

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

**AGENDA
December 2, 2021
7:00 a.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 AM.

**University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Student Union
4505 S. Maryland Parkway
Las Vegas
Room 211**

MEMBERS: **Matthew Hawn, University of Nevada, Reno, GSA (NSA Chair) Present**
Caren Yap, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, CSUN (NSA Vice Chair) Present
Austin Brown, University of Nevada, Reno, ASUN (NSA Secretary) Present
Zachary Johnigan, College of Southern Nevada, ASCSN Present
Lauren Porter, Nevada State College, NSSA Present
Darian Richards, Truckee Meadows Community College, SGA Present
Andrea Sanchez de Loza, Western Nevada College, ASWN Present
Zachary Stamp, Great Basin College, SGA Present
Nicole Thomas, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, GPSA Present
Office Vacant, Desert Research Institute, GRAD

Guests:

- **Terina Caserto, NSA Advisor**
- **Renee Davis, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs**
- **Heather Rikalo, ASWN Advisor**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

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1. ROLL CALL

NSA Secretary Austin Brown will take the roll call of members and any persons serving as a proxy for a member.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

Public comment will be taken during this agenda item. No action may be taken on a matter raised

Proposed Revision to NSHE Procedures and Guidelines Manual

Chapter 7, new Section 4 and Section 6

November 19, 2021

Timeline Since Passage of SB 109

During 2021 Session, the Nevada Legislature enacted, and Governor Sisolak signed into law [Senate Bill 109](#) (Chapter 489, *Statutes of Nevada 2021*), which revised NRS 239B to require the collection of data on gender identity and sexual orientation by state agencies whenever they collect data on race/ethnicity. Soon after session closed, NSHE's Department of Academic & Student Affairs began work on an update to the *NSHE Procedures and Guidelines Manual* to bring the system into compliance with state law. The

gender identity. Sex is based on biological characteristics while gender is based on socially constructed characteristics. (See [Current Measures of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity in Federal Surveys](#))

- Concern was also expressed about including a third category in addition to “Male” and “Female”:

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NSHE students that having a single NSHE ID means not having to update multiple campuses when changes are made to the shared ID record. Sex will continue to be used for general (aggregated) reporting purposes as gender has been in the past. Gender identity and sexual orientation data will be stored securely in PeopleSoft separate from sex; while these fields will also be used for aggregated reporting, campuses have the ability to limit access to such data. Finally, the purpose of collecting pronouns is to share them widely in order to create a more welcoming environment for students. In addition, each of the questions include a “prefer not to answer” option, so students will never be required to respond.

