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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

COMMITTEE MEETING

56-16

DATE AND TIME: August 12th, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

Student Union - CSUN Senate Chambers 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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<u>AGENDA</u>

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

No. of Committee Members**: <u>11</u>**

Quorum: **<u>6</u>**

Chair: Briones - *present*

Vice Chair: Yelvington - *present*

Member: Goodman - *excused*

Member: Hankins - *excused*

Member: King - *present*

Member: Mendez-Loya - *present*

Member: Navarro Mendoza - *present*

Member: Phui - *excused*

Member: Oliver - *present*

Member: Saade - *excused until 5:30pm*

Member: Sanchez - *present*

Chair Briones called the meeting to order at 5:04pm

Chair Briones goes into a period of roll call.

With 6 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: 5:04pm

Closed: 5:04pm

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** **INFORMATION ONLY**
(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

Opened: 5:04pm

No public comment is made

Closed: 5:06pm

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**
Request is made for approval of minutes of previous meetings

56-15 Meeting Minutes – as posted to the public at Minutes

Opened: 5:06pm

Chair Briones asks if there are any discrepancies in meeting minutes 56-15.

With a vote of 6-0-0 the meeting minutes were approved.

Closed: 5:06pm

4. REPORTS FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

A. 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: 5:42pm

Chair Briones shares that some ideas on one time sponsorships are in the works and to reach out if anyone is interested. He also shares that transition to further projects will continue as the next scholarship presentations take place.

Closed: 5:44pm

B. 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.

5:44pm

Vice Chair Yelvington states she doesn't have a report but she is in the works of helping senator Navarro Mendoza with a project and to reach out for any questions or concerns.

5:45pm

C. 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.

5:45pm

Elba Palacios states she doesn't have a report but to reach out for any questions.

Chair Briones states that the presentation for creating a one time sponsorship is in the folder for 56-13.

5:46pm

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.

A. Reviewing Information of the Able & Advancing Scholarship (INFORMATION ONLY)

Chair Briones requests time for a review of the Able & Advancing Scholarship. The review will contain information on this year's scholarship cycle and any other related materials. Any scholarship information provided may be found in the "supplemental materials" section of the public drive.

B. Reviewing Information of the Rebel Rebound Scholarship (INFORMATION ONLY)

Chair Briones requests time for a review of the Rebel Rebound Scholarship. The review will contain information on this year's scholarship cycle and any other related materials. Any scholarship information provided may be found in the "supplemental materials" section of the public drive.

Opened: 5:06pm

Chair Briones invites the presenter to speak on behalf of the scholarship.

Elgin Lofton introduces himself and the scholarship. There are over $30,000 awarded annually with over 200 students served, showing the impact this scholarship makes. Statistics on the reality of justice impacted students were shared. The application process and eligibility was overviewed showing the criteria students must meet. He reviewed his team and contact information to conclude the presentation.

Senator Oliver thanks the presenter and shows her support.

Senator Navarro Mendoza thanks the presenter and shared her familiar background to showcase the importance of his role. She asks why scholars went from 12 to 10 as stated in the presentation.

Elgin Lofton states he is unsure but he knows previous members brought the number up but there might have been some exception. He states that they can definitely have 12 scholars to fund however.

Chair Briones opens the floor to any other points of discussion and thanks the presenter again.

Closed: 5:24pm

C. Reviewing Information of the CoE Field Experience Scholarship (INFORMATION ONLY)

Chair Briones requests time for a review of the CoE Field Experience Scholarship. The review will contain information on this year's scholarship cycle and any other related materials. Any scholarship information provided may be found in the "supplemental materials" section of the public drive.

Opened:5:24pm

Jon Baras introduces himself as the coordinator and the scholarship itself. The scholarship meets students when time demands peak such as their practicums. He highlights how this scholarship is a barrier breaker for students and states statistics on salaries. History on the growth of this scholarship over the years showed a significant increase in applicants. The most recent application cycle showed a significant decrease in applicants, with possible factors to a decline such as: hiring freeze, reduction in force, or a teacher surplus. He shares the framework and eligibility of the scholarship. Concluding remarks were in favor of continuing the partnership and possible future increases in funding.

Chair Briones opens the floor for discussion and thanks the presenter.

Closed: 5:42pm

6. PUBLIC COMMENT — INFORMATION ONLY

5:46pm

Nancy Munoz states that CSUN bootcamp is on the google calendar and a social will take place afterwards so to keep an eye out.

5:48pm

7. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48pm