86th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Minutes for Wednesday, October 17th, 2018 at 5:30 P.M. Rita Laden Senate Chambers, Third Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Speaker Pro Tempore Hughes 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, Kaitie Christiansen and Legislative Clerk Brooke Hansen.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

Senators Ahmed, Alvarez, Amaya, Aziz, Burton, Collins, Grant, Green, Hughes, Lemus, Mata, McKinney, Rogers, Sewell, Wilcox, and Yeghiayan were present.

Speaker Martinez and senators Clemons, Hudson, and Wilday were absent excused.

Senator Feil was tardy excused.

A quorum was present.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. The minutes from August 29th, 2018
- b. The minutes from September 5th, 2018
- c. The minutes from September 12th, 2018
- d. The minutes from September 19th, 2018
- e. The minutes from September 26th, 2018
- f. The minutes from October 3rd, 2018
- g. The minutes from October 10^{th} , 2018

Senator Mata moved to approve the minutes unanimously. Motion carried, Minutes were approved.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Elizabeth Loun, Associate Director of the Nevada Career Studio said thank you for being here. She wanted to talk about the Pack Internship Grant Program which opened earlier in the week for the fifth year. She appreciates the partnership for ASUN for this program. She wanted to give them a brief recap and talk about the program. The program continues to grow and expand and produce outcomes for undergraduate students. In 2018 they had 62 internships in the greater Reno/Tahoe area. That was for 120 hours for students to get paid \$12 an hour. They had 52 unique employers so they were getting closer to the one for one. Employers were thrilled about this program and were matching funding. They have done some half matching too for organization. Primarily they worked with startup organizations, nonprofits, and government agencies. Typically there were unpaid internships or no internships and they funded pay. The startups were more along the lines of for-profit and were new with limited funding. They had 25 positions

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in nonprofits and were about the same this year for 2019 interns. They have 18 positions in startups and small businesses. This year they were down in the startups and their government positions went up a little bit, they have 14 this year. They are still diverse. They continue to try to deliver internships that are rigorous and fit in with something for every major or program. With 60 positions they won't have one for everything but hopefully an engineer, and English major, etc. can find something of interest. Last year they saw a rise of applicants from liberal arts, CABNR, and from engineering. They usually see a lot from business. Last year they had almost 1000 applications come in for 62 positions. It was very competitive. This year they have 61 positions and that number may change as employers see the applicant pool. The programs had great outcomes – half of the interns gained employment after their internship and some were offered full time employment. They were way above 90% for program satisfaction. There has always been a focus on underrepresent students. They wanted to make sure this was diverse. It was hard to quantify and calculate for need and what that meant. They did poll and target first generation students and those numbers continue to rise. Nearly 20% of their applicants were first gen. Just over 20% of the interns were first generation students.

Senator McKinney asked if applications were due in November

Elizabeth Loun, Associate Director of the Nevada Career Studio said yes, November 6th, applicants were accepted online through Handshake until 11:59 pm.

Senator Rogers asked for the list of businesses

Elizabeth Loun, Associate Director of the Nevada Career Studio said it was available on Handshake. Students should apply to all positions they are interested in, none of them were limited by major or college.

Senator Grant said he didn't like the idea of ASUN funding the entire program. Would it be possible to get all or half of these companies to meet halfway or fund the entire program for students? He did the math and each student would get about \$1100 dollars and it would only cost companies \$580 to fund one student.

Elizabeth Loun, Associate Director of the Nevada Career Studio said it was a goal. Right now the three groups are employers who would otherwise not participate. She wanted to leverage the funds and extend them. Every third year of participation, an employer has to self-fund at least one participant. They weren't just giving. Employers who participate in multiple years love this program. They have half-matching to make it easier. She did collect the revenue and a lot of companies have really low funds and aren't brining in much revenue at all. If they required that initially they would have less participation. She had that shared interest.

Senator Amaya asked what the distribution looked like for seniors, juniors, and sophomores

Elizabeth Loun, Associate Director of the Nevada Career Studio said seniors apply in greater numbers. They have more seniors than juniors than sophomore than freshmen and selection also follows that trend. Most interns were seniors this past cycle – just over 2/3rd. One quarter were juniors and between freshmen and sophomore, seven percent total.

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said good evening. Senate and GSA were his favorite groups. He wanted to answer questions about anything related to information technology. He brought some things to pass around. One thing they all depend on is their network. He makes sure to have fast and good connections. Fiber optic cables make that possible by carrying terabits of data. He wanted to pass out a hardcopy of information and they will be online in a while. They have a secret student IT shopper. Five undergraduates report to his office. They look at different online services and rank them. Then they send those reports to the departments who are providing that online service and let them know what they might want to consider improving. This past year they looked at printing services, student health center, the IT desk, support center desk, how to post marking on campus,

the library help desk, digital storage for students, and borrowing equipment at @One. They rated them. If they had ideas for things that they want the secret student IT shoppers to look at this year, they are out trying things out. They want to continue to make sure things are easy to use. Last year, working with Educause, they conducted a survey of all of the undergraduate students about technology to see how satisfied they were with technology and how they use technology. Just over 1500 colleagues responded. They compared themselves to all over doctoral granting institutions who responded to this survey. The majority of undergraduates have two, three, four, five, and six or more electronic devices. About 50% have four or three devices that they connect in with. Another statistic was that about 83% of undergraduate students said that the technology experience here was good to excellent and only 1% said it was poor. There were some areas to improve. Another area was that 46% had no courses that had technology involved with them, compared with other schools, they have only 15% don't have technology in them. This is what they wanted to look at. Of those other schools, 28% of students say they are taking all of their classes online. He was happy to see that just over 87% of the students were satisfied with Canvas and 71% were satisfied or very satisfied. They had some work to do to improve. They wanted to get as specific as possible to make those things better. The majority of them prefer a learning environment that is mostly face-to-face or half and half online. One of the things he was concerned about was a new My Nevada. That came out like a big "thud". It was not popular at all. One problem was a login problem. They had some student focus groups looking at it as they put it together but they missed the mark on somethings. They had some key staff leave and had to take care of that. He was personally going to fix it or change it. The intent was to improve things but they didn't come close to doing that. Another thing they were doing and were interested in was moving the first line of their helpdesk into the cloud. They needed to have help there all time all year. They were trying it out with Pearson and the secret student shoppers were looking at it. If they call on a weekend or a holiday they will get the Pearson folks. They had been getting positive feedback. They wanted to go to that full time to free up their staff to help out with more complex problems. They will still have the walk-up help at the knowledge center. Carissa and Luke were their representatives on the tech fee advisory committee. Those funds are looked at by the committee to decide how they spend that. They do things with that like Nevada Box storage. Just over 3200 people store files on that. He wanted to make sure that everyone was satisfied with the Google mail.

Senator Burton said throughout the colleges, IT was managed differently. How does the IT department tie all that together?

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said it was like herding cats. It was on a spectrum. They feel that at the colleges and departments, they wanted to have someone who was close with students and faculty to be able to respond and know the idiosyncrasies. They couldn't respond to that centrally. Particularly the college of engineering and science who use a lot of technology. They do try to coordinate that. The best thing that would help would be if they have a particular problem, to reach out to him to make sure the technology is working for everyone.

Senator Yeghiayan said a lot of students in the dorms like to buy printers and have trouble connecting to the school's network. Was there a reason for that?

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said there shouldn't be a particular reason for it. He would need to get the particulars on that. He would get information from res life to work on wireless stuff. They do take care with security. Printers were a security risk.

Senator Yeghiayan said last year she called the IT center and was told they weren't allowed to connect to the school's Wi-Fi.

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said he was unsure. He would follow up on that. Don't hesitate to contact him. He wanted to make sure IT was working for everyone. He was very lonely on the third floor of the knowledge center.

Senator Sewell said when you try to log on to the UNR Wi-Fi, sometimes the password and the printer didn't connect. Why did they decide to have Nevada 2.0 rather than the other MyNevada?

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said most of the feedback he got was that MyNevada 1.0 was not very friendly and took time to get used to it. He was familiar with this software from Indiana university and others used it successfully. They thought it would be a better way and it looked good to everyone who tried it. They suffered with the implementation of it. They were trying to be so careful to get input on it and sometimes when you do that it doesn't satisfy everyone. They will continue to work on it and see where they want to make a change.

Senator Feil asked how much the fee was

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said it was nine dollars per credit. It was divided two ways. Part of it goes to Integrate One to pay for the student information systems and the other pieces that go into it were for technology in the classroom and help desks.

Senator Burton said they were looking to create a new information system for Workday. Would the university look into that?

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said they would look at it. He looked at it a year ago and in his opinion it wasn't ready yet. Some schools are using it but it still needs to mature a bit more. With the university, the University needs to get its breath again after going through Workday which was a major change. At a certain point they will take a look with their student information system and decide what to do. PeopleSoft is used by every campus in the system.

Senator Rogers asked if online classes had the same fee

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said it depended on the course. Some courses are offered through Pearson and they have their own fees. Otherwise there was not a separate fee.

Senator Mata said a lot of their teachers were older and didn't work well with technology and Canvas. Were there tools for professors to use Canvas and encourage them to use it?

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said Canvas runs under a group called TLT. They provide training and support for that. One of the things that came up was that there was no mandate for faculty to use canvas. The numbers were higher this semester of faculty using canvas but it was a constant change. He just had a meeting earlier concerning that faculty will provide materials in class and not upload it. That was a matter of people expecting things to be uploaded immediately and it wasn't the same turnaround time.

Senator Burton said for the college of business, ever since they used Windows 10, the systems were starting to get bogged down. Could they do upgrades?

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said they had a campuswide license for Microsoft and make that available. They could consult with them to see if there was an issue or anything causing problems.

Senator Burton asked what the department was doing to make sure student information and computers were secure while balancing availability of resources?

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said they spent more and more time looking at that. They have external assessments of security with several colleges. They go back and remediate. It was a balance between security and access. A lot of it is the human element so they try to do training. Phishing went on all the time. Their security people stay on top of that and will step in if they have a security incident. Sometimes they take them off the network to save the system from being corrupted. It happens every once in a while.

Senator Burton asked if they should look into new mail options

Steve Smith, Chief Information Officer & Vice Provost for Information Technology said any of the mail systems, Google and Microsoft, all are subject to various things. They try to protect things by encryption and multi-factor authentication. When they go to log in they will get a thing that asks if that was really who was trying to log on. They do that with Workday.

Senator McKinney left the room at 6:03 pm Senator McKinney reentered the room at 6:05 pm

Vice President Bradley said she wanted to say thank you to the speakers tonight, they were very student-centric

Dr. Beattie said Gaby had been working to put together a whole week of student outreach and activism from athletes to a workshop responding to hate speech on campus. They were getting close to civic season. Don't get salty, get civic!

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

a. Nominations, Open Senate Seat for the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology, and Natural Resources

Speaker Pro Tempore Hughes said:

"To the Senate of the Associated Students. Thank you for the opportunity to sit on the senate. In the past week I was offered a job opportunity that would not permit me to fulfill the requirements of the seat if I were elected. I wish to withdraw my position and wish the best of luck to the other candidates. I will share my ideas with Amir and the other CABNR seat. Best, Lizeth Acosta.

The following students have successfully applied for the College of Agriculture Biotechnology and Natural Resources Senate Seat:

- 1. Nomination of Lizeth Acosta to the office of Senator for the College of Agriculture Biotechnology and Natural Resources
- 2. Nomination of Miguel Aguilera to the office of Senator for the College of Agriculture Biotechnology and Natural Resources
- 3. Nomination of Cory Rogaczewski to the office of Senator for the College of Agriculture Biotechnology and Natural Resources"

7. REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS

- a. President of the Associated Students, Hannah Jackson
- **b.** Vice President of the Associated Students, Carissa Bradley
- **c.** Chief Justice, Kate Groesbeck
- d. Chief of Staff, Matthew Dutcher
- e. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Luke Bittar
- f. Director of Event Programming, Austin Lensch
- g. Director of Legislative Affairs, Katie Worrall
- h. Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Arezo Amerzada

- i. Director of Sustainability, Sierra Jickling
- j. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Mapuana Andrade
- k. Director of Campus Wellness, Brennan Jordan
- 1. Attorney General, Omar Moore
- m. Speaker of the Senate, Anthony Martinez

8. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Chair, Committee on Academics- Senator Collins

Senator Collins said they will be having a meeting Friday at one and will have the editors of NSURJ come. Last Friday they relooked at the Latin Honors legislation and they decided to table it after a lot of discussion. They want them to set up meetings with their deans. They will discuss it again this Friday. Email or meet with their deans before this Friday and then send the feedback.

Senator Burton asked if they already received feedback if she wanted it emailed

Senator Collins said she preferred it in email so it was written

b. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance- Senator Grant Senator Grant said last week the did budget review on diversity and inclusion. This week they will meet again at 10 to review resources and judicial council.

c. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement- Senator Feil

Senator Feil said on Friday they will meet at 2 pm. Their monthly civic engagement had some confusion but the park cleanup overlapped. They were partnering. They talked to Gaby. They were still going to do it from 8-10 and they didn't need to sign up on GivePulse. At Elect All People they should be able to come. They will meet where they met for DogFest. Tomorrow she will go to a conference in Las Vegas and will have a report when she gets back.

d. Chair, Committee on Government Operations- Senator McKinney

Senator McKinney said the committee and he were still going over the SAS. He met with Attorney General Moore to make an evaluation form and formalize their review. They will continue doing that and at the end of the year say that they did go through the whole SAS and have certain notes for the next Gov Ops chair. Next meeting was Wednesday at 9 am.

e. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs- Senator Alvarez

Senator Alvarez said they had a resolution on ballot initiative four. The flag retirement ceremony was November 8 at 10 am. It was normally done when a flag can't be used anymore and it was done by veterans' services. The week after she was having another event.

Senator Feil asked the time

Senator Alvarez said it would be right after senate

f. Chair, Committee on University Affairs- Senator Mata

Senator Mata said in the Sagebrush there was an article about the University being under seven different investigations of disability accessibility. Nothing else was looking into them but the article has made more things come up. If they want anything said about the investigations, please email.

g. Speaker Pro-Tempore- Senator Hughes

Senator Hughes said they would be having their weekly meeting tomorrow. Last week they went over the different types of legislation and would be starting the speaker/speaker pro tempore forum.

This week they would go over communication such as combating public speaking fears. Keep meeting with interns and if they had questions reach out.

h. Chair, Committee on Oversight- Speaker Martinez Speaker Martinez had no report.

9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Yeghiayan said if anyone was interested in writing a resolution on getting a member of the DRC on faculty senate, she would be meeting with the Director of the DRC next week.

10. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK APPOINTMENTS

- a. Nomination of Lizeth Acosta to the office of Senator for the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology, and Natural Resources
- b. Nomination of Miguel Aguilera to the office of Senator for the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology, and Natural Resources
- c. Nomination of Cory Rogaczewski to the office of Senator for the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology, and Natural Resources

Senator Burton moved to fast-track agenda items 10a-c by unanimous consent. There was no dissent; motion carried.

11. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS OF SENATORS AND ASUN OFFICIALS

The following nominations were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate on October 10th, 2018:

- i. NOMINATION OF LIZETH ACOSTA TO THE OFFICE OF SENATOR FOR THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE BIOTECHNOLOGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES
- ii. NOMINATION OF MIGUEL AGUILERA TO THE OFFICE OF SENATOR FOR THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE BIOTECHNOLOGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

iii. NOMINATION OF CORY ROGACZEWSKI TO THE OFFICE OF SENATOR FOR THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE BIOTECHNOLOGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. Rogaczewski said: Hello, my name is Cory Rogaczewski, and I would like to thank the ASUN Senate for considering my nomination to the office of Senator for CABNR. I am a firm believer in the notion that it is our experiences that make us who we all are today, and it is with great pride that I can say I have had many experiences offered to me through my diligence, perseverance, and just a tiny amount of good luck. Throughout my academic career, I have always strived for excellence in all that I do. I was a member or official of several student clubs, including the National Honors Society, as well as Salutatorian of my graduating class. In addition to all of these commitments, I was still able to manage a successful business, work a part-time job, and participate in 4 different sports. Thanks to several key academic and sports scholarships, I was fortuitous enough to attend UNR, where I once more began to gain experiences offered to me through the School. One such experience, that I have been awarded for two semesters now, is Community-based Undergraduate Research Award, where I have researched Rain on Snow flooding in the Truckee Meadows for the City of Reno. I was honored to be selected as a mentor for the CABNRFit program, where I remembered the feeling of leadership while leading my pack. It was apparent to me that my experiences offered a chance to become a role model to students both young and old. I now hope to take the next step, with an appointment to the CABNR Senate Seat. Thank you all for considering me, and please feel free to ask me any questions!

Senator Aziz asked what his goals were.

Mr. Rogaczewski said he came from a rural background like many in CABNR. He has acquainted with city life and felt he could bridge the gap there.

Senator Feil said senators sit on committees and asked which ones would he be willing to sit on.

Mr. Rogaczewski said he would like to sit on university affairs. He felt like he should figure out which other ones really interest him. He was still new to this and wanted to learn more about them first. He wanted to look into the Director of Sustainability.

Senator Burton asked what he thought were the biggest challenges of CABNR.

Mr. Rogaczewski said coming from a small high school with a graduating class of 17 students, he knew what it was like to be overwhelmed at the university by the size of it and the city of Reno. He wanted to help others through that transition.

Senator Wilcox asked if he would be able to balance school, meetings, and four hours of outreach every two weeks.

Mr. Rogaczewski said absolutely. He had excellent time management and experience in community service.

Senator Mata said what would he want his legacy to be.

Mr. Rogaczewski said he hoped to bridge the divide between the constituents to promote unity between the school, students, and other colleges. Through his research project he has been able to talk to other students and understood that they were all just one university.

Senator Burton asked why he wanted to be in senate.

Mr. Rogaczewski said he was interested in politics and thought he would enjoy this. It was low time politics but it was a logical stepping stone for him from Nevada Fit. He liked to lead.

Speaker Pro Tempore Hughes asked Mr. Rogaczewski to leave for discussion.

Senator Burton said he didn't see any direction from Corey. He had great intentions but his ideas with present issues and goals didn't seem thorough.

Senator Rogers liked how eager he was even if he didn't have a set direction, he had the drive. They can give him direction.

Senator Feil said she thought he had potential. He lacked ASUN knowledge but represented his college well. They had to fill an open seat.

Senator McKinney said his organization, time management, and relatability within his college, he would be a great senator.

Senator Wilcox said after having two applicants drop, he thought that some representation was better than no representation.

Senator Alvarez said she didn't want to fill a seat just to fill a seat. She thought he would be great in the future but needed more experience.

Senator Burton agreed. He thought there were other candidates that would be interested and have ideas and he didn't want to take the opportunity away from anyone else.

Speaker Pro Tempore Hughes said to please keep in mind that this had been posted publicly for several weeks. People had the opportunity to apply. They didn't have to approve this individual but every senate meeting was underrepresenting CABNR.

Senator Mata said his goals didn't stand out. At this point they didn't have a reason to vote yes or no. It was polarizing. He does seem to have good motivation which could go far.

Senator Grant said he didn't agree with the fact that they were focusing on his lack of experience. They all went out on a limb to run and they all lacked some experience. That wasn't going to permanently hinder him. He is motivated.

Speaker Pro Tempore said they wanted to make sure he could fulfill the duties of the SAS.

Senator Sewell said he was the treasurer of his class, vice president, and in the National Honors Society. He does have leadership experience and tried to be involved even though his school was small.

Senator Aziz said when they all ran for their seats they all had a platform with goals. He didn't hear anything about his goals. That meant that a lot of the things he was currently doing by himself, he could help out. He didn't know if what he wanted to focus on was the same.

Senator Grant said when they ran most of their goals looked good on paper and their goals change once they're a senator. Once he comes in he will realize some goals.

Senator McKinney said in the SAS the duty was to communicate with students. That was what he said he wanted to do. The prime thing he wanted to do was the job duty.

Senator Rogers said this could be a great opportunity for Senator Aziz to guide Mr. Rogaczewski and help the college.

Senator Burton said they didn't know what was feasible coming in to the position but you can tell about their interests through their goals. He wanted to get something out of him.

Senator Ahmed said he was going to ask about his goals.

Dr. Beattie said generally they just apply and then the speaker will tell them they have ten minutes to present. They don't get as much direction. They had a lot more preparations that they did for special elections. When someone applies online they don't get nearly as much information. He didn't get those three questions.

Senator Feil said when they got those positions they didn't have to sit at a table and get grilled. That was really scary, especially without experience.

Senator McKinney said when they got this position, he didn't even know what chairs and committees there were. They had a lot of direction and were still learning on the job. To base his approval off of his direction instead of quality was a disservice.

Senator Mata said everyone was really selling themselves short. Elections was hard, they had to do debates, they had to talk to constituents, they had to have goals. He was told he had ten minutes to

speak and he gave a very short presentation. That was his choice. When he was asked about his goals they were vague. Their session hasn't had a great turnover rate. A lot of people have been dropping out. It's great to see what they could do but there had to be a base.

Senator Grant said he didn't want to take away the difficulty it took to get into the position. Mr. Rogaczewski was willing to work with people and had good intentions.

Roll call vote to appoint Mr. Rogaczewski.

Yay: Ahmed, Amaya, Collins, Feil, Grant, Green, Lemus, McKinney, Rogers, Sewell, Wilcox, Yeghiayan

Nay: Burton, Mata Abstain: Aziz

Roll Call vote to approve Mr. Rogaczewski

Yay: Ahmed, Alvarez, Amaya, Aziz, Burton, Collins, Feil, Grant, Green, Lemus, Mata, McKinney, Rogers, Sewell, Wilcox, Yeghiayan

Nay:

Mr. Rogaczewski was sworn in as Senator for the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources.

12. <u>VETO MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT</u>

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.R. 86 A Resolution in Support of Changing the Requirements for Graduating with Latin Honors
- b. S.B.R. 86 A Binding Resolution to Update the Rules of the Senate

15. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK LEGISLATION

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

16. <u>REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE</u>

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.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Changing the Requirements for Graduating with Latin Honors

The legislation was not heard at this time.

b. S.B.R. 86 – A Binding Resolution to Update the Rules of the Senate

Senator Burton moved to approve S.B.R. 86 – a Binding Resolution to Update the Rules of the Senate.

Senator Alvarez seconded.

Senator McKinney moved to amend line item five to read whereas the rules do not currently reflect the job duties.

Seconded by Senator Feil.

Motion carried.

Senator Rogers entered the room at 6:58 pm

Senator McKinney moved to amend to strike line items 10 and 11. Seconded by Senator Burton.

Senator McKinney said he talked to James and these line items weren't necessary.

Motion carried.

Senator McKinney said they went through the rules of the senate and updated it to eliminate gender pronouns. The updated version was emailed out.

Senator Mata said they moved to amend line item five and six to say whereas the 86th rules of the senate do not currently reflect the people of the senate. Seconded by Senator Burton.

Senator Mata said it didn't change the job duties but reference to people and personal pronouns.

Senator McKinney said he agreed.

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

Motion carried.

18. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

a. Senate Committee Changes

Speaker Pro Tempore Hughes said Senator Rogaczewski would have to sit on two committees starting tomorrow depending on what he choose.

Senator Burton asked Legislative Clerk Hansen know what committees were available.

Legislative Clerk Hansen said the committees on Academics, Budget and Finance, and Civic Engagement were full. Unless someone removed themselves, he could not be on those three. It would be nice if the chairs could talk about their committees.

Senator Collins said her committee focused on academics. They have a lot of range of what they can work on. They talk to the office of the provost, the core requirements, they work with undergrad research, and anything involving academics. They meet Fridays at one.

Senator Grant said he was the chair of Budget and Finance. They fulfill transparency of the budget and conduct financial reviews of accounts and review capital expenditures. They meet Fridays at 10

Senator Feil said they meet every other Friday at 2pm. The Committee of Civic Engagement had to do with community engagement. There were snacks.

Senator McKinney said they deal with the infrastructure of the association and edit the statues and rules. They meet Wednesdays at 9am.

Senator Alvarez said they meet Fridays at noon and deal with external legislation. They write resolutions and voice student opinions.

Senator Mata said University Affairs meets with departments such as transportation, construction, facilities, and other departments that they pay for like the health center, DRC, and tutoring center. They currently meet Thursdays at 9 am but they were trying to change it.

Senator Rogaczewski moved to place himself on Committees of Government Operations and University Affairs through unanimous consent.

Seconded by Senator Feil.

Motion carried.

b. Senator Reports

There were no Senator Reports at this time.

19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Rogers said she wanted to talk about this last week, but Ms. Christensen said instead of shadowing a student with disabilities, they were going to set up a panel with students with disabilities. Their goal was to hit multiple colleges to get representation and information about what they needed.

20. PUBLIC COMMENT

Senator Burton said if he could please see Senators Ahmed, Lemus and Senator Rogaczewski after the meeting.

Dr. Beattie said there was a lot of discussion tonight. He was shocked that they might have left a CABNR seat open. They were voting on if they thought someone could do the job. When they have multiple candidates they are voting on who would do the job best, but when they have one candidate, they have to vote on if they think that person can do the job. This was an intimidating table. ASUN believes they are better than the rest of the students so watch their tone.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Martinez adjourned the meeting at 7:10 pm.