



**NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)**

**AGENDA**

**June 10, 2021**

**5:00 p.m.**

*Time Approximate: this NSA meeting may begin earlier than 5:00 p.m.  
upon recess of the Board of Regents meeting.*

**Via Video-Teleconference**

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**MEMBERS:**

- P** Austin Brown, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN
- P** Katie Dempsey, Great Basin College, SGA
- P** Matthew Hawn, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA
- P** Zachary Johnigan, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN
- Proxy Dara Colon** Lauren Porter, Nevada State College, NSSA
- P** Darian Richards, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA
- Absent** Andrea Sanchez de Loza, Western Nevada College, ASWN
- P** Nicole Thomas, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA
- P** Caren Yap, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN
- Office Vacant, Desert Research Institute, GRAD

**Guests:**

Nia Smercina – UNLV GPSA Advisor

Terina Caserto - NSHE

Renee Davis - NSHE

Chancellor Melody Rose - NSHE

Regent Mark Doubrava

Regent Carol Del Carlo

Yvonne Nevarez- Goodson, Deputy General Counsel - NSHE

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**CALL TO ORDER AT 5:34 P.M.****1. ROLL CALL**

The NSA Secretary will take roll call of members and ask any members of the public to identify themselves verbally so their names may be recorded in the minutes.

**A quorum was met. 8 members are present.**

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT****INFORMATION ONLY**

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**There was no public comment.**

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### 3. DISCUSSION WITH BOARD MEMBERS AND CHANCELLOR

### INFORMATION ONLY

Student representatives will have the opportunity to have an open dialogue with the officers of the Board of Regents and the Chancellor. The discussion will include student experiences, concerns of their constituents, and other matters related to their roles in student government.

Chair Hawn asked all members to introduce themselves. Then asked the Regents and Chancellor to introduce themselves.

Chancellor discussed her background as both a student and as a professional in higher education.

NSA member Caren Yap asked questions of the Regents of how to best report on activities of the NSA. The Regents and Chancellor gave examples of what content is helpful in the NSA quarterly reports which involve suggestions that may ultimately lead to policy suggestion.

NSA member Zachary Johnigan asked Chancellor Rose about the COVID-19 vaccine for students. Chancellor Rose discussed being proactive policy makers but that it is not required or mandated. A plan is being developed in case needed.

Chair Hawn asks Chancellor Rose about the Mental Health Task Force and what is the plan for priorities. Chancellor discussed the formal request to survey all students staff and faculty as to what is working or not already. Discussed other elements of the Mental Health Task Force work.

Nicole Thomas – comment on the Mental Health Task Force and her personal experience is that what is lacking the manpower of the services and how to best support the current staff. Chancellor's response is the conversation about resources is one of the next steps in the Task Force.

Regent Del Carlo recalled several years ago the students coming to the Regents to discuss implementing a fee to help fund counseling services. Member Thomas also recalled that time.

Zachary Johnigan asked if they are tracking how well the Mental Health initiative is going, tracking data? The Chancellor responded that the group is collecting information to make decisions.

### 4. NEW BUSINESS

### INFORMATION ONLY

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, and no substantive discussion may occur at this

meeting on new business items in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.010 *et seq.*).

Zachary Johnigan asked about creating a communication platform for the NSA Body, but General Council Goodson advised against this as it may interfere with Nevada Open Meeting Law.

Proxy Dara Colon: Ongoing issues regarding undocumented and DACA students that would like to hold student government issues. She suggested the idea of them being able to receive stipend.

Member Caren Yap: Agreed with that idea. She also added a question about adding an agenda item to the upcoming NSA agendas and NSA Advisor Terina Caserto advised how to follow this process.

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Adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

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