NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)
AGENDA
February 12, 2021
9:00 a.m.
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THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE ONLY PURSUANT TO SECTION 1 OF THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY DIRECTIVE 006 (“DIRECTIVE 006”), AND EXTENDED BY DIRECTIVES 016, 018, 021, 026, 029, AND 033, ISSUED BY THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE OF NEVADA. THERE WILL BE NO PHYSICAL LOCATION FOR THE MEETING.

PUBLIC COMMENT MAY BE SUBMITTED VIA EMAIL TO TCASERTO@NSHE.NEVADA.EDU OR VOICEMAIL: (775) 784-3442. MESSAGES RECEIVED BY 4:30 P.M. ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2021 MAY BE ENTERED INTO THE RECORD DURING THE MEETING. ANY OTHER EMAILED PUBLIC COMMENT AND/OR VOICEMAILS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING WILL BE TRANSCRIBED AND INCLUDED IN THE PERMANENT RECORD.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO VIEW THE MEETING MAY DO SO VIA:
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ROLL CALL: Gabrielle Clark, Western Nevada College, ASWN (NSA Chair)
Will Carrasco, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA (NSA Co-Chair)
Karli McFarling-Kelly, College of Southern Nevada (NSA Secretary)
Alyssa Fromelius, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA
Dominique Hall, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN
Sidath Kapukotuwa, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA
Katie Dempsey, Great Basin College, SGA
Joshua Padilla, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN
Suman Randhawa, Nevada State College, NSSA
Office Vacant, Desert Research Institute, GRAD

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

NOTE: Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Notification is hereby provided that items on the agenda may be taken out of the order presented, two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration, and an agenda item may be removed from the agenda or discussion relating to an item on the agenda may be delayed at any time.
1. ROLL CALL

NSA Secretary Karli McFarling-Kelly will take roll call of members and ask guests to identify themselves verbally so their names may be recorded in the minutes.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment will be taken during this agenda item. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person. Persons making comment will be asked to begin by stating their name for the record and to spell their last name. The NSA Chair may elect to allow additional public comment on a specific agenda item when that agenda item is being considered.

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In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047 (April 27, 2001), as restated in the Attorney General’s Open Meeting Law Manual, the NSA Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the NSA, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Request is made for approval of the minutes for the two NSA meetings held on December 3, 2020.
4. DISCUSSION WITH THE CHANCELLOR  

NSA members will meet with Chancellor Melody Rose. They will discuss aspirations and concerns for each institution and the higher education system.

5. IGNITE NATIONAL PRESENTATION  

NSA Member Suman Randhawa will introduce guest speaker Ignite Fellow for Las Vegas, Nevada Saha Salahi. Saha Salahi will present information on Ignite National, a non-partisan organization that empowers women to step into political leadership roles. The presentation may include a discussion of the underrepresentation of women in political leadership roles, how Ignite National provides opportunities to women, as well as the benefits of starting an Ignite National College Chapter on a college campus. NSA members will be invited to ask questions.

6. PARTICIPATION IN NEVADA’S 2021 LEGISLATIVE SESSION  

Chair Gabrielle Clark will ask NSA members to share any activities to date or plans their respective student governments have to participate in Nevada’s 2021 Legislative Session, which convened on February 1, 2021. Members may also discuss ways to coordinate efforts, possibly including one or more multi-institution student trips to Carson City.

7. MEMBER UPDATES  

Chair Gabrielle Clark will ask members to provide an update for their respective campuses’ planned activities and events.

8. NEW BUSINESS  

Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested. Any discussion of an item under “New Business” is limited to description and clarification of the subject matter of the item, which may include the reasons for the request.

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POLITICAL POWER IN EVERY YOUNG WOMAN
Introductions

Who are we?
IGNITE women:
- Learn how to analyze and make policy
- Build the skills they need to run
- Define their call to service
- Network with elected women
- Access to jobs and internships in the political arena
- Launch political careers
IGNITE APPROACH: NEXT GENERATION FEMALE LEADERS

IGNITE is the largest young women’s political organization in the country. We are the only organization that provides sustained political leadership training and engagement to high school, college, graduate school women in their home communities. IGNITE women represent the diversity of our country.
The Problem

Women are dramatically underrepresented in political leadership.

NATIONWIDE WOMEN MAKE UP ONLY...

19% OF CONGRESS  24% OF STATE LEGISLATORS  12% OF GOVERNORS  18% OF MAYORS

The US ranks 95th in the world when it comes to gender parity in political leadership. This is not just a problem of equity. Women make better legislators - they compromise and negotiate more effectively than men in the same positions.
Why is this a problem?
ICEBREAKER
IGNITE is a movement of young women who are ready and eager to become the next generation of political leaders.
As federal government becomes less effective, policy decisions are made at the local level. Local government makes decisions around issues like:

- Gun and ammo sales
- Sanctuary cities
- ICE Raids
- Science education
- Sex education

Local elected officials include:
- Mayor
- City Council
- County Supervisor
- School Board
- Community College Board
- Water Board
- Mosquito Abatement Board
- many, many more!
THEORY OF CHANGE

Tackle the barriers that impede young women’s political ambition

Political socialization + Training + Civic knowledge = Political Ambition

Students meet with elected women and policymakers who show them how it’s done.

We train young women to run. Elected women lend opportunities to work in the field.

Young women learn how government impacts their lives, how to analyze policy and how to impact change.
Where do we go from here?

At IGNITE, we’re always asking what does all this mean for young women. Here’s what we are seeing:

Young women are fired up and ready to keep going: on campaigns and as activists.

More young women are going to vote.

More young women are going to run, and run sooner.
QUESTIONS