for the record – NATALIE SIPPOS – Regents, Chancellor, Presidents, thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on agenda item 23, University of Nevada’s Athletics and Recreation Fee.” The field house is very important to me as I am a women’s soccer player on the Nevada women’s soccer team. It would greatly aid me and my team to have the ability to train year round in a safe condition. Thank you.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** taylor.folk19@gmail.com

**Name:** Taylor Folk

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** University of Nevada Reno athletes

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Fieldhouse

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

My name is Taylor Folk for the record – T A Y L O R F O L K – Regents, Chancellor, Presidents, thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on agenda item 23, University of Nevada’s Athletics and Recreation Fee.” This field house will provide a safe structure for us athletes to participate in during the hot summer months and in the freezing cold, snowy winter months. We currently have to train and play in unsafe conditions.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** [evawees99@gmail.com](mailto:evawees99@gmail.com)

**Name:** Eva Wees

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 – Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

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Template: My name is Eva Wees for the record. Regents, Chancellor, Presidents, thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on agenda item 23, University of Nevada's Athletics and Recreation Fee."

I've played for the women's soccer team for three years now.

I've experienced quite a lot during my time being here, one of those things being adversity. Whether that be scrimmaging in the pouring rain, running the beep test while it was snowing, practicing in the smokey air, my team can all agree we've trained through it all.

With that being said, an indoor facility would be incredible beneficial for our University because not only will it make our practices more efficient and effective, but also keep our players safe from the snow and fire season.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** srodesbella@gmail.com

**Name:** Isabella Srodes

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** In support of the UNR fieldhouse

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

My name is Isabella Srodes, Regents, Chancellor, Presidents, thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on agenda item 23, University of Nevada's Athletics and Recreation Fee. As a student athlete I believe this fieldhouse will benefit every athlete or organization on campus. Training in conditions like heat, rain, snow, wind, or smoke can have negative effects for athletes health. This fieldhouse will allow us to train to the best of our abilities without other factors being in the way.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** tessbumiller@gmail.com

**Name:** Tess Bumiller

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The addition of an indoor fieldhouse to student life is essential. As an outdoor athlete, weather conditions are crucial to high level training. That said, when there are unplayable weather conditions, it would be incredibly beneficial to have access to an indoor facility to continue training. Conditions such as below freezing temperatures and snow bring potential risk factors that could produce injuries and sickness. The indoor facility would greatly reduce the risk factors. In addition, the indoor facility would be accessible to all students which would enhance student life and encourage the pack lifestyle. This building will contribute to our legacy and support future generations of pack students and athletes. We ask for your support in the establishment of this indoor facility.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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**Email:** dcisneros190@gmail.com

**Name:** Diego Cisneros

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Matt Erickson

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Indoor field house

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

We want it

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** gregs@unr.edu

**Name:** Gregory Stone

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Field house

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

A indoor field house would be a huge help for intramurals and our sports.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

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**Name:** Todd Renwick

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

Please support Nevada Athletics and the Students in funding a multi-purpose indoor facility. It has been far too long and is much needed for the Campus, Athletics and the students.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** mjlynch@unr.edu

**Name:** Michael Lynch

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Nevada Football

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda item #23, Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The indoor would be an amazing facility for the entire university!

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** tatumjo28@gmail.com

**Name:** Tatum Maytorena

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** I am representing the Nevada Softball team

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** The field house for University of Nevada

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I am apart of the nevada softball team. I am a senior this year and this opportunity to have a fieldhouse for our program and athletic department is huge. I am graduating this year and will not have the opportunity to use it but it is much more than myself. I want this for the university. To have an indoor facility will allow us to train in the winter months and not give us a disadvantage to the other schools in conference. This would help the university and athletic department tremendously and will be used for decades. The winter months are very difficult when it comes to snow conditions and we are unable to train completely some days. I really want this for this university because it will provide so many opportunities for success.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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**Email:** caitlinsmith@unr.exh

**Name:** Caitlin Smith

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** University of Nevada Swim and Dive

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Field House

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I am in support of the field house

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** brianarmstrong@unr.edu

**Name:** Brian Armstrong

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Football

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 – Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This will be a great facility for the entire campus.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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**Email:** austinharnetiaux2@gmail.com

**Name:** Austin Harnetiaux

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Nevada Football

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23- Nevada Athletics indoor

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

Nevada Athletics needs this competitive advantage. Northern Nevada sports will benefit from having access to it and the lack thereof is apparent in our winter schedules. This is a must have moving forward as a university.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** leighanne.kim05@gmail.com

**Name:** Leighanne Kim

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Women's club soccer

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Indoor soccer field

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

It would be really beneficial to have an indoor soccer field. I joined the women's club soccer team as a freshman this year and I think it would improve our practices, turn out, and better our health. I have experienced first hand the aftermath of practicing for hours in the wind and rain, and ended up missing a game because of it. Additionally, in the winter it is extremely hard to practice soccer in the snow. I think an indoor field would be a great addition to UNR for not only my team but the whole campus. Thank you.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** saigey37@gmail.com

**Name:** Saige Alfaro

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** University of Nevada's Athletics and Recreation Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

Regents, Chancellor, Presidents, thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on agenda item 23, University of Nevada's Athletics and Recreation Fee. I am in favor of this item as it will benefit a great number of students and athletes.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** Jaydenor07@gmail.com

**Name:** Jayden O'Rourke

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda item #23, Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This is a must for our university. There are so many physical and mental benefits to all students. This open up opportunities for student athletes to practice throughout the winter and for regular students to continue to stay fit!

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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**Email:** ethan.lowell100@gmail.com

**Name:** Ethan Lowell

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda item #23, Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

N/A

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** bheydra@unr.edu

**Name:** Bailey Heydra

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** agenda item #23, Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This will be a big help to outdoor sports in the winter as we are one of the only D1 schools who don't have a field house and are in a city where it snows and makes it impossible to practice outdoors in extreme weather, such as snow or smoke.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** juvensseth@gmail.com

**Name:** Jakobus Seth

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Nevada Football

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda #23 – Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The team needs this to help our record.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** annalies8795@gmail.com

**Name:** Annalies Kalma

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Unr track and field team

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** indoor field house

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

As a member of the track and field team I am strongly in favour of the indoor field house being approved. It would improve not just me but hundreds of students experience here at this university. It is important for the track team as we can practice all year round and help improved our performances representing the university of nevada. thank you

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** [kyleeparsons@unr.edu](mailto:kyleeparsons@unr.edu)

**Name:** Kylee Parsons

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Women's Track & Field

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** agenda item #23, Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This field house would be very beneficial for all athletes at Nevada as well as the community. Having to practice in the heat, smoke, rain, ice, and snow is dangerous to all athletes. This would help with recruiting new athletes to Nevada.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** anyisalabarria5@gmail.com

**Name:** anyi salabarria

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** General public comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

As a student at CSN, I've experienced firsthand the incredible impact the athletic program has on the college. Being part of the program not only pushed me to excel in my academics but also made me more engaged with school spirit and the campus community. It's inspiring to see how athletics create a shared sense of pride and connection among students. For me, being involved in sports made my college experience so much richer, and it's clear how important this program is to building a vibrant and supportive campus environment.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** magdaleneg@unr.edu

**Name:** Magdalene George

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Women Track and Field

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23– Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The fieldhouse is a vital space that fosters athletic excellence, community connection, and campus pride.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** nchindavong@unr.edu

**Name:** Nikki Chindavong

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Nevada Women's Golf

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda item #23, Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I am a student at the University of Nevada, Reno and I am voicing my support for the indoor fieldhouse project.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** nunezeduar707@gmail.com

**Name:** Eduardo Nunez

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** general public comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I really wish it happens

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** ashultse@unr.edu

**Name:** Anna Shultse

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Women's Golf Team

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 – Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

The field house would be a great addition to our facilities. There are many summer sports that are unable to practice during the winter time and it would be a huge benefit for those athletes to effectively train. It would also attract more prospective students and transfers and overall gain more recognition for the school, amongst other schools in our conference.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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**Email:** [rsheikh@unr.edu](mailto:rsheikh@unr.edu)

**Name:** Raesa Sheikh

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 – Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

The Fieldhouse would be an amazing addition to our campus, offering many benefits to not only student-athletes, but towards the general student community. For student-athletes, it provides a much-needed indoor space to train, practice, and prepare for competition, helping them prepare and perform their best. For the student body, it's a space where events, club sports, and recreational activities can take place, making campus life more active and connected. This facility would not only support athletic success but also create a welcoming space for all students to come together, and build a stronger sense of community.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the College of Southern Nevada Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** justin@ncsaasports.com

**Name:** Justin Phelps

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** College of Southern Nevada Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 23B

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I am the commissioner of the Nevada Choice School Athletic Association which is the governing body over 60 charter and private schools throughout Southern Nevada — providing sports to over 10,000 student-athletes annually. We have worked closely with the College of Southern Nevada to create a pathway for our student-athletes to attend school close to home. CSN Athletics has been a powerful resource for local students. Moreover, it's also provided a great place for our non-student-athletes to enjoy their college experience through recreational opportunities. The program needs more resources to expand basic offerings. CSN touches so many families with limited resources. It's time we increase the opportunities for all students. This agenda item allows for more access to athletic and recreational programs. I urge you strongly consider voting in favor.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** amyna@unr.edu

**Name:** Amy Na

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item 23

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

My name is Amy Na for the record. – A M Y N A –  
Dear Regents, Chancellor, Presidents, thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on agenda item 23, University of Nevada's Athletics and Recreation Fee. I am in favor of the fieldhouse because I think that it will be a great facility that all students can use. The benefits that students can get from it are plenty and it will also be a considerable development on the university's part. Thank you!

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** ktakaishi@unr.edu

**Name:** Kathleen Takaishi

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 Nevada Athletics and Recreation Student Fees

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This will help many departments on campus!

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the ad hoc Truckee Meadows Community College President Search Committee, December 11, 2024

**Email:** bortwein@unr.edu

**Name:** Ben Ortwein

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** N/A

**Meeting:** ad hoc Truckee Meadows Community College President Search Committee,  
December 11, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Fieldhouse Project

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I think it be a great idea for the community!

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** lovisapayton@gmail.com

**Name:** Payton Lovisa

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Women's Golf

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 – Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

The indoor field house is going to do so much more than just provide a space for all of Nevada athletic teams to have a place to practice, but it will provide many benefits to the students of the University of Nevada. The field house will be a space of connecting and building a deep sense of community between the athletics program and the rest of the university. It will also give student the opportunity to be active and try new things in a brand new, top tier facility.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** mnonaka@unr.edu

**Name:** Marina Nonaka

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Women's Golf

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 – Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

In my opinion, the fieldhouse will be very helpful and useful for different sports teams from the university. Students will be able to use the space to play and have fun in an indoor space, and they will also be able to connect with different sports teams.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** shannonmcneal@unr.edu

**Name:** Shannon Wyckoff McNeal

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23-Nevada Athletics and Recreation Student Fees

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This will add value to all students and bring the University up to par with almost all Division 1 universities. It will also help bring community members to campus with youth sports and activities! Such a legacy piece that will add to this special place!

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** mcmillen.shaye@gmail.com

**Name:** Shaye McMillen

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Wolf Pack Marching Band (Pride of the Sierra)

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23- Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

I have been involved with the Wold Pack Marching Band as a performer or staff member since 2017. In that time, I've rehearsed in snow, rain, smoke, extreme wind, freezing cold, and high heat. When the conditions were determined to be too severe, the ensemble was forced to either cancel/shorten our practices or move indoors. The only indoor spaces suitable and reliably available for 130+ musicians has been Nightingale Hall or, more recently, the larger rooms in UFA or CFA. These spaces allow for music rehearsal, but are not conducive to the marching part of the activity. Specifically in 2021 during excessive wildfires in our area, we lost around a full month of field marching time, which was sorely needed coming out of the Covid-19 restrictions on large ensemble meetings. Another condition impacting the success of the band is extreme temperatures. Our area experiences freezing temperatures and scorching ones during the span of the marching season. We start our year in early August, learning a full pregame show and parts of halftime shows on a painted over parking lot at the north end of campus. It regularly reaches high 90°-100°+ during the middle of the day, forcing us indoors between 11am-6pm during band camp. This limits the marching instruction that can be provided. In the back half of the season, we frequently truncate practice for extreme cold, snow, wind, and rain. Any of these conditions could damage instruments and pose a hazard to student health. The use of an indoor fieldhouse would give us better quality and quantity of instruction and allow us to produce the best product possible for our audience. This would also allow our program to be on par with other schools such as Colorado State or Boise State.

Funding a development that would thusly benefit the ensemble and university I've spent my entire adult life representing is a worthy use of my student fees.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate: Yes**

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## Public Comment for the Western Nevada College Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Email:** kooperkijanka@aol.com

**Name:** Kooper Kijanka

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Johnny Staka

**Meeting:** Western Nevada College Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** I support Johnny Staka

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

Indoor field would be amazing to this college community!

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** lausscl@unlv.nevada.edu

**Name:** Camila Lausso

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** General Public Comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

**Comment:**

The UNLV School of Architecture is currently the only accredited architecture program in the entire state of Nevada. The architecture program is not competitive with other programs in the nation, and has grown complacent since there is no other architecture programs in the state, or adjacent areas for hundreds of miles. As a result, the quality of education and university experience of enrolled students has been negatively affected. This also translates to troubles in entering the workforce upon graduation.

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**Email:** jessica.mcpartland2023@gmail.com

**Name:** Jessica McPartland

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** University of Nevada Field house/indoor facility

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I think the field house will not only be a huge positive impact for our athletes at Nevada but also all students who will get to use it! As athletes that play in the colder/more weathered months there needs to be some type of indoor option so we can still practice/continue to get better. As an athlete here, I may never get to be apart of practicing in or using this facility but all of us want to leave Nevada better then we found it and I think this will be huge for the upcoming generations of athletes and huge for the school!

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** carlos.tkacz@unlv.edu

**Name:** Carlos Tkacz

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** General Public Comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

**Comment:**

My name is Carlos Tkacz and I am a Graduate Assistant here at UNLV from the English department and an organizer with Nevada Graduate Student Workers-UAW.

As graduate assistants, we play a critical role in undergraduate instruction and maintaining our universities' R1 status. We work directly with faculty on research, we teach small classes where we get to know our students, and we have administrative jobs across campus. Despite all of this, the letter of appointment that we sign at the beginning of the academic year is not legally binding, and too often graduate assistants lose their positions in the middle of a term without due cause. Though many of us work year after year, we still don't have any guarantee of employment term to term, which makes it extremely difficult to plan our lives.

Many GAs uproot our lives to come work and study at NSHE institutions, and then have our careers irreparably harmed when our job appointments are retracted without just cause. We deserve better stability so that we can perform our jobs to the best of our abilities. This is why we have chosen to form a union and gain a voice in determining our pay, benefits, and other working conditions. A supermajority of GAs across our campuses know that the only way to guarantee these protections is through collective bargaining, and we expect NSHE to respect our democratic will.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** tedjohnson4630@gmail.com

**Name:** Ted Johnson

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** General Public Comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

**Comment:**

I am a Graduate Assistant here at UNLV from the Physics and Astronomy department and an organizer with Nevada Graduate Student Workers-UAW.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** evelyn.airam@gmail.com

**Name:** Evelyn Airam

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** General Public Comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

**Comment:**

Statement 3 – Pay Inequity and Overwork

My name is Evelyn Airam and I am a Graduate Assistant here at UNLV in the School of Integrated Health Sciences and an organizer with Nevada Graduate Student Workers-UAW.

I'm here to talk about the major challenges that GAs experience in terms of our pay and workloads. While the GAs handbook stipulates that GAs only work 20 hours a week and are paid half-time, the reality is that many GAs are expected to work far beyond that. As Graduate Assistants, we all make well below what we need to afford groceries, housing, and other basic expenses, but some of us earn substantially less per hour because of uneven expectations and lack of workload protections. I know I am not the only one who sells my blood plasma to make ends meet, and I have colleagues who can't even do that because they are expected to be working in the lab nights and weekends. Though we know the cost of living is a serious challenge, we also know there are many needed changes to GA working conditions that would not come at a high cost to NSHE. Through our union, we are looking forward to advancing equity by creating clear workload protections so that no one is forced to do more work for less pay. Changes like this would go a long way in supporting our mental health, performance, and ability to fulfill the university's mission to serve our communities.

My colleagues and I have described just a few of the issues that GAs have reported in the hundreds of conversations that have happened during our campaign and affect GAs in every

department across all campuses here in Nevada. GAs are interested in making reasonable improvements that can allow the University of Nevada to continue to recruit a diverse pool of top graduate students and increase its competitiveness as an R1 institution.

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**Email:** aaron.leach11@gmail.com

**Name:** Aaron Leach

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Nevada Mens Golf Team

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item #23 – Nevada Athletics & Recreation Student Fee

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I am in favor of the agenda item and feel like this will help moving forward

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** erichansen@unr.edu

**Name:** Eric Hansen

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** ATO, IIFC, Wolves den

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Construction of field house

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

Good morning, I am in complete support for the construction of a field house. Growing up in Reno sports has been an important part of my life. When Nevada is competitive it provides an electric atmosphere not only at the university but in the city that I call home. It is a rallying call for my community. As an undergraduate the benefits would be incredible. A building for intramural sports and a place where students could connect and share a passion even if they aren't in athletics. It is pivotal that Nevada becomes competitive in the future and attracts stellar athletes moving forward. And this is the next step. Thank you

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**Email:** matthewrsauls@gmail.com

**Name:** Matthew Sauls

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 23

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

My name is Matthew Sauls Regents, Chancellor, Presidents, thank you for the your time be consideration of my comment on agenda item 23, University of Nevada's Athletics and Recreation Fee." The Fieldhouse Project is a necessity for The University of Nevada Reno. This project has the full support of the Independent InterFraternity Council comprised of six member Chapters encompassing over 600 UNR students. As IIFC VP of Judicial Affairs I voice our deep appreciation for those working to make this happen and we hope for a better future for the University of Nevada.

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**Email:** wffishingfreak@gmail.com

**Name:** Wyatt French

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Johnny staka

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Indoor football practice field

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

We need this not for the players but for the fans so we can have a better team moving on into the future.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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**Email:** kuehnparker@yahoo.com

**Name:** Parker Kuehn

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Indoor field house

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

This would be huge for club sports as it gives us numerous opportunities. This mainly includes not having to clean the field of snow before games and during halftime which takes away from our strategy talks.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** yyaassmmiinn16@gmail.com

**Name:** Yasmin Perry

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** Nevada Swim and Dive

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Student Fee for indoor facility

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

For Students and Athletes all over Nevada, I feel this would be greatly beneficial during the cold months.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** [abraham.gomez@csn.edu](mailto:abraham.gomez@csn.edu)

**Name:** Abraham Gomez

**Representing someone other than yourself?:** College of Southern Nevada

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 23b

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

### Comment:

Greetings, my name is Abraham Gomez, I serve as the Campus Life Coordinator at the North Las Vegas Campus. Athletics at CSN serves as a powerful tool to help build community, foster student engagement, and enhance retention and persistence. By providing opportunities for students to connect through shared school spirit, athletic events create a sense of belonging that strengthens the campus community. Participation in sports whether as athletes, spectators, or supporters helps students develop life skills such as teamwork, discipline, and leadership, which contribute to their overall success.

Lastly, athletic programs inspire pride in our institution over all our college campuses, encouraging students to stay engaged academically and socially. They also provide a platform for collaboration across departments, enhancing campus life while promoting physical and mental well-being. Investing in athletics ensures a more vibrant, inclusive, and connected CSN, driving long-term student success and institutional growth.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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**Email:** [ssheni@unr.edu](mailto:ssheni@unr.edu)

**Name:** Sarbyen Sheni

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** General Public Comment

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Opposition

**Comment:**

Good morning members of the Board of Regents,

My name is Sarbyen Sheni, and I am a graduate student at the University of Nevada, Reno. The rising cost of living in Reno, combined with increased tuition and fees, is creating severe financial strain on graduate students. While a recent stipend increase offered a brief reprieve, the addition of new fees has erased that relief and left many of us struggling once again to make ends meet.

Graduate students are vital to the university's research and teaching missions, yet we are being asked to do more with less. I ask the board to carefully consider how these increases are affecting graduate students' ability to continue their education.

Thank you

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** [betsy.anderson@csn.edu](mailto:betsy.anderson@csn.edu)

**Name:** Betsy Anderson

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** #23

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

**Comment:**

I am writing in support of the student fee increase for Athletics and Recreation at the College of Southern Nevada. This fee increase will allow for more programming for all CSN students and more financial security for the CSN Athletics programs. Increased programming and support for CSN Athletics and Recreation will help to foster a sense of belonging for all CSN students, giving them more opportunities to connect on campus and with their fellow students. Increased sense of belonging and connection helps to maintain and increase student retention, as students feel that they have a place at CSN. CSN student athletes consistently excel at CSN, opening continued academic opportunities for themselves as they transfer to NCAA Division I, II, and III and NAIA schools around the country. These student athletes serve as ambassadors for CSN, both while attending CSN and as they continue their academic careers. This representation in the Las Vegas community, as they travel for athletic contests, and as they go into the world promotes the mission of CSN to achieve, succeed, and prosper. This fee increase will allow for a continuation of athletic and academic success of our student-athletes and relieve some of the financial stress on the Athletics and Recreation department, allowing for more programming for all CSN students.

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**Email:** larrydexter1958@gmail.com

**Name:** Dexter Irvin

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 23

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

CSN is a powerful force for good in southern Nevada. The athletic department provides exceptional opportunities for students to attend college and participate in sports, deliver community service, graduate, and improve all aspects of their lives. The funding invested in Coyotes athletics has an incredible return on the investment for LOCAL students and their families. We should be finding ways to further invest in opportunities such as this throughout NSHE. Investing in local students that will stay, work and thrive in southern Nevada cannot be minimized. A better use of funds cannot be imagined. I strongly support the increased funding for students at the college of southern Nevada and the greater Las Vegas area.

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** rick.kohler@plumasbank.com

**Name:** Rick Kohler

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** 27. Annual Evaluation Summary, WNC President Dalpe

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

**Comment:**

As a WNC Foundation Board Member, I'd like to provide some comments pertaining to the Annual Evaluation of Dr. Dalpe.

Dr. Dalpe is an enthusiastic supporter of the Foundation and the work that it does. He is transparent and, despite sharing comprehensive reports at each meeting, he is willing to answer questions as well. Dr. Dalpe frames his perspective with students first. And, he is a tireless supporter of the communities within the WNC service area. NNDA, Chamber of Commerce Events, Boy's and Girl's Club, and many others all benefit from Dr. Dalpe's participation. He is fully engaged. It is a rare person that hasn't found their way into a Dr. Dalpe selfie.

Without question, WNC, its students, and the community at large are fortunate to have Dr. Dalpe at the helm.

Thank you,

Rick Kohler, V.P. Plumas Bank and WNC Foundation Board Member

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Email:** ryansear4@gmail.com

**Name:** Ryan Sear

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** In favor

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

In favor

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

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**Name:** Ainsley Berlinger

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** University of Nevada, Reno Foundation, December 5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Field House

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** No Position stated – Concerned or Neutral

**Comment:**

The field house would be a long term investment in athletics and students. In the winter months outside sports struggle to practice with the cold and snow on their fields or courts. A field house would allow everyone to practice in a safe environment.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

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**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Item #20 Evaluation DR. Hilgersom

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Favor

**Comment:**

I am a Senior Vice President for the Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada EDAWN and have known Dr. Hilgersom since the beginning of her tenure at TMCC and have enjoyed working with her on the TMCC IAC and also collaborating on solutions that support the growing needs of Northern Nevada. In my experience she has been a fiscally responsible and effective leader who is an advocate for diversity and inclusion. She is both realistic and aspirational, and has a strong commitment to academic excellence, faculty support, and student success. She surrounds herself with outstanding staff and encourages open communication and respect for differing viewpoints. Dr. Hilgersom has been very active in the community, including her participation on the EDAWN Board, and has implemented a variety of initiatives during her time at TMCC which will position the College for future success. She is proactive, has strong relationships with senior business leaders, is accountable and engaging, and equally effective with internal and external relationships at all levels. I have been very impressed by her passion and commitment to education, and I has been an honor to work with her, and to advocate for a strong evaluation. Thank you for all you do to guide and support higher education in Nevada.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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## Public Comment for the Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

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**Name:** Madhusudan Manjunatha

**Representing someone other than yourself?:**

**Meeting:** Board of Regents Quarterly Meeting, December 4-5, 2024

**Agenda Item:** Agenda Item number 23. On the Sports Field Fee Proposal

**In Favor / Opposed / Other:** In Opposition

**Comment:**

On the Sports Field Fee Proposal

Hello, members of the Board of Regents,  
My name is Madhusudan Manjunatha, and I am a graduate student at the University of Nevada, Reno. I want to talk about the proposed fee increase to fund a new sports field building, of which graduate students were not informed. While such facilities are valuable for fostering undergraduate engagement, the reality is that graduate students rarely use these amenities. The inclusion of graduate students in this fee structure is inequitable, as it places a financial burden on a population that will not benefit from the project. I respectfully request that this fee proposal be amended to exclude graduate students.  
Thank you for your time and consideration.

**Agreed that all the information above is true and accurate:** Yes

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# PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT

I dedicated the previous year and a half to get into my program because of its high rigor, limited entry style. It would be detrimental to my future success if I do not have access to HCA clinical sites due to the requirement of needing one in-patient and one out-patient clinical rotation in order to become a certified and licensed PTA. As students and the future of our healthcare industry, we must be able to meet the standards of our hospitals in order to experience and understand the ins and outs of each setting so that our future patients can place trust in the person handling their treatment.

- Pauline Contact (Physical Therapy Assistant student at CSN)

## **Surgical Tech**

Clinicals give us real world experience and show us first hand what our future career will be like. If I am putting so much effort into this program and there's a lack of clinical sites, I won't be able to experience the variety of opportunities that there are for us. Having an array of options gives us first hand experience with different demographics and shows us the places which we may want to go after school.

Emily Nunez (Surgical Tech Student at CSN)

## **Nursing Program**

I am not familiar with the acute hospital setting. I would like the opportunity to choose different hospitals, especially when looking for employment. This program is tough; even before I was able to get in, I had to take the TEAS, I had to have a good foundation. I don't want to stay at a long-term care facility. If I'm going to learn all of these skills, I don't want them to go to waste. I want to put it to good use. After all of this hard work, why would I want to waste that?

Claire Deguzman (Nursing Student at CSN)



# MEDICAL CODING

Both my parents are in the medical field and is how I got introduced to this field. This semester I've basically felt like a fish out of water literally gasping for air. It feels as if our program is underprepared without getting enough clinical practice for coding. Spending more time with encoders and getting real life examples is extremely needed for our program. Since it's so new we need these clinicals to thrive as a program. We do work in the workbook and that's easy, but we need more clinical exposure that these HCA hospitals can provide to learn what we need to recognize, and tricks of the trade to do so because real life case studies can be a mystery to us.

- Christian (Medical Coding Student at CSN)

# CARDIORESPIRATORY SCIENCES

For students, clinical sites are where learning truly happens. Theories become reality and patient care can turn into a passion. Having clinical sites means having more opportunities and time frames for busy parents, or heads of households. It has become increasingly more difficult to obtain a clinical schedule that works for me now that we have fewer sites and times to choose from. Please help us prepare for our career, as we might take care of you or your family in the future

- Juan Limon

# CARDIORESPIRATORY SCIENCES

I am a 24 year old 1st generation Korean American. I have worked tirelessly in different career field trying to complete my education do that I could live my life and start a family. I spent two years training at UNLV for the Air Force ROTC program until I was injured and was no longer able to pursue that career. I have now landed on my feet and found my passion for cardiorespiratory and want to become a respiratory therapist; however knowing that my school is no longer able to visit HCA hospitals has put me at a disadvantage compared to students attending private institutions. I just want the same opportunities as anybody else so that we can help make Nevada's health care system better.

- David Hwang