

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

Minutes for Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 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 5:31 pm in the Rita Laden Senate Chambers, 3rd floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding secretary, Andrea Godoy and Legislative Clerk Hansen.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Speaker Martinez and Senators Ahmed, Alvarez, Amaya, Aziz, Burton, Clemons, Collins, Dobbs, Flangas, Grant, Green, Hudson, Hughes, Lemus, McKinney, Rogaczewski, Rogers, Sewell, and Yeghiayan were present.

Senator Wilcox was absent unexcused.

Senator Westerman was absent excused.

A quorum was present.

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The minutes were unavailable at this time.

- a. **The minutes from February 27th, 2019**
- b. **The minutes from March 6th, 2019**
- c. **The minutes from March 13th, 2019**
- d. **The minutes from March 27th, 2019**

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tyler Parry, College of Liberal Arts. He said as they are finishing their terms, thank you for everything you have done for your constituents. Sometimes, they had gaps or made students feel not heard but he knew they did their best, especially speaker Martinez. Speaker Martinez was definitely stellar and they all did great in their roles. They deserved a round of applause for all the work they have done.

There was no further public comment at this time.

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

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

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## 7. REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS

### a. **President of the Associated Students, Hannah Jackson**

President Jackson said: The ADL training is confirmed, it will be on Tuesday, April 23 from 5-9pm in the JCSU Great Room. I will be sending out an invitation to all of you to RSVP to, as well as our new student senators. In the last week, I have spent a significant amount of time with a group of folks across campus in helping to create the new strategic plan for the Office of Service Learning and Civic Engagement. Expect that in the next couple of months. April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. To raise awareness for this important issue that affects our most vulnerable population, we will be partnering with the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and the Washoe CASA Foundation at the Joe Crowley Student Union Lawn to plant a Nevada-shaped garden of blue pinwheels - displaying Nevada's commitment to support children affected by abuse and neglect. Please take some time tomorrow to walk by, and if you would like feel free to take a photo or post something on your personal social media about the National Child Abuse Prevention Month

Senator Rogers asked when that was.

President Jackson said all day tomorrow. It will be like how public affairs did the 9/11 memorial. You can walk by and support the event; she hoped community partners would come as well.

### b. **Vice President of the Associated Students, Carissa Bradley**

Vice President Bradley thanked those that came to the Fail Forward Panel last week. The competitions were great and it was awesome to work with Programming and Director Andrade. She is working with Senator Flangas on the transition. She had a meeting with the student media advisory board; she will have updates. Sagebrush is hiring 9 new people in a couple of weeks, including a new Editor-in-Chief. *Brushfire* and *Insight* are moving towards more of an online presence and beefing up their online subscriptions to reduce the number of copies printed. It will be helpful with their fiscal notes and increase sustainability. Wolf Pack Radio has increased their listenership in the last few weeks. They are doing work on tracking listening hours to become more efficient. She can give them data if needed. The Board of Regents just amended their bylaws to increase the job duties of the Vice President. When they are done, she can send them a copy. Essentially, they are clerical errors and expanding job duties for breaking ties and things like that to make it more consistent.

### c. **Chief Justice, Kate Groesbeck**

Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:

“Here is an update from Judicial Council. Since my last report, two charges were filed. I received the two charges from Attorney General Moore on Thursday, March 28th. Judicial Council met on Friday, March 29th to review the charges. The SAS includes four conditions that must be met in order for Judicial Council to accept a case. In both cases, the Council voted unanimously that one of the four conditions were not met. Both charges were filed after the time frame allotted in the SAS, which states that all elections charges must be filed before 4pm on the Tuesday following the closing of the polls to be considered “filed in good faith.” The Council deemed that because of the timeline, the charges were not filed in good faith. Therefore, we were unable to accept the charges. Attorney General Moore and the parties involved in each charge have been notified of the Council’s opinion. From my understanding, the opinion will be posted online soon. Please email me with any questions.”

**d. Chief of Staff, Matthew Dutcher**

Intern Finkler said they are in the final stretch of banquet since it will be next week. He is ecstatic to have it finally. You can still come even if you have class. The food is done and the awards are being finalized. He hoped they have fun if they can come.

Speaker Martinez said Senate will be the best dressed.

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

Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:

“Good Evening Senators. My department is finishing up preparations for the Clubs and Organizations banquet coming up this Monday. We will be selecting the award winners this Friday. We held our funding workshop today where we helped clubs fill out applications before the upcoming deadline this Friday. The funding deadline will be this Friday and the Funding Hearing will start next Friday. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions. Sincerely, Luke.”

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

Assistant Director Lew said she will highlight the events they had left as their terms come to an end. This weekend is Family Weekend with events at Coconut Bowl on Saturday and lunch on campus on Sunday. She wanted attendance at all events. It was a great time to mingle with students and faculty. She will post the schedule on Facebook but if they have questions let her know. Next Thursday is the diversity summit speaker; you can reserve tickets online at 7 pm. Their last event was just announced on April 19<sup>th</sup> in Gateway Plaza. She will tell the body the artists even though they haven't been released to the audience yet. They are Apollo James and Boombox Cartel. Tickets can be reserved online like with the Drag Show. You will need to have your wolf card and ticket reservation to enter.

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

Director Worrall said yesterday her department had a great tabling event. The goal was to pass out policy briefs to students on the four priorities passed by Senate. They passed out 64 briefs that also included a section on how to take action. She hoped that the students would email or call their representatives. They passed out pizza, which helped get students there; but every person that took pizza took a brief and there was no catch for the pizza. The department will be doing something next Monday outside the joe and in the KC if it rains to pass out some policy briefs and prompt the sexual assault and rape culture teach-in, which will be that same night. She had planned a meeting today with all the cosponsors. The talk will talk about resources on campus and in the community as well as educate and empower students. It will be similar to the affordable housing. Her department has been putting in lots of time and effort and they hoped for a similar turnout. The social media for the event will be up soon; she asked the body to share it. Lastly, Campus to the Capital will be on April 19<sup>th</sup> from 9-3 with campus escort running as well but you can drive yourself. There is a Givepulse link that she sent out. If you wanted to attend, make sure to go and sign up and share the link as well. They will do a similar thing to the fail forward videos for the Campus to the Capital where students explain why they're going. The videos will be shared on Instagram. That is all she had.

Senator Flangas asked if there would be transportation for the Campus to Capital.

Director Worrall said yes but only one time at 9:30 am.

Senator Flangas asked if it was the same for coming back.

Director Worrall said yes but they can also carpool with other students or drive themselves if that doesn't work.

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

Commissioner Ambachew said their diversity summit speaker is Noor Tagouri. She is a journalist and activist from Libya. That will be on April 11th at 7 pm in the Joe ballrooms. She wanted to remind them to RSVP. Then, for culture fest, that has been finalized for April 17th from 12-3 in the KC lawn. It will celebrate the diversity of the campus. They will have food and performances and tabling and any organizations can table. If they knew any clubs that are interested, let her department know. On April 18<sup>th</sup>, there will be a food insecurity panel with two guest speakers and two student panelists. That will be in Ballroom C at 7 pm.

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

Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:

“Hello Senators. I apologize for not sending an email through the list serv with a finalized timeline of Earth Week events— a conflict came up with some of the rooms (as the Jazz Festival is that same week), and I am working out those kinks ASAP. I do however have finalized details for Saturday, April 27th and Sunday, April 28th. Those are two days of service in which volunteers can pick up trash or plant trees on Saturday, and volunteer at the Truckee Meadows Earth Day event on Sunday. You can find both of these events on the UNR GivePulse calendar to sign up (look for the titles on the 27th and 28th that have exclamation points next to them— I'm excited for Earth Day and hope you are too!) <https://unr.givepulse.com/group/8615-University-of-Nevada-Reno>. Lastly, you will be evaluating legislation tonight submitted by myself and Senator Green. Unfortunately due to unresolvable schedule conflict, I will not be there tonight, but I stand by the words in my memo and I fully trust Senator Green to represent the bill on my behalf. During my time as Director, I have gained a lot of insight into what I believe are limitations of the position, and I hope that you will accept these proposed changes to make the position most effective for future leaders and for the future of ASUN's commitment to sustainability. Wishing you the best, see you all next week! Sierra Jickling”

**j. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Mapuana Andrade**

Speaker Martinez read the report into the record:

“Hi all! I just have one really important thing for tonight and that is to ask if you can all PLEASE come to the sexual assault town hall spotlight series tomorrow night at 5pm-6pm in the DMS! The graphic is on the ASUN IG account and I hope you can all share it tonight and tomorrow! The spotlight series will feature Daniel Fred (woop woop!!) and will hopefully connect students to him who need him as a resource or just would like to know him and his office is there! Please let me know if you have any questions, I hope to see you all tomorrow night!”

**k. Director of Campus Wellness, Brennan Jordan**

**l. Attorney General, Omar Moore**

Attorney General Moore said the body got the scoop from Chief Justice Groesbeck but that's okay. He had brief updates. On Friday, he attended the Student Advisory Board for the Joe. Today, he met with Elections Director, Daniel Little and they had a discussion on elections revisions for the elections code in the SAS. For this, he wanted the input of the body since they had gone through the process. For feedback, they can reach out to him or Director Little. Next week is the final meeting with the Parking and Traffic Board. It should entail more construction updates and hearing appeal cases.

**m. Speaker of the Senate, Anthony Martinez**

Speaker Martinez asked the body to get all legislation and memos to him ASAP. With that, their last meeting is next week. He encouraged them to attend the convening on April 17<sup>th</sup>. It was exciting to see who is elected as chairs.

**8. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES**

**a. Chair, Committee on Academics – Senator Collins**

Senator Collins said their last meeting will be on Friday at 6 pm due to a Senate training being at the same time as her committee time. During the meeting, the committee will review the faculty member of the year results and have legislation on transfer student scholarships. She knew it was at 6 pm but they need to make quorum. If you haven't filled out the faculty member of the year, be sure to do it and encourage constituents to do so as well

**b. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance – Senator Grant**

Senator Grant said the committee will be looking at legislation regarding budget changes before the session ends and finishing reviews.

**c. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement – Senator Amaya**

Senator Amaya said the committee will have its last meeting next Wednesday. They will discuss recommendations for the future committee so they don't do as much programming and focus more on civic engagement.

**d. Chair, Committee on Government Operations – Senator McKinney**

Senator McKinney said the committee will have their last meeting this Friday at 1 pm to hear legislation and go over committee reflections to fill out the legacy box.

**e. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs – Senator Alvarez**

Senator Alvarez said the committee's last meeting is this Tuesday at 5 pm in KC 426 to wrap it all up.

**f. Chair, Committee on University Affairs – Senator Green**

Senator Green said the committee will meet next Tuesday at 3 pm in the PCR. They will hear a resolution on university accessible entrances from Senator Rogers and update the legacy box. He had a meeting with the facilities director for the building walk through. He will invite the next chair to come as well if they want.

**g. Speaker Pro-Tempore – Senator Hughes**

Senator Hughes said she sent out emails to all people taking positions asking them if they wanted to meet about projects that should carry over for a better transition. She will work on setting that up. Additionally, everything for the legacy box needs to be ready by their next meeting.

Senator Amaya said some senator elects already reached out to her. She asked if they can still meet.

Senator Hughes said that was fine.

Senator Amaya said she wasn't sure since DHS split and didn't know who she should meet with.

Senator Hughes said she will follow up.

**h. Chair, Committee on Oversight – Speaker Martinez**

Speaker Martinez said thank you for not having many censures this session. Other than that, he had no report.

**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.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Open Educational Resources**
- b. **S.B.R. 86 – A Binding Resolution to Redefine Outreach Hours in the Rules of the Senate**
- c. **S.B. 86 – An Act to Amend the Department of Event Programming and the Event Programming Internship Program in the SAS**
- d. **S.B. 86 – An Act to Amend the Duties of the Director of Sustainability**
- e. **S.B. 86 – An Act to Amend the SAS to update the Department of Clubs and Organizations**
- f. **S.B. 86 – A Bill to Create New Faculty Awards**
- g. **S.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Recognizing Students with Disabilities Through Commencement Regalia**
- h. **S.B.R. 86 – A Binding Resolution to Create a Standing Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness**

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

- a. **S.B.R. 86 – A Binding Resolution to Create a Standing Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness**
- b. **S.B. 86 – A Bill to Create New Faculty Awards**  
Agenda items 15 a-b were not fast tracked at this time.
- c. **S.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Recognizing Students with Disabilities Through Commencement Regalia**  
Senator Burton moved to fast-track senate agenda item c through unanimous consent.  
There was no dissent; motion carried.

**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.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Recognizing Students with Disabilities Through Commencement Regalia**

Senator Amaya moved to approve S.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Recognizing Students with Disabilities Through Commencement Regalia.

Senator Yeghiayan seconded.

Senator Yeghiayan said this resolution is in support of recognizing students with disabilities through commencement regalia through the Disability Resource Center. She highlighted that this was optional for students and it was not only for those registered but don't use resources but was also for students that wanted to honor family members or close friends with disabilities at graduation. She turned the floor to the DRC so they can present and give background information.

Speaker Martinez thanked the DRC representatives for being here.

Mary Anne Christensen wanted to promote that this didn't come from the DRC but from the students themselves wanting recognition. For many years, students with disabilities who have graduated were proud to graduate and they wanted to represent their identity as a student with disabilities. The DRC decided it would implement this since its mentors got involved and there are two here today that wanted to say something. This recognition moves the conversation about diversity and acceptance forward and creates a sense of community. This initiative has been fun to work on and having the resolution passed is meaningful. The DRC has already ordered tassels and they wanted to thank the DRC director since she never says no to trying a new idea. She thanked Emily Fox and Rebecca Redding.

Emily Fox, a neuroscience student and DRC mentor. She helped with this initiative and said it was an awesome idea. By passing this resolution they are showing that those who are affected by disabilities that ASUN cares and that was awesome. Students will be able to graduate without hiding their disabilities because they are a part of them and they are proud. She appreciated them for writing this resolution.

Senator Amaya remembered

Senator Sewell asked if the DRC is funded from student funds or through the University.

Mary Zabel, Director of the Disability Resource Center. She stated that it was state funded.

There was no further discussion; body moved to a vote.

Motion carried.

b. **S.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Open Educational Resources**

Senator Green moved to approve S.R. 86 – A Resolution in Support of Open Educational Resources.

Senator Burton seconded.

Senator Collins said this resolution is self-explanatory because it is based on information from last week when Provost Carman touched on it a little bit. OER is any teaching material used in a classroom but is used online instead of buying a physical textbook. This legislation is to show support of having that be used more since it would help with affordability for a lot of students. It

costs students a lot of money at the beginning of the semester but at the end of the semester they do not receive much back when they sell their textbooks. She can relate to this personally since she is a science major. This resolution would encourage faculty and professors to start to transition into OERs.

*Senator Rogers left the room at 6:01p.m.*

The body moved into discussion at this time

Senator Grant felt that suggesting this to professors will decrease the quality of readings and textbooks.

Senator Collins said that with OERs, professors can \_\_\_ textbooks. Usually they get a textbook and that's it, but with this they can pick certain materials or make their own. It gives professors their own say.

Senator Clemons, who is a science major, agreed. When he gets textbooks, they often contain suggested materials but often times that extra information is not needed. If you can cut that out, it saves time.

Senator Burton said the huge benefit is that it doesn't replace textbooks but can be a supplement to the textbooks. Professors can pick and choose what fits the classes' needs most.

Senator Hudson asked if this would help the Wolf Shop since the textbooks are sold through UNR.

Senator Collins said that at end of the conversation they included the Wolf Shop. She knew that the Wolf Shop gets funding through the sale of textbooks. Other universities have worked with their textbook stores to make online catalogues of OERs. This means that students would not have to purchase textbooks and instead they could purchase links or hard copies through the student stores. The Wolf Shop may not make as much money, but it would receive money for printing hard copies.

Senator Burton asked if having different OERs packages in the Wolf Shop would allow it exclusive rights in order to compete with textbook brokers.

Senator Collins said she didn't know how that would work and would need to discuss with the Wolf Shop.

*Senator Ahmed left the room at 6:04 pm.*

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

Motion carried.

- c. **S.B.R. 86 – A Binding Resolution to Redefine Outreach Hours in the Rules of the Senate**  
Senator Amaya moved to approve S.B.R. 86 – A Binding Resolution to Redefine Outreach Hours in the Rules of the Senate  
Senator Clemons seconded.

Senator Flangas said a lot of people had a lot to say about outreach hours since this was their pilot year. She took the feedback from the form to rewrite them. Some senators said it was hard to get outreach so she redefined them with clear guidelines for what is outreach. The idea behind it was to not only make it clearer but to also make sure Senators are getting four separate, unique, and informative outreach. When you meet with people and tell them you are a Senator, you don't get any feedback. The feedback doesn't need to last an hour but you need to get feedback that is meaningful.

*Senator Ahmed entered the room at 6:06 pm.*

Senator Flangas said this was talked a lot about in committee about going to an event and how that can count for more than just one hour. You can spend one hour volunteering and the rest of the time talking to and interacting with students. It was about getting feedback, not just showing up. That was spirit of items a-h and i; they talk about what can be done to get the outreach hours. The rest was standard information talking about how to appeal points and how to appeal hours if they are not accepted the first time. The rest of the information is the same. Lastly, Civic Engagement is getting an additional duty and embodies the spirit of the committee which is to have ASUN engage with students and the campus. They must plan one event every two months and the event can include outside topics. But they intentionally left it vague so the committee can decide what type of event they wanted to do. She talked to Senator Amaya about these changes. The committee can plan a panel, a round-table Q&A, etc. and whatever topics they want. On the back of that is information to go in Nevadabox; it was a best practices manual on how to plan the event, including picking topics and getting a room. Afterwards, the committee creates a report of attendance and feedback and presents to senate. This creates accountability so that outreach hours are being used effectively. These are all suggestions and are loosely defined for the committee. Again, this was all based on the outreach hours feedback form she handed out. Everyone said it would be easier to accomplish outreach hours if there was some type of event. This was easy and didn't require money and was easy so students can engage on big campus topics.

Senator Ahmed understood that the legislation was designed to make it easier for senators to do outreach. He liked defining outreach better but he was not a fan of having to complete four separate interactions. It would be really hard to have to complete four different things. He understood the reasons for it but felt it was harder. In addition, if you need four interactions, each time you go to a place and meet face to face with a constituent or a club counts for one interaction and there is no incentive for senators to stay. You used to be able to go to one event and stay for four hours but now you would have to go to four events.

Senator Flangas said she understood that and she didn't know if in that case this was easier but it did make it clearer. The idea was to get feedback. For example, in the past you could volunteer at the Welcome Back BBQ and volunteer for one hour, but flipping burgers isn't really outreach you aren't learning anything. She hoped this would motivate senators to stay at events and engage with constituents after volunteering for an hour.

*Senator Rogers entered the room at 6:10 pm.*

Senator Ahmed agreed with getting substantive feedback and talking to constituents but the main thing he had issues was needing four unique interactions.

Senator Flangas said maybe around that, you can appeal hours to the Speaker. Like if you met with a group or individual for one hour and then another, you can appeal but that would be three unique individuals instead of one individual for two hours. She forgot to say that on rule four, it did say

that senators would be presenting what they learned at the table. That didn't mean that every week senators would give feedback. It was at the discretion of the Speaker. This rule was just to say that at some point, reports must be given at the table. During her first section, then Speaker Jackson would ask for two or three Senators to volunteer to give feedback. She wanted the reports to be detailed.

Senator Burton asked, out of curiosity for how to function, if it was appropriate to mix and match what you do at an event. For example, if you go to Club Fair and you do a bunch of things like volunteer and then talk to clubs, even if it wasn't a full hour.

Senator Flangas thought you could mix and match. If you volunteer and talk to people, that is outreach. That was her interpretation, but it was up to the Speaker. She will say that if you are meeting multiple groups over the course of one hour that is one hour. But if you only met with one group for a little less than an hour that was okay. There is always the practice to round up to one hour and that is outreach for one hour. If you did volunteer at club fair, talked about the internships for hour, and spent time talking to clubs for hour, you then completed three hours at one event. But if you talked to one club for two hours, that is not as diverse or substantive. However, Club Fair is a unique example. She left it vague so that you can get three hours at an event like Club Fair; that was her interpretation.

Senator Hughes had two concerns regarding Civic Engagement. First is having to utilize Inkblot services since some form of marketing is essential to get students to attend. But if there is a required event every two months and inkblot requires six weeks minimum for material, then there would be a problem with getting students to attend. Also, in chair reports, they just heard that Civic Engagement was trying to stay away from programming and move more towards being a legislative committee. She saw this as straying from that.

Senator Flangas said there was nothing in the legislation that insinuates they have to work with Inkblot. It was only a suggestion; all ASUN officers are encouraged to use Inkblot. For the other part, it wasn't so much a programming effort as much as it was getting feedback for legislation and it engages the committee. Yes, they are planning an event, but they don't need to buy food. It was only about booking a space, getting people to attend, and gathering ideas for legislation. The idea is to target legislation ideas for their legislative agenda. It wasn't supposed to be hard to plan.

Senator Sewell said in the past, you had to attend to three club meetings to get one hour of outreach. She asked if that was staying the same in this legislation and if it was being clarified.

Senator Flangas said that it wasn't clarified in this one mostly because when it was a part of the rules, she didn't agree with it and felt it was arbitrary. She felt that if you go to club meeting, you should stay for the whole thing and have dialogue. She chose not to put that in but it can be added. Personally, going to club meetings and not staying the whole time was not informative because you don't know what your constituents are doing.

Senator Sewell said her concern with that, and her experience with going to classes, when she and Senator Hughes were working on the global exchange program, they went in and talked to class about a survey they did. But that only took about 15 minutes. In this legislation, would this count for nothing since that was gathering feedback. On top of that, they got feedback from clubs and societies. Her only concern is that if a next senator were to get feedback from clubs for any legislation and they only stay for 20 minutes, do they get the full hour of an interaction and then another hour for writing the legislation. There was no clarity on the numerical value. She understood the idea of yes, if you go to a club meeting you should stay for the whole time. But

some clubs either don't want you there for the whole meeting or their meetings aren't very long. There was a discrepancy and how would points be allocated. Her other concern was with talking to different faculty and staff members about current ASUN policies. She had had meetings with the dean and other faculty members that only last 30 minutes and sometimes they last 1.5 hours. She asked if a senator would get the full hour for a 30 minute meeting even if it was a really good meeting where student concerns are voiced.

Senator Flangas thought she and Senator Sewell ideologically differed. She felt that meeting with the dean was great and having dialogue that goes beyond the hour was great but you should still be meeting with three other sources. That was the spirit of this legislation. Meeting with the dean for 3 hours or 1.5 was great but she wanted to see senators do more. When she first wrote this, she wanted it to be based on four unique interactions but then it was instructed to her that it should be on an hourly basis since that was easier to calculate. In terms of classes, she wrote it this way was to get dialogue and that takes time. She argued that if you did meet with a club and you had substantive dialogue it would take up more time than just 20 minutes. From her personal experience of being on the campaign trail, when she opened up the floor for dialogue, she was there for at least 40 minutes if not more. That is why she wrote it this way. She did add that giving announcements at the end of class was something that all ASUN officers should do and that wasn't really getting dialogue. To her, you can't take up class time for a dialogue that is why it wasn't outreach for her. You should be getting feedback every time you go out and do outreach. Senator Sewell's concern was noted and understood her point of view. She knew why she was saying that but senator Flangas wrote it this way because this is how she wanted it to be.

Senator Sewell said they can say that they differ ideologically but her real concern was if you only meet for 30 minutes, do you say that is an hour. Even if you have really good dialogue for 30 minutes, that should still only count for 30 minutes, not an hour, because you can get a meeting with another person to make up the other 30 minutes for the one hour. To her, having 1.5 hours count for an hour and having 30 minutes count for an hour didn't make sense.

Senator Flangas said that for her, she wrote it with the intent of it being four unique interactions that totaled about four hours. She interpreted it that a 30 minute meeting with your dean would still count for one hour but that wasn't clear in this legislation. She can go back and re-write it so that it is clear. She was fine with tabling it and clarifying that portion but will say that she will keep it at four, unique interactions. But she did understand that context and didn't think of it.

Senator Sewell suggested they change it so that they are based on interactions rather than a specific time frame; that way the interactions are meaningful. She felt that if they had to do four hours they won't be as meaningful.

Senator Flangas said she had it that way before but was strongly instructed to change it back to hours. It is much easier to calculate and make sure the interactions are meaningful if they are on an hourly basis.

Senator Flangas moved to amend Addendum A, Rule 2, Subsection b to say: "Each of the following will be counted as either a 30-minute or 1-hour interaction for outreach" by unanimous consent.

There was no dissent; amendment carried.

The body moved back into discussion of the legislation as a whole.

Senator Hughes was concerned because this same thing happened last session where they changed the senate rules and they had no idea about the problems. This body didn't understand the justifications but they were stuck with them and had to pilot them. She felt that they were doing that again and not giving the next session a say in the matter. It was a great idea but she wanted it to be brought before the next session to get their feedback. All of them understood the issues but it was not clear to the new session. That was an option too.

Senator Flangas thought that in the context of where they are coming from, they have been in office and seen the issues firsthand. They are elected and act as trustees for the next session and their constituents. They would do this with the understanding of the job and this being the best thing for senate. A new body doesn't understand outreach and this also gives them a clear definition of what outreach. And by no means is the next body going to be unable to change it. This gives them a better path and the next body can change it if needed. If this session had had these definitions, it might have been easier. Senators can review the rules over summer and change them. She argued the body change it since this is the best definition.

Senator Amaya never understood why one missed hour equaled 1/3 of a point.

Senator Godoy said that for whatever reason, when the points system was set up, they used a system of thirds. Maybe they had a reason when it was first done and now it was arbitrary but whatever the case, you can't have a system of thirds for one thing and a system of fourths for other things.

Senator Ahmed said that for him, it comes down to the fact that it can be hard sometimes to complete hours. There are periods where nothing is going on or you have class during an event. This makes it harder. Sometimes you have to do fewer substantive things and with this you would get points faster.

Senator Rogaczewski said that this why the rules stated that more events would be planned. Maybe not every month or every two week period, but the point was that the hours be more substantive. If you can't go out and get your hours all the time, that was okay too.

Senator Sewell said it was hard to get outreach hours sometimes because she was involved in so many clubs. What she thought senator Ahmed was trying to say is that since she interacts on a daily basis with those people those wouldn't count for outreach because they aren't very good examples. Now she has to go other clubs that don't necessarily care about ASUN to know what to know what is going on. So they either don't respond to emails or you go to one of their meetings and they don't respond to anything you say so you leave after five minutes because you feel awkward. The other thing is that you can't attend or volunteer at an event because you have class at that time. So really, if you want senators to write legislation with feedback that is great. But there are downtimes where its hard to meet your hours if you have to have four separate interactions that are an hour or three hour interactions and two 30-minute interactions.

Senator Flangas said to her, being a senator was meant to be hard. It was supposed to be hard to get feedback but that was the point. If you don't get feedback, you aren't representing students. You are supposed to meet with your college's advisory board and if don't have one, then set it up. And that would fall under rule h. That should be happening all the time and that makes outreach simpler. When she goes to the advisory board meetings, she gives a report on ASUN and then usually clarifies what ASUN does. Sometimes she will go and get coffee with other board members to talk about what she is doing or what others are doing too. If you are getting paid to be a Senator,

then you need to make a commitment to get out there and talk to students. and if you don't do it then you shouldn't be a senator. Also, it's not that hard to go out there and talk to students.

Senator Hudson agreed Senator Flangas in that they are being with paid and should utilize that time to talk to students. But she agreed with Senator Sewell with clubs. She knew that many clubs liked to keep their club meetings moving and having a representative come and stay for an hour is going to be bad. She wanted to see quality over quantity. Like Senators Hughes and Sewell mentioned, they put out a survey and that was done in 15 minutes but that would get them feedback.

Senator Flangas said by no means do you need to talk to the club for an hour; you can also listen in on a club meeting and speak whenever you hear something that ASUN is working on. Sometimes clubs talk about doing things that ASUN is doing or has already done and all you need to do is respond to the clubs. If there is a big policy being passed or discussed, that is something that they can bring up. Outreach is also about being a listener and attending events and meetings.

Senator Burton felt that part of being senator is being creative. If the next body keeps running into issues over things to do, then it was time to start thinking of other things and collaborating and ask others what they are doing for outreach. He noticed that many people were recycling the same thing over and over rather than being creative with what can be done.

Senator McKinney said that no matter how you change it, people will complain. This defines what outreach is and defines it better. When this body first started, they thought all legislation would consist of outreach and then found out only resolutions counted. That caused discrepancies of what you can do. He thought this was great and would create more meaningful interactions and that is more important than filling out a sheet on excel.

Senator Flangas wanted to note that she also included what two hour interactions looked like. In her vision, they can switch off so that every month you have an event that is two hours to make it easier for senators to make their outreach hours. This way, you would have an event every single month.

Senator Hughes said for her it went back to this not impacting this body. She felt it was important to get feedback from the next session. It was important to know how legislation would impact the next people and they aren't doing that. An option would be to go to the training this Friday and get feedback. Then, the body can still hear the legislation next Wednesday. It was important to have the feedback of those that will be impacted and include them in the conversation.

Senator Amaya agreed with Senator Flangas; the changes should come from them. Yes, it impacts the next body but the next body will also do the testing of the program. they can also ask questions and appeal points. They will have issues but this should pass from them. Senator Flangas put in a lot of effort and work with the feedback form.

Senator Hughes loved the legislation but she felt it would be worthwhile to get feedback from those that will be impacted. Maybe they will love it or they can make changes. She felt that if the entire point of this was to get feedback from students, then they should be doing that now but they aren't getting feedback with this.

Senator Clemons asked Senator Hughes if she meant the incoming Senators.

Senator Hughes answered yes.

Senator Clemons said they should pass it and if the next body doesn't agree with it or they don't like it, they can change it.

Senator Hudson agreed with Senator Hughes. The next body is also new and most of them will be fresh eyes and they will have different ideas and can contribute to the conversation. Nothing says they can't bring what they have now and have it sponsored by the next senator. It won't be the end of the conversation if it wasn't passed. If she could have done things differently, she wished that the previous body had included her in the conversation for outreach hours.

Senator Burton said they are setting precedent with the next session anyways. Nothing stops. From their perspective for how outreach hours were written, it was very vague and open-end but now the next body can piece together and pull out and add information. They had a solid framework and next session can make changes. This makes it much easier.

Senator Aziz said the impactfulness of the legislation was not about the senators but the students they are supposed to be outreaching to. This impact aligned with giving students a voice by making senators go to the students. It wasn't about senators but the students they serve.

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

Motion carried; Senator Ahmed voted nay and Senator Hudson abstained.

**d. S.B. 86 – An Act to Amend the Department of Event Programming and the Event Programming Internship Program in the SAS**

Senator Amaya moved to approve S.B. 86 – An Act to Amend the Department of Event Programming and the Event Programming Internship Program in the SAS.  
Senator Burton seconded.

*Senators McKinney and Alvarez left the room at 6:46 pm.  
Senator Burton left the room at 6:47 pm.*

Director Lensch said this legislation was to make some much needed changes. Many of the changes are about adding specific details to clear up confusion for the persons entering the roles. For his position, they changed some job descriptions and added in things that he realized he had been doing that were necessary but weren't listed. They also changed some of the wording that was confusing so that it would read more clearly. For the Assistant Director, the main thing they changed was the title for Budget and Finance to include Assessment. The job description had to change to match the title change but basically, the assistant director would be working to gather feedback from students about the ASUN events they attended.

*Alvarez entered the room at 6:49 pm.*

Director Lensch said the assistant director would make sure to ask students how events are going and if they had gone to other events in the past and why or why not as well as what can be done by ASUN to make events more comfortable. That information would be used for future events moving forward. Assistant Director Lew can talk about the changes made to her position.

Assistant Director Lew said her position was very vague; they went through and talked about what she did on a regular basis but the job description only touched on the internship when she also

worked with Inkblot for marketing events. They added that in since it wasn't even addressed in the job description.

Director Lensch said that for programmers, the only they changed was that programmers would serve as liaisons between other ASUN departments and though they wouldn't plan the events for the other ASUN departments, they could answer questions on who to contact or how to help clubs.

Assistant Director Lew said they also amended the section about the internship as a whole. They changed the wording to be more consistent to match the duties of the programming board since they ultimately wanted programming interns to become programmers. Since they wanted to treat them the same, it made sense to mirror the language. Additionally, the way the SAS worded the internship, it implied that an intern was guaranteed a spot but she didn't believe that was correct. The purpose of an internship is to learn the processes and activities become knowledgeable about ASUN. That was another big thing for the language changes.

*Senator McKinney entered the room at 6:51 pm.*

Senator Flangas asked what changes had been made to the curriculum of the internship.

Assistant Director Lew said the curriculum was super specific for individual things that interns were supposed to learn but she wanted it to be more overarching for all ASUN departments and include things like the functions of Central Stations and the different CSE positions and resources. She didn't want it to be as specific as SEAB forms when interns should learn about all of CSE and ASUN as a whole.

Senator Grant asked what them to expand on what it meant to perform assessments for the Assistant Director of Budget and Assessment. He wondered if it was too vague and if the next director could make it what they wanted with the data.

*Senator Burton entered the room at 6:53 pm*

Director Lensch said as they explained, they are creating assessments to test their events and using that data to help guide the next director. They wanted to ask questions like how did students hear about ASUN events to help the next board with their marketing strategies. That way, they can better assign money. When he thinks of assessments, they don't have to be complex. They can be as simple as asking the students present why they hadn't or had attended previous ASUN events and what can be done to make them better the data was meant to help the next boards, not box them in. that is why they left it vague.

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

Motion carried.

**e. S.B. 86 – An Act to Amend the Duties of the Director of Sustainability**

Senator Amaya moved to approve S.B. 86 – An Act to Amend the Duties of the Director of Sustainability.

senator Clemons seconded.

Senator Green said not reading through director Jickling's memo hoped they read it was long but gave good context for changes. A lot of it was to frame role of director to e more of advocate on

campus specifically on areas of food and waste and food insecurity. Also leaving up to discretion of sustainability of time to what their priorities are. Other changes are because committees and groups they work with on campus but outside of ASUN are constantly changing so was updating the hours working with and taking out the ones no longer in existence.

Senator Flangas moved to amend page 2 lines 1-3 to read: “Whereas, a working relationship for the Director with any Senate Committees that are working on the theme of Sustainability is beneficial to carrying out the policies and initiatives that support campus sustainability” and Addendum A, Section 3: Duties, Subsection 11 to read: “Attend Senate Committee Meetings should they deal with the themes of Sustainability and give a written or in-person report about those topics to the Committee Chair” by unanimous consent.  
There was no dissent; motion carried.

Senator Green said it was important to have that relationship with the Director and it would be beneficial to create legislation that supports local, state, and national efforts. The Director will also be working with the University Affairs Committee if the committee talks about sustainability or campus sustainability. This gives the Director Senators to work with for promoting SNIF and other events that might be done.

*Senator Flangas left the room at 6:57 pm.*

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

Motion carried.

- f. S.B. 86 – An Act to Amend the SAS to Update the Department of Clubs and Organizations**  
Senator Burton moved to approve S.B. 86 – An Act to Amend the SAS to Update the Department of Clubs and Organizations.  
Senator Aziz seconded.

*Senator Clemons left the room at 6:59 pm.*

Senator McKinney said that the changes could get misconstrued in a long piece of legislation which is why this was so short but mostly, the changes were clerical. Director Bittar came to him and with the changes; it was very straightforward and nothing major is being changed.

Senator Sewell asked about the changes on page 1 of the addendum.

Senator McKinney said that was clerical.

*Senator Flangas entered the room at 7:01 pm.*

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

Motion carried.

The following bills and resolutions did not receive their second reading and were not considered:

- g. S.B. 86 – A Bill to Create New Faculty Awards**  
**h. S.B.R. 86 – A Binding Resolution to Create a Standing Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness**

**18. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**a. Senate Committee Changes**

There were no committee changes at this time.

**b. Senator Reports**

Senator Burton said he had a really interesting conversation with Steve Smith, the Director of Information Technology that coincided with the cybersecurity conference. He hoped to get legislation out by their next meeting to address accountability around information security since there had been a recent incident at Georgia Tech where 1.5 million pieces of personally identifying information was released. He wanted more proactive steps from the University, and higher education in general. He hoped the legislation gets the attention of Jeff Spring so that he gives a report to Senate on what his Office is doing on an annual basis.

Senator Amaya said she had a meeting with the Senator-Elects tomorrow morning in the KC. She also submitted legislation to Government Operations to eliminate TurboVote from the SAS.

**19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were no comments or announcements at this time.

**20. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Senator Flangas said there will be an event in in Libby Reading Room in the De La Mare Library for those interested in any President's Cabinet positions. Please talk to multiple people about the positions and encourage anyone they know who might be applying for the offices to come. She also encouraged any body members to come if they were applying for positions.

Senator Amaya asked Speaker Martinez to forward that information to the body.

Speaker Martinez said yes. Remember that our last meeting is next week. If you have a quick schpiel you wanted to say, be sure to write it out since that would help Secretary Godoy out so much.

**21. ADJOURNMENT**

Speaker Martinez adjourned the meeting at 7:06 pm.