

85th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, January 31st, 2018 at 5:30 P.M.

Rita Laden Senate Chambers, Third Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER***
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE***
3. **ROLL CALL***
4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from January 24th, 2017. The Senate will discuss the minutes of January 24th, 2017 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.

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

6. **RECEIPT OF PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SENATE AND REFERRAL**

The Senate will receive communications addressed to the Senate and, if necessary, refer each to the appropriate committee. No action will be taken on communications other than referring them to committee unless placed on the fast-track agenda.

There are no petitions to be read at this time.

7. **REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS**

The Speaker shall recognize any senior officer of the Association, including the Secretary, to offer a report on his or her official activities since the previous meeting and make any summary announcements he or she deems necessary for no longer than five minutes.

- a. President of the Associated Students, Noah Teixeira
- b. Vice President of the Associated Students, Sebastian Atienza
- c. Chief Justice, Samuel Bruketta
- d. Chief of Staff, Carissa Bradley
- e. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Jared Desamaro
- f. Director of Event Programming, Mia Kinel
- g. Director of Blue Crew, Cole Nason
- h. Director of Legislative Affairs, Spencer Shultz
- i. Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Precious Gbenjo
- j. Director of Sustainability, Brita Romans
- k. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Brandon Walberg

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- l. Director of Campus Wellness, Dahlia Henderson
- m. Attorney General, Cameron Harris
- n. Elections Chair, Courtney Kinsella
- o. Speaker of the Senate, Hannah Jackson

8. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES*

The Speaker shall recognize the chairperson of each standing committee, in alphabetical order, and then each special committee, in alphabetical order, to report for no longer than five minutes on the committee's activities since the previous meeting

- a. Chair, Committee on Academics – Senator Cammie Lee
- b. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance – Senator Justin Kuykendall
- c. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement – Senator Nicole Flangas
- d. Chair, Committee on Government Operations – Senator Austin Thummel
- e. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs – Senator Ryan Becker
- f. Chair, Committee on University Affairs – Senator Derek Bussman
- g. Speaker Pro-Tempore – Senator Anthony Martinez
- h. Chair, Committee on Oversight – Speaker Hannah Jackson

9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

The Speaker shall recognize in turn senators requesting the floor for a period not to exceed two minutes. The total time for Comments and Announcements before the first reading of legislation shall not exceed fifteen minutes.

10. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK APPOINTMENTS

The motion to fast track a resolution or appointment confirmation shall be in order if recommended by the committee of relevant jurisdiction.

11. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS OF SENATORS AND ASUN OFFICIALS

The Senate will consider the following nominations for Association office. When the Senate has concluded its deliberations, the Senate may approve the nomination, reject the nomination, or take no action upon the nomination.

- a. **NOMINATION OF KATIE WORRALL TO THE OFFICE OF POLICY ANALYST FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS**

The Senate will consider the above-named nomination to Association office. The Senate 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. When the Senate has concluded its deliberations, they may approve the nomination, reject the nomination, or take no action.

- b. **NOMINATION OF MACKENZIE NELSON TO THE OFFICE OF PROJECTS COORDINATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS**

The Senate will consider the above-named nomination to Association office. The Senate 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. When the Senate has concluded its deliberations, they may approve the nomination, reject the nomination, or take no action.

12. VETO MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Senate may reconsider acts vetoed by the ASUN President if they are returned by the President with his objections.

There are no veto messages at this time.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

The Speaker shall sequentially proceed through such acts of legislation that have been previously been placed on the consent agenda. Such acts shall be considered adopted by consent, unless a single senator rises in objection thereto. All acts so objected are immediately placed on the end of the agenda for second reading.

There was no legislation filed for the Consent Agenda.

14. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION

The following bills and resolutions will receive their first reading and may be considered under item 16 of this agenda:

There is no legislation up for first reading at this time.

15. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK LEGISLATION

A senator may move that legislation under item 16 of this agenda be considered at this meeting. Such a motion shall only be in order provided that a one-day notice has been given to the speaker. The motion shall be decided without debate, and shall require the consent of a two-thirds majority of the senate.

For further detail on each of the listed action items please see the support documents posted with this agenda. All action items may consist of legislation and supporting material for each respective action item.

16. REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE

The Speaker shall refer all legislation read the first time and not fast tracked to committee.

There is no legislation to be considered for referral at this time.

17. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION

The following bills and resolutions will receive their second reading and may be considered:

- a. S.B. 85 – An Act to Place a Question on the Ballot for the 2018 General Election

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18. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- a. **Senate Committee Changes**

Senators may change committee assignments through binding resolution.

- b. **Senator Reports**

The Senate will share progress they have made in ASUN-related activities that they have been working on.

19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

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

20. PUBLIC COMMENT*

The Speaker may elect to take public comment on items on or off this agenda. The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Notes:

Unless otherwise marked by an asterisk, all agenda items are action items upon which the Senate may take action.

Action items may be taken out of the order to be presented at the discretion of the Chair.

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FROM: Spencer E. Schultz, Director of Legislative Affairs
TO: Hannah J. Jackson, Speaker of the Senate
Andrea Godoy, Senate Secretary
DATE: January 18th, 2018
RE: Legislative Affairs Appointments

To the Senate of the Associated Students,

I nominate the following applicants to the Department of Legislative Affairs:

1. Katie Worrall to the office of Policy Analyst
2. Mackenzie Nelson to the office of Projects Coordinator

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Spencer Schultz". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Spencer Schultz

Director of Legislative Affairs

Associated Students of the University of Nevada

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

85th SESSION
2017-2018

S. B. 85-
An Act to Place a Question on the Ballot for the 2018
General Election

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

JANUARY 22, 2018

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR MARTINEZ TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT

A BILL

An Act to Place a Question on the Ballot for the 2018
General Election

Whereas, the Constitution of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada II.1.b reads,
“Each college and school shall have at least one seat. Thereafter, the seats shall be apportioned
among the colleges and schools proportionally according to their respective enrollment numbers.”

Whereas, the University of Nevada has recently reorganized their academic colleges;

Whereas, The Division of Health Sciences will be splitting into three academic colleges: The
Orvis School of Nursing, the Division of Health Sciences, and Community Health Sciences;

Whereas, the Speech Pathology program will now report directly to the School of Medicine;

Whereas, what is currently nine academic colleges will now become twelve;

Whereas; by using the Huntington-Hill Method as prescribed in the Statutes of the Associated Students I.101.12, conducting reapportionment based on the current enrollment numbers would result in both the College of Science, Interdisciplinary Programs, and the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology, and Natural Resources to lose senate representation;

Whereas; the large disparity in enrollment numbers between the small and large colleges would result in inequitable representation for various colleges;

Whereas; the addition of three additional seats would accommodate for the reorganization and addition of academic colleges;

Whereas; the Associated Students of the University of Nevada should accommodate for the reorganization and addition of academic colleges in order to provide adequate representation for all students;

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students, that pursuant to Article II, Section 1, Subsection A of the Constitution of the Associated Students, a question seeking approval of voters shall appear on the ballot for the 2018 General Election as follows:

“Shall the Senate of the Associated Students increase the maximum number of senate seats from twenty-two to twenty-five, in order to accommodate for the addition of three academic colleges?”

Be it further enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students, that pursuant to passage of the ballot question by the student body, Article II, Section 1, Subsection A, will read as follows:

“COMPOSITION AND TERM.—The Senate shall be composed of the Speaker and not more than twenty-five Senators, who shall be elected to a term of one year.”