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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

SPECIAL SENATE MEETING 56-31

*DATE AND TIME: September 8th, 2026 at
6:00PM*

Student Union – SU 313R Senate Chambers
University of Nevada, Las Vegas

**4505 S. Maryland Parkway
Las Vegas, Nevada 89154**

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 ***56-31***

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ROLL CALL

Seated Senators: **24/25**

Quorum: 16

CHAIR: **Senate President Flores**

Howard R. Hughes College of Engineering

- Senator Rafa- *Present*
- Senator Mohen- *Excused, Present at 6:09 pm*
- VACANT

College of Liberal Arts

- Senate President Pro-Tempore Ibarra Lira- *Excused until 6:30 pm, Present at 6:16 pm*
- Senator Le- *Present*
- Senator Prieto- *Present*
- Senator King- *Excused*
- Senator Shelton-Lott- *Present*
- Senator Sanchez- *Present*

College of Fine Arts

- Senator Hankins- *Excused until 8:15 pm*
- Senator Oliver- *Excused until 6:30 pm, Present at 6:28 pm*

College of Sciences

- Senator Saade- *Present*
- Senator Gutierrez- *Present*

Greenspun College of Urban Affairs

- Senator Coss- *Present*
- Senator Winetz- *Present*

William F. Harrah College of Hospitality

- Senator Navarro Mendoza- *Excused*

Lee Business School

- Senator Cameron- *Excused*
- Senator Beals- *Present*
- Senator Mendez-Loya- *Present*
- Senator Hailu- *Present*

College of Education

- Senator Taylor- *Present*

Division of Health Sciences

- Senator Briones- *Present*
- Senator Yelvington- *Excused until 7 pm*
- Senator Goodman- *Present*
- Senator Phui- *Present*

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm. With 16 Senators present, quorum is met.

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: 6:04 pm

Closed: 6:05 pm

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

INFORMATION ONLY

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

Opened: 6:05 pm

Kira Granito- Talks about their experience with both of the Associate Justice candidates as Chief Justice.

Ria Karagdag- Talks about their experience with both of the Associate Justice candidates.

Isabella Campos-Talks about their experience with both of the Associate Justice candidates.

Senator Mohen is present at 6:09 pm. 17 Senators are present.

Closed: 6:10 pm

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

56-30 Meeting Minutes – as posted to the public at  [56-30](#)

Opened: 6:11 pm

Senate President Flores moves to a voiced vote to approve the 56-30 Meeting Minutes.

With a vote of 17-0-0, the 56-30 Meeting Minutes were approved.

Closed: 6:11 pm

4. 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: 6:11 pm

A. Approval of Ways & Means funding requests from Ways and Means meeting 56-13

- a. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-165 an Act to Appropriate Funds for UNLV Model United Nations**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-165 to fund UNLV Model United Nations a total of \$7,742.03
- b. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-153 an Act to Appropriate Funds for UNLV Harvard Latina Empowerment and Development Chapter**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-153 to fund UNLV Harvard Latina Empowerment and Development Chapter a total of \$12,440.94
- c. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-154 an Act to Appropriate Funds for VAW Global Health Alliance - Medical Chapter**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-154 to fund VAW Global Health Alliance - Medical Chapter a total of \$12,240.30
- d. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-155 an Act to Appropriate Funds for Beyond Thought Creative Arts Journal**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-155 to fund Beyond Thought Creative Arts Journal a total of \$6,142.45
- e. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-156 an Act to Appropriate Funds for Rebel Career Ambassadors**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-156 to fund Rebel Career Ambassadors a total of \$2,114.00
- f. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-157 an Act to Appropriate Funds for Alpha Epsilon Delta**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-157 to fund Alpha Epsilon Delta a total of \$11,128.63
- g. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-158 an Act to Appropriate Funds for Undergraduate Law Review**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-158 to fund Undergraduate Law Review a total of \$1,551.33
- h. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-159 an Act to Appropriate Funds for UNLV German Club**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-159 to fund UNLV German Club a total of \$370.70
- i. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-160 an Act to Appropriate Funds for Future Latinos in Medicine**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-160 to fund Future Latinos in Medicine a total of \$9,556.11
- j. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-161 an Act to Appropriate Funds for American Society of Civil Engineers**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-161 to fund American Society of Civil Engineers a total of \$10,000.00
- k. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-162 an Act to Appropriate Funds for Latino Pre-Medical Student Association**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-162 to fund Latino Pre-Medical Student Association a total of \$2,671.22
- l. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-163 an Act to Appropriate Funds for Alpha Delta Pi**
Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-163 to fund Alpha Delta Pi a total of \$5,272.28
- m. **Approval of Senate Bill 56-164 an Act to Appropriate Funds for Hope at UNLV**

Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-164 to fund Hope at UNLV a total of \$4,020.98

n. Approval of Senate Bill 56-166 an Act to Appropriate Funds for Pre-Law Women of UNLV

Chair Coss requests time for Approval of Senate Bill 56-166 to fund Pre-Law Women of UNLV a total of \$7,959.55

Senate President Flores moves to a vote to approve the Consent Agenda.

With a vote of 17-0-0, the Consent Agenda has been approved.

Closed: 6:11 pm

5. UNFINISHED NEW 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. Discussion and Approval of of Senate Bill 56-02 An Act To Appropriate Funds For Wright Hall Study

Senate President Pro Tempore Jose Ibarra-Lira requests time for the reconsideration and approval of Senate Bill 56-02 An Act To Appropriate Funds For Wright Hall Study.

Senate Bill 56-02 may be found in the CSUN Supplemental material. The request may be subject to amendment at the discretion of the Senate.

Opened: 6:43 pm

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Presents SB 56-02 as found in the supplemental materials. States the bill was sent back to the Ways & Means committee where it was amended to \$125,000.

Senate President Flores moves to a voiced vote to approve SB 56-02.

With a vote of 18-1-0, SB 56-02 has been approved.

Closed: 6:47 pm

ESTIMATED TIME: 90 minutes

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.

A. Appointment of an Associate Chief Justice

President Odunze requests time for the presentation and approval of an Associate Chief Justice. The full list of eligible candidates is as follows: Angel Martinez, Sebastian Rios. The nominees will have time under this item to present their candidacy and answer any questions from the Senate. Deliberation will take place under this agenda.

Opened: 6:12 pm

There are two eligible candidates: Candidate Angel Martinez and Candidate Sebastain Rios.

Candidate Martinez- Delivers speech for the appointment as Associate Chief Justice.

Candidate Rios- Delivers speech for the appointment as Associate Chief Justice.

SPPT Ibarra Lira is present at 6:16 pm. 18 Senators are present.

Senator Coss- Asks what new activities do they plan to make the Judicial internship more interactive.

Candidate Martinez- States they want to create interactive videos in the modules and use the Judicial Council (JC) space more.

Candidate Rios- Talks about having deliberations in person.

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Talks about having interns exploring all branches. Asks how they bridge connections between the JC and other branches.

Candidate Rios- States they want JC members to be a part of meetings in other branches.

Candidate Martinez- States they want interns to gain outreach hours and join in on events such as tabling.

Senator Oliver is present at 6:28 pm. 19 Senators are present.

Senator Taylor- Asks where the Justice chambers are.

Chief Justice Granito- States the room number.

Senator Taylor- Asks about how they develop ideas and take feedback.

Candidate Martinez- Talks about their experience as a peer mentor and philosophy on constant improvement.

Candidate Rios- Talks about identifying areas for growth and working with their peers.

Senator Beals- Asks how much time they have to commit to the role.

Candidate Rios- States they have the flexibility to commit to the role.

Senator Hailu takes a point of personal privilege at 6:33 pm. 18 Senators are present.

Senator Hailu returns from a point of personal privilege at 6:39 pm. 19 Senators are present

Candidate Martinez- Talks about their commitments for the semester.

Senator Coss- Asks if they are appointed to the position, will the term times be reset.

Attorney General Rejas- States yes.

Senator Coss- Asks if they can fulfill the whole 18 month term.

Candidate Martinez- States they are graduating in the spring.

Candidate Rios- States they are graduating next spring.

Senator Winetz- Asks how they feel the JC affects the entire student body.

Candidate Rios- States the JC ensures CSUN is representing the student body.

Candidate Martinez- Talks about checks and balances in CSUN.

Senator Coss- Shows support for Candidate Rios due to being able to serve the full term.

Senator Taylor- Agrees with Senator Coss and shows support for Candidate Rios.

Senator Prieto- Shows support for Candidate Rios.

Senate President Flores moves to a vote to approve the appointment of an Associate Chief Justice.

Senator Rafa- Rios

Senator Mohen- Rios

SPPT Ibarra Lira- Rios

Senator Le- Rios

Senator Prieto- Rios

Senator Shelton-Lott- Rios

Senator Sanchez- Rios

Senator Oliver- Rios

Senator Saade- Rios

Senator Gutierrez- Rios

Senator Coss- Rios

Senator Winetz- Rios

Senator Beals- Martinez

Senator Mendez-Loya- Rios

Senator Hailu- Rios

Senator Taylor- Rios

Senator Briones- Rios

Senator Goodman- Rios

Senator Phui- Rios

With 18 votes Candidate Rios and 1 vote Candidate Martinez, Candidate Rios has been appointed as Associate Chief Justice.

Closed: 6:43 pm

7. PUBLIC COMMENT**INFORMATION ONLY**

(See foregoing notation regarding public comment)

Opened: 6:47 pm

Marni Dow- Shout outs the JC and states Senate Legislative filing opens tomorrow.

Lauren Beals- Promotes Credit 101 and Karaoke events.

Closed: 6:51 pm

8. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 pm.