

87th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, May 1st, 2019 at 5:30 P.M.

Rita Laden Senate Chambers, Third Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER***
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE***
3. **ROLL CALL***
4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from April 17th, 2019. The Senate will discuss the minutes of April 17th, 2019 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- b. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from April 24th, 2019. The Senate will discuss the minutes of April 24th, 2019 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT***

Items heard under public comment may be for items either on or off the agenda. Action may not be taken on items raised under public comment. The Speaker may elect to take public comment on action items on this agenda. The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

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

The Senate will receive communications addressed to the Senate and, if necessary, refer each to the appropriate committee. No action will be taken on communications other than referring them to committee unless placed on the fast-track agenda.

- a. Resignation of Kate Groesbeck, Chief Justice
- b. Resignation of Jessica Velazquez, Associate Justice
- c. Nominations, Open Senate Seat for the College of Liberal Arts

7. **REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS**

The Speaker shall recognize any senior officer of the Association, including the Secretary, to offer a report on his or her official activities since the previous meeting and make any summary announcements he or she deems necessary for no longer than five minutes.

- a. President of the Associated Students, Anthony Martinez
- b. Vice President of the Associated Students, Nicole Flangas
- c. Chief of Staff, Austin Brown

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- d. Chief Justice
- d. Director of Campus and Public Relations
- e. Attorney General, Omar Moore
- f. Director of Programming, Gabrielle Lew
- g. Director of Sustainability
- h. Director of Wellness
- i. Director of Legislative Affairs
- j. Director of Diversity and Inclusion
- k. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Davis Florence

8. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES*

The Speaker shall recognize the chairperson of each standing committee, in alphabetical order, and then each special committee, in alphabetical order, to report for no longer than five minutes on the committee's activities since the previous meeting

- a. Chair, Committee on Academics- Senator Harvey
- b. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance- Senator Prempeh
- c. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement- Senator Doyle
- d. Chair, Committee on Government Operations- Senator Supple
- e. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs- Senator Westerman
- f. Chair, Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness- Senator Komanduri
- g. Chair, Committee on University Affairs- Senator Rogers
- h. Speaker Pro-Tempore- Senator Murphy
- i. Chair, Committee on Oversight- Speaker Hughes

9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

The Speaker shall recognize in turn senators requesting the floor for a period not to exceed two minutes. The total time for Comments and Announcements before the first reading of legislation shall not exceed fifteen minutes.

10. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK APPOINTMENTS

The motion to fast track a resolution or appointment confirmation shall be in order if recommended by the committee of relevant jurisdiction.

There are no appointments to be fast-tracked at this time.

11. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS OF SENATORS AND ASUN OFFICIALS

The Senate will consider the following nominations for Association office. When the Senate has concluded its deliberations, the Senate may approve the nomination, reject the nomination, or take no action upon the nomination.

- a. **The following nominations were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate on April 23rd, 2019:**
 - i. **NOMINATION OF AYANNA RELEFORD TO THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**

The Senate will consider the above-named nomination to Association office. The Senate 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. When the Senate has concluded its deliberations, they may approve the nomination, reject the nomination, or take no action

ii. **NOMINATION OF KRISTEN de GUZMAN TO THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS**

The Senate will consider the above-named nomination to Association office. The Senate 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. When the Senate has concluded its deliberations, they may approve the nomination, reject the nomination, or take no action

12. CONSENT AGENDA

The Speaker shall sequentially proceed through such acts of legislation that have been previously been placed on the consent agenda. Such acts shall be considered adopted by consent, unless a single senator rises in objection thereto. All acts so objected are immediately placed on the end of the agenda for second reading.

- a. **NOMINATION OF JAY DON SCOTT TO THE OFFICE OF THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING SENATOR** The Senate will appoint the above named nomination to the Senate seat. According to Article II, Section 1, Subsection F - APPOINTMENT AFTER ELECTION OF SPEAKER. "After the election of the Speaker by the Senate, the first runner-up of the Speaker's college or school of which they were elected shall be appointed to the Senate at the meeting following the election of the Speaker. If there was no runner-up from the college of which the Speaker was elected, the Senate shall fill the vacancy as the Senate by law provides to fill any other vacancy of the Senate."

13. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION

The following bills and resolutions will receive their first reading and may be considered under item 16 of this agenda:

- a. S.B. 87- An Act to Award Daniel Fred 2018 Faculty Member of the Year

14. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK LEGISLATION

A senator may move that legislation under item 16 of this agenda be considered at this meeting. Such a motion shall only be in order provided that a one-day notice has been given to the speaker. The motion shall be decided without debate and shall require the consent of a two-thirds majority of the senate. There is no legislation to be read now.

- a. S.B. 87- An Act to Award Daniel Fred 2018 Faculty Member of the Year

For further detail on each of the listed action items please see the support documents posted with this agenda. All action items may consist of legislation and supporting material for each respective action item.

15. REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE

The Speaker shall refer all legislation read the first time and not fast tracked to committee.

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

16. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION

The following bills and resolutions will receive their second reading and may be considered:

- a. S.B. 87- An Act to Award Daniel Fred 2018 Faculty Member of the Year

For further detail on each of the listed action items please see the support documents posted with this agenda. All action items may consist of legislation and supporting material for each respective action item.

17. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- a. **Senate Committee Changes**

The Senate may make changes to committee assignments by resolution

- b. **Senator Reports**

The Senate will share progress they have made in ASUN-related activities that they have been working on.

18. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

The Speaker shall recognize in turn Senators requesting the floor for a period not to exceed two minutes.

19. PUBLIC COMMENT*

The Speaker may elect to take public comment on items on or off this agenda. The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

20. ADJOURNMENT

Notes:

Unless otherwise marked by an asterisk, all agenda items are action items upon which the Senate may take action.

Action items may be taken out of the order to be presented at the discretion of the Chair.

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From: Kate Groesbeck, Chief Justice of Judicial Council
To: ASUN Senate
Date: April 23, 2019
Subject: Resignation Letter

Dear Speaker Hughes and the Senators of the 87th Session:

Please accept this letter as my formal resignation as Chief Justice of ASUN.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my time in ASUN. In fact, my only regret is not getting involved sooner. Part of me is envious of everyone at this table, because you all have time left to make a difference. I advise you to slow down and enjoy it. I promise it'll go faster than you think.

First I want to thank President Jackson for nominating me for this position. I appreciate her faith in me, and I am incredibly grateful that she gave me this opportunity. I am also grateful to Justices Campbell, Canfield, Smith, and Velazquez for their contributions to Judicial Council. I also want to thank the Judicial interns, Justin, Austin, Tori, and Payton. Working with them has been the highlight of my year. I am proud of the work that we all did in making Judicial a more legitimate branch of ASUN. I would also like to thank Dr. Beattie for being our advisor. I came into this position with absolutely no clue, and I appreciate him taking the time to make sure I understood what was happening.

And finally, to Speaker Hughes (you don't know how proud I am to call you that), it has been a privilege. I truly could not have asked for a better partner in the menstrual hygiene initiative. I so admire your dedication to public service and your desire to improve this university. You inspire me everyday.

I wish the Association all of the best moving forward. Thank you for this experience.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kate Groesbeck'.

Kate Groesbeck
Chief Justice of ASUN



From: Justice Jessica Velazquez, Associate Justice of Judicial Council
To: ASUN Senate
Date: April 24, 2019
Subject: Resignation Letter

Dear Speaker Hughes and the Senators of the 87th Session:

Please accept this letter as my formal resignation as Associate Justice of the Judicial Council of ASUN.

Being apart of the Judicial Council has genuinely been one of the highlights of my college experience. From the time I got nominated by President Jackson and approved by the ASUN Senate, I have been able to meet and connect with fellow ASUN representatives and gain first-hand experience in student government. I am extremely grateful to have been granted the opportunity to work alongside Justices Campbell, Canfield, and Smith. It was an absolute pleasure to work under Chief Justice Groesbeck. From reviewing and editing governing documents such as the Constitution and the SAS to discussing past cases, it was amazing to be a member of the Judicial Council and contribute to the Associated Students of Nevada.

Throughout the year I have experienced professional and personal development. Through ASUN, I have been granted access to connections with fellow students, professors, and administration. ASUN's commitment to improving this campus is inspiring. The tireless efforts to make even the smallest aspects more accessible, more diverse, more inclusive is truly moving. It has been an honor to have been apart of that.

I wish the Association nothing but the best moving forward. It has truly been a privilege to have this experience.

Best,

Jessica Velazquez
Associate Justice of ASUN



FROM: Anthony Martinez, President
TO: Savannah Hughes, Speaker of the 87th Session of the ASUN Senate
DATE: April 23rd, 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 **Ayanna Releford** to the office of Director of the Department of Diversity and Inclusion
2. Nomination of **Kristen de Guzman** to the office of Director of Campus and Public Relations

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony Martinez', is written over a light gray rectangular background.

Anthony Martinez
President
The Associated Students of the University of Nevada



From: Hayley Collins, Senator for the College of Science
TO: Speaker Hughes
Date: April 23, 2019
RE: S.B 87 – An Act to Award Daniel Fred for 2018 Faculty Member of the Year

Hello Speaker Hughes,

This piece of legislation is regarding the 2018 Faculty Member of the Year, Daniel Fred, who was determined as the award recipient by ASUN's 86th session Committee on Academics. This award is time sensitive, as the recipient has already been notified. In order to maintain the timeline of this award, I would like this bill to be fast tracked. The current chair for the Committee on Academics, Senator Harvey, and I have thoroughly reviewed the piece of legislation.

Respectfully,

Hayley Collins

Senator Collins, Senator for the College of Science

87th Senate Session

Associated Students of the University of Nevada

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

87th SESSION
2019-2020

S. B. 87-

An Act to Award Daniel Fred 2018 Faculty Member of the Year

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

APRIL 19, 2019

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR COLLINS

A Bill

To Award Daniel Fred 2018 Faculty Member of the Year

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Whereas, there is an established ASUN Faculty of the Year Award according to Title XXIV in the Statues of the Associated Students (SAS);

Whereas, according to Title XXIV, Section 2, the purpose of the ASUN Faculty of the Year Award is to recognize exceptional University of Nevada Faculty;

Whereas, according to Title XXIV, Section 6, the Senate Committee on Academics holds purview over the selection of award recipients from applications received;

Whereas, the Committee on Academics is responsible for creating appropriate channels for students to submit applications;

Whereas, students' nominations were collected through a survey sent across the University's undergraduate student email list serve;

Whereas, the following question was posed to the undergraduate students:

13 “Who do you recommend as an outstanding faculty member at the University of Nevada, Reno to be
14 selected as the 2018 Faculty Member of the Year? This may include any part-time or full-time
15 professor, administrative, or staff personnel on campus. (Last name, First name)”;

16 *Whereas*, Daniel Fred received the most nominations from the total 502 nominations;

17 *Whereas*, Daniel Fred received qualitative feedback that stated, “Daniel Fred goes out of his way
18 to not only be an exceptional professor but he is an inspiring person and outstanding leader on this
19 campus,”

20 *Whereas*, another student stated, “This professor has truly gone above and beyond to not only
21 make sure his students get the most out of his class but he has also does an outstanding job being
22 there for his students and only makes improvements going forward when it comes to his class,”;

23 *Whereas*, according to Section 6 the chosen winner shall receive a plaque of recognition and
24 legislation naming them the ASUN Faculty Member of the Year.

25 *Be it enacted*, Daniel Fred be formally awarded as the 2018 Faculty Member of the Year.

26 *Be it further enacted*, “*Daniel Fred*” receives a plaque from ASUN to be recognize as 2018 Faculty
27 Member of the Year.

28 *Be it further enacted*, for this legislation to be sent to the University President Marc Johnson, the
29 Provost Kevin Carmen, Dean Trudy Larson, Director Nancy Roget, and the award recipient Daniel
30 Fred.