

# **Committee on Oversight**

## **Senate of the Associated Students**

**Minutes for Wednesday, September 28th at 4:00 P.M.**

**Presidents Conference Room, 3rd Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union**

### **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Speaker Teixeira called the committee meeting on Oversight to order at 4:01 pm in the President's Conference Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding secretary, Andrea Godoy.

### **2. ROLL CALL**

Speaker Teixeira, Senator Blair, Senator Bradley, Senator Eshenbaugh, Senator Feng, Senator Henderson, and Senator Jordan were present.

Senators Green and H. Jackson were tardy excused.

A quorum was present.

### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dr. Beattie said he needed their help as chairs. He was going to be sending out an assessment tomorrow to measure their leadership development from now until April. He needed them to do it to measure where they believe they are now and then fill it out at the end to see if there was any growth. All officers are doing this and he has also included questions based on the training provided. Posting boards need to look more professional; they represent senate and exec and need to not look like they are a hot mess.

### **4. MINUTES**

- a. The minutes from April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- b. The Minutes from April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- c. The minutes from May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016
- d. The minutes from September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Senator Bradley moved to approve items A-D by unanimous consent.

There was no dissent; motion carried.

### **5. REPORTS**

- a. Secretary of the Senate  
Secretary Godoy said that points memos will be at Senate.
- b. Speaker Pro-Tempore-Senator H. Jackson

*Senator H. Jackson entered the room at 4:06 pm.*

Senator H. Jackson said the town hall was tomorrow. They should all be looped in the emails with Kristen Brown for KRNV. If they are not getting the emails, let her know. If they can volunteer that would be great, they are good with volunteers but a couple more would be nice.

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Posted at 1664 N. Virginia St. Reno, NV 89557 in the ASUN Center for Student Engagement inside the Joe Crowley Student Union, Frandsen Humanities Building, the Ansari Business Building, The Mathewson IGT Knowledge Center and online at [www.nevadaasun.com](http://www.nevadaasun.com).

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Senator Blair said that her family event got moved and she can help.

Senator H. Jackson said that for the internship, she is doing interviews and they are going well. They are all punctual, dressing professional, and they have lots of good candidates.

Speaker Teixeira asked for the final number of applicants.

Senator H. Jackson said 12 but they are waiting for the second round of applications that don't close until Friday. She won't have the final numbers until then. They will start meeting soon and will do the interns' meeting right after senate. If they had any suggestions, she was always open to them.

c. Chair, Committee on Academics-Senator Henderson

Senator Henderson said they had a quick meeting on Thursday. They discussed having who would be brought to the research fair and talked about working with the Committee on SSW to do a healthy studying event for finals week. They are focused on healthy studying for academics and SSW is working on mental and physical health.

Speaker Teixeira asked if they talked about what they would do.

Senator Henderson maybe gift bags with post-it notes, hand sanitizer, cough drops, pens/pencils, and activities like yoga on the quad.

Speaker Teixeira said they should talk to the Joe programming since they do give out packs with finals and if they combined their packs, there would be a higher quality and they could share funding.

d. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance-Senator Feng

Senator Feng said they had their first financial review last Friday; they started with small accounts to get everyone warmed up. Everyone is excited to do programming events in their committees but Senate only had \$9,000 in their operating account so he asked them to not go crazy unless they were requesting money from reserves. They will review Programming and BLF this week. .

Speaker Teixeira apologized for not going to the Senate review but hoped it went well. He had former President Fabbi help write the memos.

e. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement-Senator Green

*Senator Green entered the room at 4:07 pm.*

Senator Green said the nonprofit recognition is being done by Senator Bond and she will send one out every month in the newsletter. It will be put up by the 15th when newsletter goes out. They are working on the educational program and that will happen next spring with READ. The volunteerism series starts October 10<sup>th</sup> and the first event he is trying to do is at the Joe. He is trying to get students to work with a program hosted by the Center and it teaches local middle and high school kids about college. It can only fit about 50 people but

he wants student services to send at least 10 volunteers each. After talking with Director Koeckes, they decided they would do a service competition with a trophy at the end of the year for the group that does the most service.

Senator Eshenbaugh asked if he had any plans to incorporate the Center's plan for tracking service.

Senator Green said that the Center does a bunch of events and programs throughout the year and they reached out to him about it. They don't see enough students going out to their events so they are planning on having points given out to groups/students that go to their events and volunteer. They will get free swag for going. He didn't want to incorporate it so it wouldn't be a conflict of interest.

f. Chair, Committee on Government Operations-Senator Jordan

Senator Jordan said Senator Jacoby had a meeting to discuss the scholarships to make sure they align. He has not updated the secretaries yet but will be more considerate with their time. He will assign someone to do that and will have a report on that next time.

g. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs-Senator Eshenbaugh

Senator Eshenbaugh said their committee met with Veterans Affairs and Wolf Pack Veterans and both could go to their meeting this week as well. They got suggestions for things that should be at an event celebrating veterans. They will continue to work on caterers and locations.

h. Chair, Committee on University Affairs-Senator Bradley

Senator Bradley said she had a meeting today with Chief of Staff Atienza for It's on Us. She would like to bring back signups and wanted to bring it to the res halls and RHA to get as many signups as they can. They started planning an outreach event and are shooting for November. They liked the idea of Cocoa with the Constituents since they had extra left hot chocolate over and it was a relatively high trafficked event. Her committee has 3 weeks to contact their liaisons. They talked about bringing a GivePulse competition to the res halls and maybe setting a goal of having all the students signed up by the end of the year. There will not be a meeting this week but they will meet next week.

Speaker Teixeira loved the It's on Us and when they did it in the 82<sup>nd</sup> Session, former Senator Feenstra did a good job. It would be good to see all of ASUN join the campaign, especially since they just gained ground with the Stanford case.

President Boone said that during exec last week, they talked about it also. This is also a statewide initiative through NSA and voted that every institution would do something for It's on Us. He had a meeting with Director Moore from inkblot to do an It's on Us video but Chief of Staff Atienza is in charge of the event from the Exec side of things.

Senator Green said that student services also did things with It's on Us and he would be willing to reach out to them to see if they would like to partner.

i. Chair, Committee on Safety, Sustainability and Wellness-Senator Blair

Senator Blair said Senators Bradley and Jordan and herself met today with VP Springmeyer to talk about a wellness campaign over the next months. He asked them to help with research before launching November 14<sup>th</sup>. The committee came up with the name Wolf Pack Wellness Project. She is in contact with clubs and orgs and with Pennington. She will attend SEAB next week and brainstorm for events involving driving safely in the winter with University Affairs.

Senator Green said they are partnering with Do the Ride Thing and has done things with them; the cheer team is also doing videos with them.

Speaker Teixeira said they did not partner officially but some students work with them independently.

Dr. Beattie said they went in front of Senate last session and they were not interested.

Speaker Teixeira said they can do volunteer stuff outside of senate but they are not officially partnered with them.

j. Chair, Committee on Oversight-Speaker Teixeira

Speaker Teixeira said this week is the end of midterms so he will start weekly meetings. He will send out a doodle to find times when they are all available. They will do biweekly meetings since weekly meetings might be hard to coordinate with 22 people in 5-7 days. He asked them to set biweekly times for that. He might also have two senators come in together if they were doing projects together.

Senator Bradley asked if it would help to do it by college.

Speaker Teixeira said that was a good idea and they might do it that way.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

There is no old business at this time.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

There is no new business at this time.

**8. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Senator Green said that Director Rodriguez asked him to reach out to Islands of the Republic about hosting a voter registration party in their lobby. He and his committee will be talking about it since the last day to register is October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Speaker Teixeira said that Director Rodriguez sent an email over the listserv of events happening in the university and at the regents' level. It is cool since it talks about the campus being bicycle safe to Provost Carman and the regents updates. He asked them to read it over since it could help with future legislation.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Speaker Teixeira adjourned the meeting at 4:20 pm.