# Committee on Government Operations

Senate of the Associated Students 86th Session Minutes for Wednesday, November 7th, 2018 at 9 A.M Rita Laden Senate Chambers on the 3rd floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

# 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Senator McKinney called the Committee on Government Operations meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. in the Rita Laden Senate Chambers on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding Secretary, Frida Urena.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Senators Ahmed, Burton, Collins, Green, McKinney, and Rogaczewski were present.

Senator Wilday was absent excused.

A quorum was present.

# 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

#### 4. MINUTES

There were no minutes at this time.

## 5. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business at this time.

# 6. NEW BUSINESS

#### a. Continuation of Doc Reviews

Attorney General Moore explained that he is introducing the incorporation of the Doc Review Project into Government Operations. He had previously met with Senator McKinney on how to go about it. Government Operations has seen the most legislation and have the task of reviewing, contributing to legislative review, and they have already done a lot of revisions and pushed a lot of legislation. Doc Reviews will have an overlap with what the committee already does and will help contribute to the association in the move for transparency. An updated SAS for next session is the idea behind the Doc Reviews. The main task to start is consolidation. It would take around a couple of minutes to do an evaluation on the forms – this allows them to pace themselves and have all of the revisions in one place. As of now, most of the revisions would be at the discretion of the committee and Senator McKinney. Before they can coordinate a thorough comprehensive review, they would need to address what has already been reviewed so there are no redundancies and they can be as efficient as possible. The general goal is to go through the table of contents or Nevada Box for Government Operations or a list that marks what has already been addressed. Attorney General Moore can then mark it on his itinerary, so that there is no overlap. Once all of

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the past work is consolidated, then they can get more of a timeline oriented plan. The forms they would be filling out would only take the raw, important information to see if it is worth pursuing. For accountability, this is an officer oriented project. They are only going through the provisional clauses of the SAS – the parts that service the association. Attorney General Moore will come to another meeting to discuss how they want to go about the timeline and other areas.

Senator Burton asked if it was limited to the Rules of the Senate and the statutes.

Attorney General Moore said it was anything on the documents page. Something like the Code of Conduct or the Constitution can be revised.

Senator McKinney said if they were interested in amending the Constitution to get rid of gender pronouns in the SAS, they would have to get involved now since the bill is currently going through Senate and is a six month process.

Senator McKinney said that with the Doc Reviews, within the next week, he would go through the archives and see what they have so far. He will meet with Attorney General Moore and then work on a timeline so it can be finished before the session ends.

Attorney General Moore left at 9:12 A.M.

Senator Burton asked if everything was on Nevada Box yet.

Senator McKinney said no, but that he will tell Attorney General Moore to do it that day and he will put it in the Government Operations file.

#### b. Senator Updates

Senator McKinney said that he wanted to ask the committee body if anyone else would be willing to follow up on facilities providing recycling bins at ASUN programming events before he asks Senator Wilday.

Senator Green said that when they did the campus safety walk of the university, they talked to facilities about it a little. They would need to file a request on the facilities website. He could check with Senator Wilday if she has done that. If facilities has the extra money to do so, then it will go through.

Senator McKinney suggested also talking to Senator Grant and President Jackson to see if they can, as well as Director Jickling, get the ball rolling and see if it is in the budget. Senator Green could work with Senator Wilday and next meeting they could talk about it.

Senator Burton asked if this was for all ASUN events or particular ones.

Senator McKinney said that it would be all ASUN events that would involve things that can be recycled.

Senator Collins said she was finally able to set a meeting time with Chief Justice Groesbeck. Prior to going into the meeting, she told Chief Justice Groesbeck that she had some things prepared in regards to the SAS and the judicial branch specifically. When they met, Chief Justice Groesbeck was still trying to figure out a time to meet

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with the other justices, so she did not have any specific provisions when they met. They looked over what Senator Collins prepared and Chief Justice Groesbeck highlighted what she wanted to bring up and she would have to meet with Attorney General Moore. Senator Collins emailed Senator McKinney the most recent things she had discussed.

Senator McKinney mentioned that Attorney General Moore said that Chief Justice Groesbeck was filling out something for the Doc Review form. Once there was something to change, Senator McKinney would put the legislation on Senator Collins and she could write it and submit it to Senate.

Senator Green said there was a lot of people outside the committee that were looking into the Wellness and Sustainability legislation again and combining the departments. If anyone had any ideas that about that, they should all meet.

Senator McKinney said that Speaker Martinez had reached out to him and in the upcoming session, there will be 25 senators. With the increased number of senators, they also either need to increase people that could sit on a committee or increase committees. Anyone can contribute or take a hold of that project. One of the ideas regarding the Wellness and Sustainability act was to change the director position into a chair position, as well as changing Director Jordan's position into a committee. They will figure it out later.

Senator Burton talked about them being assigned to departments like Clubs and Orgs, and asked if they would like to extend that to anyone else.

Senator McKinney said that the Doc Reviews will take place over that. It will help keep documents in order and add to the Legacy Box, so the next Government Operations chair could look back and see the notes taken.

## 7. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

# 8. ADJOURNMENT

Senator McKinney adjourned the meeting at 9:17 a.m.