

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

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

**September 5,2013
Time: 7:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.
Great Basin College
Leonard Center Social Room**

This meeting is called to order at 7:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mr. Alex Porter, SGA, Chair
Mr. Deuvall Dorsey, NSSA (Attended at 7:14)
Ms. Alejandra Leon, ASWN
Mr. Michael Gordon, GPSA
Mr. Ziad Rashdan ASUN
Ms. Stephanie Prevost, TMCC SGA
Mr. Noah Fraser, DRI

Absent: Mr. Antonio Guerrero ASCSN
Ms. RJ Boyajian, GSA
Mr. Mark Ciavola, CSUN

Guests: Mr. Isaac Duran
Ms. DeMarynee Saili
Ms. Yezenia Poulsen
Ms. Lisa Harrison
Ms. Renee Davis
Ms. Jessica Lujan
Mr. Tevin Flores
Mr. Nicholas Vaskov
Ms. Brooke Nielson
Ms. Adriana Mendez (Attended at 7:06)
Mr. Greg Ross (7:14)

1. PUBLIC COMMENT **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**
NONE

2. APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY/ROLL CALL **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

ASWN President from WNC Alejandra Leon has been appointed by the Chair as the new NSA Secretary.

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

President Michael Gordon motions to approve, President Noah Fraser seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

4. OPEN MEETING LAWS

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

The issue of creating a possible outline for the student government's version of Nevada Open Meeting Law was a question brought forth to Vice Chancellor Brooke Nielson. Nevada Open Meeting Law is what the Board of Regents follows and it is passed to the students governments for easy purpose to control. Vice Chancellor Nielson emphasized that all items on the agenda have to spell out the detail of the either information or possible action and it's important to give details within minutes or agendas to inform the public. Not all things stated during the meeting have to be published in the minutes and to the student governments. The Board of Regents could write their own version of the "student government" open meetings laws but if NSA wants to create their own version for not just NSA to follow but other student government meetings, NSA has to propose a "student government version" of Nevada Open Meeting Laws so that the Board of Regents can approve them.

If voting members during the meeting vote on action item(s) and it does not follow Nevada Open Meetings Laws, the action item(s) is then void.

Subcommittees created under student government organization have to follow Nevada Open Law because they apply to groups of people and not individual bodies. CSUN has meetings that are simultaneously happening and Nevada Open Law is going to be adopted within these committees.

The Board of Regents follows Nevada Open Law and if not, they follow their Board of Regent bylaws and after that they follow Robert Rule's of Order.

If audio recordings are being take place during meeting, minutes are required to be taken. Minutes have to be drafted and sent within 30 days and it has to be drafted and ready to be reviewed by the members for approval. President Michael Gordon was interested to know what is too little and what is too much when it comes to minutes. Nevada Open Meeting Law states that the minutes have to show the date, time, place, and who is present and absent at the meeting. Minutes are required to have information of the agenda item's substance on the matter discusses. They could vary being short in words or pages in length, but it's usual that minutes place detail for public view and understanding.

Nevada Open Meeting Law is being changed with the electronic notices, and the updates laws will be sent to Chair Alex Porter for reference. Members can state to be quoted during discussion or public comment and have their vote clearly written during action items in the minutes posted.

President Michael Gordon brought up electronic signatures and how there could be an issue and Vice Chancellor Nielson mentioned that the System Office is also having difficulties with electronic signatures and they will be looking into it.

Proxies, under Nevada Open Meeting Laws states that they do not have voting power and representation are not allowed during meetings but are actually known as a public audience member.

5. NSA LOGO

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The ASUN-UNR marketing department has been busy getting their beginning semester events so the logo is not ready, but will be ready for vote at the next NSA meeting

6. **STUDENT REGENT** **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**
Director of the Legislative Affairs for UNR with ASUN and was supposed to present their proposal for a student regent, but family issues arose and he is absent. He will be presenting his proposal at our next meeting through IAV conference.
7. **CHAIR'S REPORT** **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**
Committees have been formed for E-learning and Tuition & Fee committees. Approval of the constitution is still in progress and we'll be working on the NSA Logo.
8. **PUBLIC COMMENT** **INFORMATION/DISCUSSION**
Hope you enjoy the campus. Feel free to roam. Senators from SGA here at Great Basin College are representing their Ely, Winnemucca, and Pahrump campuses. Faculty Advisor Adrian Mendez is also present.
9. **ADJOURNMENT at 7:32 a.m.**