

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

**June 6, 2013
Time 7:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.
University of Nevada, Reno
Rita Laden Senate Chambers**

ROLL CALL: **Mr. Antonio Guerrero, ASCSN
Ms. Alehandra Leon, ASWN
Mr. Mark Ciovola, UNLV
Mr. RJ Boyahian, UNR GSA
Mr. Deuvall Dorsey, NSSA
Mr. Michael Gordon, UNLV GPSA
Mr. Noah Fraser, DRI GRAD
Mr. Alex Porter, GBC SGA
Mr. Ziad Rashdan, ASUN
Mr. Jason Loomis, TMCC SGA (proxy for Ms. Prevost)**

ABSENT: **Ms. Stephanie Prevost, TMCC SGA**

Meeting called to order at 7:04 AM by 2012-13 NSA Chair Michael Gordon.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment will be taken during this agenda item. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for April 8 and May 12, 2013 were not distributed in advance of meeting so will be put on agenda for approval at the August 12, 2013 meeting.

3. NSA CONSTITUTION UPDATE

NSHE Director of Student Affairs Renée Davis gave an overview of the current NSA Constitution and process for electing new Chair. She summarized changes to the constitution approved by the 2012-13 NSA but not yet submitted to the Chancellor for approval. Some feedback was given regarding technical corrections to the language that needed to be made prior to sending to the Chancellor.

4. ELECTION OF NEW CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Alex Porter, Student Body President at GBC, and Deuvall Dorsey, Student Body President at NSC, were nominated for NSA Chair. Alex Porter received 11 of 12 votes and was elected Chair. Deuvall Dorsey was nominated as vice chair and elected unanimously.

5. OPEN MEETING LAW

Renée Davis provided a general explanation of how Nevada Open Meeting Law applies to meetings of the Nevada Student Alliance, including the timeline for establishing agendas prior to each meeting. Attendees from CSUN (UNLV) and GSA (UNR) expressed concern that more guidance was needed regarding open meeting law and how it affects students, specifically how the election for chair and vice chair should be handled. They also suggested that it would be helpful for the Board to create an open meeting law policy specifically for students because many of the open meeting law provisions either don't apply or are difficult to apply to student governments. Renee agreed to invite Brooke Nielsen, NSHE Vice Chancellor for Legal Affairs to attend a future NSA meeting.

6. NSA CHAIR'S REPORT

A brief discussion ensued about what new Chair Alex Porter would discuss during his Chair's report to the Board.

7. NSHE E-LEARNING PROJECT

There was no update available regarding the NSHE E-Learning Steering Committee, but members briefly discussed the challenges students face in an e-learning environment, including the need for FERPA compliance by faculty in their electronic communications with students.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

9. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 AM by 2013-14 NSA Chair Alex Porter.