

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

Working together to promote and protect the educational interests of the students in the Nevada Higher Education System.

June 11, 2012

4:00-5:00 PM

Minutes

Attending: **Mr. Michael Gordon, Chair**
 Mr. Orion Cuffe, Vice Chair
 Mr. Travis Brown, ASCSN
 Mr. Curtis Blackwell, ASWN
 Mr. Deuvall Dorsey, NSSA
 Mr. Alex Porter, GBC SGA
 Mr. Huili Weinstock, ASUN
 Sharon Young, UNLV
 Bentley McDonald
 Antonio Guerrero, CSN
 Isaac Duran, WNC

Absent: **Mr. Mark Ciovola, UNLV**
 Mr. Steve Gronstal, GRAD
 Mr. Navgeet Zed, TMCC SGA

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 PM.

1. DISCUSSION WITH CHANCELLOR KLAICH

- NGA Policy Academy
 - Chancellor Klaich will send to this group the Performance Pool update which includes
 - Graduating Students
 - Transfer Certificates
 - At risk population
 - This has the alignment of State goals on Economic Development and may be used in the funding formula.
- The Governor would like restore funding for all state employees. The big question is where this money will come from. Will this include all of state employees or just the administrative employees. He would also like to end furloughs. He would reinstate steps and merit pay.
- Protected Student Services –Students want an accounting of the money that is spent. They do not want another budget cut and to protect student services. The fee increase was to enhance student services.
- Access and Afforability – There was a question of the Chancellor will release the report to the public. The Chancellor will make a decision as soon as he sees the report and its recommendations as to whether he will take it to the Board of Regents.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. NEW BUSINESS

None

Meeting was adjourned at 4:32 PM.

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Mr. Steve Gronstal, GRAD
Mr. Naveet Zed, TMCC SGA (Joined the meeting at 5:20 PM)

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from May 31, 2012 and June 1, 2012 were approved.

3. NSA SECRETARY

Alliance members would like to change the constitution to elect a secretary. Next meeting they will discuss the change. Orion will help with at write-up for constitutional change. King said he will be the secretary or they will appoint a secretary at each meeting.

4. STUDENT BODY VICE PRESIDENTS

The vice presidents would like to unite students awareness of improved education, voter registration and participation.

They are working with clubs and organizations collaboratively and will meet July 9th to discuss voter registration.

They would love to have web campus links for voter registration and will check on their campuses if this can be done.

5. NSA CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION

Orion Cuffee will work on the change in the constitution.

6. NSA AWARENESS

One of the goals of the Alliance is to get students to understand the Nevada Student Alliance. One suggestion was a 5 or 10 minute video with information about the Student Alliance. They are also going to take a picture of the Student Alliance members and do a newsletter and put this on the web and on the NSA website.

7. NSA GOALS

Goals for this year include

1. NSA Awareness
2. Student Support and Education
3. Lobbying on all fronts
4. Student Regents
5. Coherence and united front
6. Transfer and Articulation improvement
7. Constitutional revision

8. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FUNDING OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Alex and Michael are representing the students on the Legislative Committee on Formula Funding. Michael will email out the dates of the Sub Committees meetings.

9. STUDENT REGENT

The Students will be meeting with the Chancellor and Regents to do a BDR that will go to legislature. They will come back at future meetings with updates and things that need to be done to move this along.

10. VOTER REGISTRATION LINK

The students will go to their web campuses IT person and try and get the online voter registration at each campus site. They will come back at the next meeting with comments and how successful they were.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

12. NEW BUSINESS

For next agenda

- a. Voter Registration
- b. Constitutional revision
- c. NSA Awareness
- d. Student Body Vice Presidents
- e. NSA Facebook Website
- f. Firearms on Campus

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Meeting was adjourned at 5:25 PM.