

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

**September 4, 2014
7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.
University of Nevada, Reno
Joe Crowley Student Union
Rita Laden Senate Chambers
87 West Stadium Way
Reno, NV 89557**

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Stephanie Prevost, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA (NSA Chair)
Ms. Sharon Young, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA (NSA Vice Chair)
Mr. Angelo DePerez, Western Nevada College, ASWN (NSA Secretary)
Mr. Elias Benjelloun, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN
Ms. RJ Boyajian, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA
Mr. David Cortez-Lopez, Nevada State College, NSSA
Mr. K.C. King, Desert Research Institute, GRAD
Mr. William McCurdy, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN
Mr. Jake Pereira, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN
Ms. DeMarynee Sali, Great Basin College, SGA

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.

In accordance with NRS 241.020(6), supporting materials that are submitted to the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) Office of Academic and Student Affairs will be made available in advance of the meeting as follows: 1) from the NSHE Office of Academic and Student Affairs by calling Sally Jackson at (775) 784-3443 or emailing her at Sally_Jackson@nshe.nevada.edu; or, 2) by accessing the electronic version of the agenda posted on the NSA page of the NSHE website:

<http://www.nevada.edu/studentgov/>

In addition, a limited number of copies of any such supporting materials will be available at the meeting site.

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically disabled persons attending the meeting. Please call the Academic & Student Affairs Office in advance at (775) 784-3443 or (775)784-3447 so that arrangements may be made.

1. ROLL CALL

NSA Secretary Angelo DePerez will take roll call and circulate a sign in sheet for guests attending the meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT**INFORMATION**

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.

In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047, 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**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Request is made for the approval of the minutes for NSA meetings held on July 14 and August 11, 2014.

4. NSA LOBBYIST**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

The next regular session of the Nevada Legislature is scheduled to convene on February 2, 2015. The NSA does not hire a paid lobbyist for legislative sessions, but individual members have represented their respective institutional organizations voluntarily in past sessions. NSA members will discuss and may take a motion to appoint one or more volunteer lobbyists to represent NSA during the 2015 Nevada Legislative Session during this item. Former CSN Student Body President Umram Osambela has offered to serve in this role and may be considered in this discussion

**5. STUDENT GOVERNMENT ADVISERS
AND INTERNAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION****INFORMATION**

Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs Brooke Nielsen will gather feedback from NSA members on a potential future policy revision to the *Handbook*, Title 4, Chapter 20, Section B. The two topics for discussion are: (1) adding a specific authorization to Board policy enabling student governments to expend their own association's funds to pay the salary of an adviser to said association; and (2) requiring NSHE institutions to provide for an internal dispute resolution process for student government issues.

6. NSA CHAIR'S REPORT

INFORMATION

NSA members will discuss the contents of the Chair Report that will be delivered to the Board of Regents on September 4, 2014.

7. NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATION

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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CSN, Building D, 1st Floor, 6375 W. Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89146-1124

DRI, Maxey Building, 2215 Raggio Parkway, Reno, NV 89512-1095

DRI, Southern Nevada Science Center, 755 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89119-7363

GBC, Berg Hall, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, NV 89801

NSC, Great Hall, 1125 Nevada State Drive, Henderson, NV 89015

TMCC, Red Mountain Building (RDMT 200) 7000 Dandini Blvd. Reno, NV 89512

UNLV, Flora Dungan Humanities 9 (FDH), 1st and 7th Floors, 4505 Marlyand Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89154-1001

UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557

WNC, Bristlecone Building Lobby, 2201 W. College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89703

System Administration, 5550 W. Flamingo, Suite C-1, Las Vegas NV 89103

System Administration, 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, NV 89512

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Lobbying Proposal for the Nevada Student Alliance

Lobbying Candidate: Umram Osambela

Advocate for College Students and Higher Education.

What is a Lobbyist in Nevada?

- 1. “Lobbyist” means, a person who:
 - (a) Appears in person in the Legislative Building or any other building in which the Legislature or any of its standing committees hold meetings; and
 - (b) Communicates directly with a member of the Legislative Branch on behalf of someone other than himself or herself to influence legislative action whether or not any compensation is received for the communication.

NEV. REV. STAT. § 218H.080 (2011).

What can a Lobbyist do for the Alliance?

- Educate legislators on the Alliance.
- Create strategic influence for the Alliance.
- Getting information & establishing relationship with legislators and their staffs.
- Create awareness on the State Senate and Assembly.
- Suggest Improvements to elected officials to utilize their power to support the Alliance.
- Getting a legislator to take on legislation that benefits the Alliance.
- Promote financial support and funding for the Alliance's issues.

Proposed Goals for the Alliance

- Lowering and maintaining Tuitions and Fees.
- Generate increase funding in student Pell grants and loans.
- Create need based financial aid funded by the State.
- Maintain and establish policies that support student rights'.
- Enhance credit transferability and articulation.

Lobbying Candidate's: Qualifications

- Excellent written and oral communication, collaboration, public speaking, and networking.
- Spearheaded efforts that awarded students \$37,000 in scholarships at College of Southern Nevada.
- Experienced in writing press releases, news-related stories, and proposals.
- Resolved a long-standing issue through intelligent redesign and presentation of facts to policy makers.
- Understands and interprets trend analysis.
- Proficient in Microsoft Office XP, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Apple Pages, Apple Keynote, Apple Numbers, Adobe Photoshop, and Adobe Illustrator.
- Fluent in reading, speaking, and writing in Spanish and Hebrew.

Lobbying Candidate's: Education

- Associate of Business/Associate Arts in Economic Emphasis/Associate of Applied Science Finance Degrees - College of Southern Nevada - Las Vegas, NV 2014
- Leadership Academy Certification - College of Southern Nevada - Las Vegas, NV 2013

Lobbying Candidate's: Experience

- COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INTERIM STUDY CONCERNING COMMUNITY COLLEGES' SUBCOMMITTEE ON ACADEMICS AND WORKFORCE ALIGNMENT, Las Vegas, NV January 2014 - June 2014
 - NSHE Student Representative
- NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE, Nevada October 2013 - May 2014
 - CSN Student Representative
- ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN NEVADA, Las Vegas, NV May 2013 - May 2014
 - Student Body President/Vice-President

Lobbying Candidate's: Professional Association

- Student Member, United States Student Association.
- Student Member, American Student Government Association.
- Member, Las Vegas Metro Chamber of Commerce.
- Member, Henderson Chamber of Commerce.
- Member, Latin Chamber of Commerce.

Q & A:

- I will answer any questions that the Alliance may have.

Umram I. Osambela

Henderson, NV 89052

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Profile

Exceptionally knowledgeable, analytical, reliable and trusted management professional with solid broad-based background directing financial planning, procurement, accounting, bookkeeping and investment of funds for an organization. Demonstrating ongoing knowledge to facilitate sound business decisions and resolve outstanding issues.

Experience

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN NEVADA, Las Vegas, NV May 2013 - May 2014

President

- Served as the student government president for the largest higher education institution (represented 37,000 students) in the State of Nevada and third largest institution in the Nation.
- Responsible as the chief executive officer with creating and planning student activity events, advocating for school policy in favor of students, allocating a budget of \$107,000.00 and fiscal planning for the academic year, creating and supporting student life, and engaging with administration, faculty, and staff within the institution, lobbying on behalf of students in the Nevada System of Higher Education and the Nevada State Legislature.

UMBELLA HOLDINGS, Henderson, NV

January 2011 - Present

Operations Director

- Facilitate guidance within the establishment of a diversified holding company that engages with major interest in lobbying for institutions and organizations of higher education and sales in the automotive industry.

WYNN LAS VEGAS, Las Vegas, NV

May 2011 - January 2012

Guest Service Representative

- Responsible for greeting and registering the guests, providing outstanding guest service during their stay, and settling the guests' account upon completion of their stay.

VENETIAN RESORT HOTEL CASINO, Las Vegas, NV

November 2007 - March 2010

Front Desk Agent

- Responsible for greeting and registering the guests, providing outstanding guest service during their stay, and settling the guests' account upon completion of their stay.

UNITED AUTO CENTER, Las Vegas, NV

August 2006 - January 2008

General Manager

- Manage the daily business for a car dealership in administration, financing, employment, marketing, advertising, sales, and the overall profit and loss responsibility of a budget of \$723,000.00.

ESUMAR MOTORS, Las Vegas, NV

March 2005 - February 2008

President

- Administer over the internal and external operations of the corporation, with strategic vision. Facilitate chief decision-making authority over other executive officers, employees, marketing, information, technical financial, and development of the corporation.

MANDALAY BAY HOTEL & CASINO, Las Vegas, NV

September 2004 - March 2006

Front Desk Agent

- Responsible for greeting and registering the guests, providing outstanding guest service during their stay, and settling the guests' account upon completion of their stay.

Education

**Associate of Business/Arts in Economics/Applied Science Finance Degrees -
College of Southern Nevada - Las Vegas, NV**

Fall 2014

Leadership Academy Certification - College of Southern Nevada - Las Vegas, NV

Spring 2013

Skills

Computer Skills

Software

- Microsoft Office XP, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft PowerPoint, Microsoft Outlook, Apple Pages, Apple Keynote, Apple Numbers, Outlook Express, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Turbo Tax, Quicken, Quick Books Pro, Opera and Lodging Management System.

Operating Systems

- Windows 7 and Mac OS X Snow Leopard (version 10.6).

Foreign Language Skills

American English (Proficient), American Spanish (Proficient), Brazilian Portuguese (Basic), and Hebrew (Basic).

Leadership Experience

Committee Member	Nevada Legislative Commission - Committee to Conduct an Interim Study Concerning Community Colleges' Subcommittee on Academic and Workforce Alignment	2014
Alliance Member	Nevada Student Alliance	2014
President	Latinos United of North America	2012 - Present
President	Osambela Family Association	2010 - Present
Fundraising Chair	Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity	2009 - 2010