NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

AGENDA
September 7, 2023
7:45 a.m.

Truckee Meadows Community College
7000 Dandini Boulevard, Reno
Red Mountain Building, RDMT 255

MEMBERS:

P- Suzanna Stankute, Western Nevada College, ASWN (Chair)
Tardy- 7:52 a.m. Kevin Osorio Hernández, Nevada State University, NSSA (Vice Chair)
P- Boris Guerra, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN (Secretary)
A- Makayla Franklin, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN
P- Brayson Gomez, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA
Tardy- 7:47 a.m. Matthew Hawn, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA
P- Pio Rejas, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN
A- Zachary Stamp, Great Basin College, SGA
Proxy Teresa Marie- Nicole Thomas, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA
Office Vacant, Desert Research Institute, GRAD

Heather Rikalo- WNC
Becca Franssen- TMCC
Isabella Hatt- UNR
Hannah Alquiza- UNR
Zipporch Nixon- CSN
Robby Boparai -ASUNSOM
Carrie Parker- NSHE
Terina Caserto- NSHE SR. Analyst
Jane Nietz-Singleton- CSN
Dawson Deal- ASUN
Alexia Rivera- NSU
Terina Caserto - NSHE

Call to order: 7:45 a.m.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

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1. ROLL CALL

Roll call of members and any persons serving as a proxy for a member will be taken.

Roll call taken and quorum met with 5 members present. Both Matthew Hawn and Kevin Osorio Hernandez arrived at 7:47 a.m. and 7:52 a.m., respectively, making it 7 members present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

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In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047 (April 27, 2001), as restated in the Attorney General’s Open Meeting Law Manual, the NSA Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the NSA, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

Becca Franssen, Student Government Advisor at TMCC, welcomed members of the NSA to TMCC’s campus. She let members know snacks are available downstairs in the Student Activities Office, 121, and to ask her or TMCC staff with an “ask me” button if NSA members need anything while members are at TMCC.

Robby Boparai, ASUNSOM at UNR, welcomed and let everyone that they are available for questions about constitution changes to add ASUNSOM onto the NSA.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for the approval of the minutes for the NSA meeting held on August 11, 2023.
Motion to approve August 11, 2023
So moved: Brayson Gomez TMCC
Second: Teresa Marie GPSA
No discussion
Unanimous approval

4. DISCUSSION ON REVISIONS TO THE NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE CONSTITUTION INFORMATION ONLY

The NSA Chair will present for review an NSA constitutional amendment that adds the Associated Students of the University of Nevada School of Medicine (ASUNSOM) to the membership of the Nevada Student Alliance. The ASUNSOM is recognized as an NSHE student government through its Chancellor-approved constitution. Additionally, amendments to the NSA constitution include clarifying language concerning the votes required for the election of officers and for impeachment of a member. These amendments will be placed on a future agenda for possible action. Amendment will require a two-thirds vote of all voting members (Attached Ref. NSA-4)
Revisions constitute ASUNSOM will be added as new student government in NSA to ensure all students are properly being represented. Also, revisions add clarifying language for the votes needed for electing NSA officers and votes needed for approving amendments.
Terina Caserto: Chair is asking for questions about amendments for first reading and after today meeting NSA members should take the proposed revisions back to their respective student government boards. Second reading and NSA vote will happen at the next scheduled meeting. It has to go to Chancellor for final approval.
Discussion about ASUNSOM and if there are any other student governments that we do not know about that could be added to NSA. Talked about different needs from graduate students and medical students and how different fees are structured.

5. DISCUSSION OF NSA 2023-24 PRIORITY FOR NSA CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND MARKETING FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

The NSA Chair will lead a discussion of possible civic engagement ideas to take place for NSA around the November 30 – December 1, 2023, quarterly NSA meeting. Possible suggestions will include, but not be limited to, a mixer at UNLV for students to meet with NSA members. Additionally, the members may discuss a separate NSA Day of Action around civic engagement as well as marketing involved in creating NSA civic engagement events.

Discussion of NSA mixer in December during the next NSA quarterly meeting and Day of Action which proposes that each student government will create their own personal day of action. Chair Stankute proposes any ideas/themes that anyone may have and begin the planning for the event programming.
6. MEMBER UPDATES  

Members may provide information on the goals of their respective student governments and updates regarding their respective campuses’ planned activities and events.

NSA Members give brief updates of their institutions.

7. NSA CHAIR REPORT  

The NSA Chair will provide information regarding the contents of the Chair’s Report that will be delivered to the Board of Regents at their September 8, 2023, meeting.

Chair Stankute gives updates of what she has been doing.

8. NEW BUSINESS  

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.).

No new business.

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No public comment.

Adjourned: 8:24 a.m.
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UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557
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