

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)
MINUTES

March 19, 2012
4:00-6:00 PM

Attending: **Ms. Aimee Riley, ASCSN, Chair (Present)**
 Mr. Casey Stiteler, ASUN, Vice Chair
 Mr. Alex Porter, GBC (Present)
 Mr. Scott Gaddis, TMCC
 Mr. Michael J. Gordon, GPSA (Present)
 Ms. Stephanie Vega, GSA
 Mr. Steve Gronstal, GRAD (Present)
 Ms. Mikayla Morgan, NSSA
 Ms. Sarah Saenz, CSUN
 Ms. Heather Dodson, ASWN (Present)

The meeting called to order at 4 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Request is made for the approval of the minutes for March 2, 2012.

Did not make quorum so could not take action. Item must be postponed for possible action until next videoconference scheduled on April 9, 2012.

3. NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE VISION STATEMENT

There was a thorough discussion of possible vision statements, which Michael emailed to all student government leaders and asked for feedback. One option that was discussed is “Working together to promote and protect the educational interests of the students of Nevada.” We will add to future agenda for possible action to adopt this vision statement for the Nevada Student Alliance.

4. STUDENT TECHNOLOGY FEE

Renee Davis and Michael Gordon report that we are waiting until Steve Zink processes the report and clarifies where the system stands with Integrate 2 – when we have the report we can move from there. We want to ensure that we do not use the technology fee assessed to students to backfill costs that are unrelated to students. We would support the technology fee increase either going away entirely or being applied directly to student technology, software or hardware. Steve Zink will report at June Board of Regents meeting.

**5. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FUNDING
OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

Steven Gronstal reported that DRI is developing their own formula, not just a line item in the existing formula. The idea is to make them more competitive for research funds and how they're measured. We discussed how that would work and whether it would require legislative action or a constitutional amendment.

6. COMMITTEE ON ACCESS AND AFFORDABILITY

No new information to report. The next meeting of the Committee on Access & Affordability is scheduled for March 28, 2011. At that time, Heather Dodson and Michael Gordon will report.

7. NSHE TRANSFER AND ARTICULATION AGREEMENTS

Aimee Riley reported that she has a meeting scheduled with UNLV executives on Tuesday, March 20, 2012 to determine how we can improve the transfer and articulation process, particularly between CSN and UNLV. We can take what we learn with these discussions and ensure that we provide a clear pathway to success for all Nevadans.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

8. NEW BUSINESS

Nevada Student Alliance discussed succession planning and Chair Aimee Riley opted to add to the next videoconference agenda on April 9, 2012. Renee Davis and Aimee Riley discussed possibility of using the May 14 videoconference to introduce outgoing and incoming presidents to one another and provide a smoother transition of leadership.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.