

**NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)**

**Minutes**

**November 9, 2015**

**4:00 p.m – 6:00 p.m.**

**Reno System Administration Building, Room 134**

**2601 Enterprise Road**

**Reno, NV 89512**

**Video Conference Connection from the Meeting Site to:**

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**UNLV SCS 102**

NSA Chair Caden Fabbi called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. A quorum was present.

**1. ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Mr. Caden Fabbi, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN (NSA Chair)  
Ms. Andrea Senda, Western Nevada College, ASWN (NSA Vice Chair)  
Ms. Kylie Rowe, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA (NSA Secretary)  
Mr. Spencer Schultz, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA  
Ms. Surbhi Sharma, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA  
Ms. Jessica Connolly, Desert Research Institute, GRAD  
Ms. Kanani Espinoza, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN  
Ms. DeMarynee Sali, Great Basin College, GBC  
Mr. Umram Osambela, Nevada State College, NSSA (proxy for Yesenia Cuevas)  
Ms. Brenda Romero, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN (present 4:06 p.m.)

Members absent: Ms. Yesenia Cuevas, Nevada State College, NSSA (represented by proxy)

Guests present: Ms. Janet Stake, NSHE  
Ms. Renee Davis, NSHE  
Mr. Omar Saucedo, NSHE  
Ms. Cheril Gabbidon, TMCC SGA  
Mr. Joe Dagher, UNLV CSUN

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**INFORMATION**

- Kylie Rowe, resigned from Nevada Student Alliance, Secretary effective January 1, 2016
- Janet Stake, NSHE will be sending out questionnaire to undergraduate transfer students who transferred into state college or university after graduating from community college last Spring

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

- Motion to approve minutes: TMCC SGA (Spencer)
- Second: DRI (Jessica)
- GSA: amendment to add space in between “October and 12”, change “UNLC to UNLV” and item 12 advising is spelled wrong
- CSUN: if represented by proxy, move members to present section with proxy
- Motion passes unanimously, one abstention GPSA

**4. DISCUSSION WITH CHANCELLOR**

**INFORMATION**

- Chancellor not present today.

## 5. IT'S ON US CAMPAIGN

### INFORMATION

- ASWN: there will be a sexual assault awareness month next year
- ASUN: send Caden content to post; ASUN just funded campaign that Journalism students are putting on called, "Yes, Always" - related to issue of consent; make sure to continue giving out buttons
- CSUN: sexual assault awareness week in early October; passed out buttons that week

## 6. NSA NEWSLETTER

### INFORMATION

- ASUN: would be nice to have one of five volunteers write an article
- Kanani, Spencer, DeMarynee, Kylie and Andrea volunteer to write brief article for NSA Newsletter
- Discussion on general topics:
  - Summary of board actions during semester - what Board of Regents has been working on (Caden)
  - Voter Registration efforts (Kylie)
  - NSA approved resolutions (Kanani)
  - Proposed police merger between UNR and TMCC (note that UNLV and CSN already partner police services, so UNLV would like to be part of that as well) (Spencer)
  - What NSA does and who we are (Caden)
  - Service week (Demarynee)
  - It's on Us (Andrea)
- Draft due by Thanksgiving so that can put in update at December board meeting - send to Caden
- 300 words per topic

## 7. PROFESSIONALISM CAMPAIGN

### INFORMATION

- ASUN: can talk more during December meeting to get going in March or April, 2016

## 8. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HR 2927

### FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- NSA (Umram): CSUN was able to pass last week; ASUN has 2927 on agenda for tomorrow, but did discuss 3177 - seeking update from other student governments
- SGA: overwhelming support on it; did not vote but is comfortable to vote in support here
- GSA: the majority did vote to support resolution
- Renee, NSHE commented on 3177: this is already happening through executive action through department of education; scheduled to start in 2017-2018; been announced and everyone is starting to prepare for it; The application will come out on October 1st instead of January 1st; resolution is supporting what executive branch has already done
- NSA (Umram): there has been time to review bill and discuss something that affects students
- Motion to write resolution in support of HR 2927: SGA (Spencer)
- Second: CSUN (Kanani)
- Motion passes unanimously

**9. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HR 3177**

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

- NSA (Umbram): executive branch would put this bill into effect; NASFA, financial aid administrators support this bill; bill will help obtain more information and conduct due diligence
- Renee, NSHE: more students would have access to use data retrieval tool right from tax return; if income goes down can still file special condition appeal; NASFA has studied this and study is out on web if want to review
- CSUN: Senate is voting on and relaying information; one Senator was almost unable to enroll this semester because family had major income change; most Senate is not apt to agree to prior prior year; Kanani cannot support to something unless Senate does
- Motion to support: SGA (Spencer)
- Second: DRI
- Motion passes: 6:1:3
  - Approve: ASUN, WNC, NSA, DRI, TMCC, ASCSN
  - Nay: CSUN
  - Abstain: GSA, PGSA, GBC

**10. STATE OF STUDENT ADVISING**

**INFORMATION**

- ASUN: many campuses have some form of an advising survey that goes out; want to have discussion on how would like to move forward; not sure how consistent reports are across campuses
- DRI does not have a survey
- Renee, NSHE: need other groups at each institution to help get the conversation moving; sent out email to all the academic and student services leaders at Institutions; asked to provide basic information
  - do you issue survey? how can students access they survey? who is right person to talk to?
  - Renee got involved because after the September meeting, Regent Wixom asked Vice Chancellor Abba to coordinate response back
  - Need to have conversation with leadership on campuses
- Discussion on how to proceed: CSUN (Joe) should set up meeting with Vice Provost office to coordinate; should start at individual campuses, meet with administrators and go from there
- SGA (Spencer): Meeting on the 16th with new VP of Academic Affairs; there are issues at TMCC with courses showing that they transfer and then not actually transferring - there are articulation issues
- Renee, NSHE: that ties in with Janet's transfer audits; Regent Wixom would be open to receiving a response from office saying that students are discussing with leadership on campuses; don't need to have something for December but want to have an update for him
- ASUN: can say during update that campuses are looking at advising issues and seeking access to data and will hope to put together information to share at future meeting
- Discussion: sounds good and will talk more about it during December meeting; NSA to ask for access to data

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

**INFORMATION**

- SGA, (Spencer): Would like to discuss TMCC/UNR police merger; TMCC has drafted proposal and would like to discuss at December NSA meeting; TMCC students are really against this happening
- ASUN: if there is any loss of staffing, that would be a concern; will add to agenda next meeting
- ASUN: Chancellor Klaich sent out the memo on Faculty Pay; NSA will need to take a solid stance on it moving forward, depending on findings of the committee; Caden asked NSA to have conversations with faculty; Spencer & Surbhi will provide updates in regard to how that working group is going; it can be an information item going forward
- ASUN: in next session need to take strong stance to support Board and work with legislature; anticipating Governor supporting higher education in the next session; NSA to be aware of budget presentations each campus made to the Chancellor

## 12. PUBLIC COMMENT

## INFORMATION

- CSUN (Kanani): If want to get together Wednesday before Board of Regents meeting, there is a charity event that we can attend; it's \$10 and includes food; Kanani will be part of it; starts at 6:00 p.m.; that could potentially be the NSA dinner for the December Board meeting; all proceeds go to miracle flights for kids; charity sends sick children to medical institutions; Kanani will send more information
- NSA (Umram): Caden, good job on the alliance; thank you for supporting resolutions and happy to be a resource in the future

Chair Fabbi adjourned the meeting at 4:49 p.m.