

Committee on Civic Engagement

Senate of the Associated Students 85th Session

Agenda for Friday, March 2nd at 12:00pm.

Joe Crowley Student Union, President's Conference Room

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 consider the approval of the minutes from December 1st, 2017. The committee will discuss the minutes from December 1st, 2017 may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion the committee may choose to approve the minutes.
- b. The committee will consider the approval of the minutes from February 2nd, 2018. The committee will discuss the minutes from February 2nd, 2018 may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion the committee may choose to approve the minutes.
- c. The committee will consider the approval of the minutes from February 9th, 2018. The committee will discuss the minutes from February 9th, 2018 may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion the committee may choose to approve the minutes.
- d. The committee will consider the approval of the minutes from February 16th, 2018. The committee will discuss the minutes from February 16th, 2018 may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion the committee may choose to approve the minutes.



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5. OLD BUSINESS

a. Wolfpack Reading Week Update

The Committee will discuss the Wolfpack Reading Week, and expectations for the following week.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. S.R. 85 – A Resolution Supporting the Rights of Students in Nevada to Peacefully Protest Gun Reform

The Committee will read and debate the resolution. The Committee may edit the piece of legislation as it sees fit. The Committee may decide to report favorably, unfavorably, take no action, or refer the legislation to another committee.

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8. ADJOURNMENT

9. NOTES.

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[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

85th SESSION
2017-2018

S. Res. 85-

A Resolution Supporting the Rights of Students in Nevada to Peacefully Protest Gun Reform

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

FEBRUARY, 25TH, 2018

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR FLANGAS AND SENATOR MARTINEZ TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIC
ENGAGEMENT

**A Resolution
Supporting the Rights of Students in Nevada to Peacefully Protest Gun
Reform**

1 *Whereas*, on February 14th, 2018, a shooter entered Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School and
2 killed 17 students, wounding several others, making this the deadliest high school shooting in United
3 States history;

4 *Whereas*, following the shooting, our nation in mourning watched as students from this high
5 school pledged “Never Again” setting an agenda for comprehensive and reasonable gun law reform
6 nationwide;

7 *Whereas*, the state of gun violence in the US has allowed gun-related tragedies and deaths in Las
8 Vegas, Nevada resulting in 58 deaths; Sutherland Springs, Texas resulting in 26 deaths; and Parkland,
9 Florida resulting in 17 deaths, in just the past five months alone;

1 *Whereas*, the state of gun violence on exclusively school campuses in the US has allowed, just in
2 2018, seven firearm attacks during school hours with five incidents resulting in injuries or death, two
3 firearm attacks on school grounds not during school hours that resulted in two injuries or death,
4 multiple incidents with bullets hitting school buildings, and one gun related suicide on school
5 campus;

6 *Whereas*, in response to these events, students in Florida and across the nation have exercised
7 their first amendment right to free speech to directly call on their legislators, local, state, and federal,
8 to enact new laws and provisions regarding school safety and gun control;

9 *Whereas*, students also plan to exercise their first amendment right to freedom of assembly in
10 “The National School Walkout” scheduled for March 14th where students, teachers, and faculty will
11 peacefully walk out of school for 17 minutes to remember the victims of the Florida shooting and
12 protest the current state of gun control and/or the current protections and policies in place regarding
13 school safety;

14 *Whereas*, some schools and school districts, including our own Clark County School District in
15 Nevada, have released statements which prohibit students from engaging in this peaceful walkout
16 and have indicated they will seek punitive retribution in the form of suspensions, etc. for students
17 who engage in this peaceful protest;

18 *Whereas*, especially in the state of Nevada, where gun violence has personally effected our
19 community, peaceful protest for gun law reform is a right that all citizens, including students, should
20 be able to exercise;

21 *Whereas*, in the landmark decision, *Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School District*, Justice
22 White noted in his majority opinion that students do not “shed their constitutional rights to freedom
23 of speech or expression at the schoolhouse gate”;

24 *Be it resolved that*, the Associated Students stand with the K-12 students across the county,
25 especially in Nevada, who want to engage in the 17-minute walkout on March 14th and that we
26 encourage school administrators and faculty to not only refrain from punishing those who

1 participate, but assist and help these young Americans in exercising their rights as citizens to
2 peacefully protest when they want to see meaningful, systemic change in society and in their
3 government;

4 *Be it further resolved that*, this resolution be sent to President Marc Johnson, Vice President of
5 Student Services Shannon Ellis, Chief of Staff & Chief Diversity Officer & Assistant Vice President
6 Patricia Richard, Dean of Students Mike Segawa, Associate Vice President Jerry Marczynski,
7 President of NSEA Ruben Murrillo Jr., President of WEA Natha Anderson, President of CCEA
8 Vikki Courtney, Board Members of the Nevada state board of education: Elaine Wynn, Mark
9 Newburn, Felicia Ortiz, Robert Blakely, Tamara Hudson, Tonia Holmes-Sutton, Dawn Etcheverry
10 Miller, Dave Jensen, Cathy McAdoo, David Carter, Hunter Drost, an official in the district's
11 academic unit of Clark County School Rosanne Richards District, Clark County School District Chief
12 Academic Officer Mike Barton, Board Members of the Nevada State Board of Education Elaine
13 Wynn, Mark Newburn, Felicia Ortiz, Robert Blakely, Tamara Hudson, Tonia Holmes-Sutton, Dawn
14 Etcheverry Miller, Dave Jensen, Cathy McAdoo, David Carter, Hunter Drost, Clark County School
15 District Deputy Superintendent Kim Wooden, Chief Human Resources Officer Andre Long, Reno
16 High School Government Teacher Richard Clark, Clark County School District High School
17 Principles including: Jonathan Synold, Kevin McPartlin, Gerald Bustamante, Joseph Petrie, Amy
18 Wagner, Greg Hunter, Trent Day, Lolo James, Zachary Robbins, Lori Sarabyn, Jillyn Pendleton,
19 George Leavens, Mike Piccininni, Gregory Misel, Kelly O'Rourke, Isaac Stein, Nathan Miller, Darlin
20 Delgado, David Wilson, Lisa Burkhead, Elena Fabunan, Kent Roberts, Brian Wiseman, Debbie
21 Brockett, Scott Walker, Dawn Estes, Kenneth Sobaszek, Derek Bellow, Barbara Collins, Hal L.
22 Mortensen, Gregory Cole, Andrea Connolly, Tina Statucki, Darren Sweikert, James Kuzma, Dawna
23 O'Dea-Alexander, Travis Warnick, John Anzalone, Jaime Ditto, Kerry Pope, Donna Levy, Tam
24 Larnerd, Julia Llapur, Ramona Esparza, Tammy Cullum- Boffelli, Clifford Hughes, Amy Dockter-
25 Rozar, Danny Eichelberger, Monica Cortez, Chairman of the Nevada System of Higher Education
26 Board of Regents Kevin J. Page, Vice Chairman of the Nevada System of Higher Education Board

- 1 of Regents Jason Geddes, Senator Dean Heller, Senator Catherine Cortez Masto, Congresswoman
- 2 Dina Titus, Congressman Mark Amodei, Congresswoman Jacky Rosen, Congressman Ruben
- 3 Kihuen, and President Donald Trump.

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