

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

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April 14, 2014

4:00-6:00PM

Videoconference Sites:

System Administration Reno, Room 134

Carson City-WNC Dini 105

Elko-GBC LCSL 122

Las Vegas-CSN CHEY 2647B

UNLV SCS 102

NSC DAW 218

ROLL CALL:

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

**Mr. Deuvall Dorsey, Nevada State College, NSSA, Vice Chair
(proxy Amanda Sanchez)**

Ms. RJ Boyajian, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA (attended at 4:06)

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

Ms. KC King, Desert Research Institute, GRAD (absent)

Mr. Umram Osambela, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN

Ms. Alejandra Leon, Western Nevada College, ASWN

Ms. Stephanie Prevost, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA

Mr. Ziad Rashdan, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN (absent)

Ms. Sharon Young, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA

GUEST:

Renee Davis

Chancellor Daniel Klaich

Isaac Duran (SGA-GBC)

Angelo DePerez (ASWN)

Call Meeting to Order 4:02

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

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2. APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY/ROLL CALL

Chair Porter has appointed President Leon as the NSA Secretary.

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3. DISCUSSION WITH CHANCELLOR KLAICH

President Prevost asked the Chancellor to where we will be making our statement on behalf of the SB 391 Committee. If we are attending the committee it would be appreciated by the secretaries to have a written statement for them. The subcommittee meetings for SB 391 will be held April 23rd and 24th, 2014 at three respective locations (Elko, Carson, and Las Vegas) for public comment in case any of the student government presidents have a comment.

President Leon addressed whether or not the tuition and fee agenda item will be put on the special Board of Regents meeting. Chancellor Klaich thinks that Board Chair Paige will split between this item between the two Board of Regents meeting in April and June. The item will be discussion and informational item on the April special Board of Regents meeting and the item will be put on for vote in

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the June Board of Regents meeting. There is discussion between Board Chair Paige and Vice Chair Trachok about having these meetings an hour early.

President Prevost has settled on a compromise with their administration at TMCC for where tuition and fees will be going too. Chancellor Klaich will be working his cabinet in creating a template from the example of CSN's agreement, to send out for the presidents of the college to have filled out between the student presidents and the administration of their respective college.

President Osambela asked the Chancellor if it is important for NSA to come together on a voted decision of about tuition and fees. The Lincy Institute will be held at in a few weeks at UNLV on behalf of their opinions of what they think about community college. Chair Porter asked the Chancellor what his opinion is about where the stance that NSA should take.

The governance and funding committee are not talking about funding because there is no local government who has money so they are looking specifically at the governance section of this subcommittee. The academic side is looking at the how disruptive it would be to change governance because of the transfer programs that community colleges have with higher institutions. The workforce side on that subcommittee is looking at having community/business board to look on how the community colleges can be looking to better correlating businesses with programs to benefit the community.

President Osambela will be taking a position on it soon for CSN students. Student government at Great Basin College will also be taking a stance on this topic. Student government at TMCC is looking and researching more about the SB 391 Committee to make a stance to present it at the May meeting.

Kudos to President Osambela for representing the students in this SB 391 Committee in this stance to convey where the students might be feeling and how it will be impacting it in the future for higher education. Chancellor Klaich has not heard anything from the SB 391 Committee about the workforce and how it will affect the students in the future and the community that they make.

President Leon mentioned that ASWN still need to figure out what their stance is, but her question to the Chancellor is if the committee is suppose to be making a recommendation at the legislative session next year? It seems as if that is the main reason for this committee for it to come back to the legislature and make the best recommendation that they have created.

What is the consensus of having a Vice Chancellor for Community College on the Board of Regents? Chancellor believes it could be a positive idea. The recent hire of Frank Woodbeck, from the Governor's office is going to be leading the committee or the presidents for the ad hoc institutional service areas initiative into a better path. Chancellor believes there is a short term or long-term director position for getting the three northern community college presidents to get shared services up and going, as well as getting a great aligned system for academic standards and workforce development because the shared services model is something that is going to be applied to the system.

President Prevost addressed and commented about the house budget committee and how they have stated the committee is looking at creating caps for the Pell grant program, also adding a cap per household income and putting a cap to half-time students for eligibility requirements for the Pell Grant. It is always a good idea to have this on the agenda for the May meeting to have NSA start discussing and looking at where we stand as a group.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

President Prevost moves to approve, President Osambela seconds. There is a friendly amendment to change the Isaac Duran's location to GBC to SGA-GBC. RJ Boyjijan abstains, the rest in favor for the friendly amendment and approval. Motion passes.

5. NSA CONSTITUTION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

There is discussion about the amendments to the NSA Constitution. President Leon motions and President Prevost seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

6. NSHE E-LEARNING TASK FORCE INFORMATION

The committee is looking at the different departments like English, Math, Social Sciences, etc and how each department is looking at the separate vendor presentations for the who can be qualified for the those specific groups. These groups are looking still looking into separate vendors and the next meeting should be in a few weeks. A lot of people on this task force are currently looking for technology updates. President Young is wondering why this committee is not subject to open meeting law and are not

open to the public. Students are always welcomed to any of the systems meetings. The graduate representative did not go through the GPSA at UNLV for the committee and President Young would like to receive more information on behalf of this committee as Dr. Fink did stop by and discuss with the GPSA at UNLV of the e-learning task force.

WNC Distance Director has resigned and has signed a MOU with TMCC to borrow their distance education directors while WNC is in the looks for one. GBC and WNC have signed an MOU to use Institutional Research Director Cathy Fulkerson for her institutional research services to both institutions.

7. NEW BUSINESS

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There will be a special NSA meeting to discuss the stance of the SB 391 Committee on April 28th from 4pm-5pm. ASUN and GSA for UNR cannot attend on this date.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

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Angelo DePerez, successor for Preident Leon is here to help transition him in.

ADJOURNMENT at 5:38pm