



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (SGA)

MINUTES

April 14, 2026

3:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:01 PM

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EXECUTIVE MEMBERS:

STORM RAINE, PRESIDENT PRESENT
JULIA STOKES, VICE PRESIDENT PRESENT
DENIELLE KIRKMAN, SECRETARY PRESENT

SENATORS:

IAN MITCHEL, ELKO PRESENT
MUHAMMED SALIKHOV, ELKO PRESENT
YULIANA MENDEZ-BARAJAS, ELKO ABSENT
JULIAN SOSA, ELKO PRESENT
DIVINE JACOBSON, ELKO PRESENT
DAVID BERNADINO-LOPEZ, ELKO PRESENT
ELIZABETH NASH, ELY PRESENT
CATHERINE HANSON, ELY PRESENT
CATHERINE COLE, ONLINE ABSENT EXCUSED
TERILYN MARINO, ONLINE PRESENT
SOFIA MAYORGA, WINNEMUCCA PRESENT
DIEGO ESQUIVEL, WINNEMUCCA PRESENT
CALVIN COWAN, PAHRUMP PRESENT
AVA COFFILL, PAHRUMP PRESENT

GUESTS:

JESSICA ORTIZ- STUDENT LIFE COORDINATOR
SHAKIRA CHESEBORO- ADMIN ASSISTANT 3 PAHRUMP
NORM WHITTAKER- CTE PROFESSOR ELKO CAMPUS
JOSLYNN QUINTERO- SNO

NOTE: Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Notification is hereby provided that items on the agenda may be taken out of the order 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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In accordance with NRS241.020(6), supporting materials that are submitted to the Student Government Association (SGA) will be made available in advance of the meeting. Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically disabled persons attending the meeting. Please call the Office for Students with Disabilities (775) 327-2336 in advance so that arrangements may be made.

1. ROLL CALL

- Roll call of members and any persons serving as a proxy for a member will be taken.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

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NORM WHITTAKER MENTIONED THAT HE HAS AN AGENDA ITEM FOR NEXT WEEK FOR THE CTE REGALIA. HE SHOWED THE REGALIA AND MENTIONED THAT SGA HAS SPONSORED THIS FOR SEVERAL YEARS. THERE ARE ONLY 3 APPLICANTS AT THE MOMENT.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

POSSIBLE ACTION

A Request is made for approval of the GBC SGA Agenda for the meeting on 4/14/2026.

VICE PRESIDENT STOKES MOTIONS TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. SENATOR SOSA SECONDS. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

POSSIBLE ACTION

A Request is made for approval of the GBC SGA Minutes for the meeting on 4/7/2026.

VICE PRESIDENT STOKES MOTIONS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. SECRETARY KIRKMAN SECONDS. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY. SENATOR MARINO ABSTAINS.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

SGA PRESIDENT RAINE will discuss current SGA events and activities as SGA President. PRESIDENT RAINE MENTIONED HE IS GLAD TO SEE EVERYONE. HE MENTIONED THAT HE

IS VERY BUSY WITH CLASSES AND THEY ARE MORE HECTIC THAN USUAL. HE WANTS TO MAKE SURE WE STAY ON OUR TOES, BECAUSE THINGS ARE RAMPING UP. HE IS VERY EXCITED TO ATTEND THE DIVERSITY SUMMIT AND THEY ARE LEAVING TOMORROW. HE DID HAVE A COUPLE TALKS WITH PRESIDENT DONNELLI AND THEY WILL BE FOCUSING ON THE CALENDAR DURING THE SUMMER MEETINGS. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE A BETTER FLOW.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

SGA VICE PRESIDENT STOKES will discuss current SGA events and activities as SGA Vice President. VICE PRESIDENT STOKES MENTIONED THAT SHE WAS ABLE TO MEET WITH JOHN EVANS, AND HE MAY BE COMING IN TODAY. HE WANTS TO DISCUSS SPLITTING THE BUDGET WITH STUDENT LIFE AND STUDENT GOVERNMENT. SHE WAS ABLE TO MEET WITH THE MASCOT COMMITTEE AND CAME UP WITH A COLOR PALLET FOR IT. SHE ALSO CHECKED OUT A COMPANY FOR IT THAT HAD EXCELLENT REVIEWS.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

SGA SECRETARY KIRKMAN will discuss current SGA events and activities as SGA Secretary. SECRETARY KIRKMAN MENTIONED THAT IT HAS BEEN A CRAZY WEEK. SHE BROKE HER NOSE THIS WEEKEND AND SHE IS READY FOR EVERYTHING TO BE OVER. SHE DID SAY THAT JAMES BROUGHT TO HER ATTENTION THAT SOME PEOPLE ARE SEEING THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT HEADER WORDING DOWN THE MIDDLE OF THE AGENDA. WHEN SHE IS DOING THM ON THE COMPUTER IT DOES NOT SHOW THAT. SO HER AND PRESIDENT RAINE TALKED AND DECIDED TO REMOVE THE HEADERS AND IF ANYONE ELSE NOTICES ANYTHING WNKY TO LET HER KNOW.

STUDENT ADVOCATE'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

Student Advocate, JAMES KENDALL, will discuss current SGA events and items concerning SGA. HE WAS NOT PRESENT AT THE MEETING.

SENATOR REPORTS

INFORMATION ONLY

Senators from each location will discuss their current and future events: Eiko, Ely, Online, Winnemucca, and Pahump.

MITCHEL- HE MENTIONED THAT HE IS GETTING THE MASCOT COMMITTEE GOING AND HE WILL; DISCUSS MORE OF THAT DURING COMMITTEE REPORTS. HE IS GOING TO THE DIVERSITY SUMMIT.

SALIKHOV- HE MENTIONED THAT HE DOESN'T HAVE MUCH TO REPORT, BUT HE DOES HAVE AN UPCOMING AGENDA ITEM.

SOSA- HE MENTIONED THAT HE HAS NOTHING RELEVANT TO REPORT.

JACOBSON- SHE MENTIONED THAT SHE HAD NOTHING RELEVANT TO REPORT.

BERNADINO- HE MENTIONED THAT HE HAS NOTHING MAJOR TO REPORT.

NASH- SHE MENTIONED THAT SHE MET WITH SENATOR HANSON AND FIGURED OUT HOW TO SPEND THE REST OF THE BUDGET.

HANSON- SHE MENTIONED SHE MET WITH SENATOR NASH. AND IT WAS QUITE DIFFICULT TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO SPEND THAT MUCH MONEY. POETRY CONTEST ENDS THIS WEEK, AND WINNERS WILL BE DETERMINED ON MONDAY.

MARINO- SHE MENTIONED THAT SHE HAS NOTHING TO REPORT.

MAYORGA- SHE MENTIONED THAT SHE HOPES EVERYONE IS STAYING STRONG AT THE END OF CLASSES. SHE IS EXTREMELY EXCITED FOR THE DIVERSITY SUMMIT. SHE HAS

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BEEN PLANNING EVENTS FOR NEXT YEARS SENATORS.
ESQUIVEL- HE MENTIONED THAT THEY ARE STILL FIGURING OUT DETAILS FOR THE STUDY ROOM.
COWAN- HE MENTIONED THAT HE HAS AN AGENDA ITEM FOR TODAY. HE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF REPRESENTING GBC AT THE NEVADA NATIVE STUDENT ALLIANCE GROUP. THEY ARE SHOWING WHAT THEY ARE DOING FOR THE NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS. GBC IS THE ONLY INSTITUTION THAT DOES NOT ACKNOWLEDGE THE LAND THAT THE COLLEGES SIT ON, AND THEY ARE WORKING TO CORRECT THAT. HE WILL BE WORKING WITH SHAKIRA TO SEND THE FUNDS FOR LOVELOCK TO WINNEMUCCA AND THEY ARE WORKING ON ITEMS TO SPEND DOWN THE BUDGET. HE WILL BE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT DONNELLI ON THURSDAY FOR CLARIFICATION OF THE CAMPUSES EVENTS.
COFFILL- SHE MENTIONED THAT SHE WILL BE GOING TO THE UNR SUMMIT. SHE IS ALSO LOOKING AT FEMININE PRODUCTS AND SHE IS GEARING UP FOR EARTH DAY.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

INFORMATION ONLY

Chairs of each Committee (Graduation, Mascot, and Amendments) will discuss the progress of their committees.
GRADUATION- AVA IS LOOKING INTO THE PRICING OF ITEMS THEY WANTED TO SEE IF THEY NEED TO REQUEST MORE MONEY.
MASCOT- THEY HAVE FOUND A FEW MASCOTS THAT THEY LIKED, BUT THE SCHOOL IS IN THE PROCESS OF CHANGING AROUND COLORS. WE CAN ONLY CONFIRM GREEN AND WHITE. THEY WILL MEET FRIDAY AND DISCUSS COMPANIES AND DRAFTS. THEY ARE REBRANDING AND ARE WORRIED IF WE HAVE A COLOR PALLET NOW, IT MAY NOT MATCH AFTER THE REBRAND.
AMENDMENTS- HE WAS GOING TO MEET WITH THE EXEC BOARD BUT WAS UNABLE TO DUE TO A PERSONAL ISSUE. HE WILL TRY TO MEET WITH THE EXECUTIVE BOARD WHEN JAMES GETS BACK.

11. Unfinished Business

NONE

12. UPCOMING ITEMS

POSSIBLE ACTION

A. SNO PINNING CEREMONY WITH JOSLYNN QUINTERO
SNO will be using their own money to pay for the pinning ceremony location, which is \$400, as well as their food for the ceremony, which is \$405. They were advised that they need to have SGA's approval and minutes to be able to pay for them. No funding is required for SGA.
SENATOR SALIHKOV MOTIONS TO APPROVE. SENATOR SOSA SECONDS. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

B. GRADUATION SEATING PAHRUMP WITH SENATOR COWAN
Senator Cowan is requesting funding from the Pahrum Campus budget to cover the cost of 100 rental chairs for the Pahrum Graduation. They did not have enough seating last year. The rental company will deliver and set up the stage, and they can provide an additional 100 chairs. He is requesting \$175 for supply funding.
VICE PRESIDENT STOKES MOTIONS TO APPROVE. SENATOR JACOBSON SECONDS. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

C. SGA TEAM AWARDS WITH SENATOR SALIKHOV

The Exec Team, along with Senator Salikhov, would like to purchase SGA awards for all of our exec board and senators. He has the design picked out. He is requesting \$900 for food and prize funding.

THERE WAS SOME DEBATE ON THE CAMPUSES SPLITTING THE COSTS. THIS MOTION WAS REQUESTED TO BE TABLED UNTIL WE CAN GET THE AMOUNT FOR EACH CAMPUS. WE WILL ADD THIS ITEM TO UNFINISHED BUSINESS FOR NEXT WEEK.

13. NEW BUSINESS

INFORMATION ONLY

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, and no substantive discussion may occur at this meeting on new business items in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS 241.010 *et seq.*).

SENATOR COWAN BROUGHT UP THE GRADUATION PIZZA ON A FUTURE AGENDA AND ANOTHER ITEM ABOUT LEADERSHIP IDEAS. SENATOR NASH SAID WE SHOULD ALSO TALK ABOUT BEATS AND BITES FOR ALL THE CAMPUSES. SENATOR MITCHEL WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST IN A FUTURE AGENDA AN INCREASE OF THE BUDGET FOR THE MASCOT TO \$12,000.

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NONE

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GBC, Berg Hall, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, NV 89801

Nevada Public Notice Website - <https://notice.nv.gov>

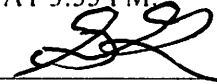
GBC SGA Website - [Great Basin College: Student Life - Meetings](#).

15. Adjournment

INFORMATION ONLY

SENATOR SOSA MOTIONS TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. SENATOR MITCHEL SECONDS. MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY AT 3:55 PM.

PRESIDENT SIGNATURE



DATE: 4/24/26