

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

Agenda

February 9, 2015

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Videoconference Sites:

Carson City-WNC Dini 105

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UNLV SCS 102

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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
Ms. Megan Johnson, 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 main 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 of members and guests.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT**INFORMATION**

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3. DISCUSSION WITH CHANCELLOR KLAICH**INFORMATION**

NSHE Chancellor Daniel J. Klaich will discuss with NSA members their aspirations and concerns for each institution and the higher education system.

4. CHAIR'S REPORT**INFORMATION**

NSA Chair Stephanie Prevost will provide an update to members on meetings and activities that occurred since the previous NSA meeting.

5. NSHE LEGISLATIVE POLICY INITIATIVES**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSA Chair Stephanie Prevost and NSA Lobbyist Umram Osambela will lead a discussion of legislative proposals that NSHE is pursuing in the 78th (2015) Session of the Nevada Legislature. Members will deliberate on each of the proposals and decide whether or not there is support for an official, unified NSA position on the proposals, either individually or as a package. The proposals to be discussed are:

- a. Increase minimum number of credits funded per semester by the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program
- b. Create a need-based state supported financial aid program for the NSHE community colleges and state college
- c. Create a community college workforce development fund
- d. Authorize NSHE to prohibit smoking and use of tobacco products on NSHE property

Note: for more detail, see attachment.

6. NSHE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**INFORMATION**

NSA Lobbyist Umram Osambela and NSHE External Affairs Coordinator Omar Saucedo will provide an update on the coming 78th (2015) Session of the Nevada Legislature.

7. EDUCATION DAY AT THE STATE LEGISLATURE FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

NSA Chair Stephanie Prevost will lead the discussion on the information that she has received from all of the institutions about the last legislative rally in 2011, and the plan for the upcoming rally on March 2, 2015. Members will deliberate on collecting funds from the various student government boards in order to provide a light breakfast and coffee for the students that attend the rally or other alternatives.

8. 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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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

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NSHE POLICY INITIATIVES FOR BOARD ENDORSEMENT 2015 Session of the Nevada Legislature

The following are topics that will require legislative action during the 2015 Session of the Nevada State Legislature. This list includes in the parenthetical notation regarding the legislative committee through which such legislative action will be pursued as the primary bill sponsor.

1. **Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship** – increase the maximum credits funded per semester from 12 credits to 15 credits (NRS 396.934) and increase the minimum credit load requirement for students attending a community college from 6 to 12 credits (NRS 396.930). [Legislative Committee on Education]
2. **Need-Based State Supported Financial Aid Program** – establish a state-supported need-based financial aid program to support NSHE’s goal of graduating more students by ensuring access and affordability of a college education for the working poor in Nevada. [Committee to Conduct an Interim Study Concerning Community Colleges, S.B. 391]
3. **Community College Workforce Development Fund** – create a workforce development fund to assist the community colleges in expanding their workforce development efforts and increasing their responsiveness to the workforce industry. [Committee to Conduct an Interim Study Concerning Community Colleges, S.B. 391]
4. **Tobacco Prohibition** – authorize the Nevada System of Higher Education to prohibit smoking and use of tobacco products on NSHE property (NRS 202.249) [private sponsor]