

NEVADA LEGISLATURE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT TO ADMINISTER THE NEVADA YOUTH LEGISLATURE

(Nevada Revised Statutes [NRS] 219A.300)

DRAFT SUMMARY MINUTES January 14, 2020

The second meeting of the Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit to Administer the Nevada Youth Legislature (NYL Board) for the 2019–2020 Interim was held on Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at 5 p.m. in Room 4401, Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 3137, Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada.

The agenda, minutes, meeting materials, and audio or video recording of the meeting are available on the Board's <u>meeting page</u>. The audio or video recording may also be found at https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Video/. Copies of the audio or video record can be obtained through the Publications Office of the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) (publications@lcb.state.nv.us or 775/684-6835).

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT IN LAS VEGAS:

Senator Valerie Wiener (Ret.), Chair Senator Joyce Woodhouse, Vice Chair Senator Dallas Harris Assemblywoman Connie Munk Assemblywoman Selena Torres Victoria Carreón

BOARD MEMBER ATTENDING VIA TELECONFERENCE:

Zhan Okuda-Lim

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU STAFF PRESENT:

Rick Combs, Director Brenda J. Erdoes, Legislative Counsel, Legal Division Tina Ashdown, Research Assistant/Program Facilitator, Research Division Maria de la Luz Aguayo, Research Policy Assistant, Research Division Items taken out of sequence during the meeting have been placed in agenda order.

AGENDA ITEM I—ROLL CALL

Chair Wiener called the second meeting of the NYL Board for the 2019–2020 Interim to order.

AGENDA ITEM II—PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Wiener called for public comment; however, no public testimony was presented.

AGENDA ITEM III—APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JULY 15, 2019, MEETING

MOTION: Assemblywoman Munk moved to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2019, meeting. The motion was seconded by Senator Harris and passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM IV—REPORTS FROM YOUTH LEGISLATORS REGARDING THEIR EXPERIENCES SERVING AS YOUTH LEGISLATORS AND THEIR EFFORTS TO INVOLVE OTHER YOUNG PEOPLE IN YOUTH LEGISLATURE ACTIVITIES

Chair Wiener stated that Tyler Fournier, Youth Legislator, Senate District 6, Nevada Youth Legislature (NYL), was unable to attend the meeting, but he prepared a brief presentation for the Board (Agenda Item IV).

Sahithi Chundu, Youth Legislator, Senate District 3, NYL, expressed her gratitude for the knowledge she has gained from the trainings, handbooks, and opportunities offered by the NYL. She compared the NYL program to other high school extracurricular activities, in which the ideas and discourse stay within the activity or program; whereas, the ideas and discourse produced in the NYL can create a legislative change.

Ms. Carreón asked Youth Legislator Chundu what she found to be the most challenging assignment in the NYL process.

Youth Legislator Chundu anticipated the town hall activity will be the most challenging. Additionally, she shared that her District Youth Advisory Council (DYAC) struggles to meet consistently and efficiently.

Chair Wiener inquired what primary new information Youth Legislator Chundu has attained from the trainings and what new information should be taught by the NYL.

Youth Legislator Chundu stated the NYL has taught her that there are certain steps to follow to achieve a legislative change and to trust the legislative process. She said she is excited to learn more about the NRS during the second year of the NYL's 2019–2021 Term.

AGENDA ITEM V—REVIEW OF NEVADA YOUTH LEGISLATURE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020

Rick Combs, previously identified, provided a detailed overview of the budget report (Agenda Item V).

Chair Wiener noted Mr. Combs' upcoming retirement from the LCB and thanked him for his profound commitment to the NYL and his help in sustaining financial feasibility of the NYL.

AGENDA ITEM VI—DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL FUTURE ACTIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO INCREASE INTEREST IN SERVING ON THE NEVADA YOUTH LEGISLATURE AND THE ADVISORY COUNCILS FORMED BY YOUTH LEGISLATORS

Chair Wiener stated she was excited for the NYL Board to meet more frequently to help create a bigger recruitment pool for the NYL and assist youth legislators in their recruitment for their DYACs.

Chair Wiener then called attention to the number of youth legislator applications submitted during the 2019–2021 cycle (Agenda Item VI A) and DYAC participation during School Year 2019–2021 (Agenda Item VI B).

Discussion ensued among Committee members, in which:

- Assemblywoman Torres: (1) proposed preparing a small, quick flyer to be dispersed to legislators, organizations, and students; and (2) requested a spreadsheet with information regarding DYAC meetings, school districts, and youth legislator contact information;
- Chair Wiener suggested assigning youth legislators to NYL Board members for assistance with DYAC recruitment;
- Ms. Carreón suggested reaching out to the contact persons in charge of associations, such as student councils, and she encouraged youth legislators to combine their DYAC meetings;
- Senator Harris and Senator Woodhouse recommended the NYL Board give a presentation about the NYL program to legislators; and
- Mr. Okuda-Lim recommended the NYL Board provide information about the NYL and DYACs to the school districts to be distributed in their email, the Weekly Wire.

AGENDA ITEM VII—DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Chair Wiener, Mr. Combs, and Ms. Erdoes discussed the requirements of the NYL Board's annual meetings in accordance with <u>NRS 219A.300</u>.

Board members and Mr. Combs further discussed the next possible meeting date.

MOTION: Assemblywoman Munk moved to schedule the next NYL Board meeting on Wednesday, June 24, 2020, at 4 p.m. The motion was seconded by Senator Woodhouse and passed unanimously by the Board members present. Senator Harris was absent for the vote.

AGENDA ITEM VIII—PUBLIC COMMENT

Evan Gong, former Youth Legislator, shared information regarding the role of NYL alumni in the NYL.

Zhan Okuda-Lim, previously identified, echoed comments made by Mr. Gong. Additionally, he thanked Rick Combs, previously identified, for his work with the NYL.



ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at $5.59\ p.m.$

	Respectfully submitted,	
	Maria de la Luz Aguayo	
	Research Policy Assistant	
APPROVED BY:		
Senator Valerie Wiener (Ret.), Chair		
Date:		

MEETING MATERIALS

AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTER/ENTITY	DESCRIPTION
Agenda Item IV	Tyler Fournier, Senate District 6, Nevada Youth Legislature	Written presentation
Agenda Item V	Rick Combs, Director, Legislative Counsel Bureau	Budget report
Agenda Item VI A	Senator Valerie Wiener (Ret.), Chair, Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit to Administer the Nevada Youth Legislature (NYL Board)	Table
Agenda Item VI B	Senator Valerie Wiener (Ret.), Chair, NYL Board	Table

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