## **NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)**

Minutes March 3, 2016 Nevada State College

1021 East Paradise Hills Drive Henderson, NV 89002 Rogers Student Center NSSA Conference Room (1<sup>st</sup> Floor)

#### CALL TO ORDER AT 7:19 AM

ROLL CALL: Mr. Caden Fabbi, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN (NSA Chair)

**PRESENT** 

Ms. Andrea Senda, Western Nevada College, ASWN (NSA Vice Chair)

**PRESENT** 

Ms. Kanani Espinoza, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN (Secretary)

**PRESENT** 

Ms. Yesenia Cuevas, Nevada State College, NSSA

**PRESENT** 

Ms. Jessica Connolly, Desert Research Institute, GRAD

PRESENT BY PROXY – LEVI KEACH

Ms. Brenda Romero, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN

**PRESENT** 

Mr. Tyler Ross, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA

**PRESENT** 

Ms. DeMarynee Saili, Great Basin College, SGA

ABSENT, PRESENT AT 7:49 AM

Mr. Spencer Schultz, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA

PRESENT

Ms. Surbhi Sharma, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA

PRESENT

## **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

RENEE DAVIS, NSHE SARA WESTON, CSN CEYENNE BRYANT, WNC

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

NOTE: Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Notification is hereby provided that items on the agenda may be taken out of the order presented, two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration, and an agenda item may be removed from the agenda or discussion relating to an item on the agenda may be delayed at any time.

In accordance with NRS 241.020(6), supporting materials that are submitted to the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) Office of Academic and Student Affairs will be made available in advance of the meeting as

follows: 1) from the NSHE Office of Academic and Student Affairs by calling Sally Jackson at (775) 784-3443 or emailing her at Sally\_Jackson@nshe.nevada.edu; or, 2) by accessing the electronic version of the agenda posted on the NSA page of the NSHE website:

http://www.nevada.edu/studentgov/

In addition, a limited number of copies of any such supporting materials will be available at the meeting site.

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically disabled persons attending the meeting. Please call the Academic & Student Affairs Office in advance at (775) 784-3443 or (775) 784-3447 so that arrangements may be made.

#### 1. ROLL CALL

NSA Secretary Kanani Espinoza will take roll call of members and circulate a sign-in sheet for guests so their names may be recorded in the minutes.

9 MEMBERS PRESENT

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

**INFORMATION** 

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NO PUBLIC COMMENT.

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** 

Request is made for approval of the minutes for the NSA meetings held on February 11, 2016.

DRI KEACH MOVES TO APPROVE SECONDED BY ROSS VOTE OF: 9-0-0

MOVE TO ITEM 4

### 4. IT'S ON US CAMPAIGN

## **INFORMATION**

NSA members will provide a summary to the group of activities held on their campuses to date and any future plans in support of the Alliance-sponsored "It's On Us" campaign to stop sexual assault.

CHAIR FABBI ASKS ROMERO TO SEND PHOTOS OF THE FAIR ON CAMPUS TO POST FOR NSA

MOVE TO AGENDA ITEM 5

### 5. NSA NEWSLETTER

**INFORMATION** 

NSA Chair Caden Fabbi will update the group on progress made toward publishing a Spring 2016 NSA newsletter.

FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER, EACH INSTITUTION WRITES A SMALL RECAP OF THE YEAR OF EACH STUDENT GOVERNMENT CHAIR FABBI WILL WRITE THE REST OF THE SYSTEM WIDE ACTION ITEMS DUE BY NEXT MEETING – APRIL 14 OR THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

MOVE TO ITEM 6

### 6. PROFESSIONALISM CAMPAIGN

## **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSA Chair Caden Fabbi will continue the discussion from prior meetings regarding a possible Alliance-sponsored professionalism campaign to be held during Spring 2015. Possible elements of the campaign may include providing students with professional photos and LinkedIn workshops on the various NSHE campuses, or other efforts to assist students in preparing to enter careers in the professional world after graduation.

CUEVAS IS GOING TO HAVE A RESMUE BUILDING WORKSHOP AND A MIXER WITH SOME LOCAL CEO'S. THIS WILL INCLUDE HEADSHOTS AND BUSINESS CARDS FOR ALL STUDENTS WHO ATTEND. EVENT IS NEXT WEEK

MOVE TO ITEM 7

### 7. STATE OF STUDENT ADVISING - NSA REPORT

**INFORMATION** 

At the December 3, 2015 NSA meeting, Alliance members expressed what they discovered on their campuses relating to the quality and quantity of student advising. Alliance members subsequently provided the information they gathered on their campuses to NSA Chair Caden Fabbi, who compiled the information into a report for presentation to Chair Rick Trachok, Vice Chair Michael Wixom and Chancellor Daniel J. Klaich. Alliance members will discuss the contents of this report, which is to be disseminated to the Regents at the March 4, 2016 NSA meeting.

CHAIR FABBI ASKS FOR MORE CONSISTENCY BASED ON QUALITY AND QUANTITY. LOOKING IN TO A SURVEY BASED ON WAIT TIMES FOR STUDENTS. GIVING A GENERAL STATE BASED ON ADVISING.

SENDA ASKS IF THIS IS A DRAFT OR TO BE PRESENTED TOMORROW. FABBI RESONDS DRAFT. REPORT CONTENT WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH BOARD CHAIRS AND CHANCELLOR AT TOMORROW'S MEETING. FINALIZED REPORT WILL BE SHARED AT A LATER DATE.

MOVE TO AGENDA ITEM 8

#### 8. PROPOSED NSA CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION

## **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSA Chair Caden Fabbi requests approval of a series of amendments to the NSA constitution:

- a. Section 300.1 establishes quorum as a simple majority and provides for treatment of abstentions
- b. Section 300.2 establishes minimum votes for making a decision
- c. Section 300.44 adds the responsibility to oversee outreach efforts to the NSA Chair, with possible delegation
- d. Section 310 clarifies provisions for proxy
- e. Section 400 clarifies procedure for amending constitution
- f. Section 500 adds an article and clarifies procedure for impeachment of a member

In addition, Chair Fabbi will open the floor for consideration of any additional revisions, which would come back to a future meeting for consideration.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY SHULTZ SECOND BY ESPINOZA CHAIR FABBI GOES OVER CHANGES BRIEFLY, QUOROM CLARIFICATION, JOB DESCRIPTIONS, ETC. VOTE OF 9-0-0

MOVE TO ITEM 9

## 9. CHANCELLOR'S FACULTY PAY WORKING GROUP

**INFORMATION** 

Chancellor Daniel J. Klaich convened a Faculty Pay Working Group on November 24, 2015 to review salary policies of the System and its institutions to determine if those policies are proper to advance the interests of NSHE. NSA members Spencer Schultz and Surbhi Sharma serve on this working group along with a third student representative (Noah Teixeira, UNR), and will provide a report to NSA members on the working group's most recent meeting.

SHULTZ SAYS THEY HAVE NOT MET YET, BUT IN HIS OPINION THIS FAVORS THE UNIVERSITIE, NOT THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES. SHARMA EXPLAINS THAT THIS IS A ONE-TIME AWARD, FOR ANY FACULTY MEMBER WHO GOES ABOVE OR BEYOND. LAST MEETING ON FEBRUARY 5TH

THE AWARDS INCLUDE: EACH \$10.000 – NO STATE FUNDS TO BE USED

MOVE TO ITEM 10

#### 10. NSA CHAIR'S REPORT

# **INFORMATION**

NSA Chair Caden Fabbi will report to the Board of Regents on NSHE-related issues or events of importance to the students at the March 3, 2016, meeting of the Board. NSA members will discuss topics for potential inclusion in the Chair's report, including but not limited to, a summary of NSA activities since the December meeting of the Board.

CHAIR FABBI ASKS FOR HIGHLIGHTS FROM THIS MEETING

**MOVES TO ITEM 11** 

### 11. NEW BUSINESS

**INFORMATION** 

Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested. Any discussion of an item under "New Business" is limited to description and clarification of the subject matter of the item, which may include the reasons for the request.

CHAIR FABBI ASKS HOW WE CAN INCORPORATE MORE STUDENTS WITH THE NSA. THERE IS PROVISION FOR AN EX-OFICIO MEMBER OF THE NSA FROM EACH INSTITUTION.

DISCUSSION WITH THE NSA MEMBERS OF WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE FOR EACH INSTIUTION.

SHULTZ INTRODUCES OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES – TEXTBOOK CUTS TEXTBOOK RESERVES MAY NOT BE THE SOLUTION GSA, ASCSN, ASUN ALL TALK ABOUT WHAT EACH GOVERNMENT DID

SAILI ARRIVES AT 7:49 AM, MEMBERS AT 10

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NO PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN AT 7:50 AM