

87th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, March 11th, 2020 at 5:30 P.M.

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

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER*

Call Meeting to Order must be listed by Senate Secretaries

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE*

3. ROLL CALL*

Roll Call must be listed by Senate Secretaries

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from January 22nd, 2020. The Senate will discuss the minutes of January 22nd, 2020 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 January 29th, 2020. The Senate will discuss the minutes of January 29th, 2020 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- c. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from February 12th, 2020. The Senate will discuss the minutes of February 12th, 2020 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- d. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from February 26th, 2020. The Senate will discuss the minutes of February 26th, 2020 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- e. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from March 4th, 2020. The Senate will discuss the minutes of March 4th, 2020 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.

- a. Daniel Scruggs, Program Outreach Coordinator for the Office of Diversity and Inclusion

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. Nomination of Malaya McCoy to the Office of Commissioner to the Department of Clubs and Organizations

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ON THE THIRD WORKING DAY BEFORE THE MEETING

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If you would like a copy of any of the agenda items listed, please contact Savannah Hughes at 775-784-6589 or Speaker@asun.unr.edu.



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
- d. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Davis Florence
- e. Director Event Programming, Gabrielle Lew
- f. Director of Legislative Affairs, Joko Callies
- g. Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Ayanna Releford
- h. Director of Sustainability, Zachary Green
- i. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Kristen de Guzman
- j. Director of Campus Wellness, Claudia Feil
- k. Attorney General, Omar Moore
- l. Chief Justice, Payton Hart
- m. Speaker of the Senate, Savannah Hughes

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 University Affairs-Senator Rogers
- g. Chair, Committee on Safety, Sustainability and Wellness-Senator Komanduri
- 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. MOTION TO FAST-TRACK APPOINTMENTS

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

- a. Nomination of Malaya McCoy to the Office of Commissioner to the Department of Clubs and Organizations

11. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT 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. NOMINATION OF MALAYA MCCOY TO THE OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

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. VETO MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Senate may reconsider acts vetoed by the ASUN President if they are returned by the President with his objections.

There are no veto messages at this time.

13. 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.

There was no legislation filed for the Consent Agenda.

14. 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 Add Coalition Club Fairs to the Department of Clubs and Organizations
- b. S.B. 87- A Bill to Change Recognition Procedures Regarding Fraternity and Sorority Life and Club Sports
- c. S.R. 87- A Resolution Against Anti-Semitism on Campus and in Nevada

15. 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.

16. 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.

17. 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 Add Coalition Club Fairs to the Department of Clubs and Organizations
- b. S.B. 87- A Bill to Change Recognition Procedures Regarding Fraternity and Sorority Life and Club Sports
- c. S.R. 87- A Resolution Against Anti-Semitism on Campus and in Nevada

18. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

a. Senator Reports

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

b. Senate Committee Changes

The Senate may make changes to committee assignments by resolution.

19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

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

20. 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.

21. 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: Davis Florence, Director of Clubs and Organizations
TO: Savannah Hughes, Speaker of the 87th session of the Associated Students
DATE: March 4th, 2020
RE: Nominations for the Department of Clubs and Organizations

To the Senate of the Associated Students:

I nominate the following individual to Association office:

1. Malaya McCoy, Commissioner for the Department of Clubs and Organizations

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Davis Florence'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Davis Florence

Director of the Department of Clubs and Organizations

The Associated Students of the University of Nevada

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

87th SESSION
2019-2020

S. B. 87-
AN ACT TO ADD COALITION CLUB
FAIRS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

MARCH 2, 2020

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR DOYLE TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

A Bill
An Act to Add Coalition Club Fairs to the Department of Clubs and
Organizations

1 *Whereas*, the Department of Clubs and Organizations holds club fairs during the beginning of
2 the fall and spring semesters in order to give students a chance to explore the various clubs and
3 organizations on campus;

4 *Whereas*, the Club Commissioners are assigned a coalition to provide assistance to clubs and
5 organizations throughout the entirety of the officer's term;

6 *Whereas*, according to student feedback from clubs on the University of Nevada campus,
7 interest in more club fairs for their club type has been recorded;

1 *Whereas*, in order to promote the clubs within a coalition and give students a chance to interact
2 with specific types of clubs, it is important that smaller club fairs are held throughout the school year;

3 Whereas, each commissioner should be in charge of planning a smaller club fair that is held for
4 either the entire coalition or a specific type of club within the coalition;

5 *Whereas*, some coalitions, like Campus Life, encompass more than one type of club so the
6 commissioner has the liberty to decide which group the club fair targets (ie: Art Club Fair);

7 *Be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students*, Club Commissioners within the Department of
8 Clubs and Organizations are required to hold one smaller club fair for clubs and organizations within
9 their coalition at least once during the officer's term;

10 *Be it further enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students*, the Statutes of the Associated Students
11 reflect **Addendum A**;

12 *Be it further enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students*, the Department Procedures Manual for
13 Clubs and Organizations reflect **Addendum B**.

Addendum A

CHAPTER 202: DEPARTMENT OF CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

SECTION 07: COMMISSIONERS

a) IN GENERAL:

There shall be at least 5 but no more than 8 Club Commissioners, nominated by the Director, with the consent of the Senate.

b) GENERAL DUTIES:

- 1) Commissioners shall act as liaisons for the clubs and organizations in their coalition(s) appointed by the Director and the Department.
- 2) Commissioners shall review funding applications that have been submitted by clubs and organizations for Funding Hearings.
- 3) Commissioners shall attend weekly Department meetings to give a report on projects, initiatives, and general updates on their coalition(s).
- 4) Commissioners shall serve as a resource to club leaders in their coalition(s) for assistance with club recognition, club renewal, and funding.
- 5) Commissioners shall reach out to each club in their coalition in an attempt to attend meeting or activity per year at the discretion of the director of the Clubs and Organizations department.
- 6) Commissioners shall mentor and educate Department of Clubs and Organizations Intern(s) that the Interns are assigned to.

7) Commissioners are required to plan one (1) club event or fair for clubs and organizations within the officers assigned coalition at least once during the officer's term

i. Example: The Commissioner in charge of Campus Life can plan a club fair for the art and music clubs and organizations within the coalition

Addendum B

1 **CHAPTER VI. THE COMMISSIONERS**

2 **Title A General functions of all commissioners**

3 *Section 1* One or more Commissioners may act as head or representatives
4 of a Coalition(s)

5 *Section 2* Commissioners shall act as representatives to the respective
6 coalition(s) to which they are assigned, working to implement the
7 goals and objectives of the department within the organizations
8 and clubs falling under their purview

9 *Section 3* Functions of the Commissioners as Heads of Coalition

- 10 i. Pre-professional
- 11 ii. Fraternity and Sorority Life
- 12 iii. Science and Engineering
- 13 iv. Service and Community Outreach
- 14 v. Faith-based
- 15 vi. Multicultural and Diversity
- 16 vii. Sports and Recreation
- 17 viii. Campus Life
- 18 ix. Social and Political Involvement

19 *Section 4* Commissioners shall attempt to contact each organization prior to
20 the beginning of the Fall Semester and update each organization's
21 contact information. The Commissioners shall convey any
22 changes to the Club Listserve Administrator

23 *Section 5* Commissioners shall attend at least one (1) meeting or activity of
24 each organization within their respective coalitions per semester
25 at the discretion of the Director of Clubs and Organizations.

26 *Section 6* Commissioners shall attempt, if possible, to comply with club
27 officer requests for a meeting within one week of the request

28 *Section 7* Commissioners shall meet with any new organization, within
29 their prospective coalition, requesting recognition by the ASUN

30 *Section 8* Commissioners are required to meet with their respective
31 coalitions at least once(1) per semester

32 *Section 9* Commissioners are required to plan one (1) club event or fair for
33 clubs and organizations within the officers assigned coalition at
34 least once during the officer's term

- 35 i. Example: The Commissioner in charge of Campus Life can plan
36 a club fair for the art and music clubs and organizations
37 within the coalition

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**S. B. 87-
A BILL TO CHANGE RECOGNITION
PROCEDURES REGARDING
FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE
AND CLUB SPORTS**

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

FEBRUARY 26TH 2020

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR DOYLE ON BEHALF OF DIRECTOR FLORENCE TO THE COMMITTEE ON
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

**A Bill
TO CHANGE PROCEDURES REGARDING FRATERNITY AND SORORITY
LIFE AND RECREATIONAL SPORTS**

- 1 *Whereas*, student organizations within the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL) are
2 required to gain recognition through their department and through the Associated Students of the
3 University of Nevada (ASUN);
4 *Whereas*, currently the required membership minimum for Clubs and Organizations is seven (7);
5 however, there are approximately seven (7) organizations currently recognized by the Office of
6 Fraternity and Sorority life that do not meet the ASUN recognition requirements;

1 *Whereas*, shifting the recognition to solely happen through the Office of Fraternity and Sorority
2 Life would promote the growth of these recognized organizations by eliminating the need to go
3 through the ASUN recognition process that requires verification of seven (7) members;

4 *Whereas*, these organizations current membership is made up of students from underrepresented
5 and minority-based backgrounds that may struggle with recruitment and recognition due to the lack
6 of funding;

7 *Whereas*, according to No Walls 2025: A Student Vision for the University of Nevada, the
8 campus will have “gained a greater understanding for people different than themselves,”¹

9 *Whereas*, the 87th Session of the Senate has made the promotion of Diversity, Equity, and
10 Inclusion a legislative priority;

11 *Whereas*, access to funding will help these organizations acquire more members and conduct
12 efficient requirement practices;

13 *Whereas*, according to ASUN officials within the Department of Clubs and Organizations,
14 currently Club Sports require the most funding and advising in order to conduct their mission and
15 business;

16 *Whereas*, at other higher education institutions, clubs centered around recreational sports and
17 fitness are usually recognized and operated by the Department of Fitness and Recreational Sports;

18 *Whereas*, in order to give Club Sports the required support they need in order to be successful,
19 Club Sports will eventually transition under the purview of the Department of Fitness and
20 Recreation;

21 *Whereas*, in order to increase collaboration and assist with the transition of Club Sports to the
22 Department of Fitness and Recreation, the Department of Fitness and Recreation should handle the
23 process of recognizing clubs that have to do with fitness and recreation;

¹ No Walls 2025: A Student Vision for the University of Nevada - <http://de5u0yfu98nbk.cloudfront.net/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/02142829/No-Walls-2025-AStudentVisOnForTheUniversityOfNevadaReno1.pdf>

1 *Whereas*, any club that is recognized by the Department of Fitness and Recreation will
2 automatically be recognized by ASUN and have access to funding;

3 *Be it enacted*, any club or organization recognized by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life
4 will be recognized by the Associated Students of the University of Nevada;

5 *Be it further enacted*, the recognition of clubs or organizations that pertain to fitness and recreation
6 will fall under the purview of the Department of Fitness and Recreation and any club or organization
7 recognized will automatically be recognized by the Associated Students of the University of Nevada;

8 *Be it further enacted*, the Clubs and Organizations Department Procedures Manual is amended and
9 will reflect **Addendum A**.

Addendum A

CHAPTER XI SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR CLUB COALITIONS**Title A Pre-Professional****Title B Science and Engineering****Title C Fraternity and Sorority Life**

Section 1 The recognition of Fraternity and Sorority Life clubs or organizations shall be organized by the administration within the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL). All organizations that receive approval through FSL will be granted ASUN recognition and have all of the benefits granted through ASUN recognition.

Title D Campus Life**Title E Social and Political Involvement****Title F Service and Community Outreach**

Section 1 The commissioner for the Service and Community Outreach coalition shall work to connect clubs and organizations in their coalition to Reno-Tahoe non-profit organizations through methods including but not limited to meetings, programming, and outreach.

Title G Faith-based**Title H Multicultural and Diversity****Title I Sports and Recreation**

Section 1 The Sports and Recreational Activities Commissioner shall work with the Club Sports Advisor.

Section 2 The recognition of Competitive Sports and Recreation clubs or organizations shall be organized by the administration within the department of Fitness and Recreational Sports (FRS). All organizations that receive approval through FRS will be granted ASUN recognition and have all of the benefits granted through ASUN recognition.

Section 3 All Club Sports Teams must abide by the University of Nevada Sport Club Program Handbook.

Section 4 Attendance of at least one executive officer at all meetings scheduled by the Sports Clubs Coordinator including Sport Club Council Meetings.

Section 5 At least one officer and one member must have current CPR and First Aid certifications.

Section 6 All coaches or managers must have signed the "Volunteer Agreement."

Section 7 All participants must sign the Liability Waiver.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

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**S. R. 87-
A RESOLUTION AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM
ON CAMPUS AND IN NEVADA**

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

MARCH 2ND, 2020

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR SUPPLE TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS

A Resolution Against Anti-Semitism on Campus

1 *Whereas*, anti-Semitism is defined as “a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as
2 hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of anti-Semitism are directed toward
3 Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and
4 religious facilities”¹;

5 *Whereas*, there are reports of at least sixteen (16) anti-semitic acts on campus in the 2019-2020
6 academic year at the University of Nevada, Reno. Such incidents include drawing swastikas or writing
7 anti-Semitic messages;

8 *Whereas*, after the 1900’s, the swastika has been a symbol of the Nazi Party in Germany that
9 orchestrated the deaths of over six million (6,000,000) Jews and continues to invoke “terror into Jews

¹ <https://www.state.gov/defining-anti-semitism/>

and others deemed enemies of Nazi Germany”² included homosexuals, citizens of the Soviet Union, prisoners of war, Serbians, people with disabilities, Romani, Jehovah’s Witnesses, etc.;

Whereas, Hillel of Northern Nevada is a group of Jewish students on our campus and across other campuses of Northern Nevada that aim to make campus a safe place for Jewish students away from home;

Whereas, Jacky Rosen, Senator for the state of Nevada, released a statement against anti-Semitism in the state of Nevada and in the United States³;

Whereas, anti-Semitism is not disappearing in the United States with 1,879 anti-semitic acts reported in 2018 and an increase in physical violence towards Jewish people, Jewish schools, synagogues, and on college campuses⁴;

Whereas, the University of Nevada, Reno Campus Climate Survey recorded that 71% of the population feels comfortable on campus. However, it is also recorded that minorities feel less comfortable than other groups on campus, making up the other 29% of the student population⁵;

Whereas, there are no known anti-semitic groups present on campus, but rather it is assumed that there are individual students who have been committing acts of anti-Semitism on campus;

Whereas, in 2019, the University of Nevada was named as one of the top universities of “Neo-Nazi Incidents”⁶;

Whereas, safety, diversity, equity, and inclusion were deemed legislative priorities for the 87th session of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada;

Whereas, Jewish students do not feel safe with reoccurring incidents of anti-Semitism on campus;

² <https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/history-of-the-swastika>

³ <https://www.rosen.senate.gov/node/271>

⁴ <https://www.adl.org/what-we-do/anti-semitism/anti-semitism-in-the-us>

⁵ <https://www.unr.edu/main/pdfs/verified-accessible/divisions-offices/president/truth/climate-study-final-report.pdf>

⁶ <https://stopuniversitiesupportforterrorists.org/news/epidemic-jew-hatred-campus-top-ten-neo-nazi-incidents>

1 *Be it Resolved*, The Associated Students of the University of Nevada do not condone acts of anti-
2 Semitism at the University of Nevada, Reno nor in the state of Nevada;

3 *Be it Further Resolved*, The Associated Students of the University of Nevada encourage action to
4 be taken in our community, as well as on a state and national level;

5 *Be it Further Resolved*, this resolution be sent to

6 Hillel Director, Atty Garfinkel-Berry

7 The Nevada Anti-Defamation League

8 The Speaker of the 88th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

9 The President of the 88th Session of the Associated Students

10 US Senator for Nevada, Jacky Rosen

11 Editor in Chief of the Nevada Sagebrush, Olivia Ali

12 Vice President of Student Services, Shannon Ellis

13 University President, Marc Johnson

14 NSHE Board of Regent Cultural Diversity Committee Chair, Sam Lieberman

15 Chairman of the NSHE Board of Regents, Jason Geddes