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The Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada
University of Nevada, Las Vegas

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

SENATE MEETING 55-16

DATE AND TIME: May 22nd, 2025 at 3:00PM

**Student Union – CSUN Senate Chambers 313R
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
4505 S. Maryland Parkway
Las Vegas, Nevada 89154**

Members of the public can attend virtually at

<https://unlv.zoom.us/j/95784079131?pwd=Ulhs6YczPddOfZGfyMIBQ45teOKL9x.1>

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ROLL CALL

Seated Senators: **20/25**

Quorum: **_13_**

CHAIR: **Senate President Flores**

Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering

- Senator Gerwaski- *Present*
- Senator Morfinez-Solis- *Present*
- Senator Vega- *Unexcused*

College of Liberal Arts

- SPPT Ibarra Lira- *Present*
- Senator Ordonio- *Unexcused*
- Senator Rejas- *Present*
- Senator Thomas- *Present*
- Senator Tuitele- *Present*
- VACANT

College of Fine Arts

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

College of Sciences

- Senator Perez Martinez- *Present*
- Senator Tecklay- *Unexcused*

Greenspun College of Urban Affairs

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

William F. Harrah College of Hospitality

- ~~Senator Southerland~~

Lee Business School

- Senator Brooks- *Present*
- Senator Cameron- *Present*
- Senator Curry- *Present*
- Senator Muñoz- *Excused*

College of Education

- VACANT

Division of Health Sciences

- Senator Shaw- *Present*
- VACANT
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The meeting was called to order at 3:08 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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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: 3:10 pm

Closed: 3:11 pm

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

Opened: 3:11 pm

INFORMATION ONLY

Closed: 3:11 pm

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

[55-15 Meeting Minutes](#) – as posted to the public

Opened: 3:11 pm

Senate President Flores moves to a voiced vote.

With a vote of 14-0-0, 55-15 Meeting Minutes have been approved.

Closed: 3:12 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: 4:41 pm

Candidate Rejas is sworn in.

Ways & Means - Chair Curry

Chair Curry- Talks about upcoming meetings and receipt collection.

Senator Morfinz Solis takes a point of personal privilege at 4:41 pm.

Scholarships & Grants - Chair Perez-Martinez

Chair Perez-Martinez- Refers to report in supplemental material. Talks about the last meeting. Talks about reviewing scholarships.

Internal Affairs - Chair Thomas

Chair Thomas- Talks about the upcoming meeting and vice chair appointment.

University Initiatives - Chair Hankins

Chair Hankins- Talks about completing presentations from sponsors and meeting date..

Closed: 4:45 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: 4:45 pm

Senator Gerwaski is excused from the meeting at 4:43 pm.

Senator Morfinz Solis returns from a point of personal privilege at 4:46 pm.

Advisor Hare- Promotes NSO.

Advisor Dow- Talks about not posting direct links to a google folder. Talks about following the rules when posting agendas to the website. Congrats to the new Attorney General.

Closed: 4:50 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: 4:50 pm

Senate President Pro Tempore

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Talks about training and meeting for new initiatives. States they want feedback about the internship program.

Attorney General

Attorney General Rejas- States they are thankful for the position. Refers to supplemental material with goals for the position.

Directors

Judicial Council

Closed: 4:53 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: 4:53 pm

President

President Odunze- Talks about Rebel Ready Week and the Fee Increase Workgroup. Talks about Executive Board nominees and upcoming presentation on budget.

Vice President

Vice President Tolano- Promotes NSO and signing up for the Elections Commission.

Senate President

Senate President Flores- Congratulates the new Attorney General. Talks about reshaping the internship program. Talks about upcoming meetings and signing up for NSO.

Vice President Tolano- Sent out a survey for possible dates for bootcamp.

Associate Justice Aleen Summan- Asks about times

Vice President Tolano- 9 am to 5 pm

Closed: 5:04 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

5. 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. The Chair reserves the right to call items in any order.

A. Discussion and approval of Senate Bill 55-22 An Act To Appropriate Funds For The New UNLV Block Letters

Chair Curry requests time for the discussion and approval of Senate Bill 55-22 as attached in the accompanying supplemental materials. Deliberation and amendments to the Resolution can occur under this agenda item.

Opened: 3:12 pm

Senator Perez Martinez: Presents on SB 55-22 as found in the supplemental materials to provide funds for new UNLV block letters. Goes over addendums of the bill and talks about the use of the interest bearing account.

Senator Gerwaski- Asks where the UNLV block letters will go and using student fees versus marketing funds from UNLV.

Senator Perez Martinez- States marketing department has no support for the letters and went for CSUN. States that the block letters will be used for special events around campus.

Advisor Dow- Refers to document in supplemental materials about a new project with new permanent UNLV letters.

Senator Curry- States they are in support of the bill, shows concern about the usage of the old block letters. Asks about what will happen to the old block letters.

Senator Perez Martinez- Refers to damage of the old block letters. States that they do not think the old block letters will be used.

Senator Gerwaski- Shows concern about lack of CSUN branding in this project as student fees are used for this funding. Asks about the funding deficit of marketing.

Senator Perez Martinez- States do not know about the funding deficit. States that the marketing department had already worked out the logistics of the block letters.

Senator Brooks- Talks about the shock of the permanent letter project. Asks about the need for both removable and permanent block letters.

Advisor Dow- States the projects are coming from different funding areas. States permanent block letters are from a larger UNLV project. States movable block letters are more for events.

Senator Brooks- Talks about letters remaining inside versus outside.

Senator Gerwaski- Point of order states permanent block letters are outside the agenda item.

Senator Curry- Talks about location of permanent letters versus movable letters for popular locations.

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Agrees with Senator Gerwaski and states there should be a CSUN brand on the letters. Asks if this could be done.

Senator Perez Martinez- States there is no guarantee for CSUN branding.

Senator Morfinez Solis- Agrees with SPPT Ibarra Lira and Senator Gerwaski. States there could be a cheaper alternative and addition of a CSUN logo.

Senator Curry- Asks why there is no marketing representative at the meeting.

Senator Perez Martinez- States they informed the marketing department about the meeting.

Senator Gerwaski- Talks about the point of order made and asks for a response from the chair.

Senate President Flores- Refers to SB 55-22 and states that the bill is meant for the movable UNLV letters versus.

Senator Gerwaski- Talks about not violating Nevada Open Meeting Law (NOML) and to close the agenda item.

Advisor Dow- States they added this information to add context to the situation. States there is no funding from CSUN for the permanent letter project.

Senator Thomas- States the agenda item should be tabled so the marketing department could be present.

Senator Curry- Talks about concern about the marketing department not being available for the original Ways and Means Meeting and the current meeting. Shows in favor of voting for the bill now.

Senator Thomas- Agrees with Senator Curry.

Senator Gerwaski- Asks for clarification about the Ways and Means meeting.

Senator Perez Martinez- States they were invited to the meetings, Ways and Means and Senate Meeting 55-15.

Senator Gerwaski- Agrees with Senator Thomas and Senator Curry.

Senator Thomas- calls to question.

Senator Gerwaski- seconds the call to question.

Senate President Flores moves to a voiced vote

With a vote of 14-0-0, the call to question was approved.

Senate President Flores moves to a voiced vote.

With a vote of 1-13-0, SB 55-22 has failed to pass.

Closed: 3:43 pm

B. Discussion and Approval of Senate Bill 55-25: An Act To Amend The CSUN Bylaw Chapter 1214

Chair Hankins requests time for the discussion and approval of Senate Bill 55-25: An Act to Amend The CSUN Bylaw Chapter 1214 as attached in the accompanying supplemental materials. Deliberation and amendments to the Resolution can occur under this agenda item.

Opened: 3:43 pm.

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Presents SB 55-25, a bylaw change to allocate \$15,000 scholarships to Navigator Program completers.

Stine Odegard- Talks about spreading funds.

Senator Rivera Gaytan takes a point of personal privilege at 3:43 pm.

Senate President Flores takes a point of personal privilege at 3:45 pm.

Senator Gerwaski- Shows concern for unequal distribution of amounts for the scholarship.

Stine Odegard- Talks about reviewing every year and checks and balances from CSUN and Financial aid.

Senator Rivera Gaytan returns from a point of personal privilege at 3:47 pm.

Senator Cameron- Ask for clarification regarding program completion.

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Talks about funding and distributing to add more student opportunities.

Senate President Flores returns from a point of personal privilege at 3:48 pm.

Stine Odegard- Talks about the commitment and losing a student in the program mid year.

Senator Perez Martinez- Asks if there is no limit on the amount of students who can apply.

SPPT Ibarra Lira- States the reason for change is to create leniency and allow more students to apply.

Senator Morfinez Solis- Shows support for the bill and talks about the wording of the bill.

Senator Curry takes a point of personal privilege at 3:52 pm.

Senator Gerwaski- Retracts past statement about unequal distribution of amounts. Ask about annual reviews.

Stine Odegard- States they have a rough draft, states there are more meetings to review.

Senator Curry returns from a point of personal privilege at 3:54 pm.

Senator Rivera Gaytan- Shows support for the bill.

Senate President Flores moves to a roll call vote.

Senator Gerwaski- Y

Senator Morfinez Solis- Y

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Y

Senator Rejas- Y

Senator Thomas- Y

Senator Tuitele- Y

Senator Hankins- Y

Senator Pennie- Y

Senator Perez Martinez- Y

Senator Rivera Gaytan- Y

Senator Brooks- Y

Senator Cameron- Y

Senator Curry- Y

Senator Shaw- Y

With a vote of 14-0-0, SB 55-25: An Act to Amend The CSUN Bylaw Chapter 121 has been approved.

Closed: 3:57 pm

6. 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.

C. Discussion and Approval of Workgroup on Student Association Fee Assessment Operating Policy

President Odunze requests time for the discussion and approval of the Workgroup on Student Association Fee Assessment 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: 3:57 pm

Senator Gerwaski- Point of order, states the document is not accessible.

President Odunze- Presents on the Workgroup on Student Association Fee Assessment Operating Policy as found in the supplemental materials. Goes over each section of the operating policy.

Senator Gerwaski- Shows concern for wording in the dismissal section. Talks about specifying wording

Senator Perez Martinez- Asks about time the workgroup would meet.

President Odunze- States workgroup is established every year. States it coincides with the swearing in of the new Executive Board and working with CSUN and NSHE.

Senator Perez Martinez- Shows concern with less student engagement over the summer.

Advisor Dow- States operating policy must coincide with CSUN bylaws.

Senator Curry- Agrees with Senator Gerwaski and should have a list of reasons for dismissal from the workgroup.

SPPT Ibarra Lira- States role is not paid so wording should not be as strict.

Senator Curry- Disagrees with SPPT Ibarra Lira, states student fees are very important.

Senator Gerwaski- Talks about protecting different opinions.

Senator Thomas- Agrees with Senator Gerwaski, thinks the wording should be more specific.

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Ask about recommendations about a list for reasons of dismissal.

Senator Gerwaski- Talks about attendance, not completing tasks, and decorum.

Senator Thomas- Agrees with Senator Gerwaski.

Senator Curry- Asks about a new committee being formed drafting an operating policy.

President Odunze- States this is an initial operating policy for new CSUN members and provides an explanation.

Senator Gerwaski- motions to amend the Workgroup on Student Association Fee Assessment Operating Policy Section C to omit Line 5 and add, "the committee will decide on specific removal processes. For Line 6, "3 unexcused absences." For Line 7, "not doing assigned tasks by the chair."

Senate Thomas- Asks to see edit.

The motion fails, there is no second.

President Odunze- Wants to get rid of Section C, Line 5. Wants to add 3 or more unexcused absences and not completing tasks as seen in other operating policies.

Senator Gerwaski- motions to amend Workgroup on Student Association Fee Assessment Operating Policy Section C to omit Line 5. Add a Section F for dismissal and removal from the Work Group on Student Association Fee Assessment to include a removal under the following conditions. Line 1: 3 unexcused absences. Line 2: failure to complete allotted tasks. Line 3: evidence of unprofessionalism.

Senator Thomas- seconds the motion.

Senate President Flores moves to a voiced vote for the addition of the amendment made by Senator Gerwaski.

With a vote of 14-0-0 the motion passes.

Senator Gerwaski- Further clarifies wording of the operating policy.

Senate President Flores moves to a voiced vote.

With a vote of 14-0-0 the Workgroup on Student Association Fee Assessment Operating Policy has passed.

Senator Perez Martinez takes a point of personal privilege at 4:18 pm.

Senator Perez Martinez returns from a point of personal privilege at 4:20 pm.

Closed: 4:26 pm

D. Discussion and Approval of Remay Tecklay as Attorney General

President Odunze requests time for the presentation and approval of Remay Tecklay as Attorney General. The candidate will have time under this item to present their candidacy and answer any questions from the Senate. Deliberation will take place under this agenda item.

E. Discussion and Approval of Pio Rejas as Attorney General

President Odunze requests time for the presentation and approval of Pio Rejas as Attorney General. The candidate will have time under this item to present their candidacy and answer any questions from the Senate. Deliberation will take place under this agenda item.

Opened: 4:27 pm

Candidate Rejas- Gives speech for the position of Attorney General. Talks about goals for the term.

Senator Gerwaski- Refers to bylaws and asks about the importance of Nevada Open Meeting Law (NOML) and if they are prepared to rule in favor of it.

Senate President Flores- States the candidate ask 5 minutes for response to questions.

Candidate Rejas- States they want to follow all guidelines.

Senator Gerwaski- Asks if they accept NOML to follow over Robert's Rules of Order.

Candidate Rejas- States they will follow state and federal laws.

Senator Perez Martinez- Shows support for the candidate.

Senate President Flores moves to a roll call vote.

Senator Gerwaski- Y

Senator Morfinez Solis- Y

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Y

Senator Rejas- Y

Senator Thomas- Y

Senator Tuitele- Y

Senator Hankins- Y

Senator Pennie- Y

Senator Perez Martinez- Y

Senator Rivera Gaytan- Y

Senator Brooks- Y

Senator Cameron- Y

Senator Curry- Y

Senator Shaw- Y

With a vote of 14-0-0 Candidate Rejas has been approved for the role of Attorney General.

Closed: 4:39 pm

F. Discussion and Approval of Khristian Ordonio as Attorney General

President Odunze requests time for the presentation and approval of Khristian Ordonio as Attorney General. The candidate will have time under this item to present their candidacy and answer any questions from the Senate. Deliberation will take place under this agenda item.

G. Discussion and Approval of Corey Gerwaski as Attorney General

President Odunze requests time for the presentation and approval of Corey Gerwaski as Attorney General. The candidate will have time under this item to present their candidacy and answer any questions from the Senate. Deliberation will take place under this agenda item.

H. Discussion and Approval of Cameron Thomas as Attorney General

President Odunze requests time for the presentation and approval of Cameron Thomas as Attorney General. The candidate will have time under this item to present their candidacy and answer any questions from the Senate. Deliberation will take place under this agenda item.

ESTIMATED TIME: 90 minutes

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

Opened: 5:04 pm

Closed: 5:05 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: 5:05 pm

Closed: 5:05 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: 5:05 pm

Closed: 5:05 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 10 minutes

10. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.