

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mrs. Stephanie Prevost, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA (NSA Chair)
Ms. Sharon Young, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA (NSA Vice Chair)
Mr. Angelo DePerez, Western Nevada College, ASWN (NSA Secretary)
Mr. Jake Pereira, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN
Ms. RJ Boyajian, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA
Ms. DeMarynee Saili, Great Basin College, SGA
Ms. Megan Johnson, Desert Research Institute, GRAD
Mr. William McCurdy, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN

Members Absent: Mr. Elias Benjelloun, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN
Mr. David Cortez-Lopez, Nevada State College, NSSA

Others Present: Dan Klaich, Chancellor, NSHE
Kevin Page, Chair, Board of Regents, NSHE
Rick Trachok, Vice Chair, Board of Regents, NSHE
Renee Davis, NSHE
Omar Saucedo, NSHE
Scott Young, NSHE

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

INFORMATION

3. DISCUSSION WITH BOARD CHAIR AND CHANCELLOR

INFORMATION

Chair Prevost asked about the 15 to Finish campaign and how it related to the NSHE's proposed Millennium BDR. Chancellor Klaich explained the request is for the maximum funding level for the Millennium scholarship to be raised from 12 credits each semester to 15 credits per semester so it can assist the students that are enrolled in the 15 to Finish program and want to complete their program in time.

A question was asked about the available extensions for the Millennium Scholarship expiration date because six years may not be enough time for part-time students who are limited in the number of credits they can take each semester. Chancellor Klaich and Renee Davis explained that students can extend their period of eligibility for the Millennium Scholarship for up to 6 years from their original scholarship expiration date. In order to qualify for an extension, students must have either served in the military or participated in a charitable mission.

Chancellor Klaich explained that these types of limitations are one of the reasons the Board is putting forth to the legislature a proposal for a need based financial aid program (\$5 million) that would go to students at the community colleges and state college. He pointed out that 90 plus % of Millennium recipients are attending UNR or UNLV. It is hoped that by awarding students through this new program, it would make it possible to convince more students to take 15 credits and therefore be more likely to graduate. 15 to Finish, State-Supported Financial Aid, and the Millennium proposal are a package. The Board wants more students to graduate, but it also wants to help them not have to work a second job. It is a little bit of a tough love message.

President Young asked about an item on the Board of Regents agenda concerning the iNtegrate fee. To Chancellor Klaich's best recollection, he believes that the Board imposed that fee when the student information system was first implemented. And there was a discussion... might have even been a tech committee at the time that responded; "We'll review it" (about whether the fee would be continued after implementation of the student information system). One of the mistakes made in the first phase of iNtegrate was not taking the cost of back fill into consideration. If we are to go forth to the second phase of iNtegrate, which the Chancellor thinks is likely, he will recommend keeping the fee. It just has to be spent. Chair Page also mentioned at some point the fee should sunset as originally intended.

Chancellor Klaich asked President McCurdy how registration and financial aid is going at CSN. President McCurdy said things were pretty good, but gave a brief description of a situation concerning delays of the students' financial aid disbursement checks. Unfortunately, many students did not receive their checks in the promised timeline. President McCurdy said things are better, but there is room for improvement.

Chair Prevost mentioned how TMCC has been in a bit of the same situation. Some students have not been able to purchase books from lack of checks being sent on time.

Chancellor Klaich hopes that the next phase of iNtegrate and the work that CSN has done will benefit the entire system and help the processing of financial aid to be more efficient. Chair Page remarked that he would follow up on /P <</MCIDc 0.001(i41he)4(r)c 0 Tw rk t(ks)-1ork t sp t82 -1.15 T Ce

line item or a slice of the student per-credit fee? Ms. Davis said she would look into this question