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CANDIDATE

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MEET SOME OF

THE CANDIDATES

RUNNING FOR THE

2011-2012 STATE BOARD!

Hello, NASC!

It is really hard to believe that this is my final monthly update as the NASC State President! Looking back, it has been an incredible year with many accomplishments we can be proud of as individual councils, and as a state association. A key thing in student council is knowing where you've been, and where you want to go. Along with my Triangle of Success (which was a huge success!) I made sure to include a leadership-oriented word in each monthly update this year. This served as a mini leadership lesson, and was italicized to emphasize the importance it had with each month. Even though I touched on them in different times of the year, I know we can constantly show appreciation, dedication, thankfulness, outreach, commitment, and thinking ahead in everything we do - whether you have three more years of high school, or are graduating this Spring.

As we wrap up this year, we can all look forward to the State Conference at Arbor View High School this March 24-26! I have personally been to Arbor View multiple times in the past few months, and cannot wait to see the excellent conference they have been working on. I hope to see you all there!

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for helping make this year such a huge success. It went by very fast, but had a lot in it. I would like to personally thank all the Student Body Presidents and student council advisors for helping me communicate with the individuals at the schools. It has been great watching all of the councils in our state grow as leaders, and in turn make a difference in the community we serve.

I look forward to seeing you in just a few weeks, and wish everyone the best of luck this month, and the rest of the school year.

Thank you,
Taylor Ashton
President Nevada Association of Student Councils



PRESIDENT



Hey NASC! I'm Kendall Burchard, and I'm running to be your next State President. I've been heavily involved in Student Council and Leadership since elementary school, and I'm so excited for this opportunity to possibly represent you, the leaders of Nevada, on a state and national level. As President, I want to unify the state by joining together to advocate for a single charitable organization. With so many schools doing such incredible things on an individual basis, just imagine the impact we could have if we all worked to support a common cause!

As leaders, I believe we have a duty to our schools to personally know those who we have the honor of representing. And so, for the 2011-2012 school year, I hope to encourage leadership programs to go back to their schools and meet those who sometimes are forgotten in a large school setting. Imagine the difference that could be made if we could unify our school, imagine the increase in pride and spirit. Imagine what that could mean for our statewide family! I hope to show the state and the nation that our leaders hold the "Key to Success", a set of goals and ideas based upon our drive to make a difference in our schools and our communities. Let's unlock our potential as leaders, Nevada, and lay the foundation for a brighter future!

Hello, 2011 Stu-Co Strong Delegates, I am Alex Bybee and I am one of the candidates seeking the office of NASC President! Nevada has an outstanding history of having the most exceptional councils in the country, and there is no doubt in my mind that the presidential position on State Board is integral in continuing this reputation. I am sure that all of us have had that one dream—that one goal—in our high school career that we will stop at nothing to achieve: becoming your State Board President has been that very dream for me. Given my experience in various leadership positions in the past, I am confident that I will uphold the office of president with no less than the absolute best. If you see me around at this year's conference please come up to me and ask me questions so that you all can get to better know me as a candidate! There is strong...and there is Stu-Co strong, and I am without a doubt Stu-Co Strong!



Hey Nevada! My name is Lauren Kuenzi from Clark High School I have a plan to UNITE Nevada student councils. I hope to serve as your State President next year and I seek your support. Having served on the State Board this past year as Midlevel Liaison, I have worked to prepare myself to be your leader. We have amazing opportunities before us and I am proposing a 5-step plan to guide out student councils toward specific state goals. My plan (detailed below) provides the framework to UNITE Nevada.

Unleash your council's hidden strengths by encouraging leadership development, such as taking part in the Certified Student Leader Program and other educational opportunities.

Networking with schools across the state ensures greater levels of communication. Utilize your sister school, feeder school, and 'non-relative' school contacts to open doors. Communication is the key to understanding.

Inspire others to reach their maximum potential by implementing what we have learned and being positive role models, laying the groundwork for future councils.

Tackle tough assignments. Take on the ones that no one else has dared to complete. By working with your council, you will be able to get a great support system to aid in the completion of the tough assignments.

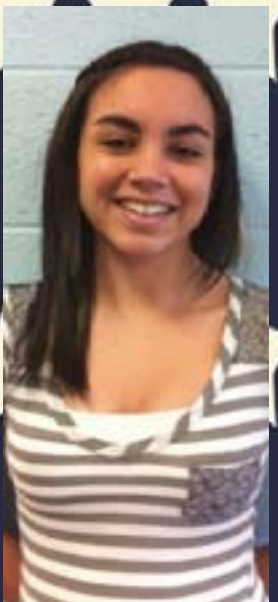
Engage in community service activities whenever possible. Understand our community has needs and develop plans to assist where needed. Offering service to your community is a great way to 'give back'.

I think these goals will help Nevada focus on our future and provide the necessary roadmap to get there. I'm excited to work hard and to be your voice. I would love your support in the upcoming election to make it happen. Thank you Nevada!



1A VICE PRESIDENT

Hey Nevada, my name is Madison Foley; I am a junior at Smith Valley High School. I am running for the position of 1A Vice President. I am so excited to tell you how proud I am of my school and my state and how awesome it would be to represent the 1A schools of Nevada. I love going to a small school, it has taught me the importance of commitment and team work, but most importantly it has taught me time management skills that I use in my daily life. I am currently our ASB Treasurer and will be our student body president for the 2011-2012 school year. I am also a 2 year member of the National Honor Society. I have learned that you have to be committed and have passion to be a true leader. My school has had four 1A vice presidents and the NASC Webmaster for 2009-2010 year; we understand the importance and quality of the job that needs to be done. Being on the NASC board would be amazing! If elected I plan to be a constant resource for all of the 1A schools. I hope to encourage more schools to become involved in NASC! The 1A might be small, but we can still do big things! I can't wait to meet you all, and I hope I get the chance to be your NASC 1A Vice President!



2A VICE PRESIDENT

Hi my name is Marissa Spurlock and I am running for 2A vice president. I am going to be a senior at Yerington High School next year. If I am elected vice president my main goal is to bring the 2A schools together. I want the officers to gain ideas from the other schools in their district so we have the best district in the state. I have been involved in a lot while in high school. I have participated in the following; dance team two years as captain, link crew, volleyball, gear up, yearbook and student senate. I have been class president for the past three years. I know what it takes to be a leader and would love to lead the 2A in a positive way.

3A VICE PRESIDENT

Hello Nevada! My name is Emily Antuna and I am currently a junior at Advanced Technologies Academy in Las Vegas. I am very creative, fun, energetic, and motivated as a member of Student Council. I have good communication skills, and most importantly, I absolutely love student council. I would love to have the position of AAA Vice President. My previous positions of Sophomore and Junior class Vice President and provided me with the leadership skills in order to fulfill the expectations of AAA Vice President. With this position, my main goal is to have all AAA schools receive Silver Star Awards become National Councils of Excellence. It is definitely an attainable goal, and I know that every 3A school deserves it. I would love to have a better communication between the 3A schools and NASC. I really want to be there to represent the AAA schools of Nevada and give them the voice that they deserve.



4A1 VICE PRESIDENT



My name is Alexa Kinsinger and I would love the opportunity to be the NASC State Board 4A 1 Vice President. I am a junior at Galena High School and I have been participating in leadership for three years now. I think my past experience will help me succeed as 4A 1 Vice President. I realize that this position is both demanding and time consuming, but I am excited to apply myself and perform to the best of my ability. I know that communication is vital for this position and I promise to be accurate and punctual with all announcements, reminders, and deadlines. My advisor, Mrs. Cox has had several experiences with past officers, and will help to guide me in this position. I have also had the opportunity to learn a lot from past state board officers from Galena. I am eager to develop relationships with the other state board officers as well as the many 4A 1 schools. I am confident that I can successfully represent the 4A 1 schools and the state of Nevada. Hope to meet you all at the State conference!

Hello Nevada Student Councils, I am Elizabeth Rumball and I am running for the position of 4A Vice President!! I am a junior at Bishop Manogue and I have an immense love for leadership, as I know most of us do! Through the 4A Vice position I hope to help every school receive Silver or Blue Star! Organization is something I strive for in my daily in my life, and the goal packets would be no different I will keep everything up to date on the wiki. I will also be very easy to contact and helpful in whatever I can be for the 4A. I also want to become a communication liaison where all 4A student councils feel confident coming to me with ideas or issues I can bring up at executive meetings. I have been in leadership for my entire high school career and I hope to be able to close the gap between the State Board of Nevada and the Student Councils of Nevada. I really would like to make 2012 an easy and fantastically fun year for all of our Student Councils!





I'm Jessica Salsman and I'm a Junior at Canyon Springs High School. I'm running for State Board 4A1 Vice President this year and I just want to give you guys a heads up! Obviously, I LOVE Student Council. I've been a part of it for my entire high school career. I will be the Student Body President for Canyon for the 2011-2012 school year. Currently, I am the Student Body Secretary, which makes the position of 4A1 Vice suitable for me. I am organized, dedicated, and reliable. I love every council from Nevada and would love to be able to communicate with the different schools in my region. Student Council is my one and only priority! I've spent a lot of time getting to know students from other schools over the years, and they can vouch for me when I say that I would be a perfect fit for this position. Thank you and I can't wait to see you all at the State Conference coming up!



Hey Nevada! I'm Caroline Saquido and I am a junior Culinary major at Southwest Career and Technical Academy. I am currently the Class of 2012 Secretary and next year I would like to be the next NASC AAAA1 Vice President. If elected, I plan to fulfill my duties as VP as well as get to know each of the schools and their councils along the way. I will work hard and diligently to send out goal packets as well as keep records of them for every school in my league. Along with this, I will gladly assist the president with anything he/she may need. Informing my league schools about "all things Silver-Star" will be my duty, and I will reach great heights to do just that. I am dedicated, optimistic, and I promise not to let my league, or the state of Nevada, down. I am beyond excited for State and I can't wait to see you all there!



My name is Feven Solomon, I'm a junior at Durango High School and I am running for AAAA1 Vice-President for the 2011-2012 school year. I was interested in this position the moment I found out about it my freshmen year at State 2009. Getting this position would not only give me an opportunity of a life-time, but would further my leadership skills with the other NASC board members. If elected, I can reassure that every school will be completely and fully aware of anything dealing with the Silver Star Award to increase the amount of Silver Star recipients. Also, I will like to be on a closer level with the other schools in my region and communicate with them via email, text, Facebook, etc. to make sure their goals are ready to be turned-in in their goal packets. Though I am involved in other clubs, activities and sports at my school I am more than capable to handle this position and I intend to do so. I have now been in Student Council for three years and becoming AAAA1 Vice-President would make my 2011-2012 school year, a great year!





Hello fellow soldiers! My name is Maricruz Soto-Valdez and I am running for the position of AAAA1Vice. I know the responsibilities that come with the position and I am prepared to take them on. I am determined to ensure that all schools in our league receive their hard earned silver star! What qualifies me for the position? Firstly, I have been president, captain, secretary, historian, and parliamentarian of several different organizations; having a leading role in these clubs has allowed me to gain skills of creativity, organization, and effective communication that will benefit me in the position of 4A1Vice. Secondly, I have learned the importance of being a role model and know I can represent our league well, and show that we aren't just strong but STUCO Strong! Thirdly, I have attended nine different leadership conferences and have learned to network and communicate well with others. Not only did I attend these conferences, but I was also actively involved in them, being an FBLA voting delegate and a Student Council JC. I am a very dedicated individual and know I possess the skills to represent YOU and get you that Silver Star!

4A2 VICE PRESIDENT

Hello Nevada stuco members! My name is Kanani Espinoza and I am running for the Nevada Association of Student Council's AAAA 2 Vice position. I am currently a junior at Coronado High School. I have been involved in student council for all three years of high school. I served as freshmen vice president, sophomore representative, currently junior class president, and am Student Body Officer 2nd vice-elect. I have been interested in NASC since last year's state conference: It's a Bird, It's a Plane, It's a LEADER! The energy the conference had gave me the focus to help out all high schools and participate in state board. Over the past year I have been more involved in Clark County Education through the student advisory committee. This committee has let me share my views and opinions on our schools and any issues the students have. In addition, communication through twitter has brought me closer to the board this year. As a result, I have a well-rounded knowledge base of what needs to be accomplished in order to have a great year! I have worked closely with my student body president all year and have helped her with goal packets. I know what needs to be done in order for high schools to achieve the high standards for the Blue and Silver Star awards. If elected AAAA 2 Vice, I will make sure all of the student body presidents under my region are well-informed and that their questions are answered! I look forward to seeing all Nevada high schools at this year's Nevada State Conference! Together we can be STUCO STRONG!





I am Cecilia Fisher, and I am running for AAAA 2 Vice President. I have been apart of leadership at Silverado High School since my sophomore year, and have developed a strong dedication for this class. Being a student leader has taught me organization and time management skills that I would be able to practice and develop further being the AAAA 2 Vice President. Not only will I be organized, but I will be consistent in ensuring that I work to my best ability in checking goal packets, and fulfilling all other tasks asked of me. By attaining this position I will be able to enhance the leadership qualities I possess, and also wish to have. Being the AAAA 2 Vice President means more to me than just another activity to add to my resume. Leadership is a passion, and I make an effort to put forth my best qualities and abilities as a person because of this. As the AAAA 2 Vice President I will be able to further my passion and reach out to promote the importance of being not just a leader, but a proud and distinguished leader.

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Hello my name is Dylan McGovern. I am running for the position of Student Representative to the State Board of Education. I am currently a sophomore at Fernley High School. I have been elected to serve as our Student Body Treasurer for the 2011-2012 school year. For the past two years, I have been a student Senator for my class and am in Honor Society. I am involved in my community as the Youth Involvement Chairman for Relay for Life and currently am coordinating three mini-relay events with three different schools. In February, I completed the Teen Leadership Breakthrough Training with Rapport Leadership International in Las Vegas, NV which taught me how to communicate more clearly, build team relationships, and gain confidence in myself and trust in others. I also have great relationships and communication with my teachers, administration, and coaches about student council, Relay for Life, and other activities or concerns.

I believe the only way to make a difference is to get involved. Our education is important and we all have the right to have the same education whether we are starting kindergarten or finishing up high school. I would continue on the initiatives that were started with the Education First campaign and be open to any new ideas that would help our education. I will act as your voice to the Board of Education and look forward to promoting your ideas and opinions. We are going through a tough economy. However, our education is the foundation of our being. Our youth are our leaders of tomorrow. We need to protect our education and provide a good solid foundation for the youth in the state of Nevada.





"Education is simply the soul of a society as it passes from one generation to another," are the words of English writer Gilbert K. Chesterton. When we achieve in school, we achieve in life. I strongly believe that a strong education system is what Nevada needs because we are the next generation that will lead in the future with the knowledge and wisdom we have obtained through school.

I'm Daniela Sanchez and I am currently a sophomore at Valley High School in Las Vegas, Nevada. I have 2 years experience in student council and I am responsible, dependable, and put all my effort into my tasks. I am running for Student Representative to the State Board of Education and will make sure to reach out to you and our fellow students in order to be the voice of Nevada. I hope to show the passion we students of Nevada have for our education.

I plan to do my job by attending Board of Education meetings to actively represent the students of Nevada. I will update the councils of Nevada, the Board, and the students of Nevada on what is discussed of our education because it greatly concerns us. I will work with state leaders, the Legislature, and the Board effectively to let them know we students deserve the opportunities to achieve in school in order to achieve in life. You can count on me, Daniela Sanchez, to advocate for our education!

SOUTHERN REGION REP

Hello, my name is Christina Angarola and I am a junior at Bonanza High School. I am interested in running for the position of Southern Region Representative. This is my second year in Student Council, and next year I will hold the position of senior class president. I am involved in National Honor Society, as well as varsity volleyball, so I have learned how to stay organized and manage my time. I love my school and I am full of school spirit, which is why I believe it would be a great location for the Southern Zone Conference. Not only do I plan on hosting an amazing Zone Conference, I intend on improving the lines of communication for the schools in the southern region. Being on the Nevada Association of Student Councils State Board, it is imperative that, as Southern Region Representative, I not only host a great Southern Zone Conference, but assist both the North and the West in putting together their regional conferences. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at the 2011 NASC State Conference.





My name is Nick Fragoso and would love to be your 2011-2012 Southern Region Rep! I believe you should vote for me because I am will to give this job a 100% and dedicate myself to helping rock out the Southern Zone Conference at my school, Desert Oasis.

I will also help keep you on track for the Southern Star. I will do the best that I can to represent the south and make you proud to have choosen me. This job requires a lot of dedication, determination, and will take a lot of hours, but I know I can handle it. So PICK NICK for Southern Region Rep!



Hey Southern Nevada! My name is Aspen Minden and I'm running for your Southern Rep! If I am elected, I plan on creating monthly service projects for councils to participate in to help receive their Southern, Blue, and Silver Star awards! I am an avid Facebooker and will communicate your ideas, through this format and others, as well as remind your council about upcoming activities or due dates! Additionally I would like to create Student Council Mixers so that everyone from all the councils could get together for much needed fun after big events such as homecoming or exams. Vote Aspen Minden for your Southern Rep and join me at zone 2012 for an alluring adventure through the Amazon. Take a walk on the wild side, because Southern Nevada is where the wild things are.



WESTERN REGION REP



Hey Western Region! I'm Tim Grunert, one of your candidates for the Western Region Representative position. I'm the perfect choice for the job because I'm enthusiastic, determined, organized, and qualified. I have extensive experience at Carson High School, holding three offices including this year's Student Body President elect. I have the skills and determination necessary to represent our region and promote unity in the West. I have attended multiple conferences: three regional, three state, and two national. I also presented workshops at every one. As Western Region Representative, I will be in charge of communicating with the region's middle schools and co-planning the Mid Level Conference. I have been involved with 4 mid level conferences both in the Western Region and in Carson City School District. The connection between the middle and high schools is vital for the integrity of all our student councils. As the potential regional conference host, my theme will be "Lights, Camera, Lead!" As leaders, we are always in the spotlight, and we must play different roles depending on what the audience needs. I already have a ton of ideas for the conference that I would love to share with you, and I'm excited to hear any ideas you may want to contribute. During Election Session, vote Tim Grunert for Western Region Rep! See you at State!!

Hello, my name is Peter Guinto. I'm a junior at Reno High School and I'm running to be your next Western Regional Representative. Through my involvement in many activities such as track and key club, I have become completely passionate about everything I do, especially leadership and student council. If elected as your next Western Regional Representative, I want to make a difference in the lives of others through servant leadership. Servant leaders stand behind the scenes, away from the center of attention, to showcase other students, faculty, and anyone besides themselves. I hope to spread this concept to all schools by focusing on the entire community, rather than one specific group, through community service. I want to bring back brother schools that will work together to make the process more fun and energetic. Working together, we'll continue to stay communicated and united, which were major concepts that previous Western Representatives hoped to accomplish. Having each school receive the National Council of Excellence Award is another top goal. I hope to teach the middle schools the same ideas, so that they too can evolve into the best leaders possible. As a servant leader, I want to create the best conference for you, with my theme of board games as the focus of the conference; I'm positive I can create a day of memorable experiences, while at the same time showing that we all can be servant leaders. Thank you and I look forward to sharing my knowledge and passion with all of you.





My name is Julia Thompson, and I would love to be the 2011/2012 Western Regional Representative! I go to Fernley High School, and have been involved in leadership for three years. I have been Class President twice, 2008/2009 and 2010/2011, and I was also the Pep Rally Commissioner 2009/2010. I play volleyball for our high school team, and I played club volleyball in Carson City for two years. I am a member of National Honor Society, and I love being involved in my school. As your Western Regional Representative, I would like to bring together the Western schools by creating activities for all schools to attend, which would form a bond between many of our leaders. I plan to teach all delegates the Magic of Leadership, with a Harry Potter themed regional conference.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

My name is Juliana Bondre, and I am running for Newsletter Editor. Being selected will ensure that I can continue the excellence of our NASC Newsletter. I am capable of handling this challenge, and I will make it my number one priority.

I am very proficient in handling computer software, ranging from Photoshop, Adobe Premiere, Illustrator and Dream Weaver. I can manipulate these programs to create the best possible graphic designs to make the newsletter aesthetically pleasing.

I have helped to create newsletters for other associations, including the Girl Scouts. Time management is one of my strong points, meeting deadlines is never a problem. I will be able to contribute much to the state board, and I will do my best to ensure your ideas are communicated clearly to all of NASC through the newsletter.





Hi, my name is Alexis Dachs, I am confident if I were to be chosen as newsletter editor I would not disappoint the student councils of Nevada. I would like to feature different ideas from various councils around the country, as tools for your council to explore. I want it to be a resource for the councils to see what kinds of events had success at a variety schools and also the things that did not work so well. I'm anticipating the newsletter to be something that all the councils of Nevada look forward to reading and gaining new, exciting ideas for their school. I realize that everything is a chain reaction; therefore I will make sure that the newsletter is always made on time and is filled with all the information that you want to see, so it is convenient for everyone to use to their advantage. I hope to get the opportunity become 2011-2012 State Board Newsletter Editor and work with all the new State Board Officers!

Hi my name is Alison Gonzales and I go to Spring Valley High School. I will be a senior and the student body historian for the next school year. I hope to be your newsletter editor for the 2011-2012 school year. I have been in student council for 2 years and yearbook for 3 years. I hope to use both my experience in student council and yearbook to make the newsletter even better than it already is. The newsletter is a perfect way for Nevada schools to keep updated on each other. If selected I hope to expand this way of communication state wide. We could make one of the issues a newsletter swap with other states. This could be a great way for schools to get even more ideas to bring to their own schools. I would also like to continue to put pictures in the newsletter because everybody loves to look at pictures. Those are just some of the ideas I hope to contribute to the newsletter.





My name is Aquilla Ossian. I am currently the Sophomore class President at Canyon Springs High School in Las Vegas. I am hoping to be appointed newsletter editor for the 2011-2012 school year. I understand all of the requirements expected of me for this position. I plan to make the newsletter a fun but still organized and information-filled document. I will make sure everyone has of plenty time and a complete understanding of what they are being asked to submit. I have read every newsletter put out this year, but I don't think everyone does. I think we can make it more interesting and well known if there was a contest for the best article every month that the schools could have the chance to vote on. Also I will make sure the newsletter will be not only informational, but visually appealing. I want to continue the idea of having more pictures, interesting fonts and colors, and even fun facts about the other schools so everyone else will at least know a little bit about other schools to remind us that, although, we're from different schools, we're all a part of Nevada.

My name is Evric Vazquez and I am a junior at Advanced Technologies Academy. The position I am running for is Newsletter Editor. The reason I chose to run for Newsletter Editor is because I love to write and I am very good about sending out news and information. In my own council, I am a very loud energetic speaker with the ability to notify the council about upcoming events, fundraisers, meeting, etc. I am very skilled in operating computer graphics including Microsoft Word, Microsoft Publisher, and CS Photoshop. I have spent years using these programs and have a very extensive knowledge on the ins and outs of the programs. These are necessary skills that I need in order to fulfill the position of Newsletter Editor and go above and beyond to help the State Board with their duties as a council. Also, I am a member of my school newspaper, so I have a thorough knowledge of editing and documenting articles. I believe I will exceed your expectations of what is required as Newsletter Editor with a motivated spirit.



WEBMASTER



My name is Aaron Diaz and I am going for the 2011-2012 NASC Webmaster. As most of you may of known I was elected as this years webmaster as well. I would like to come back to my position. Everyone has their thing and StuCo is mine! I have had the privilege of going to all the NASC State Conferences while I have been in high school, and also going to the National Conference last summer. I will also be presenting a workshop this summer at the National Conference. StuCo is my thing, I am very outgoing and will be the perfect personality if given the opportunity to serve on your Executive Board!

Webmaster? What do you think this word means? Is it a computer nerd... the techy version of a Jedi master? Not even close! A webmaster, in simple terms, is the person in charge of updating Twitter, Facebook and the webpage. There is a lot that can happen and a lot that you may end up wanting to know; I can say that I'll utilize every second and every moment to be there for you, keeping you updated on all the events and so on. Naturally you may have figured I'm quite the social-networking fanatic, but that isn't all I'm bringing to the plate. I am a very dedicated, optimistic, outgoing and a cheerful person. Considering this is a leadership role it may be in place to also mention that I'm an active leader within clubs at my school; the Junior Class senator as well as the NHS historian. Facing these positions has given me a greater sense of organization and time-management, but the greatest thing I gained was learning how to put others first. Now I may not be carrying around a light saber but I can take the position as webmaster head on and strong. I'm Vyvyan Nguyen, and I'm ready to make things happen.



STATE CONFERENCE CHAIRS

Hello NASC, my name is Logan Foley and I am one of your 2012 State Conference chairs. I am a junior at Wooster High School in Reno, and I am an involved member of our student council. The opportunity to host the 2012 Conference is a dream come true, and I am so excited to create an unforgettable experience for the leaders of Nevada. With our Reno inspired conference, all who attend will learn all about Reno's inner-workings, and have fun doing it! I'm extremely excited about this opportunity and I plan to make it the best you've ever been to!

My name is Andrew Mercer and I am also one of your Conference Chairs. I am currently a junior at Bishop Manogue High School located in scenic Reno, Nevada. I am a varsity football player and have been involved in student council since my freshman year. Also, I come from a quite large family and am the oldest of 5 kids. Throughout my time in student council, on the football field, and in my home, I have learned a lot about leadership and what it means to be a leader. From leading by example, to delegating and letting others do what they are best at.

For next year's state conference, we are hoping to create some of the greatest and most memorable moments that any NASC member has ever been a part of. Some of our greatest memories have come from attending past state conferences. With mini rib cook-offs and Italian Festivals, and hot air balloon, Hot August Nights, and street vibration decorations, Reno will become a part of your leadership experience. We also hope to pass on to the leaders of Nevada what it truly means to be a leader and how you can help your school and help create a better and safer community.

We want to help you spearhead a greater sense of school pride, along with a greater sense of community and family within your grounds. One thing we are really big on is community service and volunteering. So, at next year's conference, we want to show some examples of how others have helped out their community to spark ideas of your own to take back to your schools. We hope you had an amazing time this year at Arbor View and we will see you all next year!



2011-2012 Candidates

President

Kendall Burchard, Reno HS
Alex Bybee, Bonanza HS
Lauren Kuenzi, Clark HS

AAAA1 VP

Alexa Kinsinger, Galena HS
Liz Rumball, Bishop Manogue HS
Jessica Salsman, Canyon Springs
Caroline Saquido, SW CTA
Feven Solomon, Durango HS
Maricruz Soto-Valdez, Clark HS

AAAA2 VP

Kanani Espinoza, Coronado HS
Cecilia Fisher, Silverado HS

AAA VP

Emily Antuna, ATech
Hannah Dey, Boulder City HS

AA VP

Marissa Spurlock, Yerington HS

A VP

Madison Foley, Smith Valley HS

Northern Region Rep

TBA - Contact Hugh Rossolo if you have a candidate!

Current Sophomores & Juniors are eligible

Southern Region Rep

Christina Angarola, Bonanza HS
Nick Fragoso, Desert Oasis HS
Aspen Minden, Bishop Gorman HS

Western Region Rep

Tim Grunart, Carson HS
Peter Guinto, Reno HS
Julia Thompson, Fernley HS

Student Rep to the State Bd of Ed

Dylan McGovern, Fernley HS
Daniela Sanchez, Valley HS

Newsletter Editor (appointed position)

Juliana Bondre, Valley HS
Alexis Dachs, Durango
Alison Gonzales, Spring Valley HS
Aquila Ossian, Canyon Springs HS
Evrice Vazquez, ATech

Webmaster (appointed position)

Aaron Diaz, Valley HS
Nick Lambert, Bishop Gorman HS
Khira Momodu, Rancho HS
Vyvyan Nguyen, SW CTA

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Please Remember:

One of the purposes of the NASC State Conference is electing students to serve on the NASC State Board. In order to help your council make an informed decision, NASC has a number of strategies in place:

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Essays submitted by the candidates for NASC State President and Student Representative to the State Board of Education were sent to advisors via e-mail and are posted on NevadaStuCo.org.

Please share these with your council - especially the delegates attending the State Conference.

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ALL Candidates will have "Candidate Information Sheets" that are distributed in the election packets at the conference.

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All schools are asked to send a representative to the State President Candidates' Forum during workshop session 3 where students will be able to submit questions for the NASC State President candidates.

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All elected officers will give a speech followed Q&A as time allows.

You should also encourage your delegates to seek out the candidates and talk to them about their goals for NASC.

All candidates will have a ribbon on their name badges indicating that they are running for office.