

## **Government Affairs Committee**

The **Government Affairs Committee Chair**(s) shall lead and coordinate the duties of the committee. The Chair(s) shall be appointed by the NvSCA President and serve during the President's Term of Office, and may be reappointed by the President-Elect. Specific responsibilities of the Government Committee Chair(s) shall include:

- Shall be responsible for completion of an annual strategic plan specific to the committee. A copy of the plan shall be given to the President.
- Shall establish regular meetings with committee members averaging 1/monthly.
- Shall produce an end-of-year summary between April and June to the Executive Board.
- Shall have representation at all board meetings.
- Prepare an agenda and ensures minutes are prepared for each meeting.
- Providing training to incoming Committee Chair.
- Maintaining a record of activities to be passed on to the next Committee Chairperson.
- Performing any other duty that may be appropriate to the committee's charge.
- Assuming other responsibilities as agreed upon by the President.

The **Government Affairs Committee** shall consist of NvSCA members in good standing who are interested in advocating for school counselors and the school counseling profession at the state and national legislative levels. Specific responsibilities of the Government Affairs Committee shall include:

- Identifies political issues influencing professional school counseling and the Association.
- Keeps abreast of introduced bills that affect school counselors the school counseling profession during the Nevada Legislative session.
- Develops an advocacy plan to affect the introduced bills and political issues related to school counseling.
- Implements said advocacy plan.
- Educates members and other practicing school counselors on the above mentioned bills/issues and methods for affecting those issues.
- Provides to the President and Secretary a written committee report one week before a board meeting regarding advocacy plan progress and committee activities.
- Submits a budget request annually to the President for expenses of the committee to submit to the Treasurer to build into the annual budget.
- Understands the policy process/procedure of passing laws at the state level.
- Performs functions in accordance with NvSCA Policies & Procedures and at the request of the Executive Board.