

**NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)**

**Agenda**

**March 3, 2016**

**7:15 a.m.-8:15 a.m.**

**Nevada State College**

1021 East Paradise Hills Drive

Henderson, NV 89002

Rogers Student Center

NSSA Conference Room (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

**ROLL CALL:** **Mr. Caden Fabbi, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN (NSA Chair)**  
**Ms. Andrea Senda, Western Nevada College, ASWN (NSA Vice Chair)**  
**Ms. Kanani Espinoza, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN (Secretary)**  
**Ms. Yesenia Cuevas, Nevada State College, NSSA**  
**Ms. Jessica Connolly, Desert Research Institute, GRAD**  
**Ms. Brenda Romero, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN**  
**Mr. Tyler Ross, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA**  
**Ms. DeMarynee Sali, Great Basin College, SGA**  
**Mr. Spencer Schultz, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA**  
**Ms. Surbhi Sharma, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING**

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

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**1. ROLL CALL**

NSA Secretary Kanani Espinoza will take roll call of members and circulate a sign-in sheet for guests so their names may be recorded in the minutes.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT****INFORMATION**

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**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES****FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Request is made for approval of the minutes for the NSA meetings held on February 11, 2016.

**4. IT'S ON US CAMPAIGN****INFORMATION**

NSA members will provide a summary to the group of activities held on their campuses to date and any future plans in support of the Alliance-sponsored "It's On Us" campaign to stop sexual assault.

**5. NSA NEWSLETTER****INFORMATION**

NSA Chair Caden Fabbi will update the group on progress made toward publishing a Spring 2016 NSA newsletter.

**6. PROFESSIONALISM CAMPAIGN****FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSA Chair Caden Fabbi will continue the discussion from prior meetings regarding a possible Alliance-sponsored professionalism campaign to be held during Spring 2015. Possible elements of the campaign may include providing students with professional photos and LinkedIn workshops on the various NSHE campuses, or other efforts to assist students in preparing to enter careers in the professional world after graduation.

**7. STATE OF STUDENT ADVISING - NSA REPORT****INFORMATION**

At the December 3, 2015 NSA meeting, Alliance members expressed what they discovered on their campuses relating to the quality and quantity of student advising. Alliance members subsequently provided the information they gathered on their campuses to NSA Chair Caden

Fabbi, who compiled the information into a report for presentation to Chair Rick Trachok, Vice Chair Michael Wixom and Chancellor Daniel J. Klaich. Alliance members will discuss the contents of this report, which is to be disseminated to the Regents at the March 4, 2016 NSA meeting.

**8. PROPOSED NSA CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSA Chair Caden Fabbi requests approval of a series of amendments to the NSA constitution:

- a. Section 300.1 – establishes quorum as a simple majority and provides for treatment of abstentions
- b. Section 300.2 – establishes minimum votes for making a decision
- c. Section 300.44 – adds the responsibility to oversee outreach efforts to the NSA Chair, with possible delegation
- d. Section 310 – clarifies provisions for proxy
- e. Section 400 – clarifies procedure for amending constitution
- f. Section 500 – adds an article and clarifies procedure for impeachment of a member

In addition, Chair Fabbi will open the floor for consideration of any additional revisions, which would come back to a future meeting for consideration.

**9. CHANCELLOR'S FACULTY PAY WORKING GROUP INFORMATION**

Chancellor Daniel J. Klaich convened a Faculty Pay Working Group on November 24, 2015 to review salary policies of the System and its institutions to determine if those policies are proper to advance the interests of NSHE. NSA members Spencer Schultz and Surbhi Sharma serve on this working group along with a third student representative (Noah Teixeira, UNR), and will provide a report to NSA members on the working group's most recent meeting.

**10. NSA CHAIR'S REPORT INFORMATION**

NSA Chair Caden Fabbi will report to the Board of Regents on NSHE-related issues or events of importance to the students at the March 3, 2016, meeting of the Board. NSA members will discuss topics for potential inclusion in the Chair's report, including but not limited to, a summary of NSA activities since the December meeting of the Board.

**11. 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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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), 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Floors, 4505 Maryland 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, 4300 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89119-7530

System Administration, 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, NV 89512

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## **CONSTITUTION OF THE NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE**

*Effective May 28, 2014*

### **ARTICLE 1 - The Association**

Section 100 This association shall be named the Nevada Student Alliance (NSA).

Section 110 The purpose of the Nevada Student Alliance shall be:

- 110.1 To promote, foster, advance, represent, and protect the interests and welfare of the students of the Nevada System of Higher Education;
- 110.2 To give the students of the Nevada System of Higher Education a unified voice before all systems and legislative bodies;
- 110.3 To aid in the enactment of legislation for the common good, as well as the good of students; and
- 110.4 To aid member schools' student governments in the attainment of their goals without undue interference in their internal affairs.

### **ARTICLE 2 - Membership**

Section 200 Each of the ten student governments (undergraduate and graduate) in the Nevada System of Higher Education (University of Nevada, Reno, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada State College at Henderson, College of Southern Nevada, Truckee Meadows Community College, Western Nevada College, Great Basin College and Desert Research Institute) shall be members of the Nevada Student Alliance.

Section 210 Each Student Government Organization shall have one voting representative on the Nevada Student Alliance.

210.1 Each president of the student governments shall act as or appoint a voting representative to serve on the Alliance.

210.2 Voting representatives shall be the only persons eligible for the positions of Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary.

Section 220 Each president of the student governments may appoint an ex-officio

representative to serve on the Alliance.

220.1 Officers from the member student governments shall be the only persons eligible to serve as ex-officio representatives.

Section 230 A representative serves one full year, to correspond with his or her respective institutional term of office, unless the representative resigns, is impeached and removed, or is removed by their respective student legislative body.

### ARTICLE 3 –Meetings, Officers and Voting

Section 300 Meetings of the Nevada Student Alliance may coincide with meetings of the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents and shall be held in compliance with Chapter 241 of the Nevada Revised Statutes.

300.1 ~~The Nevada Student Alliance must have a quorum of at least two-thirds of its voting representatives to conduct business. A quorum shall consist of a simple majority of the members of the Nevada Student Alliance.~~

In case of a member abstaining from voting, the necessary quorum and number of votes necessary to act shall be reduced as though the member abstaining were not a member of the body.

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300.2 Any decision by the Alliance requires approval from at least a simple majority of voting members present, unless otherwise stipulated in this constitution.

300.~~32~~ The meetings will be facilitated by a chairperson. The chair shall be elected by at least two-thirds of the Alliance's voting representatives at the first meeting.

300.~~31~~~~24~~ The chair will serve one term consisting of one year, to correspond with his or her respective institutional term of office.

300.~~32~~~~22~~ No member organization shall hold consecutive terms as the chair.

300.~~33~~~~23~~ The chair and vice-chair cannot be from the same member institution.

300.~~43~~ The chairperson has the following rights and duties:

300.~~41~~~~34~~ The right to vote;

300.~~42~~~~32~~ The responsibility for preparing agendas and submitting minutes for the next meeting;

300.~~43~~~~33~~ The responsibility to run each meeting according to the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

300.44 The responsibility to oversee outreach efforts of the Alliance, including social media, or delegate an Alliance member to do so;

300.~~54~~ A vice-chairperson shall be elected by at least two thirds of the Alliance's voting representatives at the first meeting.

300.~~5144~~ The vice-chair will serve one term consisting of one year, to correspond with his or her respective institutional term of office.

300.~~5242~~ No member organization shall hold consecutive terms as the vice-chair.

300.~~5343~~ The chair and vice-chair cannot be from the same member institution.

300.~~65~~ The vice-chair shall have the following rights and duties:

300.~~6154~~ The right to vote;

300.~~6252~~ The responsibility to fill the position and duties of the chair in the event of said chair's absence, resignation or impeachment.

300.63 The responsibility to organize, compile and publish the NSA Newsletter

Comment [s1]: This revision was approved at the February 11, 2016 NSA Meeting

300.~~76~~ A secretary shall be elected by at least two thirds of the Alliance's voting representatives at the first meeting.

300.~~7164~~ The secretary will serve one term consisting of one year, to correspond with his or her respective institutional term of office.

300.~~7262~~ No member organization shall hold consecutive terms as the secretary.

300.~~87~~ The secretary shall have the following rights and duties:

300.~~8174~~ The right to vote;

300.~~8272~~ The responsibility to take minutes at every meeting and to ensure that the minutes are in a format ready for distribution with the agenda for the subsequent meeting;

300.~~8373~~ If not able to attend a meeting, the responsibility to secure a substitute from the Alliance membership to take notes at that meeting and to obtain said notes and ensure that the minutes are in

a format ready for distribution with the agenda for the subsequent meeting.

Section 310 ~~Voting of the Nevada Student Alliance will have the following restrictions:~~Provisions for Proxy

~~310.1 Any decision requires approval from at least one less than the number of voting members present, unless otherwise stipulated in this constitution;~~

310.12 Each representative shall have the right to send a proxy in his/her place if unable to attend. This person shall have the right to vote.

~~310.11~~ Each representative shall notify the Alliance Chair in writing in advance of the meeting of the person designated to be his or her proxy. The Chair shall indicate the designation of said proxy on the meeting record. Any member of the Alliance wishing to exercise the right to a proxy shall, in advance of the meeting, notify the Alliance Chair in writing of the person designated to be his/her proxy and for which specific meeting. At commencement of the meeting the Chair shall, on the record, introduce the proxy by name and indicate for which member he/she is acting as proxy.

**ARTICLE 4 - Amendment, ~~Ratification and Impeachment~~**

Section 400 Amendment ~~and ratification~~ of this constitution shall require the following procedures:

400.1 Any voting member may propose a revision to the Nevada Student Alliance Constitution.

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400.11 A constitutional revision shall be introduced initially at a meeting of the Alliance as an information item.

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i. A final draft of the amended constitution shall be transmitted to each member of the Alliance.

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ii. Each member of the Alliance shall disribute a final draft of the amended constitution to his/her student legislative body.

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400.2 Action on said revision may not be taken by the Allinace earlier than at the immediately subsequent meeting. A two-thirds vote of all voting members of the Alliance is necessary for approval of any amendment of this constitution.

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400.3 Once approved by the Allinace, any amendment to this constitution shall not be effective until approved by the Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

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~~400.1 Proposal by:~~

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~~400.11 A two-thirds vote of the Nevada Student Alliance members; or~~



~~400.12 A two thirds vote of the member institution's student legislative bodies.~~

~~400.2 Distribution by:~~

~~400.21 Final draft of the amended constitution shall be transmitted to members.~~

~~400.22 Each member shall distribute the amended constitution to his/her student legislative body.~~

~~400.3 Approval by:~~

~~400.31 Ratification of the constitution, as defined in this section, shall require approval from one less than the number of voting members present; and~~

~~400.32 Approval by the chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education~~

Section ~~410~~500  
procedure.

**ARTICLE 5 - Impeachment**

Impeachment and removal of any member shall require the following

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~~410~~500.1 Any voting ~~representative member of the Alliance, including the chair and vice-chair~~ shall have the right to bring impeachment charges against a fellow voting ~~representative member for violation of the NSHE Code of Conduct, gross negligence of duties, and/or malfeasance of any kind, including the Chair and Vice Chair~~

In order for impeachment proceedings to commence, each Alliance member must receive a brief report from the Chair explicitly stating the alleged wrongful actions on the part of the member in question. The member in question has the right to submit a rebuttal report. Both reports must be distributed to the full Alliance prior to impeaching proceedings

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Impeachment proceedings shall take place during the next scheduled meeting. The member in question has the right to be present for all discussions and will be given an opportunity to address the Alliance.

~~410~~500.2 A two-thirds vote of the ~~Nevada Student~~ Alliance members ~~will~~ shall be required to impeach the representative.

~~410.3~~ ~~At that point, each student legislative body shall appoint one person to serve on a jury that will hear charges and render a decision.~~

~~410.4~~ ~~The decision to remove the impeached representative requires one vote less than the total number of jurors.~~

~~500.3~~ In the event of an affirmative two-thirds vote for impeachment, the impeached member shall be immediately removed from office.