

Meeting Minutes



NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

**AGENDA
September 8, 2023
7:15 a.m.**

**Truckee Meadows Community College
7000 Dandini Boulevard, Reno
Red Mountain Building, RDMT 256**

MEMBERS:

P-Suzanna Stankute, Western Nevada College, ASWN (Chair)
P-Kevin Osorio Hernández, Nevada State University, NSSA (Vice Chair)
P-Boris Guerra, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN (Secretary)
P-Makayla Franklin, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN
P-Brayson Gomez, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA
T 7:20 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 Terisa Marie-Nicole Thomas, University of Nevada, Las

Vegas, GPSA

Office Vacant, Desert Research Institute, GRAD

Heather Rikalo- WNC
Keri Nikolajewski- Board of Regents
Patricia Charlton-System Admin/Chancellor
Isabella Hatt- UNR
Hannah Alquiza- UNR
Kelsey Bacon-NSSA
Lahana Pierce-NSSA
Zipporch Nixon- CSN
Carrie Parker- NSHE
Terina Caserto- NSHE SR. Analyst
Jane Nietz-Singleton- CSN
Dawson Deal- ASUN
Alexia Rivera- NSU
Byron Brooks-Board of Regents
Joe Arrascada-Board of Regents
Alyssa Butler-WNC

Benny Buchanan-WNC

Call to order: 7:17 a.m.

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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 7 members present. Matthew Hawn arrived at 7:20 a.m. making it 8 members present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

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No Public Comment

3. NSA RECOMMENDATION OF STUDENT MEMBERS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE TASK FORCE ON POWER BASED VIOLENCE AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

NSA Chair will discuss Assembly Bill 245 of the *2023 Nevada State Legislative Session* and its creation of the Task Force on Power Based Violence at Institutions of Higher Education. Assembly Bill 245 requires the Board of Regents to consult with the NSA regarding the appointment of two eligible student members, one from a community and one from a university. NSA will discuss the following two recommendations and possibly take action to forward the recommendations to the Board of Regents for consideration of formal appointment.

- Kevin Leon-Martinez
- Lisha Allison

(Attached Ref. NSA-3a; NSA-3b; and NSA-3c)

NSA Chair gives background about the Task Force on Power Based Violence at Institutions of Higher Education and the process on how to nominate students onto the committee. Chair Stankute read both introductions of nominees and why they are interested in being part of the committee.

NSA members discuss the nominees

Motion to approve Kevin Leon Martinez as the University representative for the Task Force on Power Based Violence at Institutions of Higher Education

So moved by Brayson Gomez TMCC

Second Matthew Hawn GSA

Unanimous approval

Motion to approve Lisha Allison as the Community College representative for the Task Force on Power Based Violence at Institutions of Higher Education

So moved by Brayson Gomez TMCC

Second Pio Rejas ASCSN

Unanimous approval

4. **DISCUSSION WITH BOARD MEMBERS** **INFORMATION ONLY** **AND NSHE OFFICER IN CHARGE OR ACTING CHANCELLOR**

NSA members will have the opportunity to have an open dialogue with the officers of the Board of Regents and the Officer in Charge or Acting Chancellor. The discussion will include student experiences, concerns of their constituents, and other matters related to their roles in student government.

Officer in Charge/Acting Chancellor Patricia Charlton gave a brief introduction about themselves and what they do as a Chancellor.

Members asked questions and thanked the Chancellor for their accessibility. Questions were asked about the budget formula and how students can be involved in these processes.

More questions were asked to Chair Byron Brooks and Vice Chair Joe Arrascada about fee increases and how to communicate to the Board of Regent so they aware about what students feel. Members discussed the needs of the graduate students pertaining to housing costs, grad assistant contract hours and challenges, and international grad student challenges.

Chair Stankute asked how NSA and Board of Regents can collaborate. Chair Byron Brooks asked to just let them be aware of initiatives early on. Chair Stankute will provide NSA priorities to the Board of Regents.

5. NEW BUSINESS

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No new business

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No public comment

Adjourned: 7:51 a.m.

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