

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA) MINUTES

February 28, 2019 8:00 a.m.

Rogers Student Center, Room 137 Nevada State College 1300 Nevada State Drive Henderson, NV 89002

MEETING IS CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:11 A.M. BY NSA CHAIR CHRISTOPHER ROYS

1. ROLL CALL

Mr. Christopher Roys, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN (NSA Chair) PRESENT

Mr. Andrew Sierra, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN (NSA Vice Chair) PRESENT

Ms. Ahtziry Vasquez, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA (NSA Secretary) ABSENT

Ms. Tamara Guinn, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA PRESENT

Ms. Hannah Jackson, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN PRESENT

Ms. Becky Linville, Great Basin College, SGA PRESENT BY PHONE

Ms. Stephanie Molina, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA PRESENT AT 8:27

Ms. Nicola Opfer, Nevada State College, NSSA PRESENT

Mr. Alexandru (Dimitrie) Suciu, Western Nevada College, ASWN PRESENT at 8:35

Vacant, Desert Research Institute, GRAD VACANT

Guests:

Carissa Bradley, UNR ASUN Renee Davis, NSHE

A QUORUM OF MEMBERS IS PRESENT (6/9 @ beginning of meeting)

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION

No public comment.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Minutes are approved by unanimous vote. 6-0-0

4. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF NSA RESOLUTION ON PREDICTABLE PRICING PROGRAM

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Sierra makes a motion to open item Opfer seconds

Chair Roys informs members that this NSA resolution will be to support option B and has been the resolution that NSA has been talking about for the past few months.

Jackson includes that ASUN passed a resolution to support option B.

Action item passes with unanimous vote of 6-0-0.

5. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF NSA RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AN NSHE STUDY ON HOUSING AND FOOD INSECURITY.

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Sierra makes a motion to open item Jackson seconds

Jackson informs that this is just a continuation of efforts from all institutions to get more information from students on housing and food insecurity. Jackson suggests that this would be a great initiative where student, faculty, and administration can all engage and be involved in this matter. She thinks that this would be a great partnership between all institutions that can help deliver better resources to students. She is not sure about a timeline of this process yet, but definitely thinks that this would be available when a committee is formed.

Guinn suggests that the topic of child care services should also be explored in this research.

Chair Roys states that this will be added to the resolution as number seven where it would say "access to child and family support services."

Amendment on resolution passes unanimously. 6-0-0 Resolution as a whole passes unanimously. 6-0-0 Chair Roys decides to take agenda out of order and move to item 8 before 6 and 7

6. NEVADA ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION (AJR) NO. 5

INFORMATION

Sierra speaks about the effects that this can have on the Student Government Presidents' roles and how our relationship with the Board of Regents would change if this piece of legislation where to pass.

Chair Roys believes that the structure of the Board of Regents had many problems and suggests that the member size be smaller. He agrees with Sierra on the fact that this could potentially have a significant impact with NSA's interaction with the Board of Regents. Believes that having an appointed board might hinder a connection between student wants and those of the Board of Regents.

Jackson suggests that an appointed board would be successful if the one appointing had expertise in higher education. She also touches on how there will be pros and cons to having either an appointed or elected board.

7. PARTICIPATION IN NEVADA'S 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

INFORMATION

Item is passed.

8. MEMBER REPORTS

INFORMATION

Jackson shares that there had been an initiative from an ASUN senator on creating more accessibility on campus for menstrual hygiene projects. This pilot program is just at its beginning but Jackson hopes that it will get bigger and have more involvement later on.

Linville will be attending event in Carson City soon and also talks about how election will be coming up soon. GBC's SGA is working hard on getting information out to student early in order to get more officers for next year.

Opfer updates members that NSSA has passed a resolution to support option B for the tuition predictable pricing program. There has also been another resolution passed by NSSA that supports to raise the entering GPA minimum from 2.0 to 2.5. Also just had an art gallery where student displayed their work and now some of those paintings are hanging in the NSSA office.

Sierra is making sure that a lot of the initiatives that were started by him will be continued through the incoming ASCSN members. He wants to make sure this new cohort can be ready to keep up all the projects that where started. Sierra, as well as 112 students, will be heading to Carson City soon in order to talk to legislation about certain topics.

Guinn informs everyone that she is the new GSA President for the rest of the year, has a full executive committee, and has elected a new Vice President of external affairs.

Chair Roys shares that he flew up to Carson City in order to attend a meeting with the legislature and advocated for issues on topics concerning UNLV and is tying up some last-minute things as his term is coming to an end.

Molina shares that there has been some revision going on with the GPSA fee that is charged to student per semester and is hoping to pass these revision by the end of the semester.

9. NSA CHAIR'S REPORT

INFORMATION

Chair Roys states that he will be talking about the two resolutions that where passed today and is including the changes to these resolutions as well.

10. NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATION

Chair Roys states he will include AJR 5 in the next agenda.

Jackson will be coming up with an item about a new revision to the NSA constitution in a form of a draft for the next meeting.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION

Sierra is super thankful to have grown professionally alongside everyone at NSA.

Jackson would like to keep contact with all NSA members during this upcoming legislative session.

MEETING IS ADJOURNED AT 8:41 A.M.