

Committee on Oversight

Senate of the Associated Students 85th Session
Minutes for Tuesday, November 28th at 7:30 p.m.
Room #405, Fourth Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Speaker Jackson called the Committee on Oversight meeting to order at 7:30 pm in Room 405, 4th Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding secretary, Andrea Godoy.

2. ROLL CALL

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

Senator Flangas was absent excused.

A quorum was present.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

4. MINUTES

- a. The minutes from October 17th, 2017
- b. The minutes from October 24th, 2017
- c. The minutes from November 17th, 2017

The minutes from October 17th, October 24th, and November 7th, 2017 were already approved at the November 14th, 2017 Oversight meeting.

- d. The minutes from November 14th, 2017
- e. The minutes from November 21st, 2017

Senator Ca. Lee moved to approve the minutes from November 14th and November 21st, 2017 by unanimous consent.

There was no dissent; motion carried.

5. REPORTS

- a. Secretary of the Senate – Andrea Godoy
Secretary Godoy said she sent out points memos last Wednesday over email but since it was the day before thanksgiving, she didn't know if they had seen them. She brought a couple in case they wanted to see them. Office hours started on Monday and will be collected on December 13th, which was dead day. Technically, this period will be longer than two weeks by three days.

Senator Kuykendall said he forgot to put in office hours but did them. He asked if there was anything he can do.

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Secretary Godoy said the Senate Rules say that anyone that wants points excused must petition the speaker within a week of the points being given.

Senator Bussman asked how the petition works.

Secretary Godoy said they can just submit a written statement requesting points be excused and why.

Speaker Jackson said it was just submitting a memo.

Senator Kuykendall said they would be due tomorrow by 4 pm technically.

Secretary Godoy couldn't remember if it was at the time hours are collected or when memos are sent.

Speaker Jackson said she will say 4 pm.

b. Speaker Pro Tempore – Senator Martinez

Senator Martinez said: Hello everyone. I have been meeting one on one with the interns and seeing what they like and what they do not like about the program. the main concern has been with the time (since it is lone), wanting more bonding outside of ASUN (outside of the professional setting) and maybe a longer time in the internship! Other than that, I have been meeting with Speaker Jackson and Dr. Beattie to discuss ways to improve the program! WE now have t-shirts and certificates to give to the Interns once they have completed their internship. Tomorrow Courtney Kinsella will be coming in to talk about elections and Justin Kuykendall will be coming in as well to talk about the budget! Thank you so much for all your efforts.

c. Chair, Committee on Academics – Senator Cammie Lee

Senator Ca. Lee said: I have sent out a doodle poll to my committee to find out a common time we could all meet next semester. It seems like Monday at 1:30PM is when most of us are free so I think we have our meeting time settled for next semester. During our upcoming meeting this Friday we will be discussing how to phrase the resolution to extend the library hour and a binding resolution we need to write to put that question on the ballot. I am also working on a binding resolution to update how we allocate the funds to the students awarded the international research experience. Currently there is no rule on how we allocate these funds. This is not new money, but ASUN already has money for this, and the only thing changing is how we distribute this to the students. I believe that students should be awarded based on how much their international program cost instead of other factors such as GPA, since they were already picked from an application pool. Also, Speaker Jackson and I are working on something today and we be presenting information to you guys hopefully the first week of next semester. Stay tuned!

d. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance – Senator Kuykendall

Senator Kuykendall al said the committee didn't meet this week but they will meet next week. They will do financial reviews for the Center for Student Engagement, Diversity and Inclusion, Undergraduate Research, and Milton D. Glick Academics Initiatives. It will be straightforward and simple. He was working on making it mandatory for the chair to provide the financial reviews. That could go through his committee technically or through Gov. Ops. since it was a SAS change and a change in the Senate Rules. He will place that on the agenda for next week. He knew they talked a little bit about doing a forum about registration issues. He hadn't spoken with Senator Ca. Lee about it, but he concluded it would be better to do it at the beginning of next semester because of the forum next week. He didn't want to dilute the importance of that.

Senator Ca. Lee asked what time Senator Kuykendall had in mind for the forum. She wanted to know if he was thinking early in the semester or later on when people are registering for classes.

Senator Kuykendall said he wanted insight from people about that. They could do it at any time hypothetically. If they did it around the time she suggested around registration, that would be close to the end of their term.

Speaker Jackson asked when students register for classes.

Senator Kuykendall said in April.

Speaker Jackson said they can talk with Director Walberg to see what he thinks is strategic timing, so they get the most people. She really liked the idea. Another thing to consider is the time and location. They could do another senate meeting or have something more casual like they did for Pizza with the Police. That would be more interactive. They can also host some kind of panel. They have many options.

Senator Ca. Lee didn't think they should have a forum like they did for Charlottesville because it wasn't as emotional. Issues with registration isn't to the degree of emotional distress they saw in Charlottesville. She thought an event like Pizza with the Police was the event they needed because they could have incentives for people to come.

Speaker Jackson said if they do it later in the semester, they can contact their deans to ask what they wanted to know from students. That would help target the conversation.

Senator Becker suggested they do it in between lunch in the Rotunda. They can make it incentivized by giving food to those that participate, even if it was just written input. He asked how they would make a change.

Senator Kuykendall said that was his goal.

Senator Becker said the students can sign petitions and write statements.

Speaker Jackson said they can structure it by having senators representing each college and holding their own forums. Then, they combine it into one resolution. They can talk about it later with it as an agenda item to lay out structure.

e. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement – Senator Flangas

f. Chair, Committee on Government Operations – Senator Thummel

Senator Thummel said his committee recommended the resolution he and Senator Flangas wrote for ADA accessible agenda postings for all officers and for taking the course the university offers. He is working with Senator Paningbatan on a broader support of ADA accessibility as a whole. He and Senator Flangas worked with Attorney General Harris to update the Elections Code. They wrote the legislation and it will go through their committee on Friday. Senators Billman and Mah are working with Director Kinel to update the duties of Programming.

Speaker Jackson wanted to update them on web accessibility. She contacted Chief of Staff Bradley to ask if there was going to be a retreat in the Spring. Chief of Staff Bradley said it was a possibility. If it does happen, they might have it implemented there rather than having students sign up for

the class at random times. If they don't have the spring retreat, they can just go back having students sign up for the class when they can.

Senator Thummel said that would be a great idea. He couldn't remember if Mary Hyde had said they can teach a class specific to them.

Speaker Jackson said they did say that.

Senator Thummel said the classes are offered two or three times a week in case they don't have a spring retreat.

g. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs – Senator Becker

Senator Becker said: We will be having a meeting on Wednesday, November 29th at 4:00 p.m. in the JCSU 317. We will be having Senator Mah and his intern present a resolution regarding the Wildcreek Golf Course High School Plan. We will also be having a debrief about the Veterans' Luncheon and creating content for the legacy binder.

Speaker Jackson said wanted to let them know that she put the Wildcreek legislation on the fast track agenda for senate since they are making a decision for that in the next week and she wanted to have that sooner rather than later so it can be sent. She was happy that the committee was going to be educated on the issue though.

Senator Becker said the meeting will be before Senate since they are meeting Wednesday at 4 pm.

Speaker Jackson asked if he will be doing that presentation for Senate.

Senator Becker said he probably won't mind.

Speaker Jackson will contact him. She got an email from the Assistant Director from Legislative Affairs today. She can forward the email, but it just said that CSUN passed a resolution CSUN that seemed cool. They can pass something similar.

Senator Becker asked if CSUN was UNLV's student government.

Speaker Jackson said yes; they are the consolidated students and ASUN is the associated students.

h. Chair, Committee on University Affairs – Senator Bussman

Senator Bussman said: University Affairs will be meeting this Friday at 12. I have a meeting tomorrow with Speaker Jackson and President Teixeira to figure out which positions should be on a potential standing committee for New Innovations@ Nevada. I have a meeting with Ellen Purpus and Kelly Northridge next Wednesday to talk about the innovation competition and I'm in the process of setting up a meeting with James Sacherman. They're all faculty from the Office of Research and Innovation. I got back into contact with Phillip Denny from Big Ideas@ Berkeley and he's open to the idea of having a group from our University make a trip to Berkeley to collaborate and brainstorm on how to have a successful pilot year on our campus. I asked my intern to get into contact with Carissa Bradley to figure out what we would need to host another Coffee with the Constituents events. Senator Kuykendall and I have a meeting with the Wolf Shop next Monday. For the INTO resolution, he thought he had heard President Teixeira say they will sponsor INTO if it went through committee, but it hasn't been confirmed.

Speaker Jackson said she forgot to follow up on that with President Teixeira. She will do it now.

Senator Becker thought they should go and visit Berkeley; that would be the best way to get the project started.

Senator Bussman said Berkeley's president sounded stoked when they talked about visiting so Senator Bussman wanted to make the trip.

Speaker Jackson said that would be so cool and fun.

i. Chair, Committee on Oversight – Speaker Jackson

Speaker Jackson said the posting board came in for Pennington. She was working with Inkblot to make a sign, so they don't get random postings. The bill to change the posting location from Ansari to Pennington will be going through this week. She wanted them to know it won't start until next semester since the board won't be up until then. They needed Inkblot to make the sign and facilities had to complete the process. She met with President Johnson and Dr. Ellis on Monday and they loved all their chair reports. She also gave them a copy of Senator Bussman's presentation and they loved it. She thanked them for sending her their reports on such short notice; she appreciated their work. She asked them to make sure to figure out their committee time by the next senate meeting. She also asked they let Secretary Godoy know days/times. It will be easier for them all if they set times before the next semester starts. They will be suspending the senate rules over break and reinstating them when they come back so that committees don't have to meet over break.

Senator Becker said if they are doing signs for the posting board for Pennington, it would be beneficial to have one for the KC too.

Speaker Jackson said the KC posting board does have a sign.

Senator Becker said the KC posting board fills because the ASUN sign is on the corner, so it implies that the corner is for ASUN and the rest of the board is for others.

Speaker Jackson said she ordered a sign that was the same size as the KC sign, but it sounded like the new sign should be placed in the middle to avoid that issue. She thanked him for the idea. She got more information for democracy plaza. President Johnson is requesting the exact price quotes, so they will have those soon. For Oversight's meeting time, it looked like they were all free Fridays from 2 – 5. She asked what time they wanted.

The body said 2:00 pm.

Speaker Jackson said Oversight will meet Fridays at 2 pm. They will be able to meet in the President's Conference Room now. She wrote up the proposed invitation for the next senate meeting and wanted to hear what they thought. It read:

ASUN wants your input and suggestions concerning current events pertaining to student safety on our campus. As your representatives, we feel it is of utmost importance to capture student opinion on this matter in order to take proper action. Please join us at our next meeting.

The 85th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students
Wednesday, December 6th at 5:30 P.M.
Knowledge Center Rotunda

We would like to invite all students to speak at our meeting and provide commentary on the following subjects:

- Recent incidents that have impacted the University of Nevada, Reno
 - Acts of violence and racism in Charlottesville, VA
 - The repeal of DACA
 - Swastika paintings in the Church Fine Arts staircase
 - Las Vegas shooting and active shooter in Reno community
 - UNRPD Traffic Stop
 - Flag artwork in Church Fine Arts building
 - UNRPD Officer dressing as Collin Kaepernick
- What would make you feel safer as a student on campus?
- As a community, what steps should we take moving forward?

Speaker Jackson asked if there was anything they wanted to add.

Senator Becker asked if they should talk about the flag thing in the Jot Travis building. It wasn't necessarily about safety, but it was a sensitive topic. He saw that it had students talking on social media.

Senator Martinez said it was the Fine Arts building.

Senator Ca. Lee asked if they can clarify the flag issue since she hadn't heard anything.

Senator Becker said some art was put up with an axe going through the American Flag. Many people considered it to be rude.

Senator Bussman said it was painted by a retired vet. He didn't put a description explaining the purpose, so many saw it and jumped to negative conclusions.

Speaker Jackson will email them the invitation and the proposed questions, but they can let her know if anything else should be added. She felt that there was so much that needed to be said. She asked if they wanted to include sexual assault and violence culture or just the recent events.

Senator Kuykendall said didn't know if they knew but there was an active shooter on Sierra and Eldorado and it was hostage situation. Without more information it was hard to talk about it but all he knew there was a hostage situation. With more information they can include that.

Speaker Jackson said that was important to include. She asked if they wanted to broaden the questions to include relationships with the police. That might be too broad and might need to be narrowed down.

Senator Kuykendall said they should leave it open, so people feel free to talk.

Speaker Jackson said that was her goal too, so they can talk about what they want. She will email it to them and if they come up with anything they can let her know. She wanted to talk about reapportionment for a quick second. She formally requested the stay and listed out all the reasons for it. she went through many different departments and it was looking like they had 12 colleges, although a few people did tell her 11. But it's looking like they will have 12 colleges. She hoped the Chief Justice will announce if they have been granted the stay. She thought they will be granted the stay but even so, they need to think about this on a bigger scale rather than just adding more

senators. The other thing they needed to consider is that Constitution only says they need to reapportion every other year, not how to reapportion. The SAS is the only document that gives a reapportionment method. If they do change that, they won't need to change the Constitution. She will be meeting with a statistics professor that teaches a class on different reapportionment methods. She will present him with all the data and then hopefully figure out which method is the best one.

6. NEW BUSINESS

- a. S.R. 85 – A Resolution to Censure Senator Compton
Senator Lee moved to approve S.R. 85 – A Resolution to Censure Senator Compton.
Senator Martinez seconded.

Speaker Jackson said Senator Compton could not make it to Oversight because he had class at 7:30. He emailed her regarding missing the meeting for class, but he didn't send in an explanation as to why he accumulated points. The outline was there for points, but they can hear his arguments to justify them at Senate.

Senator Becker wanted to note that Senator Compton did apologize at a Senate meeting.

Senator Kuykendall asked if he apologized before reaching the points capita.

Senator Ca. Lee said she always looks at the points because she is curious. She remembered he had already accumulated over 5 points and during his report, he apologized. He mentioned that he was the newest senator at the table and had the most points.

Speaker Jackson passed the gavel to Senator Martinez.
Senator Martinez accepted.

Speaker Jackson moved to amend the motion from approving to recommending favorably.
Senator Ca. Lee seconded.
Amendment carried.

Senator Martinez passed the gavel to Speaker Jackson.
Speaker Jackson accepted.

Motion carried.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Senator Kuykendall forgot to mention he met with President Teixeira and Speaker Jackson to draft legislation to put a question on the ballot to ask students if they are in favor of an additional fee for transportation to fund busses. He didn't want to get into specifics since the legislation was to put a question on the ballot. Once they have the data back from the elections, they can write a resolution in support or against the new fee. The legislation isn't to approve the fee but rather place the question on the ballot.

Speaker Jackson said for any ballot questions, anything they do as a bill to add a question was to state that students should vote on it. It wasn't them implementing the fee. She was trying to find notes from the meeting, but she forgot to mention that in her meeting with Dr. Ellis and President Johnson, they talked about some tuition increases. Director Schultz will give Senate a presentation, so the body is educated on the fee increases. She didn't know the exact terminology, but the increase was the minimum amount that tuition had to go up based on the higher education index. During the last couple of years, it increased 4% each year and now it will increase 1.8% which was the minimum. This makes sure it keeps up with costs.

Senator Bussman asked if it was related to the cost of living.

Speaker Jackson said no. It was for general operations. Once Director Schultz gives his presentation, it will make more sense and they will be able to better educate students. She wanted to make students aware. It was something that was regulated and needed to happen but wanted students to know. He will present on Wednesday. She can also ask President Johnson if he wants to come for questions.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Speaker Jackson adjourned the meeting at 8:08 pm.