

Senate of the Associated Students

For the Eighty-Fifth Session

Agenda for Wednesday, April 12th, 2017, at 5:30 p.m.
Ballroom A, Fourth Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

1. CONVENING OF THE EIGHTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE SENATE*

The Secretary of the next preceding Senate shall call the Senate to order pursuant to SAS102. Pending the election of a Speaker, the Secretary shall preserve order and decorum and decide all questions of order, subject to appeal by a Senator.

2. OPENING CEREMONIES*

a. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE***

3. ASCERTAINMENT OF QUORUM*

Pursuant to the law and custom, the Secretary will call the Roll of Senators-elect to ascertain the presence of a quorum. Only the names of those persons whose credentials show they were regularly elected will be called. The quorum of the Senate is two-thirds of the members.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT*

The Secretary may elect to take public comment on any action items on this agenda. The Secretary may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

5. INAUGURAL CEREMONIES*

The Senate will pause for the Inaugural Ceremonies of the ASUN President and Vice President. Chief Justice will administer the oath of office to the ASUN President and Vice President.

The Senate will be formally sitting during the Inaugural Ceremonies of the ASUN President and Vice President.

6. ELECTION OF SPEAKER

The members of the Senate will proceed to the selection of a Speaker of the Senate, pursuant to Art. II, sec. 1(e) of the Constitution of the Associated Students. SAS 102 governs the process for electing a Speaker. Each nominee—will be recognized to give a 10 minute presentation to the Senate. The Senate may question and debate the nominees. The Secretary may not recognize persons who do not have the privilege of the floor without the consent of the Senate. At the conclusion of the debate, the vote will be taken by call of the roll. A majority of the votes is required for the election of the Speaker.

The Senate may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under NRS 241.033, of certain individuals during consideration of this item. Under NRS 241.031, the Senate may not close the meeting.

7. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS TO SPEAKER AND SENATORS

Immediately following the election of the Speaker, the eldest Senator in continuous service will administer the oath of office to the Speaker-elect. The Speaker will then administer the oath of office to the Senators elect.

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8. ELECTION OF SENATE OFFICERS

The Senate may proceed to the election of Officers of the Senate, pursuant to Art. II, sec. 1(e) of the Constitution of the Associated Students. The Senate may elect or appoint, without limitation, Speaker Pro Tempore and a Parliamentarian.

- a. Speaker Pro Tempore
- b. Parliamentarian
- c. WTF Nevada ASUN Manager

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9. CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS

a. **Committee to Notify the President**

The Senate will adopt a resolution to appoint a committee to notify the President that the Senate is organized and is ready to proceed to business.

b. **Notifying the President of the Election of the Speaker**

The Senate will adopt a resolution to direct the Secretary to notify the President of the election.

10. ADOPTION OF THE RULES OF THE SENATE

The Senate will consider a resolution to adopt Rules of the Senate, pursuant to Art. II, sec. 2(c) of the Constitution of the Associated Students.

11. DISPOSITION OF VACANT SEATS

The Secretary shall announce to the Senate the existence of any vacancies at the time of its assembly, due to resignation or otherwise.

12. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND SENATORS TO COMMITTEES

The members of the Committee may caucus during the meeting to make a recommendation to the Senate as to who should be the Chairperson of each committee. Then, the Senate will consider a resolution to appoint Senators to committees of the Senate established by the Rules of the Senate.

The Senate shall elect Chairpersons and Senators to the following standing committees:

- c. Academics
- d. Budget and Finance
- e. Civic Engagement
- f. Government Operations
- g. Public Affairs
- h. University Affairs

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13. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS AUTHORIZED UNDER SAS 102.04.b

SAS 102.04.b authorized any two Senators-elect to petition the Secretary of the Senate to place additional business on the agenda. No petitions were received by the deadline provided under law.

14. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SENATE AND REFERRAL

The Senate will receive communications addressed to the Senate and refer each to the appropriate committee. No action will be taken on communications other than referring them to committee.

15. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

The Speaker shall recognize in turn Senators requesting the floor for a period not to exceed two minutes.

16. PUBLIC COMMENT*

The Speaker may elect to take public comment on action items on this agenda, except as otherwise provided by law.

The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

17. ADJOURNMENT

NOTES TO THIS AGENDA

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