

Committee on Government Operations

Senate of the Associated Students 84th Session

Agenda for Friday, October 7th, 2016 at 3:00 pm

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

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER***

2. **ROLL CALL***

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT***

Items heard under public comment may be for items either on or off the agenda. Action may not be taken on items raised under public comment. The Chair may elect to take public comment on action items on this agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak

4. **MINUTES**

- a. The Committee will discuss the minutes of September 30, 2016 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. **Senator Updates on SAS Projects**

The senators who brought up issues during discussion about these chapters will give an update on the research they made.

- b. **S.B. 84- An Act to Amend the Agenda Posting Procedure**

Senator Duvall submitted this piece of legislation to the Committee on Government Operations in order to create an additional posting location for agendas on campus.

- c. **S.B. 84- An Act to Increase the Number of Interns Within the Judicial Branch**

Senator Macaballug submitted this piece of legislation to the Committee on Government Operations in order to create additional internship positions within the Judicial Internship program.

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6. NEW BUSINESS

a. **SAS Projects**

The Committee will discuss sections of the SAS to review and revise.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT*

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8. ADJOURNMENT

NOTES.

Unless otherwise marked by an asterisk, all items are action items upon which the Senate may take action. ASUN supports providing equal access to all programs for people with disabilities. Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate physically handicapped persons desiring to attend the meeting. Please call the Speaker of the ASUN at (775) 784-6589 in advance so that arrangements may be conveniently made.

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[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

84th SESSION

2016-2017

S. B. 84-

AN ACT TO AMEND THE AGENDA POSTING PROCEDURE

In the Senate of the Associated Students

OCTOBER 7, 2016

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR DUVALL TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

A Bill

AN ACT TO AMEND THE AGENDA POSTING PROCEDURE

- 1) *Whereas*, change the SAS to accurately represent ASUN Senate Procedure;
- 2) *Whereas*, as a public body, ASUN Senators must follow Nevada Open Meeting law;
- 3) *Whereas*, the opening of the Pennington Student Achievement Center has created a new space for
- 4) students;
- 5) *Whereas*, the goal of Open Meeting law is transparency and informing students of meetings.
- 6) *Be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students*, SAS IX.901.09.f.1 be changed to read:
 - “1) A copy shall be posted at:
 - i) the Offices of the Associated Students;
 - ii) the Frandsen Humanities Building;
 - iii) the Ansari Business Building;
 - iv) the Mathewson-IGT Knowledge Center; and
 - v) the William N. Pennington Student Achievement Center”

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

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S. B. 84-

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF INTERNS WITHIN THE JUDICIAL BRANCH

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

OCTOBER 3, 2016

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR MACABALLUG TO THE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ON
BEHALF OF CHIEF JUSTICE BRUKETTA

A BILL

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF INTERNS WITHIN THE JUDICIAL BRANCH

1 *Whereas*, the Judicial Branch is an integral part of ASUN and for student affairs;

2 *Whereas*, interning within ASUN provides key experience for positions later on, even
3 outside of ASUN;

4 *Whereas*, the mission of the Judicial Internship Program is to “uphold the mission and
5 vision of ASUN by familiarizing themselves with the process of interpreting legal documents to
6 better the university as a whole through active participation in the Association.”

7 *Whereas*, the student body is increasing, creating the need for capable student leaders;

1 *Whereas*, the Judicial Branch is hoping to expand its reach having shared some of its
2 responsibilities with the Office of Student Conduct;

3 *Whereas*, the Judicial Branch is currently limited to having only 3 interns;

4 *Whereas*, the Legislative Intern program can a maximum of 23 interns and the Executive
5 Intern program can have a maximum of 14 interns;

6 *Whereas*, the Judicial Branch is currently compromised of 1 Chief Justice and 4
7 Associate Justices

8 *Be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students*, SAS 507.05.h shall be amended to read:

9 “The number of Judicial Interns accepted into the program will be no more than five
10 (5) interns.”

Senator Bradley,

Thank you for bringing it to my attention that an inability has arisen regarding the posting of meeting agendas in the Ansari Business Building due to a remodel.

This omission contradicts NRS241.023(a). However, I do not find this means any of the meetings which have occurred in the intervening period should be cancelled, nullified, or otherwise dismissed. This is because of NRS 241.011 which states, "It is the intent of the law that their (a public entity) actions be taken openly and that their deliberations be conducted openly." The meeting agendas were posted at the other places as provided by the Statutes of the Associated Students and were posted in at least two locations online. This demonstrates a commitment to maintaining the openness of ASUN meetings. Further, it would not be proper to post a meeting agenda in any other location except the prominent one in the Ansari Business Building which, due to the remodel, is unavailable

While any meetings which are held in the time between when the board was removed and when it is eventually replaced will be admissible under Nevada Open Meeting Law, I encourage our College of Business Senators to reach out to the Dean or appropriate administrative officer to find an acceptable alternate location for future agendas to be posted in the interim.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dylan Tedford". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

