# **Committee on Oversight**

Senate of the Associated Students 87<sup>th</sup> Session Minutes for Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 at 4:30pm Presidents Conference Room, Third Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

#### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Speaker Hughes called the meeting on Oversight to order on April 23, 2019 at 4:30pm in Room 317 on the third floor of The Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding Secretary, Morgan Zimmerman.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Speaker Hughes, and Senators Harvey, Prempeh, Doyle, Supple, Westerman were present. Senator Murphy was tardy excused.

Senator Rogers was absent excused.

A quorum was present.

# 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

### 4. MINUTES

There were no minutes to be approved at this time.

# 5. REPORTS

The Committee on Oversight shall hear reports from the following, to include but not be limited to: goals for their committees, projects and legislation being worked on, and announcements:

### a. Secretary of the Senate

On behalf of Secretary Godoy, Speaker Hughes said when everyone is making the times for their meetings, or if they change she needs to be updated on when the meeting will be, that way there will be a Secretary present. If you don't have a Secretary, the Vice Chair or somebody else will have to take meeting minutes, so that is really important to have done.

# b. Speaker Pro Tempore Keegan Murphy

There was no report at this time.

# c. Chair, Committee on Academics

Senator Supple said she did not have a report, but had a question.

Speaker Hughes said yes.

Senator Supple asked if they did not have a Secretary at the first meeting and it is prior to their Vice Chair being elected do we just have audio minutes.

Speaker Hughes said no, and asked Dr. Beattie.

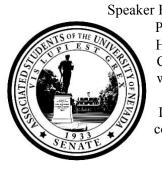
Dr. Beattie said just have someone volunteer.

Speaker Hughes asked if the Senators could report their meeting times as well.

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Senator Supple said this week it will be on Friday at 4:15 in the Presidents Conference Room, but for the next two weeks it will be at 4:00pm in the Presidents Conference Room.

## d. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance

Senator Prempeh said they will be discussing their goals at their first meeting, which will be on Monday at 11:00am in the Presidents Conference Room.

# e. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement

Senator Doyle said he adgenized for Fridays at 9:00am in the Presidents Conference Room. They will be discussing goals and electing a Vice Chair.

#### f. Chair, Committee on Government Operations

Senator Westerman said on Friday they will have their meeting at 8:00am in Room 406. their meetings will be Thursdays 3:00pm in Room 406. They will be discussing goals and electing a Vice Chair.

#### g. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs

Senator Harvey said this Friday they are meeting in the Presidents Conference Room at 1:30pm, for the next two weeks they will meet at 2:00pm on Fridays in the Presidents Conference Room. They will be talking about goals, assigning legislation, and electing a Vice Chair.

### h. Chair, Committee on University Affairs

There was no report at this time.

# i. Chair, Committee on Oversight

Speaker Hughes said the meeting will be next week at meeting at 8am in the Presidents Conference Room. Besides that, please ensure you are sending your meeting information to Senate Secretary Godoy so they can properly adgendize, for these reviews please ensure you are referencing what is included in the portfolio and in the SAS. It might be wise to just have that brought up on the Nevada Box as well as the SAS.

#### 6. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion on reviewing the Statutes of the Associated Students
Each member of the committee will present on a specific Title of the SAS and whether
there are any changes that need to be addressed.

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#### 7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Nomination of Davis Florence to the Office of Director of the Department of Clubs and Organizations. The Committee will consider the above-named nomination to Association office. The Committee may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under NRS 241.033 during consideration of this item. Under NRS 241.031, the meeting may not be closed.

President Martinez said he had a conflict of interest so Vice President Flangas will be introducing Davis because she did the interview with him, just for transparency reasons as for the record as to why I will not be introducing him.

Vice President Flangas said hello senators, she is here to speak on behalf of Davis Florence to the Office of Director of the Department of Clubs and Organizations. Davis has demonstrated a well rounded understanding of the department, positions, club cultures, and value of the internship program. But also that, he is responsible and understanding of fair expenditures, and the importance of the responsibility of the largest ASUN budget. Furthermore, what made him stand out was his understanding of what it meant to act as a public servant commitment, in the context of Clubs and Organizations. She is extremely proud of his commitment and emphasis on creating a culture here here commissioners are reaching out, and engaging with their clubs bridging the gap between students and the association, a goal that we should all be consistently vigilant about. Further, she wants to speak about his goals will create lasting infrastructure, which will build and work with students for the future. Including, the web campus module, a pilot NevadaFIT Club fair, and Director Focus Groups, just to name a few. We are extremely confident in how he will direct the department and look to accomplish these goals in a timely and effective manner.

Davis Florence said Good afternoon senators, congratulations on your new positions, I know you will all accomplish amazing things.

I would like to start by briefly introducing myself, I am currently finishing up my third year as a Community health and psychology student. One thing that has truly defined my college experience has been involving myself in various areas across campus. Not only have these experiences enhanced my time here thus far but has developed me into a dedicated public servant. Some of these experiences involve working with Admissions and Records which has given me the opportunity to serve thousands of students in a variety of different fields such as enrollment, admission, orientation, the LLC, and advanced registration. It involves working with the health science faculty in recruitment and advisement at NevadaBound, Orientation and high school college fairs. Most recently, it also involves serving the clubs and organizations as the Assistant Director of CO. I organized meetings, maintained the club support funding budget, and oversaw the department internship program to list a few of my functions. I plan to have an ambitious year as director and my main focus on customer service. The department of clubs and organizations has one of the largest reaches on campus because the number of clubs is always growing. This places a large responsibility on the department to serve them diligently. I will be requiring my department to attend club meetings and events of their respective coalitions. They will know the club leaders and will continually work on building rapport between clubs and our department. Much like outreach being a function of senators, outreach should also be an essential function of my commissioners. Building these relationships will help clubs learn about department procedures and feel more comfortable utilizing the services we provide. My focus on customer service can also be enhanced by starting director focus groups which will give clubs leaders an opportunity to present me issues or questions they have in our department procedures. This feedback will help spark ideas for yearly policy manual changes. Another main focus I want to have in on the transition of leadership between academic years. Generally,

club leaders are upperclassmen and when they graduate it can leave clubs without guidance and knowledge. I want to make sure the department is holding renewal workshops in the spring so that transition can be made as easily as possible. Being able to educate the new leaders before leaving for summer could empower clubs to utilize our resources to the fullest potential. A main goal of No Walls: 2025 is to create more well-rounded students and one of the aspects of that is being more engaged. Involvement in clubs and organizations increase involvement on campus and in turn increases academic performance and retention. Because of this, I would like to start a NevadaFIT club fair that is part of the official schedule and requires the students to walk through and see the variety of clubs and organizations we have to offer. One of the main goals of NevadaFIT is to increase academic performance and retention, which is why I think this idea is a no-brainer. I have many goals for the department and would love to answer any questions you may have for me. Thank you

Senator Doyle regarding the NevadaFIT club fair, NevadaFIT is the week before school, how will you have the members of each of the clubs be there for the club fair.

Davis Florence said club fairs are not required to attend, obviously we like to have as many as possible and would hope that as many clubs would come to this. He thinks that if they advertise it well enough, Clubs will see the impact of having a club fair for freshman is. This is a whole new batch of students that could be interested in their club. Hopefully they will want to take advantage of it, and if we do it towards the end of the week hopefully more members will be returning for the fall.

Senator Westerman said she has been working with Liberal Arts FIT, she is every familiar with it and the schedule. She knows that they are coming to a close with a final schedule. She asked if Davis has been in contact with the schedulers about this.

Davis Florence said he has not been in contact yet. It is just an idea he has been discussing with Director Bittar. It is something that has been brought up before, but has not been pursued. He thinks that even if it is something that can not be put into a schedule it is something that meets everyone's goals, he thinks it should be something that is engrained into NevadaFIT schedule, because it is going to be something that is required for all Freshman in years to come. In the benefit of the University as a whole he thinks it should be a consideration for NevadaFIT.

Senator Harvey asked how will he will ensure accountability when in commissioners when it comes to meeting with club leaders and acting as a lead.

Davis Florence said this is always a struggle. He wants to take it into his hiring process, he wants to ensure that the people he hires will I be dedicated to this. It would be nice to add something to their manual like outreach hours. They so serve a large group of people so it should be mandated that they are reaching out, and should be a part of the SAS and our manual as it is part of their duties that they are reaching out. It is not something he can make them do by word of mouth, it is something they need to do from the manual.

Senator Doyle said that he briefly mentioned his hiring process, and asked him to expand upon it a little bit more.

Davis Florence said one of his main goals is customer service, so he wants all of his commissioners to be customer service oriented. He is hoping that those who have experience in programming and with events like iLead will be able to help, a lot of what they do is time oriented and he does not want people to be forgetting their duties, but seeing that one of his main goals is customer service he needs his people to be dedicated to what they are doing.

Senator Westerman said he mentioned outreach, and asked what his ideas for outreach are.

Davis Florence said for commissioners it means going to events, and Assistant Director Green has been great about sending out the monthly events that clubs have registered with. events. He would like to start a new culture where those are being utilized and commissioners are going to clubs events. If they don't support clubs, they aren't viewed as people supporting them they are just viewed as who is funding them. He would really like to change that culture.

Senator Doyle said in the SAS it says that the Director of Clubs and Organizations is to manage the budget and the bank account. The budget from the spring is in the portfolio, but asked if he plans to analyze the budget for the entire year or if it is already set. He would like to speak to Assistant Director Green about sending out monthly or biweekly budget reports, so everyone can be more aware of the issues going on. They have had funding cuts, large amounts being requested, he wants the clubs to know what is going on. He believes that clubs were not requesting as much for Spring 2 because they were aware of the cuts being made for Spring 1. He wants to be as transparent for clubs as possible, because as students it is their money as well.

Senator Doyle asked if he plans on analyzing the trends in the budget as well, so they can remain consistent.

Davis Florence said this is something they track, so they do typically have a pretty good idea of what is going to be requested. They can see for Spring 1 they have \$130,000 requested, so they have a pretty good idea and they can usually base this off of these transactions, and asked if that answered his questions.

Senator Doyle said it did. Thank you.

Speaker Hughes asked for further questions, seeing none she informed Davis Florence that he can stay in the room, but they do ask that he steps outside. Once again, the purpose of this discussion is to ensure the candidate is qualified for the position at hand. Conversation should be related to his portfolio and his job duties.

Senator Westerman said she thinks he is very qualified and did a really great job answering the questions, especially since he hasn't worked with NevadaFIT yet, he emphasized just engraining these changes in the future

Senator Doyle said the position in the SAS is rather vague, but he thinks he did a wonderful job of highlighting every piece of the SAS and qualifications. He also mentioned wanting to be involved with the interns even though that is not a direct responsibility of the Director.

Senator Supple said he is focused on creating a culture, which is important for ASUN.

Senator Westerman moved to favorably recommend the Nomination of Davis Florence to the Office of Director of the Department of Clubs and Organizations Senator Prempeh seconded.

Motion carried.

Senator Murphy entered the room at 4:50pm

Speaker Hughes informed David Florence he was favorably recommended, and that he will be presenting at senate on 4/23.

David Florence said thank you so much.

Speaker Hughes said she did that a little backwards.

# b. Nomination of Gabrielle Lew to the Office of Director of the Department of Programming.

The Committee will consider the above-named nomination to Association office. The Committee may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under NRS 241.033 during consideration of this item. Under NRS 241.031, the meeting may not be closed.

Senator Harvey moved to favorably recommend Gabrielle Lew to the Office of Director of the Department of Programming.

Senator Prempeh seconded.

Speaker Hughes said before President Martinez and Gabi begin, she wants to ask everyone to be diligent listeners during presentations and conversations. Please opt out of being on computers and cell phones, she understands if they want to write things down, but it is super important that that are thoroughly listening and paying attention to the conversation at hand.

President Martinez said I am incredibly excited to introduce our next nominee, Gabi Lew for the Director of the Department of Event Programming. Gabi is a third-year student Pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Business Management with a Minor in Economics.

I cannot think of anyone else that is more qualified to lead this department. Gabi has been planning large scale events since high school, and from the moment she came to the university, she has been dedicated to making students feel connected to our campus.

Gabi has been involved in ASUN Programming since her first year and has since served as Programming Intern, Programmer, and Assistant Director for Marketing and Interns.

Gabi's roles within the department have given her the tools to understand both the day-to-day operations of the Department as well as the overarching purpose of why we do our programs and how they help our students. In addition to ways, we can best tailor our programs to fit the needs of our students.

Finally, her involvement with new student initiatives and various campus organization has given her the knowledge about what programs would be most impactful for our students. I could continue talking about her qualifications but I'll let Gabi share with you why she is an excellent nominee for the Director of the Department of Event Programming.

Gabrielle Lew said she was passing around a revised copy of the SAS; it is not online yet.

Speaker Hughes said she can begin whenever she's ready.

Gabrielle Lew said Hello! So as Anthony said before, my name is Gabi and since he kind of went over my qualifications, I am going to go ahead and skip over that since you guys all have my resume available in front of you. With that said, where I want to start first is by telling you a little bit about myself so that you can get a better feel for who I am. First, things that I like to do: organize things, people, objects, emails, my room, really anything that involves putting things where they are supposed to go. I enjoy meeting new people. I enjoy being able to serve other students. Secondly, things that I value and care about: accountability, being open minded and honest, having genuine interactions and communication with others. Lastly, things that I want: I want to work with and surround myself with other people who are as passionate, driven, meticulous, and honest as I am. There is a reason that I have been in ASUN for three years and that is because I truly value the experiences, opportunities, and relationships that I have made during my time serving the students. These are the things that matter to me, and I can't think of a

better way for me gain all of these things than to be continue in the Department of Event Programming, which I have grown to love so much.

Now, I am going to move in to talking about my goals. If you have any questions about any of them, I would be happy to answer then afterwards during the question and answer portion.

- 1. Quality over quantity. This goal is consistent with the Martinez-Flangas campaign and focuses on creating large-scale, quality programming events that use student fees in the best and most efficient manner possible. I believe in creating to the majority and appealing to the most students with our events as possible.
- 2. Be representative of student voices. Over the past semester, Director Lensch, Assistant Director Thummel, and I have been working on sending out surveys to students after our events. Between these survey and outreach at our events, it is my goal to have our events reflect their feedback as much as possible. I want to make sure that our events don't just represent what I want to see, but what the students want to see.
- 3. Create a board that values accountability, transparency, and servitude. These three things are very core values that I not only embody in the workplace, but in all aspects of life. Skills like being able to meet deadlines, to arrive to event prepared, to maintain effective relationships, and to communicate effectively are all essential to the success of the department. Additionally, it is crucial for these members to understand our purpose. We are here to serve the students. That is why our department exists. To serve the students, to the lead the students, and to give them enjoyment at the University of Nevada.
- 4. Increase Student Engagement and create a positive perception of Homecoming Week. In recent years, Homecoming's look and feel has changed dramatically due to changes in both ASUN goals and campus climate. I intend to create a committee of university departments that will meet together and build a Homecoming Week that best satisfies the concerns of all parties.
- 5. Reestablish the Welcome Week Concert. While BLF has been very successful in the past, each BLF following has become smaller and less extravagant than the one before it. The truth is that based on our experiences, it is no longer the most effective way to use student funds. I would like to bring back the concept of a simple Welcome Week Concert which focuses on bringing in a headliner that students really want to see.

Speaker Hughes asked for questions.

Senator Murphy asked about feedback after events, and how they pans to get that from students.

Gabrielle Lew said yes, actually this semester Director Lensch, Assistant Director Thummell and herself worked on surveys. They met with with Lisa who is in charge of assessments and surveys for the University, she helped is create an 18 question survey. They sent them out to everyone who signed up to attend the Drag Show, The Diversity Summit Speaker, and The Spring Concert. After those events they sent those out, they have different questions relating to each event and were able to get some great feedback that way. That is our largest starting point right now in using that information to plan next years' events.

Senator Supple asked regarding her first goal quality over quantity if there are multiple small and specific events, and a couple larger events, she doesn't think that aligns with her goal of transparency and visibility, how do you make them visible to students.

Gabrielle Lew asked if Senator Supple was asking if she does have the smaller events planned.

Senator Supple said kind of yes.

Gabrielle Lew said the goal of this is to not have super small small events. They had events this year

where we were the only ones who came. So, instead of spending money on niche events she wants to be spending time and money on those larger events that benefit all students.

Senator Harvey asked about the third goal relating to accountability, and how she plans on practicing and ensuring accountability.

Gabrielle Lew said in the last two years, they have had a contract. The programming board makes this, and essentially each programmer and intern signs the contract it outlines all of the events for the year. If you look later in her portfolio, it details all the events, how to act, appropriate communication, etc. They have a three strike system. If someone does not show up, or they don't do to SEAB, they receive a strike, and three strikes you're out. This has proven to be really effective. This is a great way to hold people accountable because they are only getting three chances. The other two, transparency and servitude. She believes that transparency begins with her and being a leader, if she is transparent with her board she sets that example. It allows for transparent and effective mutual respect and is a training conversation, which is a conversation that she wants to have. This also relates to servitude, she always makes a point during interviews that this position is about servitude and serving the students, not for any personal reason. Finally, that does tie directly into servitude and the values that we have.

Dr. Beattie said for point of context, the whole reason that Clubs and Orgs funding was greatest was for those smaller club events. ASUN is set up so the programming board can focus on those larger scale events. That \$190,000 or so that Luke gave out is so programming can hold those larger scale events.

Senator Doyle said one of her goals relates to accountability and servitude, asked how that will that balance with the duties in the SAS related to her position.

Gabrielle Lew asked like how she will balance these goals in general, so sorry.

Senator Doyle asked in creating this board how will she balance these goals/values in general.

Gabrielle Lew said, okay yes this is a a big thing that applies to both in house and out of house, if that makes sense. In house super important because she needs to trust that her programmers are going to get their things done in time, and that they are going to be organized, that they are not going to forget anything major at an event, and that they are going to look good from student perspective. This is super important in serving the students. She needs to know that she can trust those in training. Her name is essentially placed on every event, and it is super important to know that she can trust those planning. She's not going to get mad if someone forgets a task, they will figure it out but it is important that they can be honest and trust each other. They will figure out a way but they can not figure out away if they are transparent, as long as she is informed she is never going to get mad. This is something that is super important in house. Programming works crazy hours and physical work, the worst thing is when programmers are trying to pass out food really fast because they want to be done, and don't want to stand there in the sun. That is the worst thing and that makes her really mad, she things if they advertise 10-2 they should be there from 10-2. They owe the students that, the students are expecting that. That is the biggest thing with servitude. That goal was made mostly in house so that we look presentable and on time and excited to serve the students from an outward perspective.

Senator Westerman said in her goal of representing students voices, she mentioned outreach. What are some other methods of outreach she has in mind in addition to the surveys.

Gabrielle Lew said that their biggest form of outreach is always physically at the events, asking students questions, talking to them, reaching out to them. That physical boots on the ground interaction is how they interact with students most. She believes she has the most face to face interaction with students than most officers to, mostly because she is out serving them interacting with each one. Talking to students and asking questions is a great way to create a positive perception of ASUN as a whole.

Senator Doyle asked how they plan on embodying servitude when it comes to almost the bad rap that programming gets, especially after BLF.

Gabrielle Lew said yes, that is a difficult, and that is something that they want to make the students feel heard on. This is a large reason as to why they did do the spring concert. They knew they had a negative persona about them. She thinks that it will be continuing to do the events they want to see. Continuing the bog events that they are known for, and honestly as much as it sucks to say bringing in decent headliners because half of the time that's all they really care about. That is where they lost trust, is students did not like the headliner. The perception of what ASUN does is so small, it is almost limited to BLF and the Spring Concert, she thinks that is where they need to regain trust.

Senator Doyle asked how they will be transitioning out of BLF.

Gabrielle Lew said transitioning to the Welcome Week Concert should not be too difficult because BLF is only three years old. So, it used to be a concert. The difference between BLF and a welcome week concert is that BLF has ferris wheels, and zip lines, and food trucks and all of these things. Realistically, something like that take months to plan. When BLF was most successful they started planning in February, realistically she does not have that kind of time as it is almost May. So, it worked because they had no much time but she no longer has that kind of time, slowly it has become smaller and is already the size of a concert. It was no longer a festival but it was advertised as that. All it is, is changing the name and moving it a week up. She has considered keeping the name but she thinks it is not something that they have the time to do in the best manner.

Speaker Hughes said awesome. She is free to stay for discussion, but they do ask that she steps outside.

Senator Prempeh said he thinks she is extremely well qualified and answered every question extremely well and thoroughly. That shows the amount of preparation she has put in.

Senator Harvey agreed, the one thing she did want to ask about and still consider is her fourth goal of creating a committee of students and asking if she has already begun to reach out. She thinks this would be a really helpful initiative and she would want to make sure that takes off. Regards to the Welcome Week concert, she is responding quickly to negative backlash. She thinks that is really well thought out on her part.

Senator Westerman said she really appreciates her goals and realistic efforts to rebrand programming again. Especially with student feedback goals, as making the students happy is the number one way to regain trust again.

Speaker Hughes asked if there was any discussion relating to her not meeting the qualifications.

All were in favor of favorably recommending Gabrielle Lew. Motion carried.

Speaker Hughes informed Gabrielle Lew she was favorably recommended, and that she will be presenting at senate on 4/23.

#### c. Nomination of Austin Brown to the Office of Chief Presidential Aid.

The Committee will consider the above-named nomination to Association office. The Committee may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under NRS 241.033 during consideration of this item. Under NRS 241.031, the meeting may not be closed

Senator Supple moved to favorably recommend the nomination of Austin Brown to the Office of Chief Presidential Aid.

Senator Prempeh seconded.

President Martinez said Austin Brown is an incoming sophomore studying psychology and he is currently enrolled in the honors college here at the university. He has been an involved leader both on campus and in the Reno community. On campus, where he has served in RHA and ASUN, and Off campus, he has worked with NASC -> and other customer service oriented jobs. This past year, Austin has served as a Judicial Intern for ASUN, where he was introduced to the association bring in new ideas and trying to collaborate with individuals outside of the Judicial Department. He had clearly exceeded most every expectation of the role of an Intern. Austin again has tons of experience planning events and working in leadership development and campus leaders with his experience in NASC Austin brings many great strengths to the role of Chief of Staff, but the ones that are incredibly strong to me are his incredible work ethic and his ability to be the right-handed individual necessary in any given situation. Ready to pick up a task that needs to be finished, further oversight, or a challenging an idea with a diverse perspective. Austin is a wonderful leader and is incredibly invested in the success of this organization, future interns and all of you. I cannot wait for him to share his vision with you.

Austin Brown said he is handing out the potential intern syllabus so everyone can look over it while he is presenting. Like the previous nominee said he will not be going over his qualifications, everyone has his resume as well. Some of his goals come straight from the SAS, the first goal is Association Success. The President and the Vice President are responsible for so much, for him it would be incredible for me to make their job better so they can do their best. Next, Intern Success. The interns are an incredible part of this association, coming straight out of the internship program himself he knows that, and had an amazing experience he wants to show them. The interns shape the future for ASUN and are an incredible asset, this is a crucial part of ASUN and what they can do as a whole. He wants to ensure the internship embodies well rounded individuals including academics, social, and professional. He wants well rounded individuals at the end. Teamwork is huge in planning the retreat, there are goals and it is his job to aide in helping plan the retreat, and making sure the platform and everyone goes to the retreat knowing that they have a support system in the association. That they have best friends, and individuals they can rely on to work with. Next, pushing others to do the best, this is best for ASUN as well. They are all here to serve the students, and it is important to check in with other officers so everyone can do their best to serve the association and ASUN as a whole. Finally, create and Allow more money from the John Mackay Endowment Fund, this is a huge assistance that ASUN offers. He thinks there is not a lot of knowledge about it, he would like to spread awareness about what can be done. He would live to set up an event, or banquet with alumni, asking about donations to set platform and groundwork for this fund.

Senator Harvey asked about the internship program, as the Chief Presidential Aide that is large function of your duties. Will he implement any professional development programs, for success in the future of leadership roles.

Austin Brown said absolutely. Part of the criteria is that they present a 4-year and a 10-year presentation. The four year goals are academic, professional, etc. This relates to goal setting and presentation skills. The 10 year is their final project on what they would like ASUN to look like 10 years in the future. This can be an individual project or a project with another intern, this is a very similar project to the one at the ASUN retreat. This aide's professional development and collaboration.

Senator Harvey asked what he will do to foster professional and personal relationships between himself and the interns.

Austin Brown said he had a wonderful mentor, and he would like to use that. As a branch it would be awesome to have one on one meetings ensuring they have what they need from the organization.

Senator Supple said as per the SAS, the Chief Presidential Aide goes over the logistics of the whole internship process. Are there ways that your goals can be included in the other internship programs as well.

Austin Brown said absolutely. He would love to sit down with the other internship leads. He would like to sit down and come up with a collaborative syllabus, so they can come up with a minimum and then tailor it to what each individual department needs.

Senator Murphy said he will be running the internship, a few questions. Asked if the goals for his executive internship are mandatory for all of the internship programs as well.

Austin Brown said absolutely. These are my personal goals and are definitely changeable. He would like to see something comparable related to his internship program so all internships are getting a fair experience.

Senator Murphy said he has another goal, interns will select top three departments and group interviews based on that. Does he think there will be a time conflict having to pick one time.

Austin Brown said he thinks if there are many it can be broken up into two. Setting that system up was to avoid conflict and wants to make sure everyone is thriving in the department they are put in.

Senator Murphy asked if there was one basic application or if there would be separate detailed applications.

Austin Brown said just one basic application with top three choices that would be sent to department heads.

Senator Harvey wanted to touch on his goals with the endowment fund, asked what preliminary actionably steps are on getting the ball rolling related to that.

Austin Brown said he would like to come up with a plan, date, and invites. Possible ASUN alumni, and branching out to other areas on campus relating to contributions like athletics, etc.

Senator Westerman asked about older interns and how he would make them feel included, for example all different backgrounds and diversity.

Austin Brown said he thinks that his goals can be applicable for all stages of one's academic career. Even if one was a senior coming into this internship. It is important for the department head to be making these connections

Senator Prempeh asked about promotion and how the program gets as many applicants as possible.

Austin Brown said they are going to start right off the bat working with inkblot. Hopefully those incoming in the fall can be reached out to through orientation, and NevadaFIT

Senator Supple asked about his ideas for retreat and how he will encompass ASUN values into that.

Austin Brown said he discussed a theme, but coming up with a moral principle to be enforced. Coming up with core values and building upon those all year long. Connecting and reinforcing is crucial.

Speaker Hughes said thank you, they will be moving into discussion.

Senator Harvey said she liked his focus, and hopes he talks with previous Chief to carry on a lot of the

ideas that the last Chief did were very effective.

Senator Murphy said he agrees. He appreciates his flexibility and goal to create a cohesive internship program across all departments.

Senator Westerman said, perhaps what he lacks in experience in ASUN, he definitely makes up with drive ambition, plan, and initiative.

Speaker Hughes asked if there was any discussion related to him not meeting the qualifications.

Senators Harvey, Prempeh, Murphy, Supple, Westerman were in favor. Senator Doyle abstained due to a personal relationship with the candidate. Motion carried.

Speaker Hughes informed Austin Brown he was favorably recommended, and that he will be presenting at senate on 4/23.

# d. Nomination of Omar Moore to the Office of Attorney General.

The Committee will consider the above-named nomination to Association office. The Committee may consider the character, professional competence, physical or mental health, or other matters permissible under NRS 241.033 during consideration of this item. Under NRS 241.031, the meeting may not be closed.

Senator Harvey moved to favorably recommend Omar Moore to the Office of Attorney General.

Senator Prempeh seconded.

Vice President Flangas said for the record she will be presenting Omar Moore, as Hannah made commitments that President Martinez needed to be present for. Omar Moore was selected due to his extensive knowledge of the SAS, and ASUN procedure and precedence. Of the work, research, and goals that both he and Daniel Little have continued to work on regarding the election code. He understands the importance of crating fair, logical, and reasonable goals. In his interview Nominee Moore expressed the importance in maintaining the integrity of the SAS which are not the will of the President, but the students. This kind of integrity in decision making to logical, fair decision making relating to decision making makes him not on our Attorney General but also a public servant dedicated to fair governance and fair standards for governing. We are confident that he will continue to serve the association with the same quality of service, and will make much needed, accessible, and fair additions to the governing doctrines.

Omar Moore said hi everyone. He will keep it brief because he knows he is limited on time. To start on why he wants the position, or why he would like to remain in the position, he thinks when he was asked this question in the interview solidified this. Being in this potion, invariably changed his perspective as a student, it was very eye opening and trivialized any experience when you're not an officer. Being a student can be much more than just being an officer. It can be taking a role and can affect other students and change. That is part of his portfolio, but is a main reason. Additionally, he has always been fascinated by prosecution, and the role has always been intriguing for him. He worked in the DA's office and in the future he would like to become a career prosecutor. This is good practice, and is definitely something he wants to peruse. Beyond that, moving into the portfolio. The first goal is oriented about the role, relating to duty expansion. Attorney General is an ambiguous role, months into my term I get questions asking what I do. He likes to do things that help people recognize what his

role is. Dr. Beattie put him in contact with Dr. Rita Laden who works with the office of student contact, and facilitates board meetings. The role of those in the presidents cabinet is to act as a proxy for the president. So, this is one that is generally required but one that we have the opportunity to participate in. Crisis is actually taking action in response to students. This is an opportunity to actually engage in that direction. They are reactionary, academic integrity, and sexual assault board. Mandatory training to develop competent members of each board, this is a way the university can aide in creating unique members of the association. The second goal is oriented around election reform, which takes gear around the back half of the term. As Nicole mentioned he has already been working on a number of ideas with Dr. Beattie and Daniel Little the Director of Elections. Just to keep it brief ideas regard assistance with financing, empirical drop offs due to financial barriers, we want to take down these barriers, working with other statues with other universities, appeals processes, campaign deposit. When I ran three or four dropped of after deposit was due, decreasing the number of deterrents. General time frame, this could start ASAP.

Senator Doyle said he appreciated the expansion on the goals, but asked if he could highlight how he will pursue the doctrines in the SAS.

Omar Moore said absolutely. One of the things that VP Flangas talked about was maintaining quality of treatment, I hope to do that. I have experience with that over the last year. He intends to continue to same delicate treatment of the documents that he has over the last year. He has them published form the last term, yes there is more to be done proactively. Generally with the current roles, he would like to regulate current roles, and tweak ethics so he can help with agendizing for meetings better.

Senator Supple asked as per the last session, when elections came around and there were two elections violations codes. It is in his job duties to investigate and prosecute. The charges were not accepted because they were too late. How will this be avoided and fixed.

Omar Moore said that would be on page 8, where it is mentioned general procedures for charge. This would be important for a SAS revision, in previous discussions with Dr. Beattie they have discussed that there are arbitrary to dictate when things should be taking place. These are not the most cohesive or effective ways to delegate. This is not exactly doable for expectations; I will say for those incidences historically there are 5-6 cases that were not heard for the reason. The reason that it was after spring break was because that is when class resumed. This will not be a problem in the future, making this a two-year term positon would hopefully crease out all of the wrinkles. He would say this is something that could be avoidable in the future.

Senator Harvey asked for clarification relating to his first goal in duty expansion, and whether he would have influence on decision making.

Omar Moore it is a hearing board so it is a decision making body. They are the arbiters of what the outcome of cases is. If it is sexual assault it will be how the office of student conduct handles that. In the past he has known people involved, so he would have to recuse himself in that kind of circumstance.

Speaker Hughes moved into discussion.

Senator Westerman said she thinks although he has held the potion before, when he was asked specifically how he would uphold the doctrines of the SAS he did not exactly answer the question specifically. If someone has not experienced what he did last year,

he should have explained this a little bit better. He also failed to answer Senator Supple's question relating to election violations. He did not take responsibility for the misfiling.

Senator Hughes said just for clarification on that point. She does not think he actually explained that well enough, she sat in on the conversation and they determined that the rules are incredibly arbitrary and set up a system that can not be upheld effectively because of the time frame. So, those are just kind of things that are seen in the SAS that are an issue. Keep in mind that he did mention he was going to change them. That is an effective method that he has discussed, hope that adds context.

Senator Harvey agrees that he did brush over it, but claims a lot of the duties assigned are small one time duties. So, she thinks those are things he is already doing, he did talk about continuing duties. She has good faith he would continue, in addition to his goals.

Senator Supple understand but if one of them did not fulfill elections code it would mean nothing. It was required of him and did not follow through.

Senator Doyle said it would be good to have some transparency. Stating he plans to uphold the duties is a little vague. Especially when it is being mentioned that he has not done so.

Senator Westerman said based on the fact that they are trying to determine whether he is qualified, based on what he presented today, it does not seem that they have enough information to determine. Stating that he has done the job in the past is not enough to determine.

Speaker Hughes said she does want to reiterate, that if he is not favorable recommended, it will not be heard at senate and the the entire process will be delayed. Favorable recommendation is an option so he can be seen, where he can provide more information at that time so that they are not delaying the process. This is not approving him; we are simply saying he should be seen at senate. This way we can provide this information to him so he can bring more information to senate.

Senator Westerman asked for a point of clarification. When she says the process will be delayed, what does that entail.

Speaker Hughes said she would like everyone to keep in mind that they are not appointing him, they are just favorably recommending him. They do need an attorney general. They would have to start the process over if he was not favorably recommended to go to senate. Keep in mind we can see this, and provide him with feedback in order to open this discussion up with all of the senators.

Senators Harvey, Prempeh, Doyle, Murphy, Supple, and Westerman aye. Senator Supple neigh.

Motion carried.

Speaker Hughes said thank you and informed Omar Moore he was favorably recommended, and that he would be presenting at senate on 4/23.

# 8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Vice President Flangas said she would like to speak about Omar Moore.

Speaker Hughes says they are out of time, but she has a minute.

Vice President Flangas said is they have these kind of concerns they should ask them line by line in the SAS, which is what we did in the interview. You can't speak about something that you haven't spoken to him about, asking him ambiguously about the SAS, he is going to give ambiguous answers. She would do the same, she knows he has those answers ready because she asked him those questions exactly.

### 9. ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Hughes adjourned the meeting at 5:48pm.

### 10. NOTES.

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FROM: Anthony Martinez, President

TO: Savannah Hughes, Speaker of the 87th Session of the ASUN Senate

DATE: April 17th, 2019

RE: Nominations to Association Offices

# To the Senate of the Associated Students:

I nominate the following individuals to their respective offices:

- 1. Nomination of Davis Florence to the office of Director of the Department of Clubs and Organizations.
- 2. Nomination of Gabrielle Lew to the office of Director of The Department of Event Programming.
- 3. Nomination of Austin Brown to the office of Chief Presidential Aide.
- 4. Nomination of Omar Moore to the office of Attorney General.

Respectfully,

**Anthony Martinez** 

President

The Associated Students of the University of Nevada