

Budget Committee	January 29, 2026 I. Call to Order – 2:32pm	Zoom Meeting
Members Present	Casey Otto (Standing-Chair), Matthew Shafer, Randy Miller, Heather Rikalo (Standing - College Staff Development), James Feser (Standing-CIP), Troy Wadsworth (Standing- Tech Fees), Kyle Kelly, Coral Lopez (Standing- Executive Oversight), Desirae Blunt-Lampkey, Chris Ryan, Shannon Council, Sherlyn Vasquez (ASWN)	
Members Missing	Jayna Conkey	
Guests	David Jacowitz (IT)	
Summary of Actions Taken		
Agenda items for next meeting		

Agenda Topic	II. Approval of Minutes from 11/20/25 and 12/18/25	
Action Taken	Vote to approve both minutes	
Summary of Discussion	1 st vote to motion was Shannon, motion was seconded by Desirae All Approve	
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None	
Comments/Information	None	

Agenda Topic	III. Standard Business - a. Review of New Budget Resource Requests	
Action Taken	Voted on Both IT Proposals	
Summary of Discussion	<p>Casey: 2 from IT. Active Directory- one-time 25K cost to help fix issues in the system. Voted on- 1st James Feser, 2nd-Coral Lopez, all vote yes.</p> <p>Arctic Wolf- Annual payment of 42K that can vary based on how much data they have to cover. Needed to help protect systems from threats at any time. Provides after hours support and monitoring of our systems. Voted on- 1st-James Feser, 2nd-Randall Miller, Casey Otto, Coral Lopez, Matthew Shafer, Shannon Council, Chris Ryan, and Troy</p>	

	Wadsworth vote yes. Heather Rikalo and Kyle Kelly vote no. Desirae Blunt-Lampkey abstained to vote.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None
Comments/Information	Coral asked if Arctic Wolf is required and Heather asked if it is required by policy. Dave answered that it is not policy, but that all other state agencies have a system like AW. Casey asked if the fee would increase when student emails are added. Dave responded by saying that it could be based on a tier system depending on how many email accounts would be active. We have the ability to negotiate this contract in future years. Sherlyn Vasquez was frustrated that they didn't have the student emails they were promised and the lack of communication from the IT department about why they haven't been done. Dave stated that they put on presentations during Google email rollouts that had a lesson learned tier from the State of Nevada hack. IT would need another employee or SOG to help with threats. Dave responded by saying that all the ISOs in NSHE collaborate to have the same platforms. Heather then asked if we could sustain this if the price goes up. Casey brought up that IT costs are going up all over, but the contracts we are making we can get out of in a year to be somewhat sustainable. Troy then added that IT is always looking towards the future and can adjust. Jim asked if some of these expenses could be built into the IT budget, Coral said that will be something to consider and incorporate during the FY27 budget build.

Agenda Topic	III. Standard Business - b. Update from CSD subcommittee
Action Taken	None
Summary of Discussion	Heather Rikalo: No new information. Sent everything to Casey and Coral so people can use their own department funding. No people have said they needed it.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None
Comments/Information	None

Agenda Topic	III. Standard Business - c. Update from CIP subcommittee
Action Taken	None
Summary of Discussion	James Feser: Reynolds upper roof complete by next week. Project on track for July completion. Bristlecone restroom project had unforeseen issues like mold, asbestos, and design issues. Projecting March 20 th

	opening. Aspen café- Hiring design firms (6/30/27 deadline to be done). Observatory behind Aspen project. Fallon Nursing-2.8mill with Core construction. Starting next week. Douglas Nursing in design development. Controller's office abatement is done, and people have moved back in. Dini restrooms- Revising designs after issues in Bristlecone. Coming soon.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None
Comments/Information	None

Agenda Topic	III. Standard Business - d. Update from GR subcommittee
Action Taken	None
Summary of Discussion	Coral: We did not get a 2.1 million FIPSE grant for the Douglas campus. The Aspen café remodel may have additional funds earmarked. 1.45million from feds. Tied to having culinary classes.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None
Comments/Information	None

Agenda Topic	III. Standard Business - e. Tech Fees Update
Action Taken	None
Summary of Discussion	Troy: Troy and David put on a presentation about IT Completion Summary FY 25/26. Included was Security Infrastructure, Software, Cloud, Licensing, Classrooms and Labs. Troy said they have \$362,721 available
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None
Comments/Information	None

Agenda Topic	III. Standard Business - f. Budget Update
Action Taken	
Summary of Discussion	Casey Otto: Budget training will be kicked until next month. At the budget meeting NSHE voted on the student fee increase. Important to remember that the legislature decides funding not NSHE. Starting 2027 budgets.

Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None
Comments/Information	Coral said we need to go over the budget process. Casey replied that we are giving people until March to submit their budgets. If there are any enrollment committee funding formula questions to bring to Casey. Looking at the next biennium budget. Coral mentioned that NSHE officers are ranking their top 3 CIP funding projects such as Sage HVAC, Carson roofs, and Carson boilers. Casey told us that we are still on track and the budget is pretty much the same. Looking good for next year.

Agenda Topic	IV. Old Business –
Action Taken	
Summary of Discussion	Casey Otto: No old business.
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None
Comments/Information	None

Agenda Topic	V. New Business
Action Taken	None
Summary of Discussion	Casey: Going to look at the committee cycle and budget process
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None
Comments/Information	None

Agenda Topic	VI. Public Comment
Action Taken	None
Summary of Discussion	
Assignments/Potential Agenda Items	None
Comments/Information	None

Next meeting: February 26 2:30p

Adjourn at 4:01 pm