NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

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

December 5, 2013 Time 7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m. Student Union, Room 211 University of Nevada, Las Vegas 4505 S. Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas

This meeting is called to order at 7:13.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mr. Alex Porter, Great Basin College SGA, Chair

Ms. Alejandra Leon, Western Nevada College, ASWN

Ms. Stephanie Prevost, Truckee Meadows Community College SGA

Mr. Umram Osambela, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN Mr. Michael Gordon, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA

Mr. Noah Fraser, Desert Research Institute, GRAD

Mr. Mark Ciavola, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN

Ms. RJ Boyajian, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA (Attended at 7:15)

Absent: Mr. Ziad Rashdan, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN

Mr. Deuvall Dorsey, Nevada State College, NSSA, Vice Chair

Guests: Ms. Jessica Lujan

Mr. Alfredo Jaimes Ms. Jasmine Hicks Mr. Tevin Flores

Ms. Meghan Pierce, GSPA Secretary

Mr. Pedro Duenas Mr. Alex Bybee Ms. DeMarynee Saili Mr. Isaac Duran Ms. Renee Davis

Call to Order at 4:00

1. PUBLIC COMMENT
NONE

INFORMATION

2. APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY/ROLL CALL

INFORMATION

ASWN President from WNC Alejandra Leon was appointed by the Chairman Porter as the NSA Secretary.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Minutes were not received by everyone, so they were tabled to the next meeting.

4. NSA LOGO

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

President Prevost motioned, President Boyajian seconded, to approve the small change to move the "NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE" one third counter clockwise. (MOTION passed unanimously)

5. STUDENT REGENT

INFORMATION

There was effort put in this past legislation to create a "Student Regent" within the policy, but this bill unfortunately died in the finance committee at this legislation. This movement is being led by a group of five students within ASUN, to go forward in this next legislation session. Mr. Bybee is here to offer his services, resources, infrastructure etc. to build a department of legislative affairs within the individual institutions. There are various possibilities to have the presidents attend these political events and legislative days to voice and lobby for the "student regent". For more information, please be free to contact him.

7. CHAIR'S REPORT

INFORMATION

Chairman Porter's report will be about the outline about Nevada Open Meeting Law provided by Brook Nielsen, the approval of the NSA Logo, the Student Regent initiative that was presented by the Director of Legislative AffairS from UNR, Alex Bybee, in the efforts into going forward with the student regent in the 2015 legislative session. The group has also been in communication with the efforts of the student representatives that are held on the tuition and fees and e-learning committees.

8. INSTITUTIONAL UPDATES ON NSA FUNDING

INFORMATION

Chairman Porter has provided an example of putting forward a constitutional amendment or bylaw change about the efforts into each government's budget of a set amount specifically for NSA events or necessary measures. President Boyajian pointed who will be attending to the money, how will it be allocated from each individual institution's budget, and will it be rolled over? President Porter explained that the management will be done at the individual institutions. Our constituency is important, and it's important to follow up with the students to see how they feel about using their funds to be set aside for this NSA budget. President Ciavola mentioned to look at the individual basis on their institution's budget. Decisions should be made on behalf of the students. The idea behind the NSA Funding, is to use it on instances where funding will be needed on a short timeline. For example, the biggest student rally in front of the legislature in 2009. The money is set aside as a line item without a line item. UNR-GSA is in disapproval for this item to be adopted in their student government's by-laws or constitutions. This item will be put on the next meeting's agenda for further discussion.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION

NONE

10. NEW BUSINESS NONE

INFORMATION

ADJOURNMENT at 8:05

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GBC, Berg Hall, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, NV 89801

NSC, Great Hall, 1125 Nevada State Drive, Henderson, NV 89015

TMCC, Red Mountain Building (RDMT 200) 7000 Dandini Blvd. Reno, NV 89512

UNLV, Flora Dungan Humanities 9 (FDH), 1st and 7th Floors, 4505 Marlyand Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89154-1001

UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557

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