

ASCSN Student Government
Senate Meeting Agenda
College of Southern Nevada

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Meeting Location:
College of Southern Nevada
Henderson Campus
Student Union #130

Virtual Location: tinyurl.com/ASCSNSenateFa23

Friday, October 20th, 2023- 11:00AM

ROLL CALL:

Executive Board Officers:

X Pio Rejas, President
X Zipporah Nixon, Vice President
X Naomi Assefa, Secretary
X Janeth Vences, Treasurer

West Charleston Senators:

X Gerardo Aguilar
UNEX Ashley Bivins
X Christian Johnson
X Saeun (Tina) Yun

North Las Vegas Senators:

X Piero Alfredo Guzman
X Dasia Thompson
X Helena Bauchrowitz
X Linus Wüellner

Extension Site Senators:

X Briana Mercado
X Amber Latimer

Advisors:

X Brian Akins, Advisor

Henderson Senators:

X Gilda Espinoza
X Joshua Loera
X Rebecca Taylor
X Dallas Hansen

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

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Call to Order: 11:01am

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TIME ALLOCATED: 2 minutes per speaker

- I. 11:02am West Charleston senator Christian read student suggestions from the suggestion box. Which are: CSN President's support for Palestine and Charleston campus should become more vibrant.
- II. Jane reminded everyone that Monster Mash is in less than a week and emphasized that student government is a co-sponsor and that ASCSN members can volunteer and assist.

III. North Las Vegas Senator Helena stated that ASCSN has a booth at the monster mash and invited the senators to assist.

**2. ASCSN MEETING MINUTES
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. ASCSN Shall vote on approving the meeting minutes from October 20th, 2023.

This item will be led by ASCSN Secretary, Naomi Assefa
TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes for report & deliberations.

- I. 11:07am Secretary Naomi explained the agenda item.
- II. 1ST Motion Extension site senator Briana.
- III. 2nd Motion West Charleston senator Christian.
- IV. Motion passes with a majority vote. 16-0-0

**3. SECRETARY'S REPORT
FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

- a. ASCSN Secretary Naomi shall update the senate with her current secretary report.

This item will be led by ASCSN Secretary, Naomi Assefa
TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes for the report

- I. 11:09am Secretary Naomi gave a report on who received the scholarships and reminded the remaining senate to email her if they received it or not.

**4. ASCSN TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

- a. ASCSN Treasurer Janeth shall update the senate with her current treasurer's report.

This item will be led by ASCSN Treasurer, Janeth Vences
TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes for report

- I. 11:10am Treasurer Janeth gave her treasure report.
- II. Hosting: \$-3521.00
- III. General Operation: \$26,668.00
- IV. Travel: \$8787.00

**5. NEVADA OPEN MEETING LAW TRAINING
FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

- a. Student government is an organization that works closely with the student body and decides the best for our constituents. However, the best thing is to make sure that at the time we make decisions on record, we are not making any mistakes. That's why I requested Nevada Open Meeting Law training.

This item will be led by Debra Pieruschka from General Counsel
TIME ALLOCATED: 20 minutes for the agenda item

- I. 11:11pm Pio explained the agenda item.
- II. Debra Pieruschka from General Counsel introduced herself and explained about Nevada open meeting laws which are the opening meeting law (OML) is a regulation that governs the meetings of student governments in Nevada, including ASCSN. It requires a simple majority of the total body and can be created through conversations or electronic communication. The OML applies to all student governments, including those with approved constitutions. Violations of OML can result in penalties, such as a quorum reduction, vacancy reduction, or the need for judicial proceedings. The law is enforced by the Board of Regents.
- III. President Pio asked if texting in the chat while in meeting violates the law.
- IV. Debra mentioned that it doesn't but can't talk about voting.
- V. West Charleston senator Christian asked if Proxy violates the law.
- VI. Debra stated that it doesn't violate the law.
- VII. 11:57am 1st Motion to add 15 minutes extension site Briana.
- VIII. 2nd Motion North Las Vegas Piero.
- IX. Debra added on Deliberation, means collectively examining and weighing reasons for or against an action. A walking quorum or constructive quorum is achieved through serial communications, polling, and sharing thoughts. Public comment allows members to present grievances or concerns to their government, influencing their decision-making process. The First Amendment applies but cannot restrict viewpoints unless they are willfully disruptive or interfere with the rights of other speakers.

6. ID MACHINE SUPPLIES FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. We need ID cards and ribbons for the ID Machine to last until Spring 2024. Last senate (Summer 2023) only approved for 11 ribbons: NLV 4, WC 3 and HN 4 and ID cards: NLV - 2 pkgs, (200), WC - 0 and HN - 2 pkgs, (200).

This item will be led by Sonni King from Student Government and Leadership Development
TIME ALLOCATED: 10 minutes for the agenda item

- I. 12:38pm President Pio explained the agenda item.
- II. 1st Motion to table the agenda item since Miss Sonia was not present in the meeting Henderson senator Rebecca.
- III. 2nd Motion Extension site Briana.
- IV. Motion passes with a majority vote. 16-0-0

7. CLUB RECOGNITION AND SEED MONEY ALLOCATION FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. The ASCSN Senate shall vote and deliberate to recognize and allocate \$600 for 4 clubs for this Fall 2023 seed money to the following organizations:
 - i. Campus Ministry International Restored-\$150
 - ii. Coyote Crew Club-\$150
 - iii. Student Women's Alliance-\$150
 - iv. Women in Cyber Security-\$150

This item will be led by ASCSN Vice President, Zipporah Nixon

TIME ALLOCATED: 10 minutes for the agenda item

- I. 12:20pm President Pio explained the agenda item.
- II. Both student women's alliance and coyote crew representatives introduced themselves and explained their initiatives.
- III. Secretary Naomi asked if cyber security club was present on the October 13th meeting.
- IV. Advisor Akins stated that they were present but not recognized in the meeting.
- V. Extension site senator Briana asked if there were 2 cyber security clubs.
- VI. West Charleston senator Christian stated that there are 2 cyber security clubs.
- VII. President Pio asked if there were clubs who are present in the meeting that were not recognized on the agenda.
- VIII. Student Kate, representative of surgical tech club stated that surgical tech club was not recognized.
- IX. Advisor Akins mentioned that the clubs who are present are the only ones who will get the money.
- X. West Charleston senator Christian reminded student Kate that she should attend the senate meeting to be recognized.
- XI. 1st Motion to amend the \$300 for the 2 clubs who were present at the meeting. (Coyote Crew Club-\$150 Student Women's Alliance-\$150) West Charleston senator Christian.
- XII. 2nd Motion Secretary Naomi.
- XIII. Motion Passes with a Roll call vote. 16-0-0

8. CSN FEMININE EQUITY PRODUCTS INITIATIVE FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. CSN's previous student body president brought forth the initiative that period equity should become available at CSN campuses. A grant of \$5,000 can be used for the purchase of period products but does not complete the need for dispensers and further hygiene products to sustain our students for the school year. The request is for \$19,835 to come from PYC. Period equity is needed for CSN students and for people across the nation. Other NSHE institutions in the valley have provided their students with the same basic hygienic needs to make sure they continue their studies and have an overall positive graduation success rate.

This item will be led by ASCSN Treasurer, Janeth Vences

TIME ALLOCATED: 15 minutes for the agenda item

- I. 12:39pm President Pio explained the agenda item.
- II. Treasurer Janeth reported that she spoke with Dr. Avalos and learned that it will require an executive sponsor and that it is a five-year plan.
- III. 1st Motion to table the agenda item indefinitely Henderson senator Rebecca.
- IV. 2nd Motion Extension site senator Briana.
- V. Motion passes with a roll call vote. 16-0-0

9. ASCSN SENATE REPORT FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- a. President's Report

- I. President Pio shared an information about the board of regents which is; On October 20th, the Board of Region will host a workshop on effective governing boards, led by the James G Martin Center for Academic Renewal. The center, a partisan organization, has been flagged by the American Association of University Professors for its role in erosion of governance in the UNC system. The event aims to promote information and raise awareness about the situation.
 - b. Vice President's Report
 - I. Vice president Zipporah reminded the senate about breast cancer walk.
 - c. Senator Reports
 - I. Henderson Senator Gilda appreciated the Senate for providing input on the period equity and the action plan to spend the \$5000 on sanitary supplies. Additionally, posters will be created to raise awareness of the items among students, and \$5000 will be provided (WC:2500, NLV:1500, and HC:1000).
 - II. West Charleston senator Gerardo reminded the senate that his event will be happening on the 2nd of October, mentioned that the ball room has been secured from 8:30am- 8:30pm and asked the senate if scholarships can be created.
 - III. North Las Vegas Senator Dasia stated that the homecoming event was successful.
 - IV. North Las Vegas senator Piero mentioned that the homecoming event was very successful and got a lot of good feedback.
 - V. Henderson senator Rebecca congratulated NLV campus senators on their event and stated that she has 40 posters for fentanyl for each campus to be posted.
 - VI. Extension Site Senator Briana asked whether it was possible to hold an animal adoption fair and a Halloween event. The campus needs additional food alternatives for students, additionally mentioned that an event calendar should be created and provided to marketing.
 - VII. NLV senator Dasia reminded the senate about the coyote thanksgiving.
 - d. Committee Chair Reports
 - I. No committee chair report.
 - II. Secretary Naomi asked if tasks are given for the committees.
 - III. President Pio replied that the chairs and co-chairs of the committees will be given tasks and trainings.
 - IV. Extension site senator Briana asked if switching positions is possible.
 - V. Advisor Akins replied yes.
 - e. Advisor Brian Akins
 - I. Advisor Akins stated that there would be a meeting to discuss the \$2500 scholarship. Furthermore, appreciated Senator Gilda of Henderson for taking the initiative, organizing the discussion on period equity, and reminding the Senate to arrive on time for meetings.

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes per speaker

10. NEW BUSINESS
FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- a. 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.

TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes

- I. 1:10pm West Charleston senator Gerado mentioned creating a merit scholarship for students with a good GPA.
II. Henderson senator Rebecca noted that tone is important while speaking.

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- I. 1:13pm Student Cesar Lopez brought up the need for openness and responsibility. He stated that it has been six months after his removal from the Senate, adding that action and an end to delay are both necessary.

12. ADJOURNMENT
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I. Meeting adjourned at 1:27pm.

APPROVED