

MEETING MINUTES MARCH 10, 2023

NEVADA STUDENT ALLIANCE (NSA)

AGENDA

3. **DISCUSSION WITH BOARD MEMBERS AND CHANCELLOR**

INFORMATION ONLY

Student representatives will have the opportunity to have an open dialogue with the officers of the Board of Regents and the Chancellor. The discussion will include student experiences, concerns of their constituents, and other matters related to their roles in student government.

Chair Stanfill opens the discussion by welcoming the Acting Chancellor of NSHE and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Regents and opening the floor to NSA members to ask questions.

Question is directed to the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Regents regarding their opinion to the renaming of Nevada State College to be discussed at the Board of Regents meeting later that same day. Chair Brooks comments he cannot speak on behalf of the Board but does discuss that there will be numerous questions today before determining the direction of the vote from the Board. That the research has been conducted and it there has been transparency.

The Chair and Vice Chair of Regents were then asked about the highlights and lowlights of their new roles. Vice Chair Arrascada spoke of transparency and success. Chair Brooks spoke about the time commitment as a Regent to be effective in areas to make a difference and spoke about opportunities through the challenges presented.

Chair Brooks views the NSA as having a voice, level of empowerment and level of collaboration and continues comments regarding the process of communication with NSA as being important. Chair Brooks speaks of how students can approach the Regents and use the Regents as a resource.

Acting Chancellor Erquiaga gives a general legislative update including budget hearing; a few bill to watch that increase student access through fee waivers and residency requirements. There are also bills concerning nursing, mental and behavioral health.

The Chair and Vice Chair of the Board were then asked about their goals. The responses included being interested in tasks that produce student success such as, but not limited to, dual enrollment program and College and Career Readiness.

Next the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board were asked how NSHE is preparing for students facing homelessness and food insecurity. In general services at the individual campuses were mentioned for providing both resources for homelessness and food insecurities.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

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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.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT**INFORMATION ONLY**

Public comment will be taken during this agenda item. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. Comments will be limited to two minutes per person. Persons making comment should begin by stating their name for the record and spelling their last name.

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Ashley Martinez – student from University of Nevada, Reno.

I just want to say thank you to all the members of the Nevada Student Alliance for everything that you've accomplished this year. I think this body has proved what students can do when they're a unified front and sharing their collective interest. I want to thank you all for the efforts that you've made towards progressing student action on every level of government, but especially at the level of the Board of Regents and the Nevada System of Higher Education, and I want to make sure that, you know, hopefully you can all pass along to your, whoever your next president or vice president is, or your student representative at this table, and make sure that the message is clear that when students show up and they show up together, there's a lot that could be accomplished in terms of student advocacy. So, thank you.

Kimberly Clausen – Student from the University of Nevada.

First, I want to thank everyone at the table for your time and service to our students. I know the amount of hard work and sacrifice this takes, and I want to start by sharing my appreciation for that. Next, I want to say that students are getting more involved than ever before. I've come across so many passionate individuals, not just from you and are but from many institutions in my rol., I want to say that just as the Regents are a resource for students, students are too resource for the Regents. I encourage you not only to strive to be approachable, but to find opportunities to reach out to the student body at any and all campuses. Being accessible is one thing but being visible is another. Please consider your role in ensuring that students know who you are, what you believe in, and how they can get involved. You would be surprised to see how many will show up.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 a.m. with comments from Chair Stanfill that it is the last meeting of the year and congratulations. Also she thanked the Chair and Vice Chair of the Board of Regents for attending.

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