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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS **COMMITTEE MEETING** **56-02**

DATE AND TIME: December 10th, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Student Union - CSUN Senate Chamber 313R
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
4505 S. Maryland Parkway
Las Vegas, Nevada 89154

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CHAIR BRIONES OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS COMMITTEE

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AGENDA
Call to Order and Roll Call
No. of Committee Members: **11**
Quorum: **7**

Chair: Briones - *Present*

Vice Chair: TO BE APPOINTED

Member: Ferraris - *Present*

Member: Goodman - *Present*

Member: Hankins - *Present*

Member: King - *Unexcused*

Member: Maldonado - *Present*

Member: Navarro Mendoza - *Present*

Member: Phui - *Present*

Member: Saade - *Present*

Member: Taylor - *Present*

Member: Yelvington - *Present*

Chair Briones called the meeting to order at 5:37pm.

Chair Briones goes into a period of roll call. With 10 members present, quorum is met.

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: 5:38pm

Closed: 5:39pm

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

Opened: 5:39pm

No public comments were made at this time.

Closed: 5:40pm

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Request is made for approval of minutes of previous meetings

Minutes for meeting 55-19, as posted to the public www.unlv.edu/csun/meeting-information

Opened: 5:40pm

Chair Briones goes into a voiced vote for the approval of the 55-19 meeting minutes

With 9-0-0, the 55-19 meeting minutes were approved.

Closed: 5:41pm

4. REPORTS

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Advisor's Report (Information Only)

Chair Briones requests time for the Advisor(s) of the Scholarship and Grant committee to provide any advice and/or information about the committee, meetings, updates, or operational items.

Opened: 6:38pm

Advisor Palacios states that she is excited to have all new members joining the committee. Adds that changes to current scholarships through the One Time Sponsorship Budget Line should be made soon to communicate better with the department.

Closed: 6:40pm

B. Chair's Report (Information Only)

The Chair will report to the committee concerning relevant action or business which has taken place in their respective areas since the last meeting of the committee.

Opened: 6:40pm

Chair Briones states that two tabling events were held on December 2nd and 3rd. Thanks Senator Cameron, Yelvington, Saade, and Vice President Tolano for helping in tabling on marketing for the Scholarships and Grants Committee. Will be scheduling tabling events for the month of January. Chair Briones states that he will seek to create a workshop for the Scholarships and Grants Committee. Echoes Advisor Palacios on the use of the One-Time Sponsorship. Thanks committee members for attending meeting, despite Finals Week.

Closed: 6:43pm

C. Vice Chair's Report (Information Only)

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

Opened: 6:43pm

Vice Chair Yelvington thanks committee members and states that they look forward to working on the One Time Sponsorship Funds.

Closed: 6:43pm

5. ADMINISTRATION

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

Administration is any business or motion that is related to CSUN operating as an entity; including but not limited to appointments, confirmations, and approval of operating policies. All items will be for possible action unless otherwise stated

A. Nomination and Approval of a Vice Chair of the Scholarships and Grants Committee

Chair Briones requests time for the nomination of possible candidates and approval of one Vice Chair of the Scholarships & Grants Committee for the 56th Legislative Session. Possible candidates can be nominated from the existing pool of senators. Once selected nominees will have the opportunity to give a short speech and respond to a series of questions from fellow senators. Deliberation and action will occur.

Opened: 5:41pm

Chair Briones gives a presentation on the duties and responsibilities of the Vice Chair. Some tasks include taking minutes during committee meetings, assuming the position of chair in the absence of the chair. Chair Briones encourages all committee members, new and returning to run for the position.

Chair Briones calls for the nomination of Vice Chair.

Senator Navarro Mendoza nominates Senator Saade.

Senator Saade declines nomination.

Senator Navarro Mendoza nominates Senator Yelvington.

Senator Yelvington accepts nomination.

Senator Saade nominates Senator Navarro Mendoza.

Senator Navarro Mendoza declines nomination.

Chair Briones calls for further nominations.

No further nominations were received at this time.

Chair Briones allows for Senator Yelvington to give a five minute speech.

Senator Yelvington gives speech for the nomination of Vice Chair. Provides background in the Scholarships and Grants Committee during the previous session. Highlights ideas for how she would revamp the marketing outreach to ensure students are aware of the work that the Scholarship and Grants Committee does for students.

Chair Briones calls for questions for candidate Yelvington.

Senator Ferraris asks about the candidate's double major.

Senator Yelvington responds.

Senator Navarro Mendoza asks regarding things that were not working in the previous session.

Senator Yelvington states that one of the aspects was the marketing and partnering with the department. Getting more physical and being present with the community.

Chair Briones calls for further questions.

No further questions were given at this time.

Chair Briones goes into a voice vote for the approval of Senator Yelvington as Vice Chair.

With a 9-0-0, Senator Yelvington has been appointed as the Vice Chair for the Scholarships and Grants Committee for the 56th Legislative Session.

Closed at 5:49pm.

B. Discussion and Approval of the Scholarships & Grants Operating Policy

Chair Briones requests time for the discussion and approval of an updated Scholarships & Grants Operating Policy as presented in the supplemental materials attached to this agenda. Deliberation will take place under this item. Amendments can and may be made to the proposed item.

Opened: 6:08pm

Chair Briones presents changes to the Scholarships & Grants Operating Policy.

Chair Briones presents a change on Title II, Section C, Subsection 5. This section primarily regards the dates for some of the scholarship dates to make it more coherent and effective for applicants.

Chair Briones presents no further changes to the committee Operating Policy at this time.

Chair Briones calls for questions, comments, or points of discussion.

Senator Ferraris asks regarding the date of application for March 31st.

Chair Briones calls on Senator Cameron, former committee member.

Senator Cameron (non-voting member) responds.

Senator Taylor calls attention to Section F and consistency with the Operating Policy and the CSUN Bylaws.

SPPT Ibarra Lira responds that all committee operating policies are consistent with the Bylaws in terms of dismissal of a senator from a committee.

Senator Ferraris asks regarding moving the deadline for applications

No further questions were asked at this time.

Chair Briones goes into a voiced vote on the approval of the Scholarships and Grants Operating Policy.

With 9-0-0, the Scholarships and Grants Operating Policy has been approved.

Closed: 6:16pm

6. NEW BUSINESS

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

New Business is any motion that is new to this meeting. All items will be for possible action unless otherwise stated.

A. Presentation of the Scholarships and Grants Committee [Work Session]

Chair Briones requests time for the discussion and approval of the Scholarships and Grants Operating policy along with accompanying presentations, training, and other related material for the 56th Legislative Session. Robert's Rules of Orders will be suspended during this worksession.

Opened: 5:49pm

At this time, Robert's Rules of Order have been suspended.

Chair Briones gives a presentation on the scope of practice, duties, and responsibilities of the Scholarships and Grants Committee. Work session starts with an icebreaker introduction of committee members. Chair Briones continues on with the presentation showcasing the role of the committee, the chair, and the vice chair. Chair Briones adds an approach to state ways that a committee member can be dismissed or removed from the committee.

Chair Briones calls for questions on the presentation of the scope of practice, duties, and responsibilities of the Scholarships and Grants Committee.

Closed 6:08pm

B. Work Session on the Marketing of CSUN Scholarships [Work Session]

Chair Briones requests time for the discussion of potential marketing materials, dates, and times for the current CSUN scholarships. Robert's Rules of Orders will be suspended during this worksession.

Opened: 6:16pm.

At this time, Robert's Rules of Order have been suspended.

Senator Navarro Mendoza proposes the idea to interview students as a marketing strategy.

Vice President Tolano responds.

Chair Briones proposes a video marketing strategy with committee members.

Senator Hankins proposes the use of brochures on different locations.

Senator Phui asks regarding the platforms used for marketing.

Director Bonsol responds that it is mainly TikTok and Instagram.

Senator Phui asks if there is a website that lists the scholarships offered.

Vice President Tolano responds that there is a website with all the scholarships listed. Vice President Tolano suggests adding the website into the LinkTree link on the Instagram page.

Senator Navarro Mendoza echoes Senator Hankins on placing brochures on different campus locations.

Senator Yelvington reads notes from previous meeting with the Department of Marketing and suggests doing workshops.

Chair Briones gives insight into the planning of workshops for the future.

Senator Maldonado proposes partnering with campus journalism such as the Rebel Media Group and the campus news station that broadcasts information to prominent on campus locations such as the Student Union.

Chair Briones agrees with the proposed idea.

Senator Hankins proposes partnering with campus advisors.

Chair Briones agrees with Senator Hankins' proposed ideas.

Senator Ferraris echoes sentiments with proposed ideas and adds that tutoring centers on campus can also be resourceful in providing a list of scholarships offered by CSUN.

Vice President Tolano proposes idea for stickers with QR code to make it easier for students to navigate.

Senator Yelvington proposes idea for incorporating marketing into CSUN mixers.

Senator Phui proposes idea for incorporating marketing into mass email newsletters that are sent to students.

Director Bonsol echoes sentiment for the proposed ideas like workshops and social media videos.

Senator Maldonado proposes idea to talk to First Year Seminar classes to ensure first year students are knowledgeable of scholarships.

Closed: 6:38pm

C. Presentation on SB 56-04: An Act to Appropriate Funds for The H.O.M.E Scholarship (INFORMATION ONLY)

Chair Briones requests time for discussion Senate Bill 56 - 04, An Act to appropriate funds for The H.O.M.E Scholarship. Senate Bill 56-04 seeks \$10,000 from the One Time Sponsorship Funds to provide funding for the H.O.M.E Scholarship. Senate Bill 56-04 may be found in the CSUN Supplement material. The request may be subject to amendment at the discretion of the committee.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

Opened: 6:44pm

No public comments were made at this time.

Closed: 6:45pm

8. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm