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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

UNIVERSITY INITIATIVES COMMITTEE MEETING

56-05

DATE AND TIME:February 26th, 2026 at 5:30pm

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

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CHAIR CHARLETTE CAMERON

OF THE UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE

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<u>AGENDA</u>

<u>Call to Order and Roll Call</u>

No. of Committee Members**:** ~~12~~ **13**

Quorum: <u>7</u>

Chair: Cameron- *Present*

Vice Chair: Navarro-Mendoza- *Present*

Member: Beals- *Present*

Member: Briones- *Present*

Member: Goodman- *Present*

Member: Gutierrez- *Present*

Member: Hankins- *Present*

Member: Mohen- *Present*

Member: Morfinez-Solis- *Unexcused*

Member: Oliver- *Excused*

Member: Phui- *Present*

Member: Rodriguez- *Present*

Member: Taylor- *Excused until 6:00 p.m.*

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

At 5:32 p.m., with 9 Senators present, quorum is met.

Closed: 5:32 p.m.

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: 5:32 p.m.

Closed: 5:32 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION ONLY

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

Opened: 5:32 p.m.

No public comment was made

Closed: 5:33 p.m.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Request is made for approval of minutes of previous meetings

Minutes for meeting 56-04, as posted to the public www.unlv.edu/csun/meeting-information

Opened: 5:33 p.m.

With 9-0-0, the minutes are approved.

Closed: 5:34 p.m.

4. REPORTS **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

A. Advisor's Report (Information Only)

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

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: 7:45 p.m.

Chair Cameron- Shares their report, thanks the committee for participating as well. Welcomes intern Lulu, reminds the committee to fill out Care Center Availability Form. Reminds the committee about Nevada Reading Week. Gives an update about survey. Mentions CSUN tabling at REB event.

Closed: 7:51 p.m

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: 7:44 p.m.

Vice Chair Navarro Mendoza- Shares their report, thanks the committee for participating during the meeting, welcome Senator Rodriguez to the committee, and welcomes Lulu as the new University Initiatives Committee

Closed: 7:45 p.m

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.

6. New Business for Future Meetings **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested under this agenda item. 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. No substantive discussion may occur at this meeting on new business items in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.020 et seq).

A. [Work Session]: Presentation from Student Life **(INFORMATION ONLY)**

Chair Cameron requests time for the presentation and worksession with Associate Vice President, Student Life Deanna Merino Contino and Director of the Student Union and Event Services, Adrianne Smith regarding improvements and feedback to student life.. Robert's Rules of Orders will be suspended during this worksession.

Opened 5:57 p.m.

Robert's Rules of Orders is suspended.

Chair Cameron- Presents the speakers and the presentation provided.

Dr. Deanna Merino Contino- Introduces herself, shares Student Life CSUN Presentation ppt as found in the Supplemental Materials. Shared updates on the SU Theatre renovations, asks the committee if they have any questions

Senator Rodriguez- Asks if renovating the theatre will help with the lack of space in the Student Union as a whole

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares that by making the SU Theatre multifunctional it'll provide more space for students

Senator Taylor- Shares their experience with the theatre, asks about the space for bigger activities/

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares their goal is to bring the stage down or make the stage mobile

Senator Beals- Asks if Rebel Ready Week is currently using the theatre

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares that Rebel Ready Week uses their theatre their most in August.

Senator Mohen- Asks if the seating is currently inclined in the theatre

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares it is and they plan to level out the flooring

Senator Mohen- Asks about what technology they are using

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares they would like to add live conferencing to the room and standard theatre tech for lighting and AV uses for Open Mic Nights, etc.

Chair Cameron- Asks about the conversations they have had with GPSA & RHA

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares it is similar to the roundtable discussion they are having currently

Senator Hanks- Asks about the ADA Accessibility

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares they are making sure the space is a universal design

Senator Rodriguez- Asks how the multi-purpose aspects would work with the storage needs

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares they have been in communication with Aramark about their storage space to figure out storage needs

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Continues with Student Life CSUN Presentation ppt as found in the Supplemental Materials. Shares Student Union Refresh updates, asks the committee for their thoughts on what they would like to see in the Student Union.

Senator Hankins- Shares the interest in the Fine Arts Department, for a visual arts showcases bimonthly in the theatre.

Senator Beals- States they have safety concerns in the Student Union. Shares that a student only area could help this

Senator Rodriguez- Shares that other public spaces like the library could benefit from a Student Only space.

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- States that they work closely with the library and will share that with their leadership.

Senator Rodriguez- Asks if a chalk wall or interactive board is possible to do

Senator Hankins- Shares that in previous leadership meetings they had heard of a clear board wall for students to draw on.

Senator Briones- Shares that having example models in the Student Union like the library has could help bring traction from the DHS students.

Chair Cameron- Asks if they had met with cultural RSO's

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares they have met with RSO's and got feedback from them on what they would like to see.

Senator Rodriguez- States if the Southern Paiute Tribe has been involved

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares that they have been working with them for a land acknowledgement wall and would definitely be including

Senator Phui- Asks if the refresh goes into outside of the SU

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Shares that everything is on the table

Senator Phui- Shares that study cubes in the library would be useful in the Student Union.

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Asks how the students would be aware of the study spaces

Senator Rodriguez- States having a screen to know what is booked and what is vacant

Senator Mohen- States that more community spots and greenery would be a refresh

Senator Briones- Shares having accomplishments from the university or RSO's would bring school spirit. States that at another university student union they had an open SOURCE room

Bella Hubsham- States that having clear evacuation routes in the second and third floor should be implemented with spaces to. Shares having easier access to rebel card encoding.

Senator Rodriguez- Shares having a display of a QR code for students to upload of their community on campus.

Senator Briones goes on a point of personal privilege at 6:40 p.m. 9 Senators are present, meeting quorum

Senator Phui- States having whiteboards in the quieter spaces can have a positive impact on the students.

Senator Rodriguez- States a gaming room could be implemented for students to use for multi games

Senator Briones returns from a point of personal privilege at 6:43 p.m.. 10 Senators are present, meeting quorum.

Dr Deanna Merino Contino- Thanks the committee for their time and feedback

Closed 6:45 p.m.

B. Presentation from The Care Center Sponsorship (INFORMATION ONLY)

Chair Cameron requests time for a presentation from The Care Center Sponsorship regarding the sponsorship's annual presentation/report. *No action will be taken under this* *agenda item.*

Opened 5:34 p.m.

Chair Cameron- Presents the speaker & presentation

McKenzie Shelton-Lott introduces herself, provides context to her role. Presents CSUN Committee Presentation ppt as found in the Supplemental Materials

Chair Cameron- Thanks the presenter for their time. Opens the floor to questions.

Senator Beals- Thanks the presenter, asks for examples on what resources they refer students to

McKenzie Shelton-Lott- Shares that they provide on-campus resources like CAPS but they also refer off-campus resources.

SPPT Ibarra-Lira- Asks Chair Cameron to provide context on why UI Sponsorships presents and the steps after.

Chair Cameron- Shares that UI Sponsorships present every fiscal year to provide their data and share how they are using the CSUN funding. States that next step is the committee deciding that the sponsorship is utilizing their funding correctly and deciding on their funding for the next fiscal year.

SPPT Ibarra-Lira- Asks what can CSUN do to further support their marketing engagements. Shares that they believe the office is hidden and what they are doing to ensure students are aware.

McKenzie Shelton-Lott- Shares that they have more CARE Advocates this year that provides an opportunity for more word of mouth referrals to the resource. States that reposting their items would be a big help. Turns it over to April Weeks.

April Weeks- Shares that reposting their social media is the biggest help CSUN senators can provide.

Senator Taylor is present at 5:54 p.m. There are 10 members present, quorum is met.

Chair Cameron- Shares they would be sure to repost their items. Thanks the presenters again.

Closed 5:57 p.m.

C. [Work Session]: Sponsorship Expansion or New Initiatives

Chair Cameron requests time to discuss potential sponsorship expansion efforts or new partnership initiatives. Robert's Rules of Orders will be suspended during this worksession.

Opened 6:45 p.m.

Robert's Rules of Orders is suspended.

Chair Cameron- Shares the context to the work session. Presents sponsorship expansion or initiatives ppt as found in the Supplemental Materials folder. Opens the floor to the committee.

Senator Briones- Shares a DHS model initiative

Senator Mohen- Shares a SU scent aroma initiative

Senator Rodriguez- Shares a sustainability initiative

Senator Phui- Shares an online fee waiver initiative. Shares a charging initiative. Shares a suggestion forum.

Senator Gutierrez- Shares having a suggestion box for students to write and drop their opinions in on the first floor

Chair Cameron- Shares the resources UPD and UNLV has for the late night resources.

Senator Taylor- Shares a hands-free technology initiative

Senator Beals- Shares a sponsorship matching quiz initiative. Shares a sponsorship passport event

Chair Cameron- Shares that the accessibility is spotty on campus and would love to explore how we can help more

Senator Hankins- Shares that the wave sensors are expensive and hard to implement in old buildings

Senator Hankins- Shares DRC sponsorship initiative

Senator Gutierrez- Shares an exam fee waiver initiative

Senator Briones- Shares the GRANTS program

Senator Gutierrez- Shares an exam material initiative

Chair Cameron- Asks if that falls underneath a scholarship

Senator Briones- Shares it does not

Vice Chair Navarro Mendoza- Shares a RRW Heat Relief initiative

Senator Mohen- Asks if the GRANTS program is only for pre-professional majors

Senator Briones- Shares the GRANTS program is broad to all majors

Senator Hankins- Shares some pricing for the charger initiative

Senator Mohen- Asks for clarification on the initiative

Senator Rodriguez- Provides clarification, is open to ideas

Senator Goodman- Shares a food pantry expansion initiative

Chair Cameron- Thanks the committee for their ideas and participation

Closed 7:43 p.m.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT **INFORMATION ONLY**

Opened: 7:51 p.m.

No public comment was made

Closed: 7:52 p.m.

8. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m