NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

AGENDA
August 9, 2024
9:00 AM

Via Video-Teleconference

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MEMBERS:

Kevin Osorio Hernández, Nevada State University, NSSA (Chair)
Dawson Deal, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN (Vice Chair)
Janeth Vences-Balvas, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN (Secretary)
Tania Akter, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA
Lisha Allison, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA
Allister Dias, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN
Teresa Marie, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA
Miguel Sison, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUNSOM
Allison VanHolder, Great Basin College, SGA
Catalina Wilson, Western Nevada College, ASWN
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

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1. ROLL CALL

Roll call of members and any persons serving as a proxy for a member will be taken and any members of the public that are present may be asked to identify themselves verbally so their names may be recorded in the minutes.

Estimated Time: 5 minutes

2. PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION ONLY

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Estimated Time: 5 minutes

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for the approval of the minutes for the NSA meeting held on July 15, 2024.

Estimated Time: 5 minutes

4. DISCUSSION WITH NSHE REGENT HEATHER BROWN INFORMATION ONLY

Regent Heather Brown will meet with NSA members to provide comments on her experiences and current projects as a Regent and her role as Chair of the Board of Regents’ Workforce Committee. Chair Osorio-Hernández may then open the floor for questions from NSA members.

Estimated Time: 15 minutes

5. DISCUSSION WITH THE CHANCELLOR INFORMATION ONLY

NSA members will meet with Chancellor Patricia Charlton. They will discuss aspirations and concerns for the higher education system.

Estimated Time: 15 minutes

6. SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) PRESENTATION INFORMATION ONLY

NSHE SNAP E&T Senior Coordinator Camille Vegas will present information on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Employment and Training (SNAP E&T) as NSA members contemplate student food insecurities across the System. The presentation will include, but not be limited to, a program overview; how SNAP works with college campuses; how SNAP benefits students with food insecurities; and answer questions from the NSA members. NSA
Chair may facilitate a discussion regarding advocacy for addressing food insecurities experienced by students in higher education. *(Ref. NSA – 6)*

*Estimated Time: 20 Minutes*

**7. DISCUSSION ON CAMPUS AND SYSTEMWIDE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT INITIATIVES**

NSA Chair will facilitate a discussion with NSA Members regarding the importance and role of civic engagement. Discussion may include, but not be limited to, the general importance of civic engagement in higher education; ideas of campus civic engagement initiatives in the context of the 2024 General Election; and sharing of best practices. The NSA members may provide suggestions of NSA or systemwide initiatives of civic engagement.

*Estimated Time: 20 Minutes*

**8. MEMBER UPDATES**

Members may provide an update regarding their respective campuses’ planned activities and events.

*Estimated Time: 15 minutes*

**9. NSA CHAIR UPDATE**

NSA Chair may provide an update on any projects or tasks he is currently working on that pertain to NSA business.

*Estimated Time: 5 minutes*

**10. 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, and no substantive discussion may occur at this meeting on new business items in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.010 *et seq.*).

*Estimated Time: 5 minutes*

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UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557
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SNAP E&T at NSHE

- SNAP is the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. Formerly called Food Stamps.

- For 1 person the amount is between $19 and $291 a month. Opens the door for many other benefits including:
  - Discounted membership for Amazon and Walmart+
  - Museums 4 All ([https://museums4all.org/](https://museums4all.org/))
  - Internet and utility assistance programs

- ABAWD are able to receive 3 months of emergency assistance but in order to continue must be working or participating in a work activity.
  - Work at least 20 hrs a week
  - Participate in SNAPET

- SNAP E&T fulfills the work requirement.
  - State DWSS partners with colleges to provide education and training.
  - DWSS reimburses colleges for funds used to support the student while in school.
  - Students can remain on SNAP through their entire school career.
  - Resources available for childcare

- Colleges go into contract with DWSS
  - Matches all non-federal funds used to support a student. Primarily from:
    - Staff time: coordinator, advisors, counselors, mentors
    - Scholarships
  - Once reimbursed to school, it is unrestricted and can be used to further support the program

[https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program](https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program)
[https://dwss.nv.gov/SNAP/Food/](https://dwss.nv.gov/SNAP/Food/)
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