



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (SGA)

**AGENDA
JULY 7, 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
MUHAMMED/DIVINE, INTERIM - SECRETARY PRESENT

SENATORS:

MUHAMMED SALIKHOV, ELKO PRESENT
YULIANA MENDEZ-BARAJAS, ELKO ABSENT
JULIAN SOSA, ELKO EXCUSED
DIVINE JACOBSON, ELKO PRESENT
DAVID BERNADINO-LOPEZ, ELKO PRESENT
CALVIN COWAN, PAHRUMP PRESENT
LIZ NASH, ELY PRESENT
CATHERINE COLE, ONLINE PRESENT
TERILYN MARINO, ONLINE ABSENT

GUESTS:

JAMES KENDALL- STUDENT ADVOCATE, DIRECTOR OF STUDENT LIFE
JANA NETTLETON - WINNIMUCCA CENTER DIRECTOR
CAMILLA CONTRERAS - STUDENT
NIKKI TINGEY - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT II
SHAKIRA CHESEBRO - ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT III

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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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3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

POSSIBLE ACTION

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

VICE PRESIDENT STOKES MOTIONS TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING ON 7/7/26. SENATOR COWAN SECONDS THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSES.

4. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

POSSIBLE ACTION

A Request is made for approval of the GBC SGA Minutes for the meeting on 6/2/2026.

VICE PRESIDENT STOKES MOTIONS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON 6/2/26.

SENATOR COWAN SECONDS THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSES.

ABSTENTIONS: DIVINE JACOBSON.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

SGA PRESIDENT RAINE will discuss current SGA events and activities as SGA President.

PRESIDENT RAINE: Reports that he is happy to be meeting with SGA. He also mentions how he has been making connections with the Nevada Student Alliance and there may be an opportunity to collaborate in the future. He thanks meeting members and shows appreciation for the people there. He recaps the information about the year calendar of events.

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

SGA VICE PRESIDENT STOKES will discuss current SGA events and activities as SGA Vice President.

VICE PRESIDENT STOKES: Reports that vice president of finance Evens (VP evens) is no longer with GBC. She mentions that she is not comfortable with making a budget without a staff member from the college overseeing the process. She informs that the college is trying to fill VP Evens position and sincerely apologizes about the delay of the budget.

7. SECRETARY'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

INTERIM SGA SECRETARIES will discuss current SGA events and activities as SGA Secretary.

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8. STUDENT ADVOCATE'S REPORT

INFORMATION ONLY

STUDENT ADVOCATE, JAMES KENDALL, will discuss current SGA events and items concerning SGA.

Student Advocate James Kendall: Reports that the student life coordinator, Jessica Ortiz has been promoted internally and is no longer with SGA. She wishes everybody the best and is grateful for her time with SGA and the opportunities she has to enhance student success. James continues his report by mentioning he has the final design for the mascot and is ready to share it with the executive board. He also mentions that if SGA senators have attended two meetings in the summer semester, they will be eligible for the summer scholarship and the funds will be dispersed according to the student's account. He also gave a quick reminder of election dates, September 7th-11th. Lastly he reports that the next Nevada Student Alliance (NSA) meeting will be held in September at TMCC. (Truckee Meadows Community College.) He also mentions that the NSA and Board of Regents have elected their executive board.

9. SENATOR REPORTS

INFORMATION ONLY

SALIKHOV: He reports that he is excited for the upcoming semester and wishes everyone luck on upcoming SGA elections.

JACOBSON: She mentions that she will be completing minutes for the meeting on 7/7/26. She hopes the

minutes and agenda she prepared looked good. She also mentions she is excited to be running for interim secretary, and that she is happy people are interested in running for many different positions.

BERNADINO LOPEZ: He reports that he is busy with summer courses.

COWAN: He mentions how he is on his way to his vacation. He mentions he is assembling a list of different ideas for activities he wants to bring to Pahrump. He also mentions that the Native American Student Association is holding elections for their executive board and encourages people who want to join to reach out to him.

NASH: She reports that she had a vacation to the UK and Poland, and when she got back he started to work on the various events for the upcoming year.

COLE: She mentions the temperature and humidity in Chicago is high. She also thanks Senator Cowan for volunteering to run the Zoom Zoo with her. She hopes it stays an SGA Tradition.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

INFORMATION ONLY

Chairs of each Committee (Mascot & Amendments) will discuss the progress of their committees.

No additional updates.

11. Unfinished Business

A. Voting on the Plan of Action for Academic Year 26-27 Programing ACTION

POSSIBLE

- Continuation of Discussion: Upcoming events for the year.
 - Supplemental items included. See attached file.
- Possible Action: The Voting of POA.
 - The SGA would like to vote on a Plan of Action for the 26-27 academic year. This document is an outline for events. The events in this document should be executed on all campuses in some way however and if possible.
 - Supplemental items included. See attached file.

JAMES KENDALL: Explains that the supplemental information provided will be a framework of events that would happen throughout all GBC campuses.

SENATOR JACOBSON: Asks for clarification on missing “estimated cost” section for student lounges and “collaborate with facility and orgs.”

JAMES KENDALL: Informs that the budget has not been set yet. He also informs that each campus has about \$6,000 for programming. He mentions how this document is more to state SGA’s focus for the academic year and budgets can be set on specific projects or altered for specific events when needed.

SENATOR COWAN MOVES TO APPROVE THE INFORMATION PROVIDED FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-2027. SENATOR SOLIKHOV SECONDS. THE MOTION PASSES.

12. NEW BUSINESS

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.*).

A. Formation and Appointment of Members in Beats & Bites Committee INFORMATION ONLY

- President Raine would like to form a new committee for the back to school event, BEATS AND BITES.

PRESIDENT RAINE: Forms Beats and Bites Committee. Asks for nominees.

VICE PRESIDENT STOKES: Asks about the purpose of the committee.

PRESIDENT RAINE: Informs that the purpose of this committee is to have a staple Welcome Back Week event hosted at each campus.

NIKKI TINGEY: Asks for clarification on what Beats and Bites is.

SENATOR NASH: Explains that it's an event where there is music and food. She explains that she asked food trucks to come down to the event.

SENATOR JACOBSON: Adds on by saying that Beats and Bites is a welcome back event where food trucks are placed and where the community gathers. She explains that students and their families are welcome to attend the event and how she would love to see more club participation. She also mentions Saddle Crabb.

SENATOR COWAN: Mentions that all that's needed for Beats and Bites is food and music. He also mentions how each campus is different in what they can or are allowed to do.

SENATOR COLE: Informs that online campus has historically not been included in the Beats and Bites event. She also mentions that it would be difficult to do the Bites aspect of the event due to the limitation of an online campus.

PRESIDENT RAINE: Explains that the purpose of this committee is to help understand and execute Beats and Bites on each campus, even if it may look slightly different.

SENATOR COWAN: Asks about a snack pack that could be sent out for online students.

SENATOR JACOBSON: Expresses that she thinks it's a great idea and that she is excited to talk more about the details in the committee meetings. She mentions she is tired of online campus not being included in major events.

SENATOR NASH: Mentions how some students don't go to campus and would like some type of flyer or notice on canvas.

BEATS AND BITES COMMITTEE MEMBERS: SENATOR DIVINE JACOBSON (CHAIR), PRESIDENT RAINE, VICE PRESIDENT STOKES, SENATOR CALVIN COWAN, SENATOR NASH.

B. SGA Awards POSSIBLE ACTION

- Senator Cowan would like to propose SGA Awards for the Student Advocate, James Kendall, the Student Life Coordinator, Jessica Ortiz, and two additional members of faculty. Senator Cowan is requesting \$100 from each campus for Student Advocate and Student Life Coordinator Awards, for a total of \$400. In addition to this Senator Cowan would like to request approval to use \$400 from Pahrump Valley SGA funds to purchase two additional awards for the two members of Pahrump Valley

Faculty. The full estimated total including shipping for this item is \$800 for food and prizes. \$500 from Pahrump Valley SGA funds, \$100 from Elko & Online, \$100 from Ely, \$100 from Winnemucca.

SENATOR COWAN: Mentions how this item was submitted as two separate agenda items that are now combined. Informs that if clarification is needed he can provide. He explains that the first portion is for the consideration of awards for James Kendall and Jessica Ortiz from each respective centre. The statue is a bronze big horn climbing rock to represent GBC climbing to success, they cost \$125 - \$135 each. He mentions for two statues it is a total of \$300 plus shipping and is requesting a total of \$400 from each campus for those two awards. For the next two awards he informs the recipients are Dr. Christopher Salute and Roberto Quinonez-Galvez.

VICE PRESIDENT STOKES: Confirms the budget and allocation of funds from each campus would be, \$500 from Pahrump, \$100 from Elko, \$100 From Ely, and \$100 from Winnemucca.

PRESIDENT RAINE: Mentions how important it is to thank the individuals that support SGA.

SENATOR COLE MOTIONS TO PROVE AGENDA ITEM 12B. SENATOR SOLIKHOV SECONDS. THE MOTION PASSES.

C. Zoom Pro Access For SGA Senators (Discussion)
ONLY

INFORMATION

- Senator Cowan would like to lead a discussion on the possibility of utilizing Zoom Pro Access for SGA members.

SENATOR COWAN: Informs that faculty have individual subscriptions for zoom. He thinks it is important for SGA members to also have unlimited access to zoom. He mentions how limited zoom can be when meeting times are capped. He wants to know if it is possible for all senators to have a zoom pro subscription to help with senators elected duties.

JAMES KENDALL: Mentions that if SGA Senators move to vote on this item that he could reach out to IT Director, Mack Robinson. He continues by informing that an allocation could already be in place as GBC received over \$1 million dollars in grants for zoom.

PRESIDENT RAINE: Asks Senator Cowan about the benefits of having zoom-pro access.

SENATOR COWAN: Informs that with zoom pro access there will be no time limit on meetings. Informs that with committee work time and engaging with students a time limit poses a challenge.

SENATOR JACOBSON: Echoes the frustrations explained by Senator Cowan.

SENATOR NASH: Asks if SGA has to use zoom or if another app like google meet, or messenger, would work.

PRESIDENT RAINE: Informs that SGA could use other applications besides zoom.

SENATOR COWAN: Mentions how zoom is already integrated into GBC webcampus. He also expresses that GBC was given money for zoom use and would like to see funds be used on students. He also mentions that Google Meet has tech issues.

SENATOR JACOBSON: Voices her support for zoom in regards to comfortability with the platform.

PRESIDENT RAINE: Voices his support for an agenda item for action on upcoming meeting.

SENATOR COWAN: Appreciates the productive conversation.

DISCUSSION CLOSED.

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SENATOR NASH: Asks for clarification of meeting times for upcoming meetings.

JAMES KENDAL: Informs the next meeting will be on a Tuesday at 3:00 PM, two weeks from the start of the fall semester.

SENATOR NASH: Informs that she will put an agenda refund request for the Beats and Bites Ely event.

JAMES KENDALL: Ask Senator Nash to work with the senate director to find an account with a suitable amount of funds to cover the cost. After the money has been spent, a JV form with the money will be sent from the Ely SGA account to the account used.

SENATOR JACOBSON: Mentions that all this discussion should be going under new business.

14. Adjournment

INFORMATION ONLY

SENATOR COWAN MOTIONS TO ADJOURN AT 3:54 PM. SENATOR JACOBSON SECONDS THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:54 PM.

PRESIDENT: Storm Rains DATE: 8.18.26