

MEETING MINUTES



NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

AGENDA
February 9, 2024
9:00 AM

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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)**
- T 9:03 Robby Boparai, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUNSOM**
- P Makayla Franklin, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN**
- T – 9:07 Brayson Gomez, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA**
- P Matthew Hawn, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA**
- P Pio Rejas, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN**
- Proxy- Teresa Marie Nicole Thomas, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA**
- P Allison Vanholder, Great Basin College, SGA**
- Office Vacant, Desert Research Institute, GRAD**

Guests

- Regent Susan Brager
- Kevin Leon Martinez – UNLV Student
- Alejandro Rodriguez – NSHE Director of Government Relations
- Carrie Parker -- NSHE Deputy General Counsel
- Heather Rikalo – WNC Faculty

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1. ROLL CALL

Roll call of members and any persons serving as a proxy for a member will be taken and any members of the public that are present may be asked to identify themselves verbally so their names may be recorded in the minutes.

Quorum was established with 8 members present. Present Boparai arrived at 9:03 a.m. President Gomez arrived at 9:07 a.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

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No public comment

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for the approval of the minutes for the NSA meeting held on January 12, 2024.

Motion to approve minutes.

Motioned by Pio Rejas ASCSN

Second Matthew Hawn GSA

Discussion: none

Vote: Unanimous

4. DISCUSSION WITH NSHE REGENT SUSAN BRAGER

INFORMATION ONLY

Regent Susan Brager will meet with NSA members to share her experience and the projects she is currently working on as a Regent. Regent Brager chairs both the Committee to Review the Policies Governing a Search for Chancellor and the Chancellor Search Committee. She will discuss her role within those committees as well as her experience on the Board this last year.

Discussion occurred with NSHE Regent Susan Brager within NSA members. She shared her leadership experience with the State. Brager shared information on the Board Committees she is chairing and then answered a question from an NSA member concerning what she feels is the biggest issue with the k-12 pipeline. Brager then spoke of the desire to see the student go where they want to go for their higher education and that it is not about numbers.

5. DISCUSSION WITH NSHE REGENT STEPHANIE GOODMAN **INFORMATION ONLY**

Regent Goodman will meet with NSA members to share her experience on the Board this last year and the projects she is currently working on as a Regent. She will also provide an update on the committees she currently sits on as well as her recent appointment to Chair of the Board's Health Sciences Committee.

Chair Stankute pulled this item as Regent Stephanie Goodman could not present.

6. CHANCELLOR'S AD HOC COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE **INFORMATION ONLY**

NSA member Kevin Osorio-Hernández will provide an update on the Chancellor's ad hoc Committee on Public Safety. Kevin was appointed to the ad hoc Committee by the Chair of the NSA to represent the student voice in the work the Committee will be doing. Kevin may provide, but not be limited to, the charge of the Committee and information from the Committee's first meeting. The NSA Chair may open the update for questions from NSA members.

Discussion occurred within NSA member Kevin Osorio-Hernández who presented on the Committee's short-term, long-term goals and conversations on communication plans and safety enhancement systemwide. Osorio-Hernández then took a question from an NSA member concerning the retention of University Police.

7. TASK FORCE ON POWER-BASED VIOLENCE AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION UPDATE **INFORMATION ONLY**

UNLV student Kevin Leon-Martinez will provide an update on the Task Force on Power Based Violence at Institutions of Higher Education, created through the *2023 Nevada State Legislative Session*, Assembly Bill 245. Kevin, appointed by the Board of Regents in consultation with the NSA, sits on the Task Force as a student member representing a group or organization that focuses on multiculturalism, diversity, or advocacy at a university. The update may include, but not be limited to, the charge of the Task Force and any information from the Task Force's first meeting. The NSA Chair may open the update for questions from NSA members.

Kevin Leon-Martinez gave an update on the Task Force on Power Based Violence at Institutions of Higher Education. He read from a written report. The report is attached to the Minutes.

8. AD HOC COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING UPDATE **INFORMATION ONLY**

Chair Suzanna Stankute will provide an update on the ad hoc Committee on Higher Education Funding created through the *2023 Nevada State Legislative Session*, Assembly Bill 493. Suzanna, appointed by the Chancellor, sits on the ad hoc committee as an advisory member. Her update may include, but not be limited to, the charge of the Committee and any information from the Committee's first meeting. She may open the update for questions from NSA members.

Chair Stankute presented an overview of the ad hoc Committee on Higher Education Funding. Stankute talked about how the funding formula will affect students in Nevada. The next meeting of this ad hoc Committee will be Monday, February 12, 2024.

9. NSA RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PREVENTION OF GUN VIOLENCE ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

NSA member Kevin Osorio-Hernandez will introduce and lead a discussion on a proposed NSA Resolution supporting the prevention of gun violence on college campuses. The NSA will discuss the proposed resolution and suggest modifications. Possible action may include modifying the resolution and deciding whether to direct each NSA member to present the resolution to their respective student government organizations before final action by the NSA. (*Ref. NSA – 9*)

NSA member Kevin Osorio Hernandez led the discussion for a proposed NSA Resolution supporting the prevention of gun violence on college campuses following the tragedies that occurred at UNLV. Members discussed possible amendments and strategies to strengthen the resolution.

9:55 a.m. – Matthew Hawn left the meeting. His Proxy Monika Baharti stepped in.

10. NSA 2023-24 PRIORITIES **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Chair Stankute will discuss the 2023-24 priorities as set by the NSA members at their July 7, 2023, meeting. NSA members may discuss any of the several priorities and suggest further details and plans. Possible action may include defining what the priority or priorities may encompass, directions to take, plans going forward, and/or designating certain members to take the lead on each priority.

The 2023-24 NSA priorities are as follows:

1. Legislative priorities for 2025;
2. Creating campaign for civic engagement and marketing purposes that focuses on NSA as a whole;
3. Looking at outcomes for jobs in the area and student outcomes post-graduation; and
4. Looking at NSA relationship with the Board of Regents and having that on-record response and incorporating the access piece.

Chair Stankute mentioned the Day of Action in a couple of weeks and to reach out to her if there are any questions.

11. MEMBER UPDATES**INFORMATION ONLY**

Members may provide an update regarding their respective campuses' planned activities and events.

NSA members gave their respective updates for their campuses. No questions were posed.

12. NSA CHAIR UPDATE**INFORMATION ONLY**

Chair Stankute may provide an update on any projects or tasks she is currently working on that pertain to NSA business.

Chair Stankute stated that NSA would be ending year with last meeting in February and to look for taking the Resolution to possible action at that time. She requested to get any Student Government updates ahead of the meeting. The next ad hoc Committee on Higher Education Funding meeting is Feb 12, 2024.

13. 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.*).

No new business

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No public comment

Meeting adjourned at 10:11 AM

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GBC, Berg Hall, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, NV 89801

NSC, Great Hall, 1125 Nevada State Drive, Henderson, NV 89015

TMCC, Red Mountain Building (RDMT 200) 7000 Dandini Blvd. Reno, NV 89512

UNLV, Flora Dungan Humanities 9 (FDH), 1st and 7th Floors, 4505 Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89154-1001

UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557

WNC, Bristlecone Building Lobby, 2201 W. College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89703

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Kevin Leon-Martinez-Task Force Member
Nevada Student Alliance Report
For: NSA Meeting 02.09.24

NSHE Task Force on Power-Based Violence at Institutions of Higher Education
Meeting: 12/27/23
REPORT

Context

- Assembly Bill 245 created this Task Force
 - Renamed the Sexual Misconduct Task Force
- Based on students' requests and calls to action for the system

Scope of the Task Force

- Expanded from the previous task force to address power-based violence at NSHE Institutions

Duties of the Task Force

- Developing and administrating a climate survey on power-based violence within NSHE institutions
- Review the results of any power-based violence climate survey administered within any institution within NSHE
- Examine current procedures and protocols for preventing, intervening in, or responding to incidents of power-based violence within NSHE
- Identify possible gaps in services that are available for victims of Power-Based Violence within the system
- Examine the correlation between social groups, campus life, and incidents of power-based violence within the institution's campuses
- Provide recommendations to the Board of Regents on how to address power-based violence within NSHE
- Submit to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education a written report summarizing the findings of the task force no later than August 1st of each odd-numbered year; furthermore, provide the data collected from responses to any climate survey, and recommendations in regards to the prevention, intervention in, or response to incidents of power-based violence within NSHE
- Task Force must meet once each quarter

Senator Melanie Scheibel provides remarks during the meeting as well as offers her help on the tasks taken by the Task Force*

There are currently 3 vacancies in the task force*

Election of the Chair of the Task Force

- Chancellor nominates Dr. Elizabeth Gunn
 - Approved

Election of the Vice Chair of the Task Force

- Chair Gunn nominates Dr. Tabor Grisworld
 - Approved

Climate Survey Update

- In February of 2022, the task force heard presentations from UNLV, CSN, GBC, TMCC, RN, WNC, and Nevada State
 - Also heard an overview of best practices and possible survey instruments across the nation and the system
- In April of 2022, the task force heard from Dr. Dahar and all of UNR regarding best practices for climate survey instruments and biennial distributions in higher education
- Possible Directions that were taken into consideration
 - Identifying the extent of the problem (chosen)
 - Climate goals of sexual misconduct
 - Identifying Elements for climate intervention, student's attitudes and behaviors
 - Changes needed for better social conditions
 - Consider the data that practitioners at the institutions needed
- Built on already established climate surveys within our systems and best practices from national surveys
- The basis of the survey would center on dating violence, domestic violence, gender-based violence, gender identity or expression violence, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, indecent exposure
- In March of 2023, the survey was presented to the task force and then recommended to the Board of Regents in June of 2023
 - The survey would reflect AB 245
- New Updates of the Survey
 - Gathering institution-specific data regarding the prevalence of gender harassment and discrimination
 - Estimated number of incidents that are being collected
 - When and Where the alleged incident occurred
 - Extensive information on Students' perception
 - If the incident was reported
 - How the campus responded
 - Information on Leadership of and outside the Institution
 - Perception of awareness about how to refer or report

- Students' Perception and attitudes towards power-based violence and their own experiences, friends, or others they observed
- Awareness of the reporting system and responsiveness of the Institutions
- The survey is not required
- Terminology was explained (power-based violence, sexual misconduct, sexual assault)

Survey's response TO DATE:

- 5,200 responses, 5,053 students gave their consent on the survey, 147 did not (results will be omitted)
 - CSN: 820
 - GBC: 91
 - NSU: 88
 - TMCC: 184
 - UNLV: 2,829
 - UNR: 902
 - WNC: 49
 - Unanswered in whole or part: 237

Questions:

No current Definition of Consent?

- It might be in the context of the survey question, might be there*