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University of Nevada, Las Vegas

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

SENATE MEETING 55-04

*DATE AND TIME: Monday, November 25th,
2024 at 6:00PM*

**Student Union – 203 B&C
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
4505 S. Maryland Parkway
Las Vegas, Nevada 89154**

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ROLL CALL

Seated Senators: **19/25**

Quorum: **13**

CHAIR: **Senate President Abbo**

Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering

- Senator Gerwaski- *Present*

- Senator Vega- *Present*
- VACANT

College of Liberal Arts

- Senator Dahlby- *Unexcused*
- Senator Ibarra Lira -*Present*
- Senator Odunze- *Present*
- Senator Ordonio- *Unexcused*
- Senator Thomas- *Unexcused*
- Senator Tuitele- *Present*

College of Fine Arts

- Senator Hankins- *Present*
- Senator Pennie- *Present*

College of Sciences

- Senator Perez Martinez- *Present*
- Senator Tecklay- *Excused*

Greenspun College of Urban Affairs

- Senator Davis- *Present*
- Senator Rivera Gaytan- *Present*

William F. Harrah College of Hospitality

- Senator Vernon- *Present*

Lee Business School

- Senator Curry- *Excused until 7pm*
- Senator Staples- *Present*
- VACANT
- VACANT

College of Education

- VACANT

Division of Health Sciences

- Senator Flores- *Present*
- Senator Shaw- *Excused*
- VACANT
- VACANT

Meeting called to order at 6:04 pm.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ABOUT THE AGENDA AND

PUBLIC MEETING NOTE:

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be presented and considered at the meeting. Notification is hereby provided that items on the agenda may be taken out of the order and presented, two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration, and an agenda item may be removed from the agenda or discussion relating to an item on the agenda may be delayed at any time.

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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 three minutes per person. Persons making comments will be asked to begin by stating their name for the record and to spell their last name. The Board Chair may elect to allow additional public comment on a specific agenda item when that agenda item is being considered. In accordance with Attorney General Opinion No. 00-047, as restated in the Attorney General's Open Meeting Law Manual, the Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Body, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

AGENDA

Call to Order and Roll Call
(See previous page for Roll Call)

1. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT INFORMATION ONLY The University of Nevada, Las Vegas wishes to acknowledge and honor the Indigenous communities of this region and recognize that the university is situated on the traditional homelands of the Nuwuvi, Southern Paiute People. We offer gratitude for the land itself, for those who have stewarded it for generations, and for the opportunity to study, learn, work, and be in community with this land.

Opened: 6:06 pm

Senator Thomas was present at 6:07 pm.

Closed: 6:07 pm

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

Opened: 6:07 pm

Closed: 6:08 pm

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[55-03](#) Meeting Minutes – as posted to the public

Opened: 6:08pm

Senator Gerwaski- Asks about colorizing minutes.

Senate President Abbo- Minutes are italicized to follow accessibility rules.

With a vote of 14-0-0 the 55-03 Meeting Minutes have been approved.

Closed: 6:09 pm

4. REPORTS

INFORMATION ONLY

A. SENATE COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Chair of each Senate Committee will report to the Senate concerning relevant action or business which has taken place in their respective committees since the last meeting of the Senate.

Opened: 6:43 pm

Ways & Means - Chair Curry

Chair Curry- Talks about looking over operating policy for new committee members. States that they are excited for the first meeting tomorrow at 7 pm.

Senator Gerwaski- Asks how many RSOs have been funded.

Advisor Hare- States total budget used and remaining budget.

Senate President Abbo- States there may be additional room to budget.

Senator Curry- There is future RSO funding.

Senator Vernon- States have seen 47 RSOs in total and 44 have been funded.

Scholarships & Grants - Chair Odunze

Chair Odunze- Talks about deciding future meeting dates. States for members to come to the next meeting with new ideas.

Senator Davis- Asks for meetings to be Wednesday.

Internal Affairs - Chair Thomas

Chair Thomas- Shows excitement for future meeting dates and encourages joining the committee. Plans to meet December 5th.

Senator Gerwaski- Asks for clarification of email.

University Initiatives - Chair Hankins

Chair Hankins- Talks about committee operations and first meeting date will be later determined.

Senator Gerwaski- Asks about a floating budget.

Senate President Abbo- States there is no University Initiatives budget.

Chair Hankins- States money can be from sponsorships.

Closed: 6:54 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

B. PROFESSIONAL STAFF REPORTS

The CSUN Professional Staff will report to the Senate concerning relevant action or business which has taken place in their areas since the last meeting of the Senate.

Opened: 6:54 pm

Advisor Hare- Talks about professional development and enjoying the experience. Refers to several spreadsheets sent out via Email and the Legislative Google Shared Drive. Tells committee chairs to give deadlines if needed. Tells Senators to introduce themselves to their College's Deans. Talks about upcoming tabling opportunities.

Closed: 7:02 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes

C. LIAISON REPORTS

The CSUN Department Liaisons will report to the Senate concerning relevant action or business which has taken place in their respective areas since the last meeting of the Senate.

Opened: 7:02 pm

Senate President Pro Tempore

SPPT Flores- Gives updates to interns. Tell the committee chair to send out reminders and Senators should be communicating. Reminds Senators to send mass emails.

Senator Gerwaski- Asks SPPT Flores how to ensure email has been checked before sending out.

SPPT Flores- Talks about meeting up with fellow Senators to complete Email and attach the name to the portion worked on.

Attorney General

Attorney General Muneer- Encourages communication. Warns about not violating Nevada Open Meeting Law. Refers Senators to read all CSUN Governing documents.

Senator Gerwaski- Talks about future business in a personal chat.

Attorney General Muneer- Talks about the chat having quorum and walking quorum which will violate Nevada Open Meeting Law..

Directors
Judicial Council

Closed: 7:13 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

D. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

The President, Vice President, and Senate President will report to the Senate concerning relevant action or business which has taken place in their respective areas since the last meeting of the Senate.

Opened: 7:13 pm

President
Vice President
Senate President

Senate President Abbo- Talks about upcoming CSUN Bootcamp date. Tells committee chairs to send new members by tonight to put on the next meeting agenda.

Senator Davis- Asks about sending upcoming meeting dates.

Senate President Abbo- States senate meetings are generally Mondays.

Senator Vernon- Asks Senate President Abbo about leaving committees and joining new committees.

Senate President Abbo- Says to let the chair know about leaving and joining committees.

Senator Vernon- Asks if chairs will send out official meeting dates.

Senate President Abbo- States they will send out consistent meeting dates. Promotes upcoming UNR football game.

Senator Davis- Asks about drinking at football games due to CSUN code of conduct.

Senate President Abbo- Talks about staying clear and to use best judgment when representing CSUN. States that if behavior becomes disruptive it is a problem.

Advisor Hare- States they inform CSUN of policy and it is your judgment to follow the policies. Follow policies when representing CSUN.

Senator Gerwaski- Asks for clarification of separating CSUN representation from an RSO event to a football game.

Senate President Abbo- States that the line becomes blurry due to the fact of CSUN representation. States that CSUN members should be aware of holding conduct.

Closed: 7:25 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

5. CONSENT AGENDA

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and may be approved by a single motion. However, any Consent Item may be moved to the Business portion of the agenda for discussion at the request of any Senator.

Opened: 6:09 pm

Senator Davis- Asks about joining multiple committees.

Senate President Abbo- States senators should generally be a part of two committees.

A. Approval of Ways and Means Appointment

Chair Curry requests time for the approval of the following CSUN Senators to join the Ways & Means Committee:

- Senator Shaw
- Senator Vernon
- Senator Perez-Martinez
- Senator Pennie
- Senator Tuitele
- Senator Rivera Gaytan

B. Approval of Internal Affairs Appointments

Chair Thomas requests time for the approval of the following CSUN Senators to join the Internal Affairs Committee:

- SPPT Flores
- Senator Curry
- Senator Ibarra Lira
- Senator Odunze
- Senator Tuitele

C. Approval of Scholarship and Grants Appointments

Chair Odunze requests time for the approval of the following CSUN Senators to join the Scholarship and Grants Committee:

- Senator Perez Martinez
- Senator Davis
- Senator Rivera Gaytan
- Senator Vernon
- Senator Ibarra-Lirra
- Senator Thomas

With a vote of 14-0-0 the Consent Agenda has been approved.

Closed: 6:12 pm

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Unfinished Business is any motion or action item that was under discussion and was postponed or moved to this meeting at the discretion of the public body as approved by the chair.

A. Presentation of the State of the Senate Address (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

Senate President Abbo requested time for the Presentation of the annual State of the Senate Address for the 55th Senate Session. This presentation is for information only and no deliberation will take place under this item.

Opened: 6:12 pm

Senate President Abbo- Presents his State of the Senate Address. Presents speech about Senate stability and intern transitioning. Talks about creating effective committee functions and looking over documents. Wants to foster accountability and improve campus infrastructure. Talks about better supporting vice chairs. Also wants to create a professional environment and encourages CSUN members to ask for help. Points out how Senators can be successful. Talks about training committee chairs and vice chairs. States about important upcoming dates. Thanks Senate.

Senator Davis- Asks about limitations surrounding mixers

Senate President Abbo- Refers to mixer resources document. Talks about Colleges collaborating for mixers.

Senator Gerwaski- Says to reach out to the Dean's office for more money for the mixers. Senator Curry was present at 6:39 pm.

Closed: 6:43 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 20 minutes

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

INFORMATION ONLY

Opened: 7:25 pm

Closed: 7:26 pm

8. SENATE SUMMATIONS

INFORMATION ONLY

Senators will be given the opportunity to deliver a short speech to the Senate that is relevant to the meeting at hand or containing announcements pertinent to the student body.

Opened: 7:26 pm

Senator Gerwaski- States that College of Engineering Senators meet with the Dean and the College is increasing. Talks about upcoming mixer dates and work on student services.

Senator Odunze- Shares upcoming event for CSUN outreach at the high school level.

Senator Thomas- Promotes joining committee and running for vice chair.

Senator Ibarra Lira- Promotes Leadership Lunch event tomorrow.

Senator Perez Martinez- Promotes collaboration with College of Sciences for upcoming mixer.

Senator Vernon- Talks about upcoming plans with the Dean of the College of Hospitality and Dean Advisory Council. Talks about planning TED talk events and promotes collaborating for the mixer.

Closed: 7:33 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

9. EXECUTIVE BOARD SUMMATIONS

INFORMATION ONLY

The President, Vice President, and Senate President will be given the opportunity to deliver a short speech to the Senate that is relevant to the meeting at hand or containing announcements pertinent to the student body.

Opened: 7:33 pm

Senate President Abbo- Shows thanks towards Senate.

Closed: 7:33 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

10. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm