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October 14, 2013
4:00 – 6:00 PM
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This meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

ROLL CALL:
Present: Mr. Alex Porter, Chair
Mr. Deuvall Dorsey, NSSA (Attended at 4:05)
Ms. Alejandra Leon, ASWN
Mr. Michael Gordon, GPSA
Mr. Ziad Rashdan ASUN (Attended at 4:04)
Ms. Stephanie Prevost, TMCC SGA
Mr. Noah Fraser, DRI
Mr. Antonio Guerrero ASCSN
Ms. RJ Boyajian, GSA

Absent: Mr. Mark Ciavola, CSUN

Guests: Mr. Isaac Duran
Ms. DeMarynee Saili
Ms. Crystal Abba
Ms. Jessica Lujan (Left at 4:50)
Mr. Tevin Flores (Left at 4:50)
Ms. Adriana Mendez

Call to Order at 4:00

1. PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION/DISCUSSION
NONE

2. APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY/ROLL CALL FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
ASWN President from WNC Alejandra Leon has been appointed by the Chairman Porter as the new NSA Secretary.

3. DISCUSSION WITH CHANCELLOR KLAICH INFORMATION
President Gordon addressed the issue of how the information about the NSHE South building, board room furniture and AV equipment will be. Chancellor Klaich informed that the price of the overall expenditures are not determined will be announced when the budget has been set. As the school goes up in price, is a raise a possibility? It's been about 5 years since DRI has seen a raise, President Fraser stated that it's important to fix increases within tuition to their respective institutions. Senate Bill 391 committee has been appointed, they began to plan on meeting in January with six planned meetings for the year of 2014. The committee is on a slow start but it is still too soon to guess on the agenda what item will be brought up. The issue of service areas are to be discussed at the special Board of Regents meeting in November. The regents main concern is to discuss what's are the necessary improvements to get the process going in getting things done. President Gordon brought up the topic of individual institution tuition increases. With response, Chancellor Klaich mentioned there is more room to increase it in the university level but it will be a lot more difficult for the community colleges. There is no intentions to increase tuition and fees until the tuition and fees committee brings up some recommendations. There were are plenty of chances for input for the people voices to be heard with these increase in tuition which will be ready to put on the agenda for the board meeting in March. The E-learning committee had limited progress in the first meeting with a lot of good vibes for the goals. It's also on the aggressive time crunch. Budget hearings for each institution is set in place.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

President Gordon motions for approval, President Dorsey seconds the motion with the abstention of President Boyajian, motion passes.

5. NSA LOGO

There's no update, but is to be tabled until the December meeting.

6. STUDENT REGENT

Director of the Legislative Affairs for UNR with ASUN and was unfortunately unable to present their proposal for student regent and is absent but he will be presenting his proposal at our next meeting through IAV conference on Nov 12.

7. NSHE E-LEARNING TASK FORCE

The meeting was productive to get to know each other and get the goals on the table for the year. Chairman Porter will be sending the meeting dates and locations to the whole group. Remediation is the priority for the this committee and more will be set with the November meeting.

8. NSHE TUITION AND FEES COMMITTEE

The board is very specific on their policy to ensuring a predictability of tuition and fees. At a minimum, tuition will have to increase by 1.7% each year by HEPI standards. The tuition bracket was on concerned and will not be seen. Once the committee brings recommendations to the board there will be student hearings at each campus. The tuition and fees committee is only there to decide the tuition increase not exactly where the fees are to be distributed. The student voice is so important in this committee. RJ pointed out the importance of increase of the tuition
but we need to remind students about the resources brought by these increases. Through WICHE, trending states help influence how tuition increases might be raised. It is highly advised to bringing up the affordability to the legislature for more state supported aid. The good neighboring discount along with other discounts have been cut because of the budget cuts.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION
Thursday night dinner is optional at our December meeting. Thanks to the Student Government Association at Great Basin College their hospitality at our September meeting, they treated us well.

10. NEW BUSINESS

President Boyajian requested that the topic of NSA Funding be addressed at the next NSA meeting.

ADJOURNMENT at 5:09

Posted in accordance with Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRSCh. 241) at the following locations:
CSN, Building D, 1st Floor, 6375 W. Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89146-1124
DRI, Maxey Building, 2215 Raggio Parkway, Reno, NV 89512-1095
DRI, Southern Nevada Science Center, 755 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89119-7363
GBC, Berg Hall, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, NV 89801
NSC, Great Hall, 1125 Nevada State Drive, Henderson, NV 89015
TMCC, Red Mountain Building (RDMT 200) 7000 Dandini Blvd. Reno, NV 89512
UNLV, Flora Dungan Humanities 9 (FDH), 1st and 7th Floors, 4505 Marlyand Parkway, Las Vegas, NV 89154-1001
UNR, Clark Administration, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV 89557
WNC, Bristlecone Building Lobby, 2201 W. College Parkway, Carson City, NV 89703
System Administration, 5550 W. Flamingo, Suite C-1, Las Vegas NV 89103
System Administration, 2601 Enterprise Road, Reno, NV 89512