

86th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Minutes for Wednesday, September 12th, 2018 at 5:30 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 5:34 pm in the Rita Laden Senate Chambers, 3rd Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding secretary, Andrea Godoy and Legislative Clerk Brooke Hansen.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

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

Senators Alvarez and Feil were absent unexcused.

A quorum was present.

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

a. **The minutes from August 22nd, 2018**

Senator Burton moved to approve the minutes from August 22nd, 2018 by unanimous consent. There was no dissent; motion carried.

b. **The minutes from August 29th, 2018**

c. **The minutes from September 5th, 2018**

The minutes from August 29th and September 5th, 2018 were unavailable at this time.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Dr. Beattie said for those that had recruitment and made it anyways, he appreciated that they continue to do their civic duty. He was sure that Speaker Martinez also appreciated it. Today, he had the honor of introducing them to the new Assistant Director of Clubs and Organizations, Geoff Green. He will advise the Department of Clubs and Organizations, chairing the Student Events Advisory Board, and will work with all the clubs. He asked Director Bittar how many clubs they had live right now.

Director Bittar said 286.

Dr. Beattie said please stop by and say “Hi,” to Geoff and support him. He has been involved with University for a long time and was even a Programmer when he was a student. Geoff has a master’s in Higher Education Administration.

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Assistant Director Green said he had an open door policy. They can stop by and talk to him about whatever was going on. He was super friendly, or at least he thought so, they can take some of his candy. He loved that this body was serving students.

Associate Director Ortiz Flores said she was here a few weeks ago to tell them about Constitution Day. She was back to tell them about Constitution Day and how awesome it will be. It will be Monday the 17th. She asked if anyone wanted to read the Constitution. She asked they sign up on GivePulse. She also sent the link out via email. They don't have to read whole sections, just for a few minutes at a time. They wanted to get as many people as possible to read from it. There will also be a screening of *American Creed* that Monday evening as well.

Madeline Purdue, Editor in Chief of *The Nevada Sagebrush*. She sat and reported on Senate all last year when she was the News Editor. She came to talk about what the Sagebrush is, why they do what they do, and how it relates to ASUN. With the start of a new year, there are new senators and it isn't always entirely clear on what the Sagebrush does and what their working relationship is. *The Nevada Sagebrush* is the student newspaper of the University. They have been around for 125 years as of this year. their anniversary issue is coming up in October. It is all written, designed, and produced by students. They cover anything that has to do with the University and the community. They are here to inform the students, community, and administration about what is happening on campus. They also make sure that student voices are heard through opinion pieces written by students and through news pieces that interview students. They neutrally tell the stories. Because they are part of the University micro community and a part of the ASUN offices, there is a misconception that they are there to print only things that make the University look good. That is not true. They love to cover good news but they are objective and print objective facts and news stories that inform. There is a misconception that ASUN funds them. That is not true. If they look at the budget, publications like Wolf Pack Radio, *Insight*, and *Brushfire* is funded by ASUN; but the Sagebrush is not. That is because they are independent from the University and they have their own budget. They are funded through advertising through the newspaper. This independence ensure they cannot be shut down in case they make someone mad. It sounds crazy but this has happened to other newspapers at other universities. This University is committed to the first amendment. She wanted to give them an example since this independence can be hard to conceptualize. As an example, last year they covered the events that occurred with Peter Cytanovic attending the events in Charlottesville and what came after. If they hadn't been independent from the University, they might have been told what to print or what couldn't be printed. At the University, they couldn't be punished for what they printed. While everyone at the Sagebrush was happy to call the University home and loves it here, they aren't part of the Public Relations department. Before moving on to the relationship between ASUN and the Sagebrush, she asked if there were any questions.

There were no questions.

Ms. Purdue said every week they cover the Senate meetings. When she covered the meetings last year, she made sure to have a relationship with former President Teixeira and then Speaker Jackson. This way, she could make sure to include their voices when needed in the articles; they could go to each other. Their immediate predecessors didn't have the best relationships, which was something they wanted to fix. So what does this relationship look like. From their end, they cover anything and everything that ASUN does because they want students to know what the student government is doing. On ASUN's end, they do so much great work but most of it goes unnoticed by the students. they don't know what ASUN does or what it is. One of the easiest ways was to use the Sagebrush to reach out to constituents and let them know what they are doing. They should also be reading the Sagebrush. If they are writing some awesome legislation, make sure to let the Sagebrush reporter know so they can cover it. it was impossible for them to know everything unless ASUN tells them. In addition, if any reporters email them for interviews, please respond and keep that communication open. In order for them to be objective, they need to hear all sides of the story. She asked if there were any questions.

There were no questions at this time.

Ms. Purdue thanked them for listening and hoped that they stop by their offices and say hello.

Speaker Martinez said Ms. Purdue made a great point about ASUN picking up the sagebrush and reading it. A lot of students voice their opinions in there. Another form of outreach was the body reaching out to students about what may be affecting them, especially if they are in the same college. In addition, they have someone sitting in public comment the entire time. If anyone on the body ever thinks there is something pertinent that should be included, reach out.

There was no further public comment at this time.

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

a. Resignation of John Loveland, Senator for the Division of Health Sciences

Speaker Martinez read the resignation into the record:

“Dear ASUN Senate,

It comes with a heavy heart that I regret to inform you that I must resign from my position as Senator for the Division of Health Science. Due to scheduling conflicts with my CHS 371 class which only takes place on Wednesdays from 4-6:45pm, I would not be able to give my full effort towards Senate. Being a part of the 86th session of ASUN has been a very fulfilling part of my college career and am truly grateful to have met everyone within this organization. One of my favorite quotes reads “The two most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you find out why,” and it’s evident that your why is to lead and to make changes for the things you are passionate about, with that I wish you all the best in your future endeavors, and if you see me at the gym, or on campus, but most likely at the gym, please feel free to say “hi.”

Your friend,
John Loveland”

Speaker Martinez said the position will open soon. If anyone knows someone in DHS that might be interested and they needed to know the qualifications, reach out to him. The position will also be open on Workday soon. They need to get that seat filled as soon as possible to make sure all of DHS is represented.

7. REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS

a. President of the Associated Students, Hannah Jackson

President Jackson apologized for being late. She was sure recognition was given but she wanted to give programming a shout out for planning an awesome BLF. To all the volunteers and those that attended, thank you. She wanted to give them an update on Board of Regents things. On the Nevada Student Alliance side, they passed a resolution in favor of the Campus Hunger Reduction Act. Every student government throughout the state has supported it. They talked to the Chancellor about doing a systemwide study on food and housing insecurity for students. If that were to happen, it would be great since they could provide more resources across more institutions, not just theirs. One thing that happened that was great was that the Foster Youth Tuition Waiver Program was passed. An update on the free speech dialogue, it was an informational session only. The free speech aspiration was presented. They asked if there was a possibility for students to be represented as they move forward into policy. From the last update she had, they planned on having a university student, community college student, and state student on that board. Please mark your calendar on September 25th from 9-11 am for the University Leadership Alliance. It was

a body that got together and was composed of all the governing bodies on campus: ASUN, GSA, Faculty Senate, and staff employees and administration. This time, the deans will give brief presentations on what was happening in their colleges on a larger scale. It was great for the body to come and connect with their deans. There have been a lot of meetings happening with different student groups on Democracy Plaza. She was thankful for all the ASUN leaders that are doing work and making this the best project it can be.

Speaker Martinez said the ULA meeting was very important. All of the deans will be there. This was a perfect time to see what they are doing and talk to them after.

b. Vice President of the Associated Students, Carissa Bradley

Vice President Bradley gave a shout out to Public Affairs for placing the flags outside the KC. It was really efficient with the number of senators and ASUN officers present. It had a big impact and many professors have been talking about it. She met with Becca Glover to discuss an app that allowed students to see discounts in the area in one place. It sounds similar to the Pack Friendly Business Campaign, which is why she is working with her. They will work together to streamline the process. It will work like apple pay where you pay with your phone. They have had a conference call and will meet the week of the 24th to learn more about the app. There is also room for integrating it into the Wolf Shop. She is working on updating the interface for the Pack Friendly Business and cleaning up some things that are outdated. There was also a new program within Diversity and Inclusion that she wanted to jump on. It will be good to integrate with this program, but she will let Director Amerzada talk about it more. She had a meeting with Roadtrip Nation. It was an outside company that does road trips across the nation about career explorations. There were two different programs that they were interested in that would allow professional admin on campus to tell their stories and give advice to students and the University as well as different stories generated by interests. They are working on that and seeing how it will look like. The person she is working with is also talking to NSHE to see if they can make it system-wide. It will be more effective if they can do it that way. She was looking at doing a canned food drive between ASUN and CSUN, the UNLV student government. They are onboard and wanted to do it. This will be a great way to give back to students and the community while channeling their competitiveness. She has met with Associate Coordinator Normand in passing about it and they are both interested in. She didn't know this but Associate Coordinator Normand said they should focus on canned soup because most college students don't want to eat cans of green beans or corn. Pack Provisions wants to get things that students will actually want to cook. She will send an email out soon to the Northern Nevada Food Bank as well and to the equivalent of this organization in Southern Nevada. She spoke about athletics and ticket caps last week. Homecoming is projected to sell out for students. She will meet with Athletics to see how they can make sure that students that want to attend can get tickets. They are trying to design a way to make that work. Her freshman year, they did a camp out for tickets and students spent the night. They might do something like that. If anyone had ideas, let her know. She will be helping Programming with the Thursday homecoming event; she was really excited for that. They will be replacing March from the Arch with a fun, basketball March Madness related event.

Senator Mata asked if March from the Arch will still be an event.

VP Bradley said that was better answered by Programming.

Senator Mata was asking because Band was still planning on doing it.

Dr. Beattie said there was an issue with when March from the Arch was supposed to be this year. Originally, Director Lensch started to plan the event and got a \$10,000 sponsorship from the City.

The Alumni Association was on board and even raised the majority of the money. Programming then contributes around \$10,000. What happened this year is that the Boise game was on a Saturday and would likely be moved to a Friday. Athletics had up to 12 days to decide on that date. Programming can't in good conscience plan a \$60,000-\$70,000 event without knowing the date. The weekend before couldn't be done because the Alumni Association wasn't on board because it was Nevada Day weekend and everyone leaves town. The weekend after was the Italian festival, which means they couldn't get the street closed. The event will still be done but it will just happen on campus and it will be called Howlfest. The basketball team will be there and they are planning on setting off fireworks. Nothing was set in stone but in about three weeks they will have more set. They couldn't get the street to march, which is why they had to move it.

c. Chief Justice, Kate Groesbeck

Chief Justice Groesbeck said the council is having a meeting this Friday to discuss projects and the pamphlet ideas for knowing your rights. They are also talking about the mediation program. Her boss at the National Judicial College was super supportive and wanted to partner with Judicial and the College, as well as making that partnership long lasting. They will also talk about the process of cases. she gave a huge shout out to Chief of Staff Dutcher for the internship selection process. It went as smoothly as it could have. Her department had five interns; they had their first meeting last night and are invited to the meeting this Friday. The last thing she wanted to address was the reputation of the Judicial Council. Right when she was appointed, she heard that Judicial Council wasn't taken very seriously. In the past, it wasn't the most active branch and understood why that existed. She is working very hard to change that, as well as the Associate Justices and the interns. She asked they give the new Judicial Council a chance to make their own reputation. If there were every question on what they are doing or how they are staying productive, they can email her. Her email is chiefjustice@asun.unr.edu. She asked they bring up concerns to her rather than talking about it with others. some of her interns were sad they got judicial and that broke her heart.

Senator Burton asked if she could expand further on the mediation program.

Chief Justice Groesbeck said former Chief Justice Bruketta said he had a model and groundwork set out and that it would cost \$10,000. If they weren't familiar, her department's budget was \$750, so there was quite a difference there. That is why he got shutdown. She talked to her bosses at the Judicial College and told them that she wanted to teach her Associate Justices how to mediate, but she didn't know how to do it herself. Her boss said she would do it for free. It was usually about \$500/hour for a mediator to teach you how to do it for free, but her boss will do it for free. She will do a 4-8 hour training so they can do it right. Idea is that she will teach them. Then they will start with Senate and ASUN as a whole with them mediating problems.

d. Chief of Staff, Matthew Dutcher

Chief of Staff Dutcher said the interns for the internship programs have been hired. They went through about 80 interviews from about 120 applicants. It was a long process but it worked well. His next step is to get the executive interns settled in and noting what they did and making sure all materials are uploaded on the Nevada Box. This was a very different process than what had been done in the past and he wanted to make sure there would be a detailed record for the next person. It was really efficient and effective and wanted to make sure the next person can run it this way if they wanted to. They are also looking into doing an intake survey for the interns to measure their learning outcomes. As a reminder, their outcomes are professional development, leadership development, and hands on ASUN experience. They want to do an outtake survey as well to keep the metrics. After that, once the internship program is settled in, he will work on the spring banquet, spring retreat, fundraising for the Mackay endowment fund, and other side projects. He was updated that the polos should be done next Friday but he was doubtful that would be true. If

they set their expectations for early October, they will be pleasantly surprised if they come earlier. Finally, he wanted to thank all those involved in the internship selection process. They put in a lot of work and this the only reason this worked so well.

e. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Luke Bittar

Director Bittar said the Fall I funding hearing is this Friday and Saturday. They start Friday at 5:30 and then Saturday at 2:30 pm. he hoped to see them there if they can make it to see how they work as a department. Finally, iLEAD is being finished up and registration should be out by Friday. Two members from each club are required to attend. They are hoping to have eight leadership trainings during iLEAD but they only had five. If anyone on the body had ideas for leadership developments or trainings let him, or Commissioner Fullmer, know before Friday so it can be added to the registration form.

Senator Mata asked what trainings they did have planned.

Director Bittar said Vice President Bradley will be doing a training, the department will also do one, and then they had safe zone, undocu ally training, and protect our pack.

f. Director of Event Programming, Austin Lensch

Assistant Director Thummel said there were two updates from Director Lensch. First, BLF happened. On behalf of the department, thank you to those that attended. They had three tremendous performers and it went very smoothly. Also, he gave a special thank you to those that volunteered to run it. the other thing is homecoming. It will be October 7th-13th. Assistant Director Lew is in talks with Inkblot to put together marketing materials. Next week they will have a list of the events and details for them. They are planning on doing a pageant, a blood drive, an event with NV Cares, and a pep rally. he will have more details next week.

Senator Burton asked if the profit margins for ticket sales were in yet.

Assistant Director Thummel said he will present on Friday to Budget and Finance. He is putting the memo together for that.

Senator Burton left the room at 6:08 pm.

g. Director of Legislative Affairs, Katie Worrall

Director Worrall said first thing is that their candidate forum date changed from this Friday to September 18th. It will start at 7 pm and go to 8:30 pm in room 114 of PSAC. There was a conflict schedule with a sheriff candidate. She hoped they can attend. Next, the department is doing what is on the agenda for tabling. Next week, they will do policy chalkboards. They are planning on taking data from the university-wide survey about food and housing insecurity and asking students where they are on that spectrum for the chalkboard. They are still waiting for the results of that before picking their data. If they wanted to stop by and say hi, they will table Monday and Tuesday. They will also talk to students about a finance committee called Industrial Programs. This committee focuses on mainly on the industrial programs of the prisons in the state. This was important to ASUN since the Senate books are actually bound through the labor of Silver State Industries. She was hoping to get some opinions form the body next meeting about that since she was planning on attending the committee on September 21at and giving some public comment about the ethics and concerns. It was last minute but she wanted to open it up to the body.

Speaker Martinez said since it was so last minute, he encouraged Director Worrall to send an email with what she was looking for from the body. If the body had questions before the next meeting, they can send emails to Director Worrall.

Director Worrall said in two weeks, she will give a little presentation to help them come up with ideas and directors for BDR's. They wanted to get sponsored. She wanted to ask if anyone was registered to vote outside of this district but still in Nevada.

Senators Hughes and Rogers said they were.

Director Worrall said she asked because it was easier to get something sponsored when you had someone in that district. If anyone wanted to meet with her, that would be great.

Senator Aziz said he was registered in District 16.

Director Worrall will reach out to the body. Lastly, the first student townhall discussion will be happening. That will be September 26th at 6:30 pm. that will cut into senate but there will be more in the coming months. They needed to make sure they had these on different nights so that all students can come. She asked they tell their department members and anyone they could to come. It will be in the KC rotunda.

h. Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Arezo Amerzada

Director Amerzada said she had a few things. She will start off with a date: October 1st at 7 pm. It was the last poets event that was being done by the Center: Every Student, Every Story. Her department is now sponsoring the event. The last installment will be a group of musicians that arose from the African-American Civil Rights Movement. It will be really cool and was followed with a black history mobile museum. It will be in the Joe ballrooms. She will let them know if they need volunteers but for now, please just attend. Her department met this week. They had four great interns and were really excited. Her assistant director put in a lot of work. As they remember from her goals, they wanted to focus on cultural appropriation event before Halloween. They have decided to make it a campaign instead of an even to reach a larger audience. They talked with Director Andrade and doing some type of video as well as covering the screens and hanging up posters about costumes that are inappropriate and what their meanings are. Her department took over a document called Not Being Rich at UNR; VP Bradley brought this up earlier. This will be public for anyone to use at UNR and was for all students on how to save money, including financial aid tips. Her department is really excited about it and they all worked to review it. It will be put out by inkblot soon. Her assistant director will monitor it and track comments and suggestions so that the document can continue to grow and be a better resource. The Committee for Cultural Diversity started meeting to begin planning the diversity summit. That event usually happens in the spring. She will meet with the Chief Diversity Officer, Patricia Richards, again. Patricia wanted to meet with Director Amerzada and wanted her to keep the Diversity and Inclusion department in contact with Patricia to keep them informed on what ASUN needs administration support on. Director Amerzada had a list of things to talk about and asked they tell her anything else that should be included, whether it was about ASUN or through their clubs. Patricia really wants to be involved with students and Director Amerzada wanted to communicate and work with Patricia on anything they can.

Senator Burton asked for the time again for the October 1st event .

Director Amerzada said it will be at 7 pm in the Joe Ballrooms.

- i. Director of Sustainability, Sierra Jickling
Director Jickling was not present.

- j. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Mapuana Andrade
Director Andrade said for the media training, the Executive board will be doing that next Friday from 9-10 am in the President's Conference Room. If anyone wanted to attend that, please email her by tonight. It will be great professional experience as they will go over interviews, talking in soundbites, and narrowing down key messages. After that training, she will attend another training on how to do media blasts for local news media. She will learn how to do that so that in the future, ASUN can blast out stories and updates locally. Also, she met with the Editor in Chief of the Sagebrush and they had a great meeting. She was excited to see how they can help each other. She also talked about how some reporters were emailing Director Lensch during Welcome Week. If it was a high or busy time, please don't email that person during that time. Email her first since it's hard to answer emails during things like BLF. That is her responsibility so she asked that all future emails include her. She also said that the body can also forward emails to her and ask her to handle things if they are busy. She was more than willing to do that, just not every time. President Jackson said she was available once a month on Monday mornings to do the donuts and democracy event. That will be fun and a yummy way to do outreach. They hadn't decided on a time but it will be a more causal way for students to come to Pack Place, get free coffee and donuts, and hang out. This will open up their little corner of ASUN. It will get rolling in October to get some marketing materials completed first. She just finished the branding pyramid for ASUN and sent it to Amy for last minute feedback. Let her know if they wanted to see it before it is finalized. This was a great pocketbook to keep ASUN in the forefront. It includes messaging and the brand of ASUN in a more fun way. For branding, they wanted to push a more community stance. They will do a messaging strategy that focuses on community events ASUN will attend. That will involve her asking them to attend events, such as Dogfest. This will help them bridge the gap between the university and the community. The University marketing and communication team has graciously given ASUN two articles in *Nevada Today*, which is circulated to a lot of people. She will write the articles. For the first issue, one article will be on Dogfest and the other one hasn't been decided yet.

- k. Director of Campus Wellness, Brennan Jordan
Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:
"Personal Health Tip: September and August is the highest usage for Pack Provisions, so if you have any food please donate. If you need food to eat, please go to them for help. A starving senator is not an effective senator." 1) Fitness tailgate this Week vs. OSU. come to the table in Gateway plaza if you want to help. We'll be partnering with Pack Provisions. 2) Sent email out for all interested in the health campaign. Please do the availability by Saturday as I will be picking a date on Sunday."

- l. Attorney General, Omar Moore
Attorney General Moore said he had nothing new to report on business as usual. Briefly, he wanted to use his presence on the doc review process. He has had more interest from people on the Legislative Branch. What will happen to accommodate that is a new form for a meeting will be sent out this evening. If you are on the email change, fill out the scheduling form before this Friday is over. If you don't and are in senate, you will be called out at the next senate meeting. Their presence will only be needed for the first meeting for about two minutes to facilitate discussion.

Senator Mata asked if the form had been sent.

Attorney General Moore said no; he will send it this evening. If anyone wanted to be a part of that, they can still express interest. Just let him know.

m. Speaker of the Senate, Anthony Martinez

Speaker Martinez said that when the directors are presenting, the body should be questioning them on things on the duties in the SAS. He will work with Secretary Godoy to attach all the original plans from when they came through for confirmation. His goal was to post their positions in the SAS and their goals to ensure they are doing their job. If they are stumped, look at that. It will be uploaded to Nevada Box within a week or two. He also had updates from Secretary Godoy that needed to be read into the record:

“Hello Senators!

- For the next outreach hours period, Speaker Martinez and I are trying something new. We moved the outreach hours sheet to OneDrive on Outlook. I shared the file with you all and asked that you please respond to the email so I know you received it. I still need Senators Aziz, Burton, Feil, Grant, Green, Hudson, Hughes, McKinney, Sewell, Wilcox, and Wilday to respond. If you DID NOT get it please email me!
- When processing today's outreach hours, I noticed some notes were very vague. This time, as long as something was written, you were given the benefit of the doubt. Because the sheets have been moved online, there is no reason to not be more descriptive. For example, writing "worked on legislation" won't suffice. You must note what the legislation was as ONLY resolutions count for hours. This also applies to attending ASUN events, please note if you volunteered, spoke to constituents, or both and for what periods of time(s).
- Chairs, to help Leg. Clerk Hansen and I, please keep track of who is on your committees. This way, if any questions arise as to who sits on what committee we can double check. The more checks there are on us the better!
- Finally, points memos are present with the agendas. If you have any questions, email me and we'll get it sorted out.

Thank you!”

Speaker Martinez said to sum up his report, please attend the ULA meeting to talk to your deans. The CABNR seat is still open. So far, only person has applied but they didn't qualify because they didn't submit a resume. It has been open for about a month and they really needed to get the seat filled. He will be closing the application in about a week or two. In addition to that, the DHS seat is now open. Next week, they will be hearing about the Interdisciplinary seats. He will send their resumes and cover letters. It was great to have three individuals interested in three seats. It may be a long meeting, please bring a snack if you need one. Finally, he is working on Elect All and will bring it to Oversight. He recently got in contact with someone from UNLV regarding their legislative process. He will talk to them one-on-one.

Senator Amaya asked if they are allowed to request points through email.

Speaker Martinez said yes.

Legislative Clerk Hansen said they can pass the points memos around as well and she can answer questions as well.

Speaker Martinez said the points memos had their names with a break down and notes of the points.

Legislative Clerk Hansen said the points memos are printed every two weeks.

8. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Chair, Committee on Academics- Senator Collins

Senator Collins said she didn't have much. They will meet on Friday at 1 pm in the President's Conference Room. Last meeting, they discussed liaison positions that were assigned last semester. She sent out her committee members the contact information so they will be able to hear updates on that soon. She also assigned projects to the committee members; each meeting she will ask for project updates.

Senator Burton asked Senator Collins if she got his email on reaching out to IT.

Senator Collins said she didn't but asked he send it again as it would be great.

b. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance- Senator Grant

Senator Grant said as usual, the committee will meet this Friday at 10 am in the Conference Room. They will review the BLF, Budget and Finance, and Elections accounts.

c. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement- Senator Feil

Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:

“Good Evening Speaker Martinez and Fellow Senators,

I apologize for my absence tonight but here are a few Committee updates: Last meeting we had a great discussion on No Walls 2025 and I think we made some great progress for our vision of the committee in the upcoming years. Next meeting we will be setting personal/committee goals, along with a Strategic Plan for the semester. Our next meeting will be NEXT Friday 9/21 at 2pm in President's Conference Room. I look forward to seeing you all there! P.S. THERE WILL BE SNACKS YAY!”

d. Chair, Committee on Government Operations- Senator McKinney

Senator McKinney said there is no meeting this week, just continuing projects from his last report. There will be a committee meeting earlier in the week next week. He will meet with Attorney General Moore about the doc reviews after he sends out the invites.

Senator Mata asked what time his committee meetings will happen.

Senator McKinney said he will probably change his times to Friday but he still needed to talk to Legislative Clerk Hansen and the secretaries. They may have a meeting earlier in the week, like Tuesday morning. However, it wasn't set in stone yet.

e. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs- Senator Alvarez

Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:

“Senators, I apologize for my absence due to a commitment that required my presence. 9/11 holds much weight on my heart, and I can still remember when my uncle installed a flagpole in front of our house to hang up a flag for this tragedy. I would like to sincerely thank each and every single person who showed up to put out the flags in from the KC Lawn for the 9/11 Memorial. I'm also happy to announce that we had 80 thank you cards written by students to give out to first responders in the area. However, I would like to address the lack of participation for the 9/11 Memorial. I'm not entirely sure where I failed in communication or where I went wrong in gathering support for the event, but it has come to my attention that not a single representative other than Senator Feil appeared to assist Monique with tabling. Despite the constant Facebook reminders and senate reports, there were no senators. Maybe

I failed due to the fact that I had class between tabling, but I am sincerely disappointed. I hope in the future, we may appear at events. Please let me know if you have any further questions.”

f. Chair, Committee on University Affairs- Senator Mata

Senator Mata said there is no meeting this week. The committee does not currently have enough members currently. Senator Mata needs someone to be on the committee. Please try your best. There is no meeting tomorrow but they’re still going around talking about the graduation fee increase. The committee meets at 9:30 pm on Thursdays and meetings aren’t more than an hour.

Senator Burton asked if there was potential for changing the meeting time for Senators that are interested in joining the committee but can’t make that time.

Senator Mata said at the moment no because Senator Mata would need to discuss it with the rest of the committee and the secretaries.

Speaker Martinez asked Legislative Clerk Hansen to read the committee member names off.

Legislative Clerk Hansen said as of right now, the members are Senators Alvarez, Clemons, Wilday, and Yeghiayan and Chair Mata. With the resignation of Senator Loveland, the committee has five people so they are still good for now.

Senator Mata asked if chairs are included in the total count.

Legislative Clerk Hansen said yes.

Senator Clemons said he believed Senator Alvarez had said a couple of meeting ago that she couldn’t make the meetings.

Senator Mata said Senator Alvarez was trying to switch off.

Legislative Clerk Hansen said Senator Alvarez was still obligated to the committee since she was not there to switch herself off.

Senator Mata had one more thing. There are a lot of things going on with fraternities and sororities and university recognition. Senator Mata was not a part of Greek Life but knew that many of ASUN officers are involved. The problem they kept running into was conflict of interest. Senator Mata wanted to meet with people without them promoting their fraternity or sorority. If they knew anyone willing to talk and not in ASUN give them Senator Mata’s emails.

g. Speaker Pro-Tempore- Senator Hughes

Senator Hughes said they had interns. There are 22 interns. She sent out a questionnaire to everyone and has not received a response from Senators Wilday, Aziz, Wilcox, Green, or Mata. It takes five minutes and was for their sake to ensure they had something in common with their interns. Please take five minutes to send back.

h. Chair, Committee on Oversight- Speaker Martinez

Speaker Martinez said there is no oversight meeting this week but plan for one next week. He will send out some questions to fill out. He didn’t want to meet for the sake of meeting; please take this week to catch up on homework and rest.

9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no comments or announcements at this time.

10. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK APPOINTMENTS

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

11. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS OF SENATORS AND ASUN OFFICIALS

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

12. VETO MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

There were no veto messages at this time.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

There was no legislation filed for the Consent Agenda.

14. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION

The following bills and resolutions received their first reading and were considered under item 16 of this agenda:

- a. **S.B. 86 – A Binding Resolution to strike the WTF Nevada Manager from the 86th Session Rules of the Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada**
- b. **S.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Reno’s City Council Designating Citi Center Plaza for On Common Ground’s Heart of Community Commodity Market & Produce Faire.**
- c. **S.B. 86 – An Act to approve an ASUN Capital Account Expenditure**

Speaker Martinez read the titles into the record.

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Speaker Martinez said all the legislation actually went through committee and didn’t need to be fast-tracked. It was out of habit from the summer that he added them to this agenda item. This was a mistake and they will move into agenda item 17.

16. REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE

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

17. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION

The following bills and resolutions received their second reading and were considered:

- a. **S.B.R. 86 – A Binding Resolution to strike the WTF Nevada Manager from the 86th Session Rules of the Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada**
Senator Burton moved to approve S.B.R. 86 – A Binding Resolution to Strike the WTF Nevada Manager from the 86th Session Rules of the Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada.

Senator Hughes seconded.

Senator Hughes said the WTF Nevada was a Facebook page and a campaign aimed to find out what needed to be fixed by students. however, as social media and outreach changed, this wasn't needed. The problem was that a manager hadn't been elected in the past few sessions. This was a problem because it is an obligation they have. She wrote the legislation to strike the position.

Senator Clemons asked if there were funds involved with the position.

Senator Hughes said no.

Senator Burton asked if there were every any plans to rebrand the position.

Speaker Martinez said the 85th session had talked about it but it dealt with following the guidelines. Right now, they were coming from the position of striking it because they aren't following their own rules. This way they can start from scratch.

Senator McKinney said this went through his committee and they talked about revamping it around social media. It will be reintroduced after it is revamped. Right now, it is being stricken because they aren't following it. this way, they aren't just ignoring a portion of the Senate Rules.

Senator Hughes said this is for transparency and accountability. Not abiding by their governing documents is unacceptable. They can't decide what to follow.

There was no further discussion at this time; the body moved to a vote.

Motion carried.

b. S.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Reno's City Council Designating Citi Center Plaza for On Common Ground's Heart of Community Commodity Market & Produce Faire.

Senator Clemons moved to approve S.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Reno's City Council Designating Citi Center Plaza for On Common Ground's Heart of Community Commodity Market & Produce Faire.

Senator McKinney seconded.

Senator Green moved to amend the legislation by adding Addendums A and B.

Senator Burton seconded.

Senator Green said one was a map of the reno area showing UNR being designated as a food desert. The other showed where the market would be placed.

There was no discussion on the amendment; the body moved to a vote.

The amendment carried.

Senator Green said On Common Grounds was a local nonprofit focusing on food insecurity in the Washoe County area. One of the biggest areas they are looking into is the University and downtown areas as they are in a food desert. This meant that there was limited or no access to supermarkets, farmer's markets, or other sources of fresh produce. Walgreens didn't count as a fresh produce market. They are trying to improve student access as well as community access to produce. Downtown is known for its poverty rates and has low access to nutritious foods. The City of Reno is considering designating the RTC area off of Center St. for produce and commodity

fairs. They wanted to have food and nutrition/cooking classes as well as mental healthiness classes that educate and provide access to community and students.

Senator Hughes asked if it would be a year-round thing.

Senator Green said they wanted to start in spring 2019 and wasn't sure what would happen in the winter.

Senator Burton said he was reviewing line items 5 and 14-15. He asked how recent the statistics were for line item 5.

Senator Green said he didn't but could find the information.

Senator Burton asked about the data in lines 14-15.

Senator Green said that came from the census data.

Senator Mata moved to amend page 2, line item 16 to read: "Whereas, the market has the possibility to...".

Senator Burton seconded.

There was no discussion on the amendment; the body moved to a vote.

Amendment carried.

Speaker Martinez said they were back on discussion of the legislation as a whole.

Senator Hughes asked what the area was being used for.

Senator Green said it wasn't being used as anything right now. It used to be part of the RTC transit stops but wasn't used right now.

Senator Burton said line items 4-7 on page 2 listed quite a few individuals on the City Council as well as University administration. He asked if this causes a loss of accountability.

Senator Green said right now, they are looking at making the space useful. There are a few different letters of support written by hospitals that will be read at the Council meeting. This was just a blanket list so they all know the University supports it.

Senator Sewell asked why they chose this area since it was kind of unknown.

Senator Green said they looked at finding the space that would have the biggest impact on the University area and the downtown area. That is why they chose this space. This was about 0.5 miles from the south end of campus. If approved, they will work with campus escort to provide rides. In addition, they are willing to also help expand Pack Provisions' farmer's markets on campus.

Senator Mata asked working with Campus Escort should be included in the resolution.

Speaker Martinez said they can include it.

Senator McKinney said they didn't need to add it. This resolution was to show support for it. what is done in addition to getting students there is extra and didn't correlate with showing their support. It was a great idea but didn't need to be amended into it.

Senator Aziz agreed with Senator McKinney. Campus Escort also provided rides to students to buy produce from WinCo and Walmart. This would be similar to that and didn't require legislation.

Senator Green said to answer Senator Burton's question from earlier, the data was from 2016 and was on the CDC website.

There was no further discussion at this time; the body moved to a vote.

Motion carried.

c. S.B. 86 – An Act to approve an ASUN Capital Account Expenditure

Senator Grant said this was exactly what it sounded like. They are taking \$2,917 out of the Capital Account to buy two computers, chargers, and a dock for professional staff.

Senator Amaya asked what will happen to the old computers.

Senator Grant didn't know.

Senator Burton said typically, older devices go through Surplus. Fun fact, students can go to Surplus and buy a really cheap computer.

Motion carried.

18. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

a. Senate Committee Changes

Speaker Martinez said that while they will they will be getting two new senators soon, he asked if anyone wanted to switch onto University Affairs.

Senator Green wanted to wait until Government Operations changed their time.

Speaker Martinez said they did need someone to sit on the committee since Senator Alvarez cannot stay on it. he wanted to make sure Senator Mata can host a meeting and meet quorum.

Senator Green moved to add himself to the Committee on University Affairs by unanimous consent.

There was no dissent; motion carried.

Senator Clemons asked if there will be a secretary present at the next University Affairs meeting.

Secretary Godoy said they just hired 5 secretaries and then one quit 3 days later. They are working on hiring a new secretary. She talked with Senator Hughes who mentioned there was a great intern who would be great for position. She will meet with the intern tomorrow to make sure she was interested as she couldn't be an intern and a secretary. She will let them know but currently, University Affairs does not have an assigned secretary.

b. Senator Reports

Speaker Martinez said he had two individuals interested in giving reports. He asked if anyone else was interested.

Senators Green and Aziz volunteered.

Senator Aziz said: for current projects I am working to:

- Establish open sessions in the CABNR Student Center at least once every two weeks as a means to have students float in to discuss their voices and opinions in the most CABNR centric building on campus.
- Attend Nevada Bound events as a tabler to increase recruitment, as a major part of my platform goals.

For goals I am working to:

- Establish a CABNR Student Advisory Board by:
 - Emailing current seats to maintain population: End of September
 - Releasing applications for new members: Mid October
 - Finalizing new Student Advisory: End of October
- 3 Current Issues to research and possibly write legislation in support or against: 2 week deadline.

Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:

“Hello again Speaker Martinez and Fellow Senators. Again, I apologize for my absence but here is my senator report. This is a brief list of what I've been working on within the last few weeks:

1. Planned and Executed Service Palooza Event
2. Volunteered at Welcome Week
3. Worked on a few pieces of Legislation: coming soon (!!!)
4. Worked on a couple upcoming civic engagement events with our local community partner, Community in Schools, to address need based programming
 1. (Wolf pack reading week)
5. Worked on democracy plaza committee
6. Reached out to constituents at club fair and followed up with the clubs & plan to present at their upcoming meetings within the week
7. Introduced myself in my classes to familiarize myself with my constitutes
8. Worked with Amy and Vanessa on Dog Fest
 1. Legislation
 2. Tabling

I will need some volunteers to help with the upcoming Dog Fest event so I will let you know more information next week. If you have any questions, please reach out to me via email or text. Thanks! Senator Feil”

Senator Green said he wanted to talk about an event, Discover Giving Day, that will be done for the College of Science. He is doing it with Senators Collins and Clemons. It will be in front of DMS on September 26th starting at 10 am. Hey can use volunteers. Mainly, they wanted college of science students to become more civically engaged as trends show that they are the least. If anyone can volunteer to set up or clean up, let him know.

Senator Clemons said they will also need help with things like manning the popcorn machine and welcoming people.

Senator Collins said they can sign up to volunteer through GivePulse and you can check the times and what to volunteer for.

Speaker Martinez said to volunteer, check GivePulse. He asked Senator Green to reach out to the Senators.

19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no comments or announcements at this time.

20. PUBLIC COMMENT

Senator Mata had three things. First, there is a game on Saturday; be there. It was always great to have students there and they are pretty sure they will win. Second, National Suicide Prevention Week is this week. Suicide is 11th leading cause of death in the US and affected over 34,000 people annually. It was important to talk about it. Mental health was very stigmatized, especially in the US and in college. Don't be afraid to talk about it and engage with others. make sure you don't ostracize anyone who is struggling with this. The hotline number is 1-800- 273-8255. Also, Senator Mata was inspired by Director Jordan to give weekly little things; Senator Mata will focus on LGBTQ things. For this week, cisgender means you identify with the gender you are born with. Transgender is an umbrella term for identifying with a gender other than the one you were born with. It was an umbrella for many genders and had nothing to do with preferred genders but rather a person's actual gender.

Senator Rogers had a quick question. She was planning on working with the DRC to have ASUN officials shadow a student with disabilities from their college. It didn't have to be for a whole day. The purpose of this was to see how ASUN can better help their constituents. She asked if anyone was interested.

Speaker Martinez suggested she email senators and use Facebook to outreach to all ASUN officers. He also asked the body to please take the food.

Dr. Beattie said something came up as a teaching moment. It had nothing to do with the individuals that made comment. The golden rule was treating others the way you wanted to be treated. He asked what the problem with that rule was.

Senator Hughes said the problem was that you may have a different standard than someone else. You should instead follow the platinum rule: treating others the way they wanted to be treated.

Dr. Beattie said right. Context was important on this. For example, in the US clearing your plate meant the food was really good. In Asia for example, clearing your plate meant you were still hungry. You can go to someone's house and by treating them the way you want to be treated, you could actually eat them out of food they don't have because they are being polite. In sociology, you have to drop your egocentrism and ethnocentrism. Egocentrism is focusing on "me" and saying, "I know what's best." Ethnocentrism is the same but with your ethnicity knowing what's "best". He used to work with a young man from the military who had been deployed in the Middle East, not far from a small tribe living off the land. They thought in their benevolence, they would dig a well so the women wouldn't have to walk down 1.5 miles both ways for water. The well is built and a week later it was vandalized. They dig the well again, repeating this four times. They watch overnight to see what happens and find out that it was the women filling in the well. They go to the woman and ask them why they kept vandalizing something done for their convenience. The women told the military that going to go get water was the only time they could bond, have privacy, and get away from the men; the well was ruining that. always be careful of who you are helping and figure out what they want. The road to hell was paved with good intentions. He heard about the Silver State folks using prisoners for labor for the Senate books. He would be cautious when entering that. he didn't know if the prisoners wanted an opportunity to make the books or not since he hadn't talked to them. When he studied sociology, they found this all the time. Rich, white men would go into poorer neighborhoods and start saying they were discriminating against black folks. The black folks would come back and say that caused more trouble. He

suggested they talk to individuals first before talking to them. He didn't know what kinds of facts Director Worrall will be bringing but he has been guilty of this too. he wanted to share the story to remind them to look at all sides of the stories and make sure the people that are being helped want to be helped.

Legislative Clerk Hansen wanted to remind the chairs to see her for a list of committee members after. Starting after this meeting, please track any committee changes as well to help the Secretaries' office in case there are any errors.

Speaker Martinez reminded the body that next week will be a long meeting. Come prepared, informed, and ready to ask questions.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Martinez adjourned the meeting at 7:12 pm.