Meeting Minutes – Pending Approval

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

AGENDA
October 09, 2026
9:00 a.m.

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MEMBERS:

PKelechi Odunze, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN (Chair)
PDillon Moss, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN (Vice Chair)
PStephanie Flores, Nevada State University, NSSA (Secretary)
A,unexcused Brayden Boulter, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN
PTrey Curtis-Brown, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA
PRatchanya Dev Chinnappan, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA
POzzie Tavares, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUNSOM Proxy Emma King
PPulin Muangsiri, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA
A,unexcused Storm Raine, Great Basin College, SGA Present, entered at 9:30am
PKarla Salas, Western Nevada College, ASWN
Office Vacant, Desert Research Institute, GRAD

Guests:
Ashley Salisbury, NSHE
Carrie Parker, NSHE
Terina Caserto, NSHE
Alejandro Rodriguez, NSHE
Jason Frierson, NSHE
Sergio Garcia
Ruben Rodriguez, Secretary of State Office
Dion Webb-Figueroa
Evy, Secretary of State Office
Brody Leiser, NSHE
Francisco Aguilar, Secretary of State Office

Call to Order 9:02am

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1. ROLL CALL

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

Estimated Time: 5 minutes

Meets quorum

2. PUBLIC COMMENT — INFORMATION ONLY

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Estimated Time: 5 minutes

No Public Comment

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for the approval of the minutes for the NSA meetings held on September 3, 2026 and September 4, 2026.

Motion President Salas

Second President Curtis-Brown

Motion passes unanimously

Estimated Time: 5 Minutes

4. DISCUSSION WITH THE CHANCELLOR INFORMATION ONLY

NSA members will meet with Chancellor Matt McNair or his designee to discuss current priorities, opportunities, and challenges facing the Nevada System of Higher Education. Topics may include continued discussion from the September 4, 2026 meeting regarding the proposed funding formula changes ahead of the 2027 Nevada Legislative Session.

Item 4 opened at 9:06 am

Chair Odunze mentioned Chancellor McNair is unable to attend today's NSA meeting but stated that Vice Chancellor Frierson and Vice Chancellor Leiser will be there to answer any questions on the funding formula or the Legislative Session.

Vice Chancellor Frierson stated that Vice Chancellor Leiser was running late but would join the meeting later. Frierson explained that he would not be able to provide the same overview that Vice Chancellor Leiser would provide. Regarding the status of the funding formula discussions, he stated that they are continuing to meet with consultants to help develop a new funding formula. The ultimate goal is to create a funding formula that allows each institution to be funded at an appropriate level. Vice Chancellor Frierson also explained that Nevada is currently at the bottom in terms of higher education funding. While this contributes to Nevada having a relatively affordable higher education system, it also reflects that the state is not investing in higher education to the degree that students deserve. He emphasized that the goal is to develop a formula that accounts for the differences between R1 institutions, other four-year institutions, two-year institutions, and institutions offering hybrid programs. Vice Chancellor Frierson clarified that the funding formula does not establish a fixed funding amount. Rather, it provides the structure through which the Legislature allocates funding to NSHE and how NSHE distributes those funds once they have been allocated. He concluded by stating that the proposed funding formula will not move forward to the next step unless all institutions agree with the new formula.

Chair Odunze asked if Vice Chancellor Leiser would be able to join at some point during the meeting.

Carrie Parker NSHE, mentioned he is double booked but will be joining once he could.

Chair Odunze mentioned the Protect College Sports Act (PCSA) and how he knows this is a Senate bill which will be coming up and mentioned that there are some college athletes who are concerned about this. He wants to know how Vice Chancellor feels about this and what he has been engaging in conversations with different government affairs teams at different institutions, and when he expects this bill to come to the house.

Vice Chancellor Frierson mentioned that we all should be proud because Nevada was the first state in the country to pass legislation to get ready for conversations on NIL. He shared that some NSHE students helped pass that bill. He mentioned how the trajectory of

this is that the Senate has support, but there isn't assurance that the House will support it. Part of the reason isn't necessarily related to the bill itself, more so issues overall relating to college sports, relating to redistricting issues particularly happening in Southern States. Vice Chancellor Frierson shared that the last he heard from the Federal lobbying team, is that this bill had a very uncertain future in the House.

Alejandro Rodriguez NSHE, follows by saying that this tracks exactly what they are doing. He mentioned that what they are currently seeing is that they are waiting for the lame-duck session which will be happening right after the election. He also added that right now there is a lot of opposition in the House, particularly with Representative Scalise and the Congressional Black Caucus, mentioning they don't support the bill as it came over from the Senate. Alejandro Rodriguez mentioned that if it does come to the floor, which there is no current schedule for, the bill would probably have to be changed and go back to the Senate.

President Curtis-Brown mentioned that GPSA is hosting a 'Board of Regent Candidate Townhall' on October 21st . He shares that he has invited all the upcoming BOR candidates to give a quick 2–3-minute speech and have a quick social hour afterwards. President Curtis-Brown invited Vice Chancellor Frierson and Alejandro if they would also like to come to this. He stated that GPSA, CSUN, NSU, and CSN will all be attending as well.

Vice Chancellor Frierson would love to have the calendar invite. He did state that he has a commitment on that same day, but he will try his best to make it to both events.

Tabled Item 4 at 9:17am.

Reopened Item 4 at 10:00am.

Chair Odunze shares with Chief Financial Officer of NSHE that Vice Chancellor Frierson has given NSA a little context on the funding formula but welcomes him to add anything else.

Chief Financial Officer for NSHE Brody Leiser provided an update on the proposed Target Funding Model, an initiative intended to address inadequate funding across instructional institutions and increase funding levels to align with national averages or selected peer institutions. He explained that the model evaluates funding on a per full-time equivalent (FTE) basis, establishes target funding levels, and recognizes the shared responsibility between the state and students through registration fees and nonresident tuition. Leiser noted that the process has involved collaborative discussions among institutional business and financial officers and presidents, with weekly meetings held over the past four to five weeks. Further updates will be provided during a special Board

meeting. He clarified that no changes to the existing funding structure will be proposed for the upcoming biennium.

No discussion. Item 4 closed at 10:08am.

Estimated Time: 15 minutes

5. DISCUSSION WITH NEVADA SECRETARY OF STATE FRANCISCO AGUILAR REGARDING CAMPUS CIVIC ENGAGEMENT **INFORMATION ONLY**

NSA members will meet with Nevada Secretary of State Francisco Aguilar regarding current and upcoming initiatives of the Secretary of State's Office involving NSHE's university and college campuses. The discussion may include opportunities for students to become engaged in the electoral process and potential partnerships between the Secretary of State's Office and NSHE student governments to support student participation and civic engagement.

Nevada Secretary of State Francisco Aguilar commended student government leaders for their advocacy and emphasized the importance of student voices in the political process. He highlighted Nevada's significance in the 2026 elections and the 2028 presidential election cycle, noting that young voters can influence election outcomes due to the state's narrow margins. He identified voter registration, voter education, and voter turnout as key areas for collaboration, emphasizing the importance of educating students on same-day voter registration, identification and residency requirements, mail ballots, and early voting. Secretary Aguilar highlighted student voter turnout at the University of Nevada, Reno, during the 2024 election, when approximately 384 students were waiting to vote at 6:45. He emphasized the importance of ensuring all eligible voters have the opportunity to cast their ballots. He also shared plans to continue campus engagement through Piece on Politics and a Politics and Policy class discussion featuring Deputy for Elections Mark Walashian. Secretary Aguilar expressed his willingness to return to campus and support future voter education and engagement efforts.

Nevada Secretary of State Francisco Aguilar shares that he is the Chief Elections Officer, but that they don't run the elections; the county clerks do. He shares that there are 17 county clerks across the state; 15 of the 17 are elected, and both Washoe and Clark, are appointed by the county commission. He mentioned that these are called registrars, not clerks, but they essentially do the same job as clerks in the 15 rural counties. Francisco Aguilar shares that he also does business incorporation filing for anyone that is trying to start a business, corporation, merging corporations; this would all be done through the Secretary of State's Office. The third important thing that they do is security regulations; essentially making sure that individuals who are selling investments, raising capital for a startup company, are following the law. The last thing they deal with are frauds that occur within the retirement community and so they have nine officers and police officers in their office who investigate nothing but those fraud activities.

Chair Odunze thanks Nevada Secretary of State Francisco Aguilar and all the amazing things their office does and for the staff that joined the NSA meeting. Chair Odunze opened

the floor for any questions from NSA or updates on any civic engagement events that might be happening at any of our institutions.

Nevada Secretary of State Francisco Aguilar mentioned that one of the things they look for in young people to get engaged is their advisory task force. They put together a youth advisory task force to help the Nevada Secretary of State on what young people want to know, how they can better communicate with young people, and what they can do to be approachable to a younger population. He shares that the sooner they can get young people to start voting, it becomes a habit, and once that habit forms, that is how you stay engaged. Francisco Aguilar shares that in Nevada, you can also help by being a poll worker during the general elections or the primaries starting at the age of sixteen.

Chair Odunze asked the Nevada Secretary of State where we can find all these resources.

Nevada Secretary of State Francisco Aguilar shared that Ruben Rodriguez will share the link to the NSA.

Chair Odunze shared that CSUN will be hosting a Community Block Party which will take place on Wednesday, October 14, from 9:00am to 4:00pm, in collaboration with the city government, RGC, and the Student Life and Leadership Committee. He shares that this event will bring together several on- and off- campus organizations to promote voter registration and community engagement. Chair Odunze noted that the event coincides with their student government elections, providing an opportunity to increase voter registration and participation.

Nevada Secretary of State Francisco Aguilar shared that he will be there. He also mentioned that they will also be at the Rebel Football game on Saturday, in which they will be honoring veterans who are becoming poll workers. He noted that there is a group called Vet the Vote in which they recruit veterans to be poll workers. He mentioned that one of the reasons why they partnered with them is because veterans are the most trusted messengers when it comes to elections and getting people engaged in the voting process. Nevada Secretary of State Francisco Aguilar shares that there is a group that gave Nevada an award for the last election cycle for being one of the highest turnouts in the country, and he is sure they would love to partner with NSA.

Chair Odunze asked how he and his team work with our government affairs teams at our different institutions, with Vice Chancellor Frierson, and Alejandro during seasons like this to also get our institutions engaged.

Francisco Aguilar shared that he and Vice Chancellor Frierson met at the Legislature when they were both young lobbyists and bonded over the fact that they were former student body presidents. They both believed in the power of higher education and education in general. He shares that students can show up at any time during the legislative process to testify on anything that comes up in the legislative process. He encourages us to do this because as students we have a stronger and more authentic voice since we go through the actual experiences. He shares that if we want to get involved to let him know and he can help us get situated and engaged.

President Raine shares that he is the Student Body President of Great Basin College and something he struggles with is knowing who to contact to get voting polls at all his five campuses. He asked who his point of contact could be to help with this.

Francisco Aguilar mentioned that this is up to the county clerk or county registrar who makes those decisions, but he can put them in contact to help guide him through this process.

Sergio Garcia, Vice President of UNR School of Medicine, shares that as a medical student he has learned that prevention is often more effective than actual intervention. He mentioned that looking at the gap that we have in youth voter participation, what does Secretary of State Francisco Aguilar, think on what Nevadans should be doing, years before Election Day to build lifelong voter instead of trying to mobilize people at the last minute.

Francisco Aguilar shared updates on initiatives to increase voter registration and particpation among high school and college students. He discussed the Secretary of State's high school voter registration competition, which recognizes schools that register the highest percentage of eligible seniors before graduation. He also highlighted efforts to recruit high school students as poll workers to encourage civic engagement and develop future election workers. Secretary Aguilar explained that targeted text messages to first-time voters during the 2024 election cycle, including early voting reminders and Election Day prompts, contributed to increased youth turnout. He noted that Nevada has over 3 million citizens, with approximately 2.1 million registered voters, and ranked fourth nationally in youth voter turnout. He emphasized the importance of continuing campus outreach and voter education, as well as using the Youth Task Force to better understand younger generations' communication preferences and improve voter engagement strategies.

Chair Odunze thanks Francisco Aguilar and agrees that Nevada needs to get to number one of voters. Chair Odunze also thanked him and his team for their time and for getting back to him so quickly to join us for this meeting.

Estimated Time: 20 minutes

6. COLLABORATION FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT — INFORMATION ONLY

NSA members will discuss increasing civic engagement on their respective campuses; discussion may include ideas for collaborating and participating in a friendly competition between institutions.

Chair Odunze shares that in the past NSA usually does civic engagement collaboration or competition. He wanted to get everyone's thoughts and ideas if we wanted to do something like this for this election.

President Curtis-Brown shares that he loves a friendly competition and would love to do something of that sort if everyone else agrees as well.

Emma King, Proxy for President Tavares, shares that as medical students there's nothing more exciting than a friendly competition and she believes this is a great idea.

President Raine requested clarification regarding the proposed competition, including how winners and placements would be determined.

Chair Odunze explained that it would be up to the group what this would look like. He mentioned that because all our institutions are so different in population size it would be the percentage of how many students voted.

President Salas mentioned that her institution student population is smaller, but they are still up to do the competition. She asked for clarification on how long this competition will last.

Chair Odunze clarified that it would start right after this meeting until Election Day.

Sergio Garcia, Vice President of UNR School of Medicine, shares that he agrees that a friendly competition would be a good strategy to get young voters to vote. He mentioned that a cool prize would be if the Secretary of State's Office gave the winner recognition to show that that institution got the highest youth voter turnout.

Chair Odunze agrees with this idea, and he will go ahead and ask if there would also be a way to get the winning school a certificate.

Chair Odunze shares that in the meanwhile we can all post this on our own student government social media accounts to promote this while we get the NSA account going. He wrapped up by thanking everyone for wanting to participate and itching to win another thing.

Estimated Time: 15 minutes

7. NSA DISCUSSION ON STUDENT REPRESENTATION AND ENGAGEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF REGENTS — INFORMATION ONLY

Discussion of NSA members' perspectives regarding student representation on the Board of Regents, including the concept of a student regent. Members may also discuss opportunities and processes for NSA to propose or request items for consideration on the Board of Regents' agendas via NSHE Bylaws, Article V, Section 10.

Item 7 opens at 9:17am.

Chair Odunze states we have brought this item again to discuss further as he has gotten more background and information from Terina on when past NSA teams have tried to implement this initiative. He shared that it had also been recommended to him to look for

NSHE institutional aspirational peers focusing on University of Nevada, Reno and University of Nevada, Las Vegas in which all their aspirational peers do have student regents with voting power. Therefore, Chair Odunze wanted to bring this topic back up to hear thoughts after speaking to the Chair, Chancellor, and Board Leadership during the September meeting.

Vice Chancellor Frierson, is wondering if we as NSA have discussed if when we are comparing ourselves to peers the dynamic of the Board being in the Constitution in Nevada, and whether or not that impacts the ability to create a position that would be a voting member and how that drives with it. He shares that one of the things that stands out to him when this conversation came previously was if we would even have constitutional opportunity to create a student voting position and if it would run the risk of students having dual representation. He encourages us to prepare ourselves if we do run across these questions.

President Flores asked if this student's regent position would be open to just NSA and their respective student governments or to all students across NSHE.

Chair Odunze mentions that this is also a great question and that it will really depend on us and whoever writes the policy if this does go through. He shares that the aspirational peers from UNLV and UNR do get their student regent through an appointment by the Governor, so students don't run an election. The Governor would receive finalists, an example would be like the NSA Election, and they choose from there. Essentially, this would be up to how this is written and what is best for Nevada if this passes or not.

Vice Chair Moss shares how the Vice Chancellor had a great point on the double representation topic. He mentioned how ASUN has gone through something similar with their honors college and how if there were issues of double representation it would be handled by
Professional Staff. Vice Chair Moss also agrees with Chair Odunze on this potentially being a Governor appointed position just like other institutions. He shares that there is a similar process with Student Member to the Board of Education for the State of Nevada where basically the Nevada Associations of Student Councils puts forward nominees for that organization for that position and the Governor appoints someone. Vice Chair Moss shares this is something we can look at for our reference if we want to go about this process; he believes this is much easier than holding a state-wide election for this position.

President Curtis-Brown asks for clarification on how long a Board of Regent position is for.

Chair Odunze clarifies that it was six and now it's four years.

President Curtis-Brown now wonders for how long the student representative would be appointed for. He would like to figure out the eligibility for this position considering the possible reduction of years to complete a bachelor's degree and how it takes two years to complete a master's degree. He brings up this point taking into consideration the different

number of years to complete different degrees and if that student graduates while they're still in their student regent term, would they still be qualified or eligible to be that student representative.

Chair Odunze believes that it's also a great point. He shares how all aspirational peers do things differently. He shares that some of those are two-year terms, where you serve your first year as a junior as a non-voting member and more so as a mentee where you get paired with a mentor that has voting power and eventually you'll become the senior member and that's a cycle that some institutions do. Regarding the concern on the length of degrees, he is hoping that some candidates can self-eliminate themselves and recognize that the opportunity can be given to someone else who will be a student longer.

President Flores is aware that most student government officers get paid through a stipend, but at Nevada State they get paid hourly limited to work 19.5 hours a week. She is wondering if this student regent position would get paid through these same ways by their student government budgets or if this will come from the NSHE budget.
Chair Odunze also believes this is a good point. He shares that hypothetically if we do decide to go through this with the Governor making an appointment with the NSHE Board of Regents, they would probably have the same compensation as the Regents, which is about $80 per meeting and their per diem for their flight and food. Chair Odunze also shares that Terina brought up a great point that if this student regent position were to be implemented, the faculty senate, classified council, and other groups are going to want to have their own representation. This would eventually start to complicate things across the Board.

President Muangsiri remembers that during the last NSA meeting Chair Goodman shared that NSA could request items to be brought forward at the Board of Regent's General Meeting. He is curious if this has been a successful mode and if not, this would be a good reason to have a student regent.

Chair Odunze shares that it's up too who is the Chair of the Board, and it's at the discretion what goes on the agenda and what doesn't. Regents also have the right to request an item if three regents also want the same item. The student regent can have a part and help with this as well.

Terina Caserto believes Chair Odunze has covered everything for the most part when we reflect on having a student regent. She also encouraged everyone to look at the NSA files in which you can find them on the NSA website to review past discussions.

Carrie Parker also references the Board's Bylaws, in which our respective student governments can request a President to advance something on the agenda.

Terina Caserto adds that access to the agenda can be found in the NSA files back in December of 2022, when that policy revision was proposed by the NSA Chair and Acting Vice Chancellor at that time. She mentioned that when proposing legislation, it's important to look at historical context like how Chair Odunze has been doing for this item.

Chair Odunze would like to know if this is something we want to continue pushing for or if we believe it's unnecessary and not suitable at this time.

Carrie Parker reminds NSA that this is an information item only, therefore, no motions can be taken. She suggested that if we wanted this item to be up for potential action, it could be at a future meeting, but she still encourages discussion.

President Salas suggested maybe starting this when the Regent's terms are over in 2028, though she also agrees with starting this student regent initiative sooner and having those conversations within its own task force like President Curtis-Brown mentioned.

No more discussion. Item 7 closed at 9:44am.

Estimated Time: 15 minutes

8. NSA DISCUSSION ON SOCIAL MEDIA MESSAGING AND STRATEGY **INFORMATION ONLY**

Discussion of NSA social media messaging, goals, and overall strategy, including how NSA can effectively communicate its priorities, increase student engagement, and strengthen awareness of NSA's role and activities across NSHE institutions.

Item 8 opened at 9:44am.

Chair Odunze explained that this initiative was something President Boulter wanted to establish. Following a meeting with Vice Chair Moss, Carrie, and Ashley, a concern was raised regarding the need for NSA to make timely statements or social media posts. He asked whether the team would be comfortable empowering the Vice Chair to make these decisions on behalf of NSA when an immediate response is needed. He also shared that they are working on creating a dedicated email address for NSA's social media platforms to ensure account access and login information are properly maintained during annual leadership transitions. Chair Odunze opened the floor for discussion and feedback on the proposal.

President Raine entered meeting at 9:30am.

President Raine expressed support for having a dedicated social media for NSA, emphasizing the potential impact if used effectively. He stated that he would be comfortable with the Chair and Vice Chair posting on behalf of NSA, especially since the team only meets once a month. However, he also acknowledges the importance of considering potential challenges this arrangement could create for future NSA teams.

President Flores expressed how she can also see this being complicating in the future when there are certain bills or items on an agenda that may benefit some schools but not all. She knows NSA only meets monthly which can pause things as far as posting but suggests there maybe being another option on getting everyone's approval. Though she does agree that this

platform can be used to showcase what NSA does, highlight different students in their student governments, and show the amazing things each of their governments do.

Chair Odunze shares that the process wouldn't be implemented for every NSA team to follow every year. Each team will have the opportunity to set their own foundations on how they want NSA social media to be led.

President Curtis-Brown echoed similar sentiments, stating that elected presidents must sometimes respond quickly to issues and make decisions without the opportunity to consult the full board. He emphasized that individuals elected to leadership positions are entrusted with making these decisions and expressed support for allowing the Chair and Vice Chair to post on behalf of NSA. However, he raised concern regarding representation if both the Chair and Vice Chair are undergraduate students, noting that they may not fully understand the challenges and experiences of graduate studnets when addressing issues that affect them.

President Dev Chinnappan shares that he agrees on the point made and emphasizes that it's nothing against the Chair and Vice Chair. He mentioned that within graduate school there are some aspects and thought processes that they have, and they would just like to ensure that everything is being represented properly.
Emma King shares that she agrees with President Curtis-Brown as well and that having to wait for NSA to approve of things each time can delay the process in which we can allow for Chair and Vice Chair to react quickly. She also agrees that someone with more context to be able to speak on behalf of graduate students is necessary to allow fair representation for both undergraduate and graduate students.

Chair Odunze completely understands everyone's points and took no offense to the discussion.

Terina Caserto appreciates the conversations and how everyone is delving into the different layers this entails. She shared that in her office and student, and academic affairs have a informal motto of "don't react, respond", which gets hard to do, especially during the Legislative session. She explains that the unfortunate part of the transition between NSA teams is that amendments start to come up after our terms end in the month of April. She emphasizes that she still encourages us all to speak with each other, not as NSA to have a voice of each of our institutions, and this is where Vice Chancellor Frierson and Assistant Vice Chancellor Rodriguez to maintain communication with our own institution's government affairs and NSHE's government affairs.

Chair Odunze mentions this is an additional good point to what the graduate students were saying. He emphasizes that if they were to address issues, it would be on issues that affect all students, both undergraduate and graduate students.

No more discussion. Item 8 closed at 10:00am.

Estimated Time: 15 minutes

9. NSA CHAIR UPDATE **INFORMATION ONLY**

NSA Chair or his designee may provide an update on any projects or tasks he is currently working on that pertain to NSA business.

Item 9 opened at 10:48am

Chair Odunze shared that Vice Chair Moss and himself have been working to start the NSA Instagram and NSA email with the help of Ashley, Carrie, and Terina. He also shared excitement for everyone's participation in the friendly competition for civic engagement during this election.

Item 9 closed at 10:49am

Estimated Time: 5 minutes

10. MEMBER UPDATES INFORMATION ONLY

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

Vice Chair Moss apologized for having to leave this meeting early to attend a separate meeting with the Vice President of Advancement at UNR. He shared that operations at the University of Nevada, Reno, were progressing smoothly and provided an update on preparations for Homecoming Week, scheduled to take place in two weeks. He also highlighted an ongoing endowment project intended to provide long-term funding for the PAC provision of student pantry. Vice Chair Moss expressed that he looks forward to meeting with the NSA again in person in December.

President Flores shared that NSSA has concluded the Constitution and Bylaws Task Force process, with the student body approving all four amendments. The amendments have been sent to General Counsel for review before being forwarded to the Vice President of Student Affairs and the University President for approval. President Flores also highlighted successful tabling events, which provided students with opportunities to ask questions and receive free merchandise. NSSA hosted its first BOR Basics 101 workshop, which received a positive turnout despite limited promotion. During the workshop, students raised concerns regarding tuition and fee increases, the potential removal of the NSHE IDEA Committee, and campus safety. In response to concerns about campus safety, including incidents at Cornell University, President Flores invited University Police Department representatives to an upcoming Joint Session meeting to address student questions and review UPD policies and procedures. Additionally, NSSA launched its annual Club and Organization Food Drive Competition, allowing student organizations to raise funds for their clubs while supporting the Student Wellness Food Pantry. President Flores also highlighted the successful hosting of NSU's traditional Scorpions Calling event to kick off midterm season. Lastly, President Flores thanked UNLV GPSA for inviting NSSA to the Board of Regents Election Town Hall and expressed enthusiasm for participating in the event.

President Curtis-Brown shares his excitement for the BOR Candidate Townhall that GPSA

is hosting and believes this will be a great turnout. GPSA has received final approval from UNLV General Counsel and has been forwarded to the Chancellor's Office for final review and signature. The revised constitution will restructure student government into exectuive and legislative branches, with a new board structure planned for Fall 2027. An implementation task force has been established to develop the transition plan, including timelines and responsibilities, pending the Chancellor's approval. President Curtis-Brown also announced that $112,000 in additional funding was secured to support student research, conference travel, and creative expression, recognizing campus partners for their support.

President Dev Chinnappan shared that GSA at UNR has had a busy and productive semester, with several new initiatives underway. He announced the introduction of the Graduate Student Champion Award to recognize individuals who advocate for and support graduate students. GSA also met with Provost Thompson to discuss dedicated research funding, receiving a positive response, and continues meeting with college deans to address graduate student concerns. President Dev Chinnappan reported that several colleges have increased graduate assistant grievance process, which is expected to be implemented soon. He highlighted upcoming events, including the State of the University address and field house inauguration on October 20, featuring the unveiling of the university's new logo, and the Fall Graduate Student Poster Symposium on October 27, to which university leaders, regents, and the Chancellor have been invited. GSA has also successfully organized a clothing drive to support students.

Emma King, Proxy for President Tavares, shares that next week they will be reviewing and approving their new constitution, so they are very excited about this moving forward. Lastly, she shared that she is the first-year medical student class president, so she is excited to get more involved and be a representative for everyone.

President Raine shared that their SGA is currently without a dedicated advisor following James Kendall's retirement and departure to another university. He noted that the team continues to follow existing policies and procedures. He announced the arrival of the new mascot, and highlighted the upcoming Beats and Bites event, featuring a rock band and the first major campus dance since before COVID-19. President Raine also shared that SGA is updating its Constitution and Bylaws and will request assistance with reviewing and finalizing the documents from Ashley.

President Salas shared that ASWN hosted and will be hosting several successful events across both campuses in October, including October Fest, National Noodle Day, Coffee with a Cop, and Constitution Day with voter registration. Upcoming activities include Breast Cancer Awareness Month initiatives, participation in the Nevada Day parade, Halloween celebrations, and Dia de los Muertos. She highlighted plans for a campus-wide altar-making competition with the winning entry to receive a trophy.

Chair Odunze announced that CSUN will participate in and sponsor UNLV Pride shirts for the Las Vegas Pride Parade. He also shared plans for a community block party to increase student engagement and connect students with civic processes, with event details provided to

the Secretary of State. The first day of CSUN Senate Elections will coincide with the parade, with newly elected senators.

Item 10 closed at 10:48am.

Estimated Time: 10 minutes

11. 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.*).

Estimated Time: 5 minutes

Create a Task Force to explore a Student Regent
Internal Policy/Cheat Sheet on Social Media posting content

12. PUBLIC COMMENT — INFORMATION ONLY

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