

# 85<sup>th</sup> Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 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 March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Senate will discuss the minutes of March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- b. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Senate will discuss the minutes of March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 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

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- k. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Brandon Walberg
- 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.

There are no appointments to be considered at this time.

## **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.

There are no appointments to be considered at this time.

## **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.

There is no legislation to be fast tracked at this time.

*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 Create the Department of Campus Wellness and the Sustainability and Wellness Initiative Fund
- b. S.B. 85 – An Act to Amend the Department of Public and Campus Relations
- c. S.B. 85 – An Act to Dissolve the Elections Commission and Move the Responsibilities Under the Center for Student Engagement
- d. S.B.R 85 – A Binding Resolution to Revise the Senate Rules Office Hour Requirement

### **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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[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

85<sup>th</sup> SESSION  
2017-2018

**S. B. 85-**  
**AN ACT TO CREATE THE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF CAMPUS**  
**WELLNESS AND THE**  
**SUSTAINABILITY AND WELLNESS**  
**INITIATIVE FUND**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR FLANGAS TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

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**An Act to Create the Department of Campus Wellness and the Sustainability and  
Wellness Initiative Fund**

1        *Whereas*, the term “wellness” encapsulates both mental and physical health, as well as  
2 sustainability;

3        *Whereas*, the collaboration between sustainability and health initiatives acknowledges the  
4 complexity and interconnectedness of wellness on the University of Nevada, Reno campus;

5        *Whereas*, the Director of Campus Wellness and the Director of Sustainability are responsible for  
6 multifaceted, educational programming and administrative duties,

1        *Whereas*, these complex duties would be more efficiently executed within a structure of a  
2 department;

3        *Whereas*, adding Assistant Directors, as outlined in **Addendum 2A**, will provide infrastructure  
4 for campus/club engagement, research on policies surrounding wellness, and provide for team to  
5 execute the major programming and educational goals of the department;

6        *Whereas*, these Assistant Directors will act as liaisons to clubs engaged with concepts of either  
7 mental, physical and other forms of student health as well as sustainability and environmental  
8 protection;

9        *Whereas*, because the Department has so many projects, responsibilities, etc., the Director will be  
10 able to double the amount of Inters (at least two, no more than four), under the guidance and  
11 programming of the Executive Internship Program;

12        *Whereas*, upon the passage of this legislation, the Sustainable Nevada Initiative Fund (SNIF) will  
13 now become the Sustainability and Wellness Initiative Fund (SWIF);

14        *Whereas*, the Sustainability and Wellness Initiative Fund will allow for a wider breadth of  
15 applications for the grant that will can address issues of student health as well as campus  
16 sustainability;

17        *Whereas*, the expansion of the grant would allow for additional opportunities for student  
18 participation and engagement;

19        *Be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students,*

20            a) That Chapter 208: Director of Sustainability, and Chapter 210: Director of Campus  
21            Wellness be stricken from the Statutes of the Associated students;

22            b) That Chapter 208 now be outlined in the Statutes of Associated Students as  
23            represented in **Addendum 1A**, named Chapter 208: Department of Campus Wellness;

24            c) That this new department, the Department of Campus Wellness, shall consist of a  
25            Director of Campus Wellness, an Assistant Director of Student Health, an Assistant

- 1 Director of Sustainability, and a maximum of four interns under the Executive  
2 Internship Program;
- 3 d) That Title XXVI: Sustainable Nevada Initiative Fund be amended to be “Title XXVI:  
4 Sustainability and Wellness Initiative Fund”;
- 5 e) That the entire Chapter 2701: Sustainable Nevada Initiative Fund be amended to reflect  
6 **Addendum 1B** and be titled “Chapter 2701: Sustainability and Wellness Initiative  
7 Fund”;
- 8 f) That under Chapter 402: Appointed Officers, Chapter 212: Term Limits, and Chapter  
9 213: Nominations and Resignations, “Director of Sustainability” be stricken from the  
10 Statutes of Associated Students;
- 11 g) That Chapter 402: Appointed Officers be amended to place the “Director of Campus  
12 Wellness” under the Level II pay grade, and to include both the “Assistant Director of  
13 Student Health” and the “Assistant Director of Sustainability” under the Level III pay  
14 grade as shown in **Addendum 1C**;
- 15 h) That “Director of Sustainability” and “Director of Campus Wellness” be struck from  
16 SAS V.502.03: Executive Internship Program;
- 17 i) That **Addendum 1D** be added to SAS.502 as Chapter 510, which permits the  
18 Department of Wellness to create and execute the Department of Campus Wellness  
19 Internship Program, with a maximum of four interns;
- 20 *Be it further enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students,*
- 21 a) That in eliminating the current Chapters 208 and 210, the Director of Sustainability and  
22 the Director of Campus Wellness respectively, of the Statutes of the Associated  
23 Students”, this bill will not affect the current officers;
- 24 b) That the creation of this Department will not take effect until FY19;

- 1           c) That this outlined Department of Campus Wellness and the SWIF (the Sustainability
- 2                   and Wellness Initiative Fund) will maintain the integrity of the goals of the current
- 3                   Director of Sustainability and the Director of Campus Wellness, just in a new structure.



# Addendum 1A

## **CHAPTER 208: DEPARTMENT OF CAMPUS WELLNESS**

### SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby established a Department of Campus Wellness comprised of a Director of Campus Wellness appointed by the president, with the consent of the Senate, and two Assistant Directors, one Assistant Director of Student Health and one Assistant Director of Sustainability, at the discretion of the Director of Campus Wellness, with the consent of the Senate.

### SECTION 02: MISSION

The ASUN Department of Campus Wellness is to be well-informed of any health challenges concerning the students of the university, as well as any environmental concerns that affect the students. The Director, the Assistant Director of Student Health, and the Assistant Director of Sustainability are committed to pursuing initiatives that educate the students of the university on mental, physical and other forms of health and sustainability. The Director, with the help of the Assistant Directors, will program various events and activities that will showcase mental health, physical health, and other health related resources on campus as well as program events promoting sustainability and environmental awareness.

### SECTION 03: DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS WELLNESS

The duties of the Director of Campus Wellness:

- i. The Director shall chair and oversee the Department of Campus Wellness, and the two Assistant Directors.
- ii. Develop for the Department of Campus Wellness goals for an educational campaign for the entirety of their term regarding sustainability and mental, physical and other forms health.
- iii. Develop a working relationship with relevant staff on campus such as the Director of the E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center, the Administrative Assistant of the Counseling Center, the Health Promotion Program Coordinator of the Student Health Center, the Assistant Director of Environmental Programs, and other related environmental and sustainability offices.
- iv. Serve on university committees and task forces relating to general student health, including but not limited to, the Student Wellness Advisory Group, as well as committees relating to sustainability such as the University Sustainability Committee, Arboretum Board, and Campus Bicycle Committee. Note: Any of these committees can be designated to the Assistant Directors to sit in the place of the Director.
- v. Program a Health Week highlighting student health issues and the campus resources available for students in coordination with the Division of Health Science Senators and the Assistant Director of Student Health. The week will encompass topics surrounding, but not limited to, physical health, emotional health, intellectual health, sexual health, body image, nutrition, community health, spiritual health, and occupational health.
- vi. Program events for nationally recognized holidays relevant to environmental preservation including, but not limited to, Earth Day, Arbor Day and Public Lands Day in coordination with the Assistant Director of Sustainability.

- vii. Execute any initiatives assigned by the President relevant to the mission of the Department of Campus Wellness, including but not limited to, It's On Us, Bystander Intervention Training and Pack Fit.
- viii. Execute any initiatives assigned by the President relevant to the mission of campus sustainability.
- ix. Convey to the Senate of the Associated Students information and data related to mental, physical and other health issues, and any sustainability initiatives concerning university students.
- x. Oversee and execute the Sustainability and Wellness Initiative Fund Program.
- xi. Have a report read or spoken into the record at minimum every other Senate meeting.

#### SECTION 04: DUTIES OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF STUDENT HEALTH

- i. Develop relationships with and meet regularly with leaders from mental, physical, and other health related student organizations.
- ii. Provide a written report to the Director of Campus Wellness and the Senate showing the usage of the Counseling Center fee, Health Center fee, E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center fee and the usage by students of these resources.
- iii. Assist the Director of Campus Wellness in executing any initiatives assigned by the President relevant to the mission of the Director of Campus Wellness, including but not limited to, It's On Us, Bystander Intervention Training and Pack Fit.
- iv. Assist the Director of Campus Wellness in executing a Health Week.
- v. Serve on university committees and task forces relating to general student health, including but not limited to, the Student Wellness Advisory Group in the place of the Director when they are not able to attend.
- vi. Assist in researching information and data related to mental, physical, and other health issues concerning university students as well as new initiatives and provide a report to the Director of Campus Wellness and the Senate of the Associated Students.
- vii. Create a specific education campaign outline in accordance with the goals set by the Director specifically regarding student health.

#### SECTION 05: DUTIES OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SUSTAINABILITY

The duties of the Assistant Director of Sustainability:

- i. Develop relationships with and meet regularly with leaders from the environmental and sustainability related student organizations
- ii. Proactively address and research environmental and sustainability concerns and policy issues and relay these to the Director.
- iii. Serve on university committees and task forces relating to sustainability, including but not limited to, the University Sustainability Committee, Arboretum Board, and Campus Bicycle Committee in place of the Director when the officer is not able to attend.
- iv. Work with the Director to execute any initiatives assigned by the President relevant to the mission of the sustainability on our campus.
- v. Assist in programming events for nationally recognized holidays relevant to environmental preservation.
- vi. Pursue various means of improving the campus transportation system that prioritizes walking, biking, public transportation, and shared commuting.

vii. Assist in researching information and data related to sustainability issues concerning university students and new initiatives and provide a report to the Director of Campus Wellness as well as the Senate of the Associated Students.

viii. Create a specific education campaign outline in accordance with the goals set by the Director specifically regarding sustainability.

#### SECTION 06: AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for the support of the Department.

## Addendum 1B

# **TITLE XXVI: SUSTAINABILITY AND WELLNESS INITIATIVE FUND**

## **CHAPTER 2701: SUSTAINABILITY AND WELLNESS INITIATIVE FUND**

### SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby established the Sustainability and Wellness Initiative Fund (SWIF).

### SECTION 02: MISSION

The Sustainability and Wellness Initiative Fund is the University of Nevada's Environmental and Campus Wellness grant program. Undergraduate students from all academic disciplines and departments are invited to propose projects that enhance the sustainability and/or the general health of our campus and community. SWIF awards grants to projects that have the highest potential for sustainable impact and success.

### SECTION 03: STRUCTURE

The application will open during the Summer of each Session and remain open until November 15<sup>th</sup> of the Fall Semester. The Director of Campus Wellness has full discretion to open and reopen the application. The Director of Campus Wellness will organize and appoint members to the SWIF Committee. The Committee will complete its review process, select the winning grant proposals, and distribute the funding by the first week of the Spring Semester.

### SECTION 04: COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

The committee will consist of representatives with expertise in both sustainability and mental, physical and other health initiatives and will award no more than \$10,000. The committee will be comprised of:

- a) the Director of Campus Wellness, the Assistant Director of Student Health, the Assistant Director of Sustainability, the Assistant Director of Environmental Programs, a representative from Counseling Services, a representative from E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center, a representative, preferably the Assistant Director, from facilities, and any other members that the Director of Campus Wellness deems as necessary.

### SECTION 05: PROPOSAL SELECTION

The committee may select as many proposals that can be funded with the amount allotted by the President in the ASUN budget.

### SECTION 06: AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for the support of this service.

## Addendum 1C

### CHAPTER 402: APPOINTED OFFICERS

#### SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby established a pay scale for appointed ASUN Officers.

#### SECTION 02: LEVELS OF COMPENSATION

a) The three levels of pay shall be as follows:

- 1) Level I: \$19.00/hour
- 2) Level II: \$15.00/hour
- 3) Level III: \$9.00/hour
- 4) Level IV: \$8.25/hour

#### SECTION 03: OFFICIALS COVERED BY PAY SCALE

The following elected officials are included in the pay scale:

a) Level I:

- 1) Director of Clubs and Organizations
- 2) Director of Programming
- 3) Speaker of the Senate
  - i. The Speaker shall receive the compensation in lieu of that of a Senator or Chair

b) Level II:

- 1) Assistant Directors of Programming
- 2) Attorney General
- 3) Director of Legislative Affairs
- 4) Presidential Assistant on Campus and Public Relations
- 5) Director of Blue Crew
- 6) Director of Diversity and Inclusion
- 7) Chief Presidential Aid
- 8) Director of Campus Wellness

c) Level III:

- 1) Assistant Director of Legislative Affairs
- 2) Assistant Director of Student Engagement
- 3) Associate Programmer for Blue Crew
- 4) Club Support Funding Manager
- 5) Elections Chair
- 6) Policy Analyst
- 7) Policy Director
- 8) Programmers
- 9) Blue Crew Programmers
- 10) Projects Coordinator
- 11) Projects Director
- 12) Club Commissioner
- 13) Director of Sustainability
- 13) Assistant Director of Sustainability

14) Assistant Director of Diversity and Inclusion

15) Diversity and Inclusion Commissioners

~~16) Director of Campus Wellness~~

16) Assistant Director of Student Health

d) Level IV:

1) Assistant Chair of Civic Engagement

2) Assistant Chair of Public Relations

3) Chief Justice

4) Associate Justice

5) Speaker Pro-Tempore

# Addendum 1D

## **CHAPTER 502: EXECUTIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

### SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby established an Executive Intern Program.

### SECTION 02: MISSION

ASUN views leadership as a valuable and necessary asset for each student to obtain. The Executive Internship Program works to uphold the mission and vision of ASUN by helping the Executive Board carry out their duties.

### SECTION 03: MAKE UP

The Executive Branch may appoint interns. Each of the following positions shall have at least one and no more than two interns: President, Vice President, Chief of Staff, Director of Campus and Public Relations, and Attorney General. The Director of Campus Wellness shall have at least two and no more than four interns for their Department of Campus Wellness.

### SECTION 04: DUTIES

Executive Interns shall assist Executive members in researching projects, budgetary issues, and all other matters of operations as necessary.

### SECTION 05: ACCOUNTABILITY

In the event an executive intern fails to execute his or her duties the overseeing executive member may remove his or her title. Each intern shall be overseen by their respective executive officer.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

85<sup>th</sup> SESSION  
2017-2018

**S.B. 85-**

**AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AND CAMPUS RELATIONS**

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**IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS**

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MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR THUMMEL TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

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**A BILL**

To Amend the Department of Public and Campus Relations

1       *Whereas*, to uphold accountability, it is necessary to review the duties of ASUN officers as listed  
2 in the Statues of the Associated Students;

3       *Whereas*, the current duties for the Director of Public and Campus Relations as listed in the SAS  
4 do not accurately reflect their position;

5       *Whereas*, the Director of Public and Campus Relations no longer has any assistant directors  
6 working underneath them and is therefore no longer a department;

7       *Whereas*, the Director of Public and Campus Relations should be consistently updating students  
8 on the work of ASUN in regards to new initiatives and legislation;

9       *Whereas*, the more students are informed the more likely they are to voice their opinions to the  
10 Association;



1        *Whereas*, the Director should be meeting consistently with the Director of Inkblot to ensure the  
2 brand of ASUN remains consistent and relevant;

3        *Whereas*, the duty of K-12 outreach will be better served under the Committee on Public Affairs;

4        *Whereas*, the duty of Pack Friendly Businesses would be better served under the Vice President;

5        *Be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students,*

6        a) Chapter 205: Department of Public and Campus Relations be stricken from the Statues  
7        of the Associated Students.

8        b) Chapter 205 be replaced in the Statutes of the Associated Students with Addendum 2A,  
9        named Chapter 205: Director of Public and Campus Relations.

10       *Be it further enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students,*

11       SAS II. 205. Section 3-2, line item xv be moved to SAS II.201. Section 2, under Duties of  
12       the Vice President.

13       *Be it further enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students,*

14       The provisions set forth in this bill will not take effect until the convening of the 86th  
15       Session of the Associated Students.

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# ADDENDUM 2A

## CHAPTER 205: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AND CAMPUS RELATIONS

### **SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT**

There is hereby established the Department of Public and Campus Relations as an executive department of the Association.

### **SECTION 02: MISSION**

The mission of the Department of Public and Campus Relations is to advance the Association's institutional reputation by creating smart and effective marketing and communications solutions that showcase the University as a dynamic Tier I institution and increase awareness of ASUN activities.

### **SECTION 03: STRUCTURE**

The Department of Public and Campus Relations shall consist of the Director of Public and Campus Relations.

#### a) DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AND CAMPUS RELATIONS

- 1) The Director of Public and Campus Relations shall be appointed by the President, with the consent of the Senate.
- 2) The duties of the Director of Public and Campus Relations are as follows:
  - i. To form focus groups and committees at the Presidents request to collect student concern on local, national, and campus issues. The committee shall be composed of, but not limited to, students, faculty, and community leaders.
  - ii. To focus on increasing the visibility of the Association in the greater campus, local, state, and national communities.
  - iii. To draft media releases for the Association with approval from the President.
  - iv. Produce multimedia-content to release weekly updates to the students about ASUN including but not limited to new initiatives, allocations of funds, passed legislation, and upcoming events.
  - v. To provide a vision statement and blueprint for Inkblot to provide for consistency in branding, messaging and design of ASUN by meeting weekly with the Creative Director of Inkblot to assess the progress of brand management and ensure the brand and its message is relevant.
  - vi. To act as President if, by reason of death, resignation, removal from office, inability, or failure to qualify, there is no President, Vice President, Speaker of the Senate, Director of Clubs and Organizations, Director of Programming, or Attorney General to act as President.
  - vii. To advise the Senate regarding the efficacy of its outreach efforts.
  - viii. To have a report read or spoken into record at minimum every other Senate meeting.
  - ix. To be responsible for all operations of the Best of Reno Campaign including, but not limited to, corresponding with affiliated partners, surveying students, and distributing awards to the selected businesses.

- x. To cross-promote relevant content between the Association's digital media platforms including but not limited to newsletters, blog posts, and social media

**SECTION 04: AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for the support of the Department.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

85<sup>th</sup> SESSION  
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**S. B. 85-**  
**An Act to Dissolve the Elections**  
**Commission and Move**  
**Responsibilities Under the Center**  
**for Student Engagement**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

SUBMITTED BY INTERN JONAS AND SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE MARTINEZ TO THE COMMITTEE ON  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

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**A Bill**  
**to Dissolve the Elections Commission and Move Responsibilities Under the**  
**Center for Student Engagement**

1       *Whereas*, currently, the Elections Chair is appointed by the President of the Associated Students  
2 of the University of Nevada, according to Chapter 701, Section 03, Article B of the Statutes of the  
3 Associated Students;

4       *Whereas*, the Elections Chair must be unbiased since the Elections Chair has the complete  
5 administrative charge for all details and operations of ASUN Elections and the Commission;

6       *Whereas*, an appointment may cause bias towards a candidate, especially in terms of reelection;

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2       *Whereas*, the mission of the Elections Commission is to provide for a fair and efficient election  
3 for the Association;

4       *Whereas*, certain qualifications for the Elections Chair according to Chapter 702, Section 03,  
5 Article E shall be chosen based on their experience, integrity, impartiality, and good judgment;

6       *Whereas*, in Chapter 002 of the SAS, conflicts of interest are clearly defined as a situation in  
7 which an officer is involved in multiple interests (financial, personal, relational, organizational,  
8 emotional, or otherwise), one of which could possibly corrupt the motivation of the officer's  
9 behavior within the Association;

10       *Whereas*, if we place the duties of the Elections under an hourly paid position under The Center  
11 for Student Engagement reduces the chance of bias influence;

12       *Whereas*, the Center for Student Engagement would allow for year-round programming efforts  
13 to inform students on how to run for office, vote in ASUN Elections and, apply for appointed  
14 positions through the association;

15       *Whereas*, the Center for Student Engagement is already heavily involved in involving students in  
16 ASUN elections and programmatic efforts such as ElectHer and "Know Your Nevada" workshops;

17       *Whereas*, this would serve both ASUN and the Center for Student Engagement to have better  
18 collaborative efforts in programming and, outreach to engage students and underrepresented  
19 undergraduates in future ASUN Elections;

20       *Be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students,*

21       a. The term "Elections Commission" in SAS I.101.09.b.2.i be replaced with "Association  
22 Elections";

23       b. SAS I.104 be replaced by Addendum 3A in order to reflect the President of the Associated  
24 Student's role in the constitutional amendment procedure;

25       c. The term "Elections Chair" in SAS II.201.01.m be struck;

26       d. SAS II.201.01.n be struck;

- 1 e. SAS II.206.02.j be amended to read, “The Attorney General shall deliver all petitions for  
2 initiative and referendum to the President of the Associated Students before the Candidates’  
3 Meeting.”
- 4 f. SAS II.212.04.g be struck;
- 5 g. SAS III.302.01.c.3 shall be amended to read, “If at any time the Attorney General might  
6 possess a conflict of interest the Chair of the Committee on Government Operations shall  
7 act as a special prosecutor to act as and perform the elections duties of the Attorney  
8 General, insofar as the Attorney General’s conflict is concerned;”
- 9 h. SAS V.508 be struck;
- 10 i. SAS VII.701 shall be replaced by Addendum 3B;
- 11 j. SAS VII.702.06 be struck;
- 12 k. SAS VII.702.06.c be struck;
- 13 l. “Elections Chair” be struck from SAS VII.702.15.d.1;
- 14 m. SAS VII.702.19.b.2 shall be amended to read, “During the elections, none of these officials  
15 may surrender the key to their charge to any other person unless they are unable to perform  
16 their duties;”
- 17 n. All other instances mentioning “Commission on Association Elections” or “Chair of the  
18 Commission of Association Elections” or “Elections Chair” shall be replaced with “Center  
19 for Student Engagement staff;”
- 20 *Be it further enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students,*
- 21 a. All current job duties and responsibilities of the Election Commission shall be transitioned  
22 to a paid student employee to take advantage of the efficiencies available under the Center  
23 for Student Engagement;
- 24 b. This change will take effect at the beginning of the 86th session of the ASUN Senate and  
25 will not affect the current elections position;

- 1 c. The Election Commission shall be transitioned to a paid student employee to take
- 2 advantage of the efficiencies available under the Center for Student Engagement.

1 Addendum 3A

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3 **CHAPTER 104: CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROCEDURE**

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5 **SECTION 01: PROPOSAL OF A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE**

6 **CONSTITUTION OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS**

7 When the Senate has proposed an amendment to the Constitution of the Associated Students,  
8 pursuant to provisions of the Article V thereof, the Secretary of the committee shall certify to the  
9 President of the Associated Students the text of the amendment.

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11 **SECTION 02: PLACEMENT ON THE BALLOT**

12 Whensoever an amendment to the Constitution is received before March, the President of the  
13 Associated Students shall cause the amendment to appear on the ballot.

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15 **SECTION 03: CERTIFICATION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY**

16 Whensoever an amendment to the Constitution has been ratified by the membership of the  
17 Association, pursuant to the provisions of Article V of the Constitution, the President of the  
18 Associated Students shall forthwith certify to the President of the University that the amendment was  
19 ratified pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution.

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21 **SECTION 04: DUPLICATE CERTIFICATES**

22 The President of the Associated Students shall cause to be filed with the Secretary of the Senate, the  
23 Legislative of the Associated Students, and themselves a duplicate of the certificate.

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25 **SECTION 05: DECLARATION OF ASSOCIATION POLICY**

26 It is the policy of the Associated Students that the President of the University shall play no role in the  
27 consideration of an amendment to the Constitution of the Associated Students except insofar as may  
28 be required to ensure the expeditious consideration of the amendment by the Board of Regents of  
29 the Nevada System of Higher Education.

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31 **SECTION 06: AUTHORITY OF CHANGE**

32 a. No person or entity, except the membership of the Association voting in an election held for  
33 the purpose of ratifying an amendment to the Constitution, retains the power and authority to make  
34 changes to the Constitution of the Associated Students once an amendment has been properly  
35 proposed pursuant to the provisions of Article V of the Constitution; and

36 b. No person or entity retains the authority to make changes, alterations, or other adjustments  
37 to an amendment to the Constitution of the Associated Students subsequent to its proper proposal  
38 to the membership of the Association.



1 Addendum 3B

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**TITLE VII: ELECTIONS**

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4 **CHAPTER 701: FACILITATION OF ELECTIONS**

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6 **SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT**

7 The facilitation of elections of the Association shall be implemented collectively by student  
8 employees of the Center for Student Engagement as well as the Attorney General of the Association.

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10 **SECTION 02: MISSION**

11 The mission of the facilitation of elections is to provide for a fair and efficient election for the  
12 Association. The facilitation of elections provides an avenue for motivated Nevada students to start  
13 their understanding of a career in public service. Students become engaged locally as well as  
14 nationally and are instilled with a deep sense of leadership and civic responsibility that contributes to  
15 the development of engaged citizens.

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17 **SECTION 03: DUTIES OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

18 The Attorney General shall have the following duties with respect to elections:

- 19 a. To investigate alleged violations of the Election Code and prosecute offenders before the
- 20 Judicial Council.
- 21 b. To prosecute any case, at his or her discretion, filed by a third party, even in cases where the
- 22 plaintiff seeks to dismiss the charge.
- 23 c. To act as the representative of the Commission before the ASUN Judicial Council.
- 24 d. To ensure that all regulations concerning petitions are followed fully.
- 25 e. To deliver all petitions for initiative and referendum to the Elections Commission before the
- 26 Candidates' Meeting.
- 27 f. To carry out such other functions and duties as required under the constitution and laws.
- 28 g. The Attorney General shall not prosecute any case to which he or she is a party or in which
- 29 he or she has an interest in the outcome as described in subsection 3, Title III, Chapter 302, Rule 3a.
- 30 When such a conflict occurs, the Chair of the Commission shall act as a special prosecutor to act as
- 31 and perform the elections duties of the Attorney General insofar as the Attorney General's conflict is
- 32 concerned.

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**A Binding Resolution to Revise the Senate Rules Office Hour Requirement**

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IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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MARCH 26, 2018

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR KUYKENDALL AND SENATOR THUMMEL TO THE COMMITTEE ON  
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

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**A Binding Resolution**

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- 1           *Whereas*, the accessibility of Senators to the constituents they  
2           serve is limited and not being utilized to its fullest potential;
- 3           *Whereas*, office hours, though well intentioned in policy, have  
4           been proven to be ineffective in practice;
- 5           *Whereas*, the location of office hours, the Senate workroom, is a  
6           room with a passcode locked door;
- 7           *Whereas*, this restriction dissuades and intimidates students from  
8           entering and interacting with their Senators;
- 9           *Whereas*, outreach hours have been proven to be effective at  
10          reaching constituents and breaking down barriers to hold  
11          meaningful discussions with them;

1        *Whereas*, civic engagement, like outreach, is a more proactive  
2        approach to engaging with constituents through direct  
3        interaction or affecting indirect change;

4        *Whereas*, the process of writing legislation and conducting the  
5        duties of an ASUN Senator, in or out of a physical office, is a  
6        form civic and democratic engagement;

7        *Whereas*, Senators will still be incentivized to draft legislation as a  
8        way of completing hours via civic engagement hours;

9        *Be it resolved by the Senate of the Associated Students*, Rule II  
10       subsection g) of the 85<sup>th</sup> Session Senate Rules be revised  
11       according to the attached Addendum 4A;

12       *Be it further resolved by the Senate of the Associated Students*, the revised  
13       Rules of the Senate be included in the proposed 86<sup>th</sup> Session  
14       Rules of the Senate;

## **Addendum 4A**

### g) OUTREACH HOURS

- 1) Each Senator must hold at least four (4) outreach hours every two-week period determined by the Speaker of the Senate. Outreach is defined as speaking with or to individuals, groups, or any other organizations within the ASUN constituency.
- 2) Two (2) of the outreach hours may be fulfilled through civic engagement hours resulting in interaction with or for the constituency the Senators serve. This includes but is not limited to: community service on behalf of ASUN, volunteering for ASUN sponsored events, and writing legislation to affect change in ASUN.
- 3) Outreach hours shall be held during regular operating hours of the ASUN Center for Student Engagement while Senate is in session and in on-campus locations unless otherwise approved by the Speaker of the Senate.
- 4) Each Senator will document and sign off on their outreach hours within each two-week pay period. The Senate Secretary shall maintain a list of each Senator's outreach hours. If any outreach hours are completed as civic engagement hours, they must be confirmed by the Speaker of the Senate.
- 5) Whenever a Senator accumulates 6 hours' worth of absences from their outreach hours, it shall be counted as one Senate absence to be reviewed by the Committee on Oversight in the same manner as in the case of absences from meetings as provided in subsection (e) of this Rule.
- 6) Missed outreach hours may be excused upon the petition of the Speaker of the Senate. Senators may petition the Speaker of the Senate by e-mail to excuse missed outreach hours within one week of the missed hours. The Speaker shall review all petitions on a case-by-case basis.
- 7) In the case of holidays, emergencies, or actions that result in facility closures, the Speaker of the Senate may decrease the number of outreach hours needed within a given period.
- 8) Speaking at three classes, clubs, or events shall count as one office hour if Senators submit a form signed by the teacher/leader of the class, club, or event verifying that they did speak. Senators may count speaking at classes that they are enrolled in or clubs that they are members of toward 50% of their outreach hours.