

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

Minutes for Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 5:00 P.M.

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

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Speaker Martinez called the Senate meeting to order at 5:02 pm in the Rita Laden Senate Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding secretaries, Andrea Godoy and Legislative Clerk Brooke Hansen.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Speaker Martinez and Senators Amaya, Aziz, Collins, Feil, Grant, Green, Hudson, Hughes Loveland, Mata, McKinney, Rogers, Sewell, Wilday, and Yeghiayan were present.

Senator Clemons was tardy excused.

Senators Alvarez, Burton, and Wilcox were absent excused.

A quorum was present.

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

a. The minutes from July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Senator Green moved to approve the minutes from July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 by unanimous consent.

There was no dissent, motion carried.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Speaker Martinez send over many questions anything they wanted to address along with the questions. Dr. Marc Johnson, President and Dr. Shannon Ellis, Vice President of Student Services.

President Johnson said he and Dr. Ellis will start with the questions they received. For the topic of divestment, that comes up time after time at the Board of Regents. The investment portfolio was complicated. They don't directly invest in fossil fuels. The Investment Committee of the Board of Regents groups index funds and some of the funds come from fossil fuel. They formulate the indexes and it was hard to pull them out. They needed to ask the investors to reformulate the index. Their company choses indexes and it was hard to unravel it. The Investment Committee for the Board of Regents has never taken up the topic of undergoing the separation. If they were involved in direct investments it would be considered, but they don't invest directly. He thanked Speaker Martinez for sending the questions early so he would be able to get the answers.

Dr. Ellis said the next Board of Regents meeting will be on this campus next month. On Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm, the Investment Committee will hear a report from outside consultants. She encouraged them all to be there.

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President Johnson said there is time for public comment at the beginning of each committee meeting.

Dr. Ellis said that meeting will be September 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm and will be somewhere in the Joe. The meeting will be open to the public and the agenda is posted so the public can look at it ahead of time. The independent group that NSHE employed to manage their investments will report. The public will be able to give public comment and ask questions.

Senator Feil asked if the University's investments are the same or separate from NSHE's investments.

President Johnson said NSHE had a system that did all investments for all the funds owned by all institutions. Investments are done centrally. They did have a UNR Foundation that invested the gifts. Those profits go to endowment funds for scholarships or professorships. The University invests gifts and uses index funds.

Dr. Ellis said Senator McKinney asked about what resources were available for victims of sexual assault. To be straightforward, they had quite a few. The Title IX office added more staff there to work with individuals that have complaints. There is also a hotline to report. The Counseling Center focuses on prevention and education and what to do if you believe you have been assaulted. The Center also had a partnership with the Crisis Call Center. Those three resources are confidential, and students can report assault without being forced to pursue a case. Students can get counseling and advisement for what the next steps should be. They try to approach sexual assault from an education and awareness standpoint by doing prevention training, discussions of consent, and bystander trainings. It was a broad focus. They found that men don't want to go to workshops but are more comfortable if they are embedded within other workshops. The protocol and processes of procedures for handling and making clear what is and isn't acceptable behavior is broad because you can't approach it from one area; it must be all encompassing. The University did a sexual assault in 2014 and 2016 and will do it again this year. It is done every two years. They learned a lot about things they suspected and had overwhelmingly had high response rates in both. In the first survey, students told them that most assaults involve inappropriate touching, which was offensive and violates you. The University took a new approach to sexual assault as being violent after that survey, including adding mental coercion. In the second survey, the University learned that students are more likely to talk to a friend rather than use the confidential resources offered, like the Title IX office, the Counseling Center, or even an RA. The University focused more on education of how to be a good friend when someone approaches you with this; how to have those conversations and make friends feel safe to get support and feel empowered again. Sexual assault was a topic they have spent much time on. They give it a lot of attention and are always open to input for additional things they can do. Let them know how things evolve.

President Johnson had a few comments. In the past few years, students have been active in providing resources. Student videos with roleplay and the like are more popular than someone like him talking. Students are very forthright about what was acceptable and what wasn't. That needs to be learned by all. Faculty is required to go through online trainings in sexual assault and harassment every three years. The trainings are for all University employees, not just faculty. Employees have also been showing that it was their responsibility if they hear or see something to report it. There was a rise in backlog in cases; that has been resolved. What happened in that regard is that the Title IX office increased personnel and received a new director, Maria Doucettperry. She was an attorney with 20 years of experience in the army as an attorney. She didn't take on the military attitude and was very nice. She reorganized and digitized the office and hired a new case manager and two new investigators to handle all cases in a timely manner. The backlog has gone down a lot since January.

Dr. Ellis asked if Senator McKinney had any questions.

Speaker Martinez asked if Senator McKinney could hear them on the phone. There was no answer from the people on the phone.

*Senators Clemons, Hughes, Hudson, McKinney, Feil, and Yeghiayan re-entered the room via phone call at 5:20 pm.*

Dr. Ellis said the best way to stay in contact with students, at least for her, was to be around them. That was their joy. They wanted to listen to students and liked being invited to events. She wanted students to be comfortable with raising concerns and speaking the truth; that was important. She asked they don't hold back. It was not okay if students felt like they would hurt her feelings with comments. She can be around students and invite comments, but she needs to hear what is good and bad. She reads a lot on what is happening on the national front with students. She reads every day to see what trends exist on other campuses and see if they do or don't have it, and if they don't do they need to start thinking about it. Surveys are great but there was nothing better than face-to-face interactions.

President Johnson said he scheduled monthly meetings with student leaders around campus. They come to his office and he and Dr. Ellis hear what is going on and discuss questions. The meetings are monthly. If they are talking about fee increases, they will talk about the process. The president of ASUN also attends the Board of Regents regularly and speaks all the time. That formal relationship helps them stay in touch with student leadership. He liked to do Pizza with the President a couple of times a semester. You don't have to eat pizza. He gets many comments and questions and Dr. Ellis is almost always there as well, along with his Chief of Staff and Dr. Marczynski. Someone takes notes on what is said and makes contact with the student later. He also goes to student events as well. Someone asked him if he would run for the open chancellor position and he said no because he would have no students to talk to. It wouldn't be as much fun as talking to students.

Dr. Ellis said she started meeting with students from the Center a couple of years ago. They all meet in President Johnson's office. Students are slow to start talking, but after they take off, it leads to great talks about what it was like to be a diverse student. Last year, she met with groups in The Center and it helped them listen to students about their experiences. She didn't ask those students to speak for all students, just for themselves. Those conversations are always enlightening. They always had something come out of a meeting.

President Johnson said for example, people complained that professors refused to use chosen names, particularly with transgender students. For every class roster, they added preferred name, along with first and last, and encourage professors to use preferred names. Handicapped students told them which doors were really difficult to get in to and questions like, "How are we supposed to get to class at 7:30 am when buildings are locked until 8 am?" They worked with facilities to get a fix for that. One blind student came to them and said that the braille signs were wrong, so they got that fixed. The Core Board is looking at diversity classes. Some ethnically diverse students said that the curriculum didn't take students through contemporary experiences. The Core Board is reviewing that curriculum to get it to focus on contemporary diversity and inclusion issues. Those all came out of student interactions. They gain so much from talking to students. They particularly loved to come to ASUN Senate meetings as well.

Dr. Ellis said the body had good timing with the 4% increase.

President Johnson said back in June, the 4% increase was approved but the distribution was not approved. In the upcoming meeting, the distribution will be approved. He brought copies of that for the body. The proposal he handed out explained the distribution in a couple of ways. The higher education price index (HEPI) last year went up 3.7%. One reason they need to raise fees is to cover the costs of inflation. This was a bit more than inflation, so they can put resources in the same places promised four years ago when

they raised the fees 4% for four years. They are enhancing instructional and research capacity by investing in faculty and research positions. That increases the capacity for more teaching. There is a push all around campus to have more hands-based experiential learning but that takes more faculty time and assistance time. Teaching assistances are involved in developing lab experiences. Also, they had a base increase in the last two years in support of undergrad research. They continue to put in F\$300,000 in annual base funding to support undergrad research, as was requested four years ago. Overall, this increase was to accommodate for inflation and align the student-faculty ratio with other institutions.

Dr. Ellis said they will notice growth in the student access fund, that was for need-based aid. They are adding to it because they have a mandate to make it 15% of what is charged in tuition and fees. They are getting there and are doing better than most schools.

President Johnson said they are moving some funds into general improvements. There are renovations and new buildings. They are going heavier into funds for the capital construction. By the Clark Administration building, there was some digging of trenches. This was something that was unseen. What they are doing is replacing cold water lines for air conditioning and hot water lines for heating and the electrical distribution system to modernize them so they don't have brownouts during finals. They will be more efficient for cooling and heating since they are 70 years old and needed to be replaced. He anticipated getting the distribution of fees approved in October.

Dr. Ellis said the best way to explain this was that the increase in fees will bring more faculty to reduce the student-teacher and increase the number of TA's since they support students and faculty. Some funds will also go towards capital projects. That was the shorthand answer so that the body doesn't have to hand out the documents he brought.

Speaker Martinez asked if anyone had questions on the fees.  
The body said no.

Dr. Ellis asked if they should keep going down the list of questions or if the body had any questions they were itching to ask.

President Johnson wanted to address the last question of what ASUN do to aid him and Dr. Ellis. He wanted to say that what ASUN is already doing to get students involved and make everyone feel included was good. Providing an array of activities that served all student interests and taking concerns about special issues – like last year with the controversial events – was what they need. Some schools didn't allow controversial speakers on campus, which was illegal. Last year, the student government and faculty senate invited a liberal and conservative speaker to teach students how to respond to opposite sides. Taking on issues as leaders, making students feel comfortable, and making students feel included locally so they fall in love with the University was what he needs.

Speaker Martinez thanked Dr. Ellis and President Johnson for answering their questions. He hoped this would build relationships with the administration and the Senators.

President Johnson said he was accessible by email; they can also stop them on campus when they walk to and from meetings to chat.

Bill Hamma said he had a couple of things and questions they didn't learn from the media because it was not politically correct. In Texas, a black waiter accused a white patron of insulting him. The patron was told to leave the restaurant and the black waiter got special treatment and donations. It turned out that the waiter had been lying and the white patron only got an apology. If it had been the other way, he would have gotten a settlement of \$1,000,000. On the radio this morning. He heard that a man and his daughter

were sitting in their living room when they saw the Mexicans who lived next door come on to their porch. They pulled down the American flag, so the father and daughter rushed out to protect the flag but were attacked by several Mexicans. Then there was a break on the program and he couldn't hear the rest, but this showed the body what was going on. Interesting questions are: why is it that liberals that almost always lived in white neighborhoods and loved them from a distance and why is it that the women that are demanding their liberation are the same women that no man in his right mind would want to enslave?

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

- a. Resignation of Katie Restifo, Policy Analyst for the Department of Legislative Affairs  
Speaker Martinez read the letter into the record:

“Dear Director Worrall,

Please accept this letter as my formal resignation from my position as Policy Analyst in the Legislative Affairs Department at the Associated Students of the University of Nevada.

I appreciate the opportunities you have extended to me for growth and development during my tenure. Thank you for your guidance and support.

I hope that we will be able to collaborate in the future, but at the time being I will not be able to adequately serve the student body as one in my position should.

Please let me know how I can be of help during the transition period. I wish you and the rest of ASUN the very best going forward.

Sincerely,  
Katie Restifo”

**7. REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS**

- a. President of the Associated Students, Hannah Jackson

President Jackson said: A new Wolf Shop Convenience Store is opening in the Fall. Many students will benefit from this, so make sure you are promoting the store. We have created an ASUN Listserve with the staff of Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto. This is incredibly beneficial for all of us, but especially the Senate and the Department of Legislative Affairs, so please take advantage of the resource. If you would like to also get these updates, please send me an email and we can get you on the list. Can everyone please give Arezo and the Department of Diversity and Inclusion a huge round of applause? The Department of Diversity and Inclusion did some amazing work at Northern Nevada Pride. They were able to rally people on campus and in the community together to coordinate a huge University of Nevada presence at the event. Two of the main tenets of our strategic plan are diversity, equity, and inclusion - as well as the campus to the city initiative. I hope that in our future events this year that we will have a stronger presence of ASUN Officers. Your presence matters, and it truly makes a difference. That being said, I really wanted to give a shout out to some of our officers who were present and making an impact - Arezo, Luke Bittar, Carissa Bradley, Vanessa Amaya, Zach Green, Mika Alvarez, and Anthony Martinez - and a huge thank you to our Professional Staff as well as Center for Student Engagement student workers that were present as well. I was notified by the Provost that beginning in the summer of 2019, the University will be charging tuition that is equivalent to what they charge during the regular academic year. Nevada residents will continue to pay in-state registration fees as they have in the past. The primary reason for this change is that the Board of Regents will be submitting a proposal to the 2019 legislature to begin providing formula funding for summer classes beginning in FY21. If/when that happens, the University will be required by the state to charge non-resident tuition in the summer just as we do in the spring and fall. The University will be looking closely to determine if any changes

need to be made to the summer financial-aid system under the new tuition policy, but I would expect that some of the additional tuition revenue would be allocated for financial aid. The resolution in support of the Campus Hunger Reduction Act, which you all passed last week, will be on the Nevada Student Alliance Agenda this coming Friday. I have also been in contact with folks from the Massachusetts System of Higher Education and the Wisconsin HOPE lab about the possibility of advocating for a system wide assessment on food and housing insecurity. I wanted to update you all on the July 20th special Board meeting. The Board of Regents considered a number of “supplemental” funding requests for the 2019-21 biennial budget. The number one priority approved by the Board was to request funding to begin addressing the faculty and staff pay compression and equity issue that was created due to salaries being frozen a number of years after the great recession in 2008 and 2009. On the agenda was a policy paper that proposed a plan to address this issue by a share of funding from the institutions as well as the state. In this proposal, it stated that a part of the institutional share of the funding to address this issue “could” come from the 4% tuition increase recently approved by the Board. I, the GSA President, and the Chair of the Nevada Student Alliance expressed concern that students at our institutions had not been notified that a portion of this increase could be used to solve the compression issue. If you all remember, when we discussed the fee increase, we were guided by the proposed allocations that were given to us.

*Senator Clemons left the room at 5:45 pm.*

President Jackson said: I want to assure you all and let you know that no action was taken on the decision to use the fee increase for this purpose at the System level, and that it will be up to the individual institutions to develop and receive input on a spending plan, which will be presented to and approved by the Board at the October special Board meeting. As we start gearing up for the Academic Year, let’s get excited! Let’s start really thinking about the ways that we can make an impact on the student experience.

- b.** Vice President of the Associated Students, Carissa Bradley  
VP Bradley said her report was brief as she was working on in the weed details. She is working on retreat with Chief of Staff Dutcher. He was doing an amazing job to coordinate it and ensure it would be a great experience for all officers. They had many students that hadn’t been in ASUN before, so he wanted to make it educational and allow time to brainstorm. She thanked those that helped with orientation: Senators Alvarez, Aziz, Wilday, Yeghiayan, Loveland, Sewell, Rogers, Amaya, and Collins, and Secretary Godoy. She thanked them for being here; it was helpful for her since she was not able to be there. They saw 17 sessions total in two to three groups, which was many students in a day. She was excited to see Assistant Dean Lindloff’s data about orientation and how many students came to the workshops. There are some water bottles if they wanted any; the rest will be for Welcome Week and other upcoming events.
- c.** Chief Justice, Kate Groesbeck  
Chief Justice Groesbeck said she was trying to plan a training for the Council and was looking forward to retreat and making the internship syllabus. Let her know if they had questions.
- d.** Chief of Staff, Matthew Dutcher  
Chief of Staff Dutcher said he is working on two big things and two small things: retreat and internship are the huge responsibilities. He has also been working on polos and meeting with Daniel Fred. The polos will be ready in mid-September. He wanted to get the polos for Clubs and Orgs and Programming sooner, so they are able to have them for Club Fair and Welcome Week. The ones they wanted to order are backordered right now.

*Senator Clemons re-entered the room 5:49 pm via phone call.*

Chief of Staff Dutcher said he has a meeting with Daniel Fred from NV Cares. They are developing the bystander intervention. He was passionate about it and wanted to see how ASUN can get involved. He will have more updates next week. The internship program had 70 applications with minimal marketing so far. They will do more marketing with NevadaFIT and handbills, RHA, and Club Fair and Welcome Week. He was nervous that they will get too many applicants since they can only hire around 70 at most. He will meet with the assistant directors and the Speaker Protemp during retreat to solidify the internship. He will change the hiring process to group interviews with all the heads. He hoped that will expedite the process but didn't know what that will look like yet. He will be involved in the individual programs of each internship to take metrics using an intake and outtake survey. He will get more ideas with Director Rodriguez and with retreat. The schedule for retreat will be sent out tomorrow; it will be finalized tonight. It was really packed but will still be flexible. He asked that everyone pick up their Strengthsfinder book and do the quiz, otherwise the exercise at retreat will be useless.

Senator Aziz asked if they can grab that today.

Chief of Staff Dutcher said the books might be in Associate Director Koeckes's office. If they are behind Front Desk and they take the book, be sure to send an email to Associate Director Koeckes: [amyk@unr.edu](mailto:amyk@unr.edu) so she knows. The books had their names written on them. He thanked the body for being responsive; it made his life much easier.

Speaker Martinez said the body can let him know if they need the email.

**e. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Luke Bittar**

Director Bittar said he met with some faculty, including Dr. Beattie, to discuss updates to the funding manual. He will meet with Commissioner Fullmer later to discuss the iLEAD conference and put together a tentative schedule. They have secured their speaker for the event. They currently had 178 clubs signed up for Club Fair. Last year, they had 236 and their goal was to break that; please keep pushing clubs and orgs to sign up. Once the tables are full, they are full. They don't want clubs to scramble around at the last minute trying to find space. He asked if anyone was able to volunteer for setup at 2 pm on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

Secretary Godoy, Director Worrall, President Jackson, and Senators Collins, Rogers, and Mata volunteered.

Director Bittar said they don't have to stay the whole time but it will make it go more smoothly.

Senator Aziz asked if they can show up last minute.

Director Bittar said yes, just let his Department know. It starts at 4:00 pm and was a great time to do outreach and allowed the students to put a face to the name. They don't have to be there the whole time, just for a bit.

Senator Sewell and Chief Justice Groesbeck volunteered.

**f. Director of Event Programming, Austin Lensch**

Director Lensch said Welcome Week was coming up. He will have a schedule for it next week once the handbills are ready. Once they are posted online, please retweet and repost it so they can get high attendance. There will be many traditional events. On the 8<sup>th</sup> is BLF. He and his Assistant

Directors are finalizing details. Tickets go on sale starting today. Invite people and encourage them to go. Tickets are \$25 with student ID if they are bought before and \$50 the day of. He asked they also encourage students to purchase tickets prior since it was a big price jump. Artists will be announced on social media soon. They can't announce artists until contracts are signed by the artists and the University. The artists will be announced before the event. Homecoming will be in October, about two months from now. It will look different than in years past to make it more inclusive to all students. He will talk with them all at retreat to explain the reasons as to why homecoming is changing so they can help advocate for it. He has been meeting with NV Cares, Alumni, and Athletics and will reach out to Megan Pepper and various clubs and orgs to make homecoming bigger and cooler. More information to come later.

Senator Mata suggested Director Lensch get in contact with marching band.

Director Lensch said he is working with the mascots, cheer, and band. March from the Arch will not be happening due to many circumstances outside their control. They will be doing the Howl Fest with a big, student talent show and pep rally instead. It will be fun.

**g.** Director of Legislative Affairs, Katie Worrall

Director Worrall said the first eight candidate forums were set for the semester. The first one will be on September 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-7:30 pm and will host mostly down ballot candidates: sheriff, county commission 3, and senate district 13; the latter two encompass UNR. She wanted it to be different than usual debates. At the beginning, there will be student performers that talk about current events. At the end, the candidates will talk with each other and take questions from students. She wanted to avoid bickering and negativity so that it can focus on students. She asked they share the events with students and if they know of anyone that as a musician or a performer, let her know. Also, she is looking for new people as they can see from the resignation. She is working on a department training on August 21<sup>st</sup>. Tomorrow, she will meet with a faith-based organization in an effort to build community partnerships. She will be discussing topics regarding on higher education in Carson and will update them at the next meeting.

**h.** Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Arezo Amerzada

Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:

“Hi all. Thank you to everyone that helped out at the Pride table! We hope you had a great time. I do hope that there is more participation in events that support and celebrate our community, so we look forward to seeing you all there in the future. On that note, please mark your calendars for Wednesday, August 29 at 11am for our “You Belong” BBQ! See you at retreat!”

**i.** Director of Sustainability, Sierra Jickling

Director Jickling said with the upcoming opening of the Wolf Shop, she wanted to tell them that the new Wolf Shop will have a campus refill initiative to reduce waste on campus. They will have jars and you can refill them with things like detergent. It will open at the same time. She is working with CRI and a PhD student that oversees that program to do a campus wide marketing to shed light on it and share ways to reduce waste. She had some senators reach out and talk to her about related issues; she wanted to work with them. She had an open invite for ideas, just reach out and let her know. It would be awesome to form a team for marketing. She is thinking of doing a sticker campaign. She gave a shout out to Senator Green for doing work on composting. She had full circle partnerships with UNR and the community to expand Reno's composting to include food. For SNIF, she is redesigning the way they execute the fund. She will have a rough draft by retreat. If the body had experience doing SNIF in the past, let her know. She didn't know who they were but she wanted to compile all experiences with the old SNIF to incorporate feedback for the new SNIF.

It was a cool program. The last thing, she is working with the bicycle committee and meeting with them on Friday. She was excited and hoped to have more information on that for next week.

- j. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Mapuana Andrade  
Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:

“Happy First Day of August (aka back to school month) senators! I have FINISHED my retreat presentation, I'm in the middle of my new Media Training Guide, and I am going through my Branding Guide for fine tuning! I think these will be such great tools for everyone in the upcoming year. I have been brainstorming a lot of things I want to cover in meetings with people before school starts so if you have anything you'd like to chat with me about please let me know! I hope you have a great rest of your week. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at any time at publicrelations@asun.unr.edu. P.S. If you're wondering who took the new photos in the Senate Lounge look no further :) I am very excited about them!”

- k. Director of Campus Wellness, Brennan Jordan

- l. Attorney General, Omar Moore

President Jackson read the report into the record:

“In the last two weeks, I have just been consolidating the areas in the SAS that I want to address. First, for the Judicial review, when I get the chance to meet the new judiciary when I'm back in Reno and ASUN is back in session. Looking forward to it. That's all.”

She asked if the body saw Attorney General Moore's email going over posting locations as well.

Senator Amaya said she didn't get the email.

Speaker Martinez said it was sent to the chairs only; mainly president's cabinet and oversight.

- m. Speaker of the Senate, Anthony Martinez

Speaker Martinez said as a reminder, he divided the SAS among the Senators on Oversight and Government Operations. They are going over fifteen pages and pointing out areas that need revisions to have edits ready for later. For August 29<sup>th</sup>, the pronouns revisions to the SAS are due. Senator McKinney will divide the work and decide how they will work the pronoun changes into one document. Again, the pronouns are due August 29<sup>th</sup> and the general SAS revisions are due August 26<sup>th</sup>. He thanked them for responding quickly to his email to the meeting on August 15<sup>th</sup> in the KC. Let him know if they are calling in; they will need to find a friend. They will hear nominations and possibly legislation. Retreat is next week. On August 30<sup>th</sup>, there may be a GSA-Senate meeting' he will have more details later. He wanted to address the public comment from earlier. He wanted the body to know that the body has the ability to respond to public comment. He wanted them to know that it was respectful to listen, and they must respond respectfully.

## 8. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES

- a. Chair, Committee on Academics- Senator Collins

Senator Collins said aside from the previous projects, her committee had a new one. The CEO of a company contacted her. This company gets in touch with universities to provide free printing for all students. It was done by inserting ads and coupons in between each page and the company pays for the printing. It was in the preliminary stages. She had a phone conference the other day about it and will reach out to other universities to see what they think.

Senator Aziz said they already waste too much paper already.

Senator Collins said they actually help conserve more paper. It sounds contradictory. She can tell them more later, but it was supposed to be more ecofriendly.

- b. Budget and Finance- Senator Grant  
Senator Grant had no report at this time.
- c. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement- Senator Feil  
Senator Feil had no report at this time.
- d. Chair, Committee on Government Operations- Senator McKinney  
Senator McKinney said he is having a meeting next week. He spoke with Director Worrall about legislation. He will meet with Speaker Martinez to revise and edit it once he is back in town. He is working on the SAS revisions that Speaker Martinez mentioned earlier.
- e. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs- Senator Alvarez
- f. Chair, Committee on University Affairs- Senator Mata  
Senator Mata had no report at this time.
- g. Speaker Pro-Tempore- Senator Hughes  
Senator Hughes had no report at this time.
- h. Chair, Committee on Oversight- Speaker Martinez  
Speaker Martinez asked Senators McKinney and Grant stay after the meeting to figure things out for Oversight.

9. **COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no comments or announcements at this time.

10. **MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK APPOINTMENTS**

The following nominations were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018:

- a. Nomination of Sheridan Manfredi to the office of Policy Analyst for the Department of Legislative Affairs

11. **APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS OF SENATORS AND ASUN OFFICIALS**

The following nominations were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate on August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018:

- a. **NOMINATION OF SHERIDAN MANFREDI TO THE OFFICE OF POLICY ANALYST FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS**

The nomination of Sheridan Manfredi was not heard at this time.

12. **VETO MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT**

There are no veto messages at this time.

13. **CONSENT AGENDA**

There was no legislation filed for the Consent Agenda.

14. **FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION**

There were no items to be heard under this agenda item at this time.

**15. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK LEGISLATION**

There was no legislation to be read now.

**16. REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE**

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

**17. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION**

There were no items to be heard under this agenda item at this time.

**18. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**a. Senate Committee Changes**

Senate committee changes were not heard at this time.

**b. Senator Reports**

Senator reports were not heard at this time.

**19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no comments or announcements at this time.

**20. PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Jackson said one thing that Director Andrade forgot was to mention was that to help market the internship, put a link to the application in their bios and on social media. It was a personal choice but it did provide a bit of a marketing push.

**21. ADJOURNMENT**

Speaker Martinez adjourned the meeting at 6:15 pm