ASCSN Senate Meeting Agenda
November 3rd, 2023

ASCSN Student Government
Senate Meeting Agenda
College of Southern Nevada

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Meeting Location:
College of Southern Nevada
West Charleston Campus
Student Union #130
Virtual Location: tinyurl.com/ASCSNSenateFa23

Friday, November 3rd, 2023 - 11:00 AM

ROLL CALL:
Executive Board Officers:
X Pio Rejas, President
X Zipporah Nixon, Vice President
X Naomi Assefa, Secretary
X Janeth Vences, Treasurer

West Charleston Senators:
X Gerardo Aguilar
X Christian Johnson
X Saeeun (Tina) Yun

UNEX Ashley Bivins

North Las Vegas Senators:
X Piero Alfredo Guzman
X Dasia Thompson
X Helena Bauchrowitz
__ Vacant

Henderson Senators:
EX Gilda Espinoza
EX Joshua Loera
X Rebecca Taylor
X Dallas Hansen

Extension Site Senators:
X Briana Mercado
X Amber Latimer

Advisors:
X Brian Akins, Advisor

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE AGENDA AND PUBLIC MEETING

APPROVED
Call to Order: 11:00AM

1. PUBLIC COMMENT
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TIME ALLOCATED: 2 minutes per speaker

I. Maria Martin mentioned that the chief accreditation institutional effectiveness officer for public Southern Nevada is overseeing athletics at CSN, highlighting the potential move from region 18 to Region 1, reducing travel expenses and allowing more time for student-athletes. The move will save $60,000 and allow for more student athletics.

II. Affie, the student, expressed his desire to ensure that his presence was acknowledged.
2. ASCSN MEETING MINUTES FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
   a. ASCSN shall deliberate and vote on approving the meeting minutes from October 20th, 2023.

   This item will be led by ASCSN Secretary, Naomi Assefa
   
   **TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes for report & deliberations.**

   I. 12:17 p.m. Secretary Naomi explained the agenda item.
   II. 1st Motion West Charleston senator Gerardo.
   III. 2nd Motion North Las Vegas senator Helena.
   IV. The motion passed with a majority Vote.

3. SECRETARY’S REPORT FOR INFORMATION ONLY
   a. ASCSN Secretary Naomi shall update the senate with her current secretary report.

   This item will be led by ASCSN Secretary, Naomi Assefa
   
   **TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes for the report**

   I. 12:17 pm Secretary Naomi appreciated West Charleston senator Gerardo for his event.

4. ASCSN TREASURER’S REPORT FOR INFORMATION ONLY
   a. ASCSN Treasurer Janeth shall update the senate with her current treasurer’s report.

   This item will be led by ASCSN Treasurer, Janeth Vences
   
   **TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes for report**

   I. Treasurer Janeth gave her treasurer report.
   II. General operations: $12,354.
   III. Travel: $7,336.04.
   IV. PYC: 8-31,544 (deducted amount)
   V. Hosting: $6,000

5. TEAM BUILDING ACTIVITY FOR INFORMATION ONLY
   a. The ASCSN senate shall be reminded of team building activity and potluck lunch after the senate meeting on 11.17.23. Senate members are asked to bring a dish for this event.

   This item will be led by ASCSN Student Body President, Pio Rejas
   
   **TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes for the agenda item**

   I. President Pio explained that agenda item and explained that it would be a great event to bond with the team.
   II. Student Cesar asked about the food for the event.
   III. President Pio replied that anyone can bring any kind of food.

6. ID MACHINE SUPPLIES
FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. The ASCSN senate shall deliberate and vote on allocating $2,000 towards ID card supplies and ink. We estimate needing ID cards and ribbons for the ID Machine to last until Spring 2024. Last senate (Summer 2023) only approved for 11 ribbons: NLV 4, WC 3 and HN 4 and ID cards: NLV - 2 pkgs, (200), WC – 0 and HN – 2 pkgs, (200).

This item will be led by Sonni King from the Student Government and Leadership Development

TIME ALLOCATED: 10 minutes for the agenda item

I. 12:27 p.m. President Pio explained that agenda item.
II. Miss Sonia explained that ID cards and ribbons are needed for the ID Machine to last until Spring 2024.
III. Extension site senator Briana asked what the amount that is being asked is.
IV. Miss Sonia replied that the amount is $2000.
V. Henderson senator Dallas asked what would happen if the agenda item got denied.
VI. Miss Sonia replied that the student government wouldn’t be able to give out IDs.
VII. 1st Motion West Charleston senator Gerardo.
VIII. 2nd Motion West Charleston senator Christian,
IX. The motion passed with a roll call vote. 14-0-0.

7. CLUB RECOGNITION AND SEED MONEY ALLOCATION
FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. The ASCSN Senate shall vote and deliberate to recognize and allocate funds for clubs who have turned in their club packets:
   
i. ASL-$300
   ii. Elohist Bible Club-$300
   iii. SCNAVTA-$300
   iv. Surgical Technology-$300
   v. Anime Club-$150
   vi. Biology Club-$150
   vii. Coyote Computer Network-$150
   viii. Green Mission Club-$150
   ix. International Student Organization-$150
   x. CMI Bible Club-$150
   xi. Women in Cyber Security-$150
   xii. Culinary Club-$150

This item will be led by ASCSN Student Body Vice President, Zipporah Nixon

TIME ALLOCATED: 15 minutes for the agenda item

I. 11:06 am President Pio explained the agenda item.
II. Vice President Zipporah asked the clubs to introduce themselves and their initiatives for the clubs.
III. 10 clubs were present from 12 clubs which are (ASL, SCNAVTA, Surgical Technology, Anime Club, Biology Club, Coyote Computer Network, Green Mission Club, International Student Organization, Women in Cyber Security, Culinary Club) and introduced themselves and their club initiatives,
IV. 11:21 am Extension site senator Briana clarified that the 10 clubs are receiving $1950.
V. 11:21 am West Charleston senator Christian asked Advisor Akins if the senate was giving the money to the clubs who were present.

VI. Advisor Akins replied yes.

VII. 1st Motion to amend $1,950 the clubs who were present (ASL, SCNAVTA, Surgical Technology, Anime Club, Biology Club, Coyote Computer Network, Green Mission Club, International Student Organization, Women in Cyber Security, Culinary Club) Extension site senator Briana.

VIII. 2nd Motion West Charleston senator Gerardo.

IX. The motion passed with a majority Vote 14-0-0.

8. ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
   FOR INFORMATION ONLY
   a. The Senate shall be reminded of ASCSN academic requirements. Per the ASCSN Constitution Article IV.9-IV.9 To remain in office, all Senators and Executive Board members must complete a minimum of six credit hours in the fall and spring semester with a semester term grade point average of no less than a 2.25 GPA. The Director of Student Life and Leadership will verify grades at the end of each semester. Failure to maintain this requirement shall result in immediate removal from office for the duration of the current academic year. The Senate shall carry out procedures for replacement of any removed officers in accordance with Constitution Article IV.8.

   This item will be led by ASCSN Student Body Vice President, Zipporah Nixon

   TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes for the agenda item

I. 12:34 pm Vice President Zipporah informed the senate that there is an academic requirement to stay in the senate which is 2.25GPA. Additionally, anyone who fails to have this GPA will get removed from the Senate.

II. 12:36 pm President Pio added that Director of Student Life and Leadership, Brian Akins, will check grades and remove those who do not meet the requirements.

9. ASCSN SPRING TRAINING
   FOR INFORMATION ONLY
   a. The Senate shall be reminded of ASCSN Spring Elected Student Leader training on Tuesday, January 9th- Friday, January 12th, 2024. The time of our training is from 9 AM- 3 PM each day. Snacks and lunch are provided each day. Your in-person attendance is expected. Kindly make arrangements to attend.

   This item will be led by ASCSN Student Body President, Pio Rejas

   TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes for the agenda item

12:35 p.m. President Pio explained the agenda item and informed the senate that the training would be solely in person.

10. RE-ALLOCATING FUNDS TOWARDS HACU
    FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
    a. The ASCSN Senate shall vote on reallocating the $2,500 in funding issued for attendance of the Hispanic and Black National Caucus Meeting towards the funding of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities attendance.

   This item will be led by North Las Vegas Campus Interim Associate VP Dr. Daniel Alvarado

   TIME ALLOCATED: 15 minutes for the agenda item
I. President Pio explained the agenda item.

II. Advisor Akins mentioned that Dr. Daniel Alvarado was not present and advised the senate to table the agenda item.

III. 1st Motion West Charleston senator Christian.

IV. 2nd Motion Extension site senator Briana.

V. The motion passed with a majority vote 14-0-0.

11. CAS STUDY SKILLS CLINIC
FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
a. The Centers for Academic Success will hold a Study Skills Clinic in late November to help students prepare for finals. The event will be on each main campus for three days. Students will meet with a tutor in the Student Union for a 10–15-minute session to create a study plan and receive resources. We will offer coffee and Danish and or donuts. The requested funding is $2200, and we would appreciate Student Government support and collaboration in promoting the event to support successful course completion for CSN students.

This item will be led by the Director of Academic Affairs, Shellie Keller

TIME ALLOCATED: 10 minutes for the agenda item

I. 11:58 am President Pio explained the agenda item.

II. Director of Academic Affairs, Shellie Keller introduced herself and the event which is a Study Skills Clinic with tutors to plan out their study sessions in late November to help students prepare for finals which will be held in all 3 campuses.

III. West Charleston senator Gerardo asked if they have asked other departments for funding.

IV. Shellie replied that they hadn’t asked any department for funding.

V. West Charleston senator Gerardo asked if their department has funding that they can use.

VI. Shellie replied yes to only utilizing the tutors.

VII. Extension site senator Briana asked Shellie if they were shutting down the tutoring center.

VIII. Shellie replied that they are not shutting down the tutoring center.

IX. West Charleston senator Christian asked why the times were short for the sessions.

X. Gabrielle replied that the event is for students to go over their final schedule and help them plan their study schedules.

XI. Vice President Zipporah asked Brian if it would fulfill the 30-day requirement.

XII. Advisor Akins replied that if approved it will be executed.

XIII. 1st motion to approve $1,800 for the event North Las Vegas Helena

XIV. 2nd Motion North Las Vegas Dasia.

XV. Motion died with 6 approvals and 9 denials.

XVI. 1st Motion to approve $1000, Secretary Naomi

XVII. 2nd Motion Vice President Zipporah.

XVIII. The motion passed with a Majority vote. 8-6-0.

XIX.

12. REQUEST FOR FUNDS ASL CLUB
FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
a. We here at ASL Club are seeking $3000 to help our students from the deaf studies program get to GU (Gallaudet University) in Washington D.C. in the spring of 2024

This item will be led by ASL Club President, Annie Allis

TIME ALLOCATED: 10 minutes for the agenda item

I. 11:43 am President Pio explained the agenda item.
II. Annie Allis, the president of the ASL club, mentioned that she requested funding due to a shortage of funds.

III. President Pio asked Annie about their itinerary.

IV. Annie replied that they would be visiting museums, the university, and some historical places.

V. President Pio mentioned that last year senate gave them 4000 dollars.

VI. Annie replied that they are still short of funds because they have 5 more people.

VII. President Pio asked if a smaller group could attend.

VIII. Annie replied that the event is open for the entire deaf studies students which is currently 8 people.

IX. West Charleston senator Gerardo asked if they were willing to select certain students not all and if they had a process of selection.

X. Annie replied that they have Google Docs questions to assess if the students are aware of and understand the purpose of the event.

XI. Extension site senator Briana asked Annie how many freshmen and sophomores there were and advised Annie to give the sophomores more spots because they were closer to graduation.

XII. Annie replied that they will have more sophomores to attend the event.

XIII. Henderson senator asked the cost per person.

XIV. Annie replied that the cost per person is $900.

XV. 1st Motion to deny the agenda item extension site, Senator Briana.

XVI. 2nd Motion Henderson senator Dallas.

XVII. The motion passed with a roll call vote. 9-5-0.

13. COYOTEGIVING FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. I am requesting that the outreach committee provide an additional $2000 for the Coyote giving event. If approved the funds will support a catered sit-down meal for CSN students, on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving.

This item will be led by North Las Vegas Senator, Dasia Thompson

TIME ALLOCATED: 10 minutes for the agenda item

I. President Pio explained the agenda item.

II. North Las Vegas senator Dasia explained that the event will reach out to provide Thanksgiving dinner for any students from any of the 3 campuses and 100 sandwiches and 70 sodas.

III. West Charleston senator asked who the food distributors are.

IV. North Las Vegas senator replied that she is still waiting on the vendors she reached out to.

V. Secretary Naomi asked why the date is after Thanksgiving if the motto is Thanksgiving.

VI. North Las Vegas senator Dasia replied that Thanksgiving has a negative connotation for most students.

VII. West Charleston senator Gerardo asked North Las Vegas senator Dasia if she had surveyed students for their opinions.

VIII. North Las Vegas senator Dasia replied to No.

IX. North Las Vegas senator Dasia confirmed with the senate that she is asking $800, not $2000.

X. 1st Motion Treasurer Janeth

XI. 2nd Motion North Las Vegas Piero.

XII. The motion Passed with a roll call vote. 12-2-0

14. LET'S GET MERRY! FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. A dance-type event to celebrate the end of the year. Taking place from 5 pm to 8 pm. The Let's Get Merry event would serve light refreshments. There will be games, prizes to be won (small items), and a raffle for a $100 bookstore voucher. Join us for music and fun for everyone who attends! The amount requested is $700 ($500 for Hosting/$200 for General Ops).
This item will be led by North Las Vegas Senator, Piero A. Guzman

**TIME ALLOCATED: 10 minutes for the agenda item**

I. 12:50 pm North Las Vegas senator Piero explained the agenda item which is dance dance-type event to celebrate the end of the year. Taking place from 5 pm to 8 pm.
II. Secretary Naomi asked about the date of the event.
III. North Las Vegas senator Piero replied that he hasn’t decided on the date which will be either Thursday or Friday.
IV. Extension site senator Brian asked if there would be music that is explicit with a DJ.
V. Piero replied Yes.
VI. 1St Motion North Las Vegas senator Helena
VII. 2nd Motion West Charleston senator Christian.
VIII. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 12-2-0.

15. **NSA FUNDS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

a. Per our constitution, ASCSN shall set aside at least $500.00 from their annual budgets to be spent during that academic year at the request of the Nevada Student Alliance on events and promotions.

This item will be led by ASCSN Student Body President, Pio Rejas

**TIME ALLOCATED: 10 minutes for the agenda item**

I. 1:03 p.m. President Pio explained the agenda item.
II. West Charleston senator Christian asked why it was necessary.
III. President Pio replied that it is allocated in case if asked.
IV. 1st Motion West Charleston Gerardo.
V. 2nd Motion Secretary Naomi.
VI. Motion Passes with a roll call vote of 14-0-0

16. **INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK – AMBASSADOR DAY EVENT**

**FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

a. International Education Week is supported by the U.S. Departments of State and Education. It will be celebrated by many universities, colleges, and communities in the US and around the world during November 13-17, 2023. This is an excellent opportunity for CSN faculty, students, staff, and community members to come together to promote cultural awareness and become familiar with international students from over 50 countries. The amount requested is $2500.

This item will be led by International Student Center Assistant Director, Aster Yehdego

**TIME ALLOCATED: 10 minutes for the agenda item**

I. 11:25 am President Pio explained the agenda item.
II. Student Center Assistant Director, Aster Yehdego appreciated student government for the previous funding and explained the agenda item This is an excellent opportunity for CSN faculty, students, staff, and community members to come together to promote cultural awareness and become familiar with international students from over 50 countries which is very popular at CSN and has above 300 attendees.
III. Extension site Briana asked if it was only in the West Charleston campus.
IV. Aster replies Yes.
V. Extension site Briana asked if the event was virtual.
VI. Aster replied that the event would be solely in person.
VII. Extension site Briana asked if Potluck was possible.
VIII. Aster replied that it can’t be a potluck because of safety for students.
IX. Secretary Naomi shared her experience with Ambassador's Day.
X. Vice President Zipporah asked if Iso had been asked for money.
XI. Aster replied that it is separate from ISO.
XII. 1st Motion to add 3 minutes West Charleston senator Christian.
XIII. 2nd Motion North Las Vegas senate Helena.
XIV. 1st Motion to approve the requested amount, which is $2500, Secretary Naomi
XV. 2nd Motion West Charleston senator Gerardo.
XVI. Motion dies 5-9-0
XVII. 1st Motion to approve $2000 from PYC North Las Vegas senator Helena.
XVIII. 2nd Motion West Charleston senator Gerardo.
XIX. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 8-5-0.

17. AWARDING CSN STUDENT LEADER CEASAR LOPEZ THE ASCSN STUDENT AMBASSADOR SCHOLARSHIP
FOR DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
a. The ASCSN Senate shall vote and deliberate on awarding ASCSN Student Leader the ASCSN Student Ambassador Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to Ceasar due to his continuous demonstration of service to all CSN students, active engagement in the CSN community, academic excellence, and civic engagement. The scholarship is a pro-rated amount of $1,250 for the fall semester, and a full $1,250 during the spring semester pending continuous enrollment. This scholarship is solely for the Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 semesters.

This item will be led by ASCSN Student Body President Pio Rejas
TIME ALLOCATED: 10 Minutes.
I. 12:57 pm President Pio explained that agenda item.
II. West Charleston senator Christian asked what pro-rated meant.
III. Jane replied saying that it was a smaller amount.
IV. Brian explained that it was for next year.
V. 1st Motion West Charleston Senator Christian
VI. 2nd Motion Extension site senator Briana.
VII. Motion passes with a roll call vote 14-0-0.

18. ASCSN SENATE REPORT
FOR INFORMATION ONLY
a. President’s Report
b. Vice President’s Report
I. No Vice president report.
c. Senator Reports
I. Henderson senator Dallas proxy for Henderson senator Gilda mentioned that the Henderson open house events were a success. And gave Jane a shoutout.
II. Extension site senator Briana mentioned that she has been working to keep the café open, athletics scholarships, and event scholarships.
III. West Charleston Gerardo mentioned that the LGBTQIA+ event was a success, that LIB will be provided for the spring welcome back event, and that tacos are the preference for food.
Additionally, West Charleston senator Gerardo shared an email that was sent to community leaders and shared his experience of the HACU conference and mentioned that the funds given by the student government for the event were not fully used.

IV. West Charleston senator Christian congratulated Senator Gerardo for his event. And mentioned that he has been working on a smash bro’s tournament and a podcast.

d. Committee Chair Reports
   I. Planning awards committee chair Briana mentioned that she has sent out emails to the members and mentioned that their meeting is on Fridays at 11 on the day senate meetings don’t take place.
   
   e. Advisor Brian Akins
   I. No advisor reports.

ESTIMATED TIME: 5 minutes per speaker

19. NEW BUSINESS
   FOR INFORMATION ONLY

   a. Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested. 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.

   TIME ALLOCATED: 5 minutes

   I. Henderson senator Dallas mentioned that the Henderson campus has an idea for an event that will receive donations of clothes and items.

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I. 1:24 pm Extension site senator Briana mentioned that the pack plans to bring together clubs, for students, and campus initiatives. Senator Christian Johnson will help create a podcast for CSN powered by students, faculty, and staff, with interviewers.

II. Jane mentioned that first generation event is going to be held and the student Women Alliance period equity drive all three campuses donations for feminine sanitary items.

III. Student Ambassador Cesar Lopez thanked the student government for the opportunity that he was given and thanked West Charleston senator Christian and Extension site senator Briana.

20. ADJOURNMENT
FOR INFORMATION ONLY

PURSUANT TO SECTION 3 OF DIRECTIVE 006, THE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN NRS 241.020(4)(a) THAT PUBLIC NOTICE AGENDAS BE POSTED AT PHYSICAL LOCATIONS WITHIN THE STATE OF NEVADA HAS BEEN SUSPENDED. PURSUANT TO SECTION 4 OF DIRECTIVE 006, THIS AGENDA HAS BEEN POSTED ELECTRONICALLY ON THE CSN Student Government Website https://www.csn.edu/student-government AND ON THE NEVADA PUBLIC NOTICE WEBSITE (http://notice.nv.gov/) IN ACCORDANCE WITH NRS 232.2175.

I. Meeting ended at 1:32 pm.