

Committee on Oversight

Senate of the Associated Students 85th Session

Minutes for Tuesday May 2, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

Rita Laden Senate Chambers, 3rd Floor of Joe Crowley Student Union

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Speaker Jackson called the committee on Oversight to order at 5:06 pm in the Rita Laden Senate Chambers, 3rd Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding secretary, Andrea Godoy.

2. ROLL CALL

Speaker Jackson and Senators Bussman, Cam. Lee, Flangas, Kuykendall, Martinez, and Thummel were present.

Senator Becker was absent excused.

A quorum was present.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

VP Atienza had a short thing from President Teixeira. He will be here when his class gets out. VP Atienza read the statement into the record: "Hello Senators. Today before you I have four candidates that will be presenting on their character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or others matters permissible under NRS 241.033. For your information NRS 241.033 is NRS 241.033-Meeting to consider character, misconduct, competence or health of person or to consider appeal of results of examination: Written notice to person required; exception; public body required to allow person whose character, misconduct, competence or health is to be considered to attend with representative and to present evidence; attendance of additional persons; copy of record. The reason why I have provided this for you today is because I want to ensure that you do your job as members of oversight. What they will be presenting on today is what is described within the agenda that Speaker Jackson posted. The exact text from the agenda is this: The Committee will consider the above-named nomination to Association office. The Committee may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under NRS 241.033 during consideration of this item. Under NRS 241.031, the meeting may not be closed. It has come to my attention that you have received an email from an anonymous body that mentioned that you should: define the nomination's relationship with Noah Teixeira, consider whether Teixeira's choice in nominations were made as an exchange of support, prove the qualifications and competence of each nomination, and ask relevant questions regarding the office and its responsibilities. I encourage you to do the last two of the list for that it what is asked of you within the agenda of the committee on oversight. What I am also asking you is to stick to what is defined on the agenda as what you shall consider."

Director Rodriguez said they should ask all the questions needed. They will fall primarily under character. Second, she trusted they would do their job. She was feeling tension in this room. She wasn't sure where it came from but they need to put it aside to get their jobs done. The only

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questions they can't ask are federally protected classes, like asking about their sexual orientation, if they were pregnant, their socioeconomic status. That statement of nondiscrimination is what she means by the protected classes.

4. MINUTES

There are no minutes to be discussed at this time.

5. REPORTS

- a. Secretary of the Senate – Andrea Godoy
Secretary Godoy had no report.
- b. Speaker Pro Tempore – Senator Martinez
Senator Martinez said he planned on meeting with Carissa Bradley and the newly appointed directors to talk about the internship programs so they can integrate them into one another.
- c. Chair, Committee on Academics – Senator Cammie Lee
Senator Cam. Lee said they had their first meeting on Monday. They discussed committee goals including the Nevada Center for Applied Research and creating more research opportunities. She will have a meeting tomorrow with the director of NCAR. Their last meeting will be next week.
- d. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance – Senator Kuykendall
Senator Kuykendall said at their last meeting, they went over the budget and recommended it favorably to senate; it will be heard Wednesday. President Teixeira will give them another presentation. In their upcoming meeting, they will go over the minutes and discuss legislation for moving funds in accounts for fiscal year 2017
- e. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement – Senator Flangas
Senator Flangas said they had a good meeting last week and talked about goals. They will meet with Directors Partridge and Koeckes for a presentation on Give Pulse on Friday. She wants to start planning the strategic plan to submit to Oversight over the summer. She will be meeting with the director of programming to discuss service palooza and delegating who will contact which organizations and meet their goal of 52 organizations.
- f. Chair, Committee on Government Operations – Senator Thummel
Senator Thummel said they had a good meeting last week and discussed creating a simplified SAS. They will not meet this week but he will develop a plan to achieve the simplified SAS for next week's meeting.
- g. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs – Senator Becker
- h. Chair, Committee on University Affairs – Senator Bussman
Senator Bussman met with someone from the student conduct office to discuss more clarification on the layout of orientation to work with the Career Studio. He will give an elaborate explanation to his committee members at the next meeting. Asked each senator to give him a set of goals for the summer.
- i. Chair, Committee on Oversight – Speaker Jackson
Speaker Jackson applauded them for their first meetings. She was impressed with them delegating tasks and keeping people accountable and was excited to see what they can do.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. NOMINATION OF SPENCER SHULTZ TO THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

Senator Martinez moved to recommend favorably the Nomination of Spencer Shultz to the Office of Director of Legislative Affairs.

Senator Thummel seconded.

President Teixeira said Spencer was the TMCC president and he had incredible goals. His time at the university, he saw the presidents of smaller universities not have goals. He showed a lot of drive and gave a good impression. He worked with legislative affairs and Director Charles recommended him favorably. He was the most qualified of the applicants, and the others did not have the same qualifications.

Speaker Jackson asked if they needed time to brainstorm questions.
The body said yes.

Mr. Shultz said he compiled a portfolio but only had one copy.

Senator Martinez wanted to ask how he reached out to constituents at TMCC when he was president and how he would apply it to the job.

Speaker Jackson said they need to look at the duties and the mission statement and the department as a whole.

Senator Martinez asked what they would do since they had a lesser budget and it was an off-year to get constituents involved in the local and national government.

Senator Bussman wanted to know if he had formal plans about educating students on legislative issues.

Speaker Jackson wanted to remind them to frame questions in terms of the purpose of learning about qualifications. She asked them to try and not be aggressive and make sure they are informing the body.

Mr. Shultz said he preferred to not give a speech right now. He gave them his portfolio and wanted them to get to know him based on that and the questions they asked.

Senator Martinez said the budget was recently cut. He asked how he planned on keeping constituents involved.

Mr. Shultz said it had to be continued year in and out. It drops off during midterms and that is why the republicans win in midterm elections because they work hard. He hopes they will build up to a gubernatorial race to get students involved at the state. How they get that done with the \$4,000 cut is not hard. He had a significant amount still. At TMCC they did a lot with very little, and he left a surplus. For events, they have rock the vote and smart talks, Memorial Day and Constitution day, but he will push for the gubernatorial debates.

Senator Thummel the SAS said the director may delegate roles. He asked how he planned on doing that.

Mr. Shultz said the director can delegate to the assistant who can delegate down. As far as delegation, it was important that it was not a one-person job; they should be the main faces and lobbyists. None of the credit can go to the one person; it must go to those that worked. That included his projects coordinator, his policy analyst, and assistant director. He would like to assign the director BDR's that need to be ready for next year.

Senator Martinez asked if he met with the previous director to discuss goals or accomplishments.

Mr. Shultz said he talked with Director Charles on what they need to do. He also will talk to Mr. Bybee and the only way to be successful as a transfer student is to reach out to speaker Jackson and president Teixeira to build as he goes. He didn't want the vagueness to make him think he doesn't have an idea for what he wants done; the proposal lays that out for them.

Senator Cam. Lee said a responsibility was to provide advice to the president. She asked if he had any advice for ASUN since he was a transfer student.

Mr. Shultz said they needed to realize how much power than they thought the push they had was greater than they can image. They are the majority and if they want to, they can get things moving or stopped. The other thing is they make sure they streamline. A pet peeve of his was Robert's Rules and repeating something over and over. He encouraged senators to listen and then respond in kind or be quiet because he saw a lot of repetition of ideas. That was a matter of efficiency.

Director Charles asked Mr. Shultz to discuss his three stages for the benefit of the body.

Mr. Shultz said he planned on hiring a team. Over the summer, he will begin stage 1 of building his department. He had the vision and wanted to know if they can accomplish it. Stage 2 was to present to senate at their first fall meeting. He would have a point system to ensure that the people are on campus, in the office, and getting paid to work. Stage 3 was over the year getting the gubernatorial event and engaging students. On a point by point basis, he would encourage structural retention. He saw the greatest problem was not having retention, but he remained 12 positions. He would like to see a pathway through the department like the senate, where an intern becomes a senator, a senator becomes another position. That way these people have a hands-on idea of what they are doing for the department. It could also help freshman so by their senior year they can have an effect at the local and state level. They can make sure that people are in their office hours. In the 1960's, students at Berkeley protested and the university had to bow to their demands. He would like to work towards that vision and get campus constituents involved with each other and about the national concerns. The Leonardo Davinci head started something. He will build a structure and continue to have success.

The body said no additional questions.

There were no further questions; the body moved to discussion.

Senator Martinez asked director Charles if the candidate met with her.

Director Charles said Mr. Shultz was a member of the department. He joined in January but could not join sooner because he was a transfer student. Even so, he was still engaged in office even before the semester started. He hit the ground running taking over the smart talks and working with all individuals in the department, including interns to make sure everyone had something to do. He was helpful when working on tracking legislation as they knew they had 9 pieces that they testified and worked with. He worked with policy even though he was the projects coordinator. He approached her about being director and there was no question in her mind. He was incredibly qualified. He was great at engaging students so they know their voice matters and they can get involved.

Senator Martinez felt Mr. Shultz was qualified and his goals were well aligned. He was glad Mr. Shultz explained them. He knew the budget and how to balance it. It was admirable that he had ideas and knew how to implement them to get students involved.

Motion carried; Mr. Shultz was recommended favorably.

b. NOMINATION OF CAMERON HARRIS TO THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL

Senator Kuykendall moved to recommend favorably the nomination of Cameron Harris to the Office of Attorney General.

Senator Martinez seconded.

Dr. Beattie said clubs and orgs will be done at 6:30 and that is when they needed to be out of the senate Chambers.

Speaker Jackson said they should do a fifteen-minute recess.

Senator Kuykendall moved to recess until 6:33 pm in the President's Conference Room. Senator Cam. Lee seconded.
Motion carried

Speaker Jackson reconvened the Committee on Oversight meeting at 6:33 pm in the president's conference room, 3rd Floor of the JCSU. Presiding secretary, Andrea Godoy.

Roll call:

Speaker Jackson and Senators Bussman, Cam. Lee, Kuykendall, Martinez, and Thummel were present.

Senator Becker was tardy excused.

Senator Flangas was absent excused.

A quorum was present.

Mr. Harris said he was a biochem student graduating in 2018. He was in Kappa Sigma, he dealt with crisis, he worked hard on campaign violations. There were a lot of violations because the election code was broken, so he was lenient with punishment. He would work with senators to fix the election code, and he would establish a good relationship to make the process streamlined. He was personable and friendly. He didn't have problems talking to people and would get all perspectives. There are no stupid questions. WTF Nevada was stupid and should be removed. He would be an authority figure and he was close to Sandy. He had a good relationship with the secretary. He was very thorough with documents on SAS and senate rules.

Senator Becker entered the room at 6:36 pm.

Their body moved to questions.

Senator Martinez said in his cover letter it said he already made plans to fix the election code for a more clear process. He asked what things needed to be improved.

Mr. Harris said the filing process. There was a lot of confusion on what to file and when because the Elections Code says one thing but the papers they distribute says another. There were discrepancies that caused problems. Other things are language issues in the SAS. He will go through the entire SAS document to find small discrepancies and get them fixed.

Senator Bussman asked if he had a timeline for those changes.

Mr. Harris said before next semester when campaigning starts.

Senator Martinez said he mentioned he had been the attorney general during this past semester. He asked what kinds of things he needed to improve on for the job.

Mr. Harris said there weren't a lot of complications. It was clear cut, he fixed their problems and that was easier now since he knew the documents better.

Senator Becker asked what his biggest weakness was that affected his term.

Mr. Harris said learning the documents. It was a 150 document and to find discrepancies was major. It was also a lot of pressure to be the one to interpret the law. Having to learn the documents and get his footing was his biggest weakness. He took too much time in writing opinions and they came slower than he hoped. Navigating the documents was big.

Senator Kuykendall said he mentioned he was confident in his abilities. He asked if there was a time he couldn't solve a problem.

Mr. Harris no.

Senator Cam. Lee said a duty in the SAS was to write opinions if students approached him about it. She asked if he had to do that.

Mr. Harris said he didn't have to but if a student came to him then the first thing he would do is take an unbiased statement of the issue and an unbiased answer.

Senator Thummel said the attorney general should insure all regulations regarding petitions are followed.

Mr. Harris said no but he knew he had to present them before election season. There is a process to it but he has never done it.

Senator Martinez said this was something he was addressing in the SAS that he would like changed in the 85th session.

Mr. Harris said yes.

There were no further questions; the body moved to discussion.

Senator Becker will abstain since he wasn't here for the whole meeting. He asked if there were any important points he missed.

Speaker Jackson said he missed opening statements.

Senator Martinez said he knew what he was talking about and was not afraid to admit what he didn't know. Being able to identify those problems and admitting that he didn't know something was admirable.

Senator Kuykendall said one thing he wanted to point out was being straight to the point and being an authority figure. He made it very clear that he was not afraid to be that person.

Motion carried; Senator Becker abstained. Mr. Harris was recommended favorably.

c. NOMINATION OF STEVEN MCNEECE TO THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF SUSTAINABILITY

Senator Martinez moved to recommend favorably Steven McNeece to the Office of Director of Sustainability

Senator Bussman seconded.

President Teixeira said Mr. McNeece was the old elections chair. The most impressive thing he did was increase the voter turnout this year, not because of the candidates, but because of his drive and the work he put in. The previous elections chairs only did the minimum, but Mr. McNeece did all the work and took it upon himself to be in the office all summer and work with his board to make sure elections ran as good as possible. He is a good worker and had more and more ideas, but he chose not to go the elections route because his major is renewable energy. He is majoring in something he will be working in as well, and he has been sitting in the meetings. The director of sustainability did recommend him favorably with a letter of recommendation.

Mr. McNeece said his name was Steven McNeece, a fourth-year student, actually majoring in environmental engineering and renewable energy. He wanted the position because as a freshman he was really good at math so he got into engineering, but then he decided he didn't want to be an engineer for the rest of his life and he started looking into environmental studies. When this position opened up for the first time, he wanted to be a part of that. He has gone over the SAS and the duties, he spoke with the previous senators, he was familiar with SNIFF, and he went to the committee yesterday and met a lot of figures and people from UNLV who talked about what they were doing down there. They had a student run commission on student sustainability who were pushing sustainability and hydra stations. He got ideas about how to reach out. Goals include marketing since it is a new position, and holding events. Also, making all of their events sustainable because ASUN is known for events. He wanted to bring a bike share program to the university, which would be a hard process but it would look great for them. People are considering the sustainability of the campus when they chose where to go.

Senator Becker asked what the duties in the SAS were for his job and if he knew about initiatives they had

Mr. McNeece said that played a big role in making the events more sustainable. They discussed doing marketing but the biggest thing was making events more sustainable. Looking at things like Coachella, they had people pick up water bottles and get prizes. ASUN has swag and things they can pass out like t-shirts, water bottles, and key chains. They usually have the water monsters at events but they can also have prizes that could be won in exchange for collecting garbage or recyclables.

Senator Martinez said under the duties, it talked about environmental events he would host like arbor day or earth day. Since he was good on advertising, senator Martinez asked if he had any ideas.

Mr. McNeece said one thing was to involve the community. He wanted to create structures out of recyclables so students could see the effects. One idea was to create a man out of water bottles and have a sign that said the average person uses x amount of bottles. Those were the best things they could do for earth day or arbor day. They need students to see the numbers.

Senator Becker was impressed with president Teixeira's recommendation. He touched briefly on it but asked if he had other unique ways and asked what made him so good at advertising.

Mr. McNeece said what made him a good advertiser was hard to answer. With elections, he wasn't afraid to ask others for ideas and received many from speaker Jackson. He also talked to Inkblot to create marketing strategies. He spoke with one of his professors and she wears a suit made out of trash bags which represents all the trash bags a student will use. Visuals are important.

There were no further questions; the body moved to discussion.

Senator Becker left the room at 6:56 pm.

Senator Kuykendall said under section 8 – duties, it talked about pursuing alternative ways of transportation. He asked president Teixeira if he met plans for bikeshare.

President Teixeira said they talked about three different kinds of transportation. Bikeshare is expensive and won't happen in the next couple of years because they don't have the insurance for it. He met to talk about the Reno buses and to work with different bus systems and integrate them with campus students. He wanted to look at how they could increase the efficiency of the on-campus bus. He is good at advertising, and came up with the iconic wolf on his own.

Senator Becker entered the room at 6:58 pm

Senator Thummel said that since this was a new position, it would be beneficial to have a candidate well versed in advertising.

Senator Martinez wanted to echo that statement; especially seeing his success during campaigning season.

Senator Kuykendall asked how many other people applied.

President Teixeira said he was the only one who applied. The application was also open longer than the others which was ironic since the SNIF application had 10 applicants but this position only had one.

Motion carried unanimously; Mr. McNeece was recommended favorably.

**d. NOMINATION OF BRANDON WALBERG TO THE OFFICE OF
DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Senator Martinez moved to recommend favorably Brandon Walberg to the Office of Director of Campus and Public Relations.

Senator Kuykendall seconded.

Speaker Jackson asked Mr. Walberg to please leave the room while the committee came up with some possible questions to ask him.

Senator Flangas said he talked about outreach by building traffic on the website; she wanted to know how he planned on doing this.

Senator Bussman said he acknowledges that it was difficult to reach students via social media but he had no concrete ideas on how he would go about expanding outreach other than helping senators plan. He wanted to see if he had anything specific.

Senator Flangas wanted to note that a responsibility of the director is to oversee operations of business regarding the pack business ready campaign. She wanted to hear him talk about that.

Mr. Walberg said he was a junior studying communications and public relations. He was a social media manager, an executive for a sex-positive campaign on campus, he served for his Greek Organizations planning socials and formals. He brought his resume, a sample press release if Noah's Twitter scandal happened today, a sample speech for Noah of a grand opening of Great Basin Hall. He wanted to be more approachable and wanted to represent the constituents. He felt frustrated when he didn't feel heard, he wanted to be someone people could come to if they had an issue with the way they were being represented or how their brand was. He wanted to be vigilant in identifying campus issues to address the president. He wanted to bring traffic to the website, and wanted to increase visibility by using the Best of Reno Campaign and they could put their website on there. He could talk to other schools, but he was open to suggestions, but he was from the journalism school and he was always getting awards for things. They show their institution and represent Nevada. He wanted to have social media posts that summarize the page of the website, because that wasn't done and people don't go out of their way to check out the website. For outreach, some students will not be reached by social media even though it is 2017. All constituents can speak to him about problems, and they will come to senators. He wanted to make a plan to reach out and get their opinions. For the students who aren't being reached, and he would take the demographics of the people who voted because they probably are closer, and he would subtract those people from each college and see who the people are who aren't being reached. There are a lot of buildings on campus with kiosks and bulletin boards, but they're not easy to see. There are off campus students, and he wanted more things on campus. He wanted to take the analytics of inkblot to create marketing that is efficient. He is an entertaining person and wanted to get minimal words with a big impact. He wanted people to have including messaging that makes people proud, and he would provide Inkblot with a blueprint and have meetings with them. There are non-traditional students who don't get included a lot if you don't live in the main apartments and they may feel disengaged. He would work with that. He would work closely with the director of inclusion to include people. The brand of ASUN is kept by every official, and it is his job to maintain that, no matter what they are representing the constituents. The senators will be held accountable and the constituents can come up to speak with them. That will be a good way to work with other directors to make sure they are on the same page. Press and media releases will be used if needed. He will use active social media, but public relations isn't just social media. It can be strategically done and that is just one aspect of everything. There will be scheduled posts to make sure there are no errors, and it gives time to take that back before things are posted. He will work with Inkblot for posters. Would have social media contests which will unite the directors and get people involved. He will revise the K-12 plan for locals, which is challenging because there is no legacy binder, but that gives him the opportunity to talk to people and get feedback about what does and doesn't work. He was in an education class that was focused on the Reno demographics and learning styles of marginalized groups, and they needed to reach out and represent them. He is here because of WUE and he was passionate about being here. He would record a senate minimum every other week, and have information on everything like campaigns, and he would have to get access to that information. His goals are not concrete but they are passionate. There aren't many students like him on campus; he is a gay white male in a Greek organization, he wasn't here to represent those people, he was here to represent all the students at the University of Nevada. He wanted to meet with people and compile a better plan with goals and be more inclusive for a marketing plan.

The body moved to questions.

Senator Flangas said he talked about outreach and not using social media. She thought that was admirable and asked what other ideas he had.

Mr. Walberg said they should use social media as much as they have been, maybe even more. Thought that strategically it was ignorant to use it to it only. Tabling around campus and other ways to get people out on campus. People knew they had office hours but it was scary going in there. They can also do barbeques by the KC with the schools they represent. They force messages into the people's faces but it can be the best.

Senator Flangas asked how those techniques will reach other people on campus.

Mr. Walberg said they could try to do off campus things. The fact that they can always label one or two events where this happens, they could put more focus on it because it was important.

Senator Martinez asked if a barbeque was the only event he had in mind.

Mr. Walberg said yes. It was a thing he needed more information on, like issues and demographics. He didn't know who was being reached out to yet. He was adaptable and wanted to get that clarified as possible to find out ideas.

Senator Martinez asked if he met with the previous director.

Mr. Walberg said yes. He thought that she didn't tell him of any plans and that was something that could work out in his favor. He was a big dreamer and was ambitious. He could ask her for ideas but it gave him the opportunity to do what they thought was better.

Senator Bussman said he wanted to revise the k-12 strategic plan; he asked Mr. Walberg to expand on that.

Mr. Walberg said it went back to them not having a plan. He was supposed to have one and it was a specific target audience in terms of Reno as the location and the age groups. The demographics he can get online. He understood that was how they recruited people to the university and wanted to hit them hard similar to how it was in his high school.

Speaker Jackson said it was in the SAS but it hadn't been followed through so there was no precedent yet. It would be up to him if appointed.

Senator Kuykendall asked what his most passionate dream was for this position.

Mr. Walberg said it would be to create a legacy that the does something so good that people will reach out to him years later. He wanted to adapt things and it would be awesome. He has been viewed that way in previous positions he held.

Senator Thummel said a goal of his was bringing traffic to the website using pack friendly businesses. Asked him to explain.

Mr. Walberg said if someone wins an award then that will be on the website. If the website can be on the award and they put that up, there will be one more place for the Reno community to see that.

Senator Lee asked if there were any more businesses they needed to expand to.

Mr. Walberg said he would ask around first. He personally wanted to get a business involved that people would want and didn't want to rule out a business because it might not be his preference.

Senator Martinez asked how he planned on getting more businesses to join.

Senator Walberg said reaching out. They can promote it on social media but the best way to get more was to get their contact info. If they see where the email was coming from, they will reply.

Senator Kuykendall said in his documents he had a response to twitter controversy. That was a great example to alleviate tensions for ASUN. He asked for examples for ways he can proactively increase the image without it being related to controversies.

Mr. Walberg said at the very end, he made up a story. That's not a bad idea with the social climate of today, he felt as though it was inexcusable at this time and in context of the university. It would be inexcusable if this happened in the future.

Senator Kuykendall said his question was more directed to asking about other ways like providing press releases to speak to the general public about the association.

Mr. Walberg asked if he meant if it happened again or in general.

Senator Kuykendall said simple relations. Outside of not responding to issues but rather putting something out that informed people.

Mr. Walberg said there were a lot of things, like things in regards to consent. There are always things on campus of different organizations trying to get out messages and let people know what things are problematic. He would say to inkblot that this needed coverage, and bring more attention to those things.

Speaker Jackson said to clarify, if ASUN passes resolutions that deal with a state issue topic that is controversial, she asked how he would promote and protect ASUN's image.

Mr. Walberg said he focused more on SAS duties and didn't have anything in response to that besides promotions. He suggested maybe adding things to orientation. There are a lot of things that are on there and that might overwhelm them but it does not address many students on campus.

Senator Flangas asked in the SAS it says he would draft media releases for the association with the approval of the president. Asked how he would insure that the association is represented and that the president is second; the organization would come first. This response only had responses from presidents.

Mr. Walberg thought it was unlikely that it would happen again.

Senator Flangas said it's not necessarily this issue, but he would be under the discretion of the president, and he could be fired by the president. Asked how he would represent the association and not let there be any collusion.

Mr. Walberg wanted to get the mission statement values and goals in there, and state that they do not condone those actions. He would run posts by people.

Senator Martinez said he talked about inkblot and marketing. He asked if Mr. Walberg had met with anyone about their jobs.

Mr. Walberg said he applied for inkblot earlier but he didn't meet with the director. He knew what they did and knew some people on the job. There was a lot of overlap especially in the past but some of it has been clarified with the revised SAS. This in general, was what Inkblot did on social media and creative works; he had said that he would meet with them to discuss his goals. In a classroom setting, it would be the professor would say they had this and that and they would follow through. For instance, his old duties for social media chair in his Greek organization, he had the experience to know what is expected, what would be too much to ask of them, and how they work.

Senator Martinez clarified if Mr. Walberg stated he didn't meet with inkblot even though he planned on having a lot of advertisements through them.

Mr. Walberg said correct; if appointed, he would meet with them first and foremost.

There were no further questions; the body moved to discussion.

Senator Flangas liked his goals in theory and understood that they need to approach more than just the ASUN body. However, tabling and office hours are still effective and he would have to come up with better outreach.

Senator Bussman asked if there were any other applicants for this position.

President Teixeira said he had one other applicant that come underprepared and the links sent to social media pages were dead. He should have said that he had never had ASUN experience and that was a valuable thing to have since they had a new perspective and learn asun in a new way. Experienced asun on the outside and organizations from the inside. That being said he will have an idea of ASUN from the SAS and not in the different social constructs.

Senator Cam. Lee asked Teixeira asked if both candidates had equal time to prepare they had to write alto o things goal over letter and new letter to new dorms

Speaker Jackson said that to clarify they should speak to the nominee at hand, they can't compare them because they are not here and haven't signed the release.

Senator Cam. Lee thought it was a lot to prepare and that other candidate may have been underprepared because he didn't have enough time.

President Teixeira said he asked a lot of each candidate in a short amount of time to see what they could produce, and gave them the opportunity to fix things. That is how it worked with them all, he had long list of things.

Senator Flangas said he had passionate goals but some applications were not concrete. Note that he didn't discuss problems with last director or inkblot wanted to not that when asked and pushed the question understood the role and would take out quote and consult senate and that was admirable to have since they wanted to be a part of that. He represents whole organization not just president.

Senator Bussman said he himself that he had nothing concrete and liked his character from face value but if he was voting for a position, he was voting for a plan, not just the character, and didn't think to have a candidate ask them to approve on the condition he will create a plan

Senator Flangas left at 5:48 pm

Senator Martinez agreed with busman. Many of the questions he asked gave basic terms. Felt concern on voting since he said he had passion, but also needed ideas and someone that knew what they were doing. Concerning he didn't reach out to others even though he knows their information and had contact information.

Speaker Jackson said not to sway them but wanted to remind them they needed to consider their character and competence. Agreed with their sentiment that goals are but are more for purpose and accountability. Consider that when making the decision.

Senator Kuykendall said it was upsetting to hear the candidate had no concrete applications of duties but will mention that with someone dealing with public relations needed someone that was vibrant and able to connect with students, so despite the shortcomings, his attitude and willingness to be out there to be a figure for public relations said a lot too. It's not just someone behind a desk, they also need to recognize the concerns of the students.

Senator Thummel thought it was admirable how he focused on outreach, and liked his idea to take demography to see who was underrepresented. Liked open ideas they had.

Senator Martinez asked if this was regarding what they were voting on, his character, goals, and competency

Speaker Jackson she had the statute if he would like to read it.

Senator Martinez said he felt as if the presentation was well thought out, but they can't ignore the evidence.

President Teixeira said the candidate will move into a role of creating a marketing strategy. He doesn't know what he will be marketing if he is not in the position giving an event. In the applicant process he showed them what it will be like with the speech and press report. The concreteness comes from his end of not telling him to create a concrete plan. Wanted to show them what it will look like. It was hard to know concrete if looking in from the outside.

Senator Martinez said that in his speech downfall on something that happened and it wasn't representing the students because it was biased.

Roll Call Vote:
Yeas: Senators Kuykendall and Thummel
Nays: Senators Bussman, Cam. Lee, Martinez
Abstentions: Senator Becker
Senator Flangas was absent.

Motion failed; Mr. Walberg was not recommended favorably.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Teixeira wanted to comment about Mr. Walberg. He selected his board based on the goals he was elected on. He picked these people because he felt they were the best options for the position. He will be sending in Mr. Walberg again. He wanted to note that it was hard for Mr. Walberg to meet with former director Lawton because she was never in the office and it was hard to find her.

Senator Kuykendall apologized for not following Robert's Rules when voting.

Senator Cam. Lee apologized for not speaking during discussion. She got the supporting documents only a few hours before and didn't have enough time to prepare.

Speaker Jackson said they will be requiring the documents are given at least 24 hours before the meeting so they can vet the documents and create questions.

Mr. Harris said they need to designate someone to inform the candidates.

Speaker Jackson said to Dr. Beattie, per the statutes when they discuss someone's character or they are up for nomination and it's required that they are given a written notice, she wasn't sure whose responsibility that was and who it should be given by.

Dr. Beattie said whoever puts them up for nomination. Unless they give them the contact info only the person who nominates sees that information, because the only person who sees those applications is the person who is nominating them.

Speaker Jackson asked if there as a way in writing that they can make that clear that it needs to be in writing.

Mr. Harris said he will make a note of that.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Jackson adjourned the meeting at 7:03 pm.