

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

Minutes

November 10, 2016

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE)

Reno System Administration Building, Room 134

2601 Enterprise Road

Reno, NV 89512

NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez congratulates both TMCC and CSN, it shows how far the NSA has come with standing behind the Resolution to Supporting Students with Disabilities. Hoping that the momentum will continue with future Resolutions.

NSA Chair Desiree DeCosta seconds NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez's sentiments. Thanking everyone for their hard work, giving special thanks to NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez and his team at CSUN.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES : FOR POSSIBLE ACTION  
NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez moves to approve the minutes of September 8, 2016 and October 13, 2016.  
NSA Member Jill Robinson seconds.  
Motion passes by majority vote.
  
6. NSA NEWSLETTER: INFORMATION  
NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez informs the NSA Members that the deadline for the



NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez states his excitement for NSA's support for this resolution. That this is something that each of the members can take back to their students to show what the NSA is doing.

9. NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATION

NSA Secretary David Turner II would like to address the Excess Credit Fee. That the fee does fund a minimum of two positions within each institution's Academic Advising. However that should not be the only thing keeping the excess credit fee in place, as it does not appear to be doing its intended purpose. That there are already steps in place to keep students on track. That this fee seems to hurt, Veterans, Nontraditional, disabled students. That a system should be put in place to delay enrollment in classes to allow other students not at the excess credit limit to take the classes they need.

NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez states while the issue had been brought up, NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez feels there is a more pressing issue with DACA students. That students have already reached out with questions of what the NSA is going to do. That it may be better to have a different resolution ready for the next meeting to help DACA students.

NSA Chair Desiree DeCosta mirrors NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez statement.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION

NSA Vice Chair Carlos Fernandez congratulates NSA Secretary David Turner II on his new marriage.

Ms. Augustina Fernandez asks about her giving her thoughts on the Resolution Supporting Students with Disabilities?

Ms. Renée Davis states that Open Meeting Laws prevent this being discussed during public comment, and that if an item is missed by a member, it's missed.

Ms. Augustina Fernandez apologizes for being late.

11. ADJURNMENT

NSA Chair Desiree DeCosta adjourns the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

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current and expected future service demands, including, but not limited to, documentation, intake, note taking, and testing; AND

- If passed, a version of this resolution shall be forwarded the December 2016 NSHE Board of Regents' meeting, including any relevant committee meeting(s).

ADOPTED by the Nevada Student Alliance on this 13<sup>th</sup> Day of October 2016.

Attest:

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Desiree DeCosta, NSA Chair

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Carlos Fernandez, NSA Vice-Chair

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David Turner II, NSA Secretary

VOTE: Y\_\_\_\_\_ N\_\_\_\_\_ A\_\_\_\_\_

For more, see supplemental attachment

Supplemental Attachment- Bill Number: ER 4607

- Urges the NSHE Administration to review the physical accessibility of buildings most accessed by students; AND
- Urges the NSHE Administration to assist in providing students, staff, faculty, guests, and employment candidates with effective communication (e.g., audio/visual) accommodations for university meetings, including, but not limited to, those hosted by the Nevada Student Alliance; AND
- Urges the NSHE Board of Regents and the Nevada Student Alliance to consider issues of equal access when setting student ticket policies for athletic events; AND
- Urges the NSHE Board of Regents to amend its Handbook, and all student governments under the Nevada Student Alliance to amend their own Constitution, to reflect the inclusion of students with cognitive, developmental, intellectual, learning, and mobility disabilities in all aspects of campus life, including the ability to participate fully in NSHE AND
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- Urges the NSHE Board of Regents and the all higher education administrators to increase degree and course offerings which specialize in the area of cognitive, developmental, intellectual, learning, and/ or mobility disabilities; AND
- Urges the NSHE Board of Regents and higher education administrators to design, recruit, train, and develop positions which can be performed by employment candidates with cognitive, developmental, intellectual, learning, and/ or mobility disabilities with reasonable accommodations, including all student governments associated with the Nevada Student Alliance and the student candidates for elected and/ or appointed positions it seeks annually; AND
- Urges the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents and higher education administrators to conduct an