



**NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)  
MINUTES**

**March 1, 2018**

Main Building, Room 181  
Desert Research Institute  
755 East Flamingo Road  
Las Vegas, NV 89119

**CHAIR CALLS MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:22 AM**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Ms. Kanani Espinoza, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA (NSA Chair) **PRESENT**  
Ms. Kimberly Tran, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA (NSA vice Chair) **PRESENT**  
Mr. Christopher Roys, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN (Secretary) **PRESENT**  
Ms. Alicia Contreras, Nevada State College, NSSA **PRESENT**  
Mr. Sandesh Kannan, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA **ABSENT**  
Ms. Becky Linville, Great Basin College, SGA **PRESENT VIA PHONE**  
Ms. Viridiana Miranda, Western Nevada College, ASWN **PRESENT**  
Ms. Kathleen Rodrigues, Desert Research Institute, GRAD **ABSENT**  
Mr. Noah Teixeira, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN **ABSENT**  
Ms. Elizabeth Zuniga, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN **PRESENT- HIEU LE AS PROXY**

**GUESTS**

Elizabeth Bounds, WNC  
Melanie Croft, NSC  
Renee Davis, NSHE

**A QUORUM OF MEMBERS IS PRESENT**

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**INFORMATION**

No public comment.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Roys makes a motion to approve the minutes  
Seconded by Tran  
No questions or discussions.  
**VOTE: 7-0-0 PASSED BY BODY**

**4. NSA NEWSLETTER INFORMATION**

VICE CHAIR TRAN: Discussion about website being more visualized for students to visit. NSHE is revising the website; changes can occur more quickly due to new changes on website. Members discuss the importance of links, pictures, and more engaging materials. Secretary Roys says that the body should place new materials from their institutions on the website. Members of the body discuss other technicalities and ideas about sharing information on the website.

**5. NSA CHAIR’S REPORT INFORMATION**

CHAIR ESPINOZA: Discusses mentioning the Tuition and Fee proposals to the NSHE Board of Regents. Roys suggests that NSHE should be spearheading the information sessions at institutions for the tuition and fee discussions. Contreras aired similar sentiments regarding tuition and fees and NSHE’s role in the on-campus discussions.

Roys makes a motion to table item number 5.  
Seconded by Alicia Contreras.  
No questions or discussion.  
Body passes motion with vote of 7-0-0

Chair closes information item number 5.  
Chair Espinoza moves on to information item 7.

**6. AMENDMENT OF THE NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE CONSTITUTION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chair discusses constitutional revisions from the prior meeting. Outreach efforts moved from chair to vice chair. Reference to newsletter removed from vice chair section.

Roys makes a motion to approve action item 6.  
Seconded by Tran.  
Action item passes 7-0-0

**7. DISCUSSION OF TUITION AND FEE PROPOSAL INFORMATION**

Chair opens discussion after tabling agenda item 5.

Chair Espinoza describes experience with town-halls for NSHE fee increases; UNLV students had the impression that UNLV is seeking more money—not NSHE. Contreras shares survey results from NSC. Survey had questions related to NSHE Cost of Living increase—54% disagree overall. Contreras also went into detail about other questions that were shared in the survey. Roys also shared information about a poll released at UNLV by CSUN. He shared the information on the UNLV CSUN website. Senator Le from ASCSN discussed a townhall and informing students about the possible tuition and fee increase.

Viridiana Miranda aired sentiments of students having a difficult time discussing the allotment of a possible increase; without knowledge of how the money will be used, it's difficult to get viable feedback on the topic.

Chair moves back to item 5 after discussion, then closes that item and moves to action item number 6.

**8. DISCUSSION ON SYSTEM-WIDE INITIATIVES & GOALS INFORMATION**

Viridiana Miranda discussed the importance of having transitional materials available for the next NSA. Discussion about the role of incoming SA Presidents and how the outgoing SA Presidents should work together would help with transition of NSA materials.

**9. MEMBER REPORTS INFORMATION**

GBC: Becky Linville discusses the internal changes to the GBC SGA leadership positions; they have removed the treasurer position and are currently working with GBC administration to improve processes.

TMCC SGA: TMCC SGA removed a few positions and combined roles to improve efficiency and outreach to students. Tran discusses her efforts in reaching students and getting them to run for student government and her efforts through marketing and social media.

CSN: Hieu Le talks about alumni events being incorporated into the community. They wish to inspire more students to go to college.

NSC: Alicia Contreras discussed NSSA's events to help people destress during midterms. NSSA developed an elections committee that would help streamline elections and avoid issues. NSSA is also developing an FAQ list for student organizations.

CSUN: Chris Roys discusses poll on tuition and fee increases. Talks about a new security program starting at UNLV called "RebelRides" to help students to their cars safely.

GPSA: Kanani Espinoza discusses the funds raised from the October 1 t-shirt drive; money will be going to UNLV Counseling And Psychological Services.

**10. NEW BUSINESS INFORMATION**

No new business.

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION**

No public comment.

**CHAIR ADJOURNS MEETING AT 8:06 AM**