

Committee on Academics

Senate of the Associated Students 87th Session
Minutes for Friday, April 26th, 2019 at 4:15 p.m.
3rd Floor Joe Crowley Student Union President's Conference Room

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Senator Harvey called the Committee on Academics meeting to order at 4:12 p.m. in the President's Conference Room, Third Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding secretary, Dominique Hernandez.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Senator Harvey, Ahmed, Collins, and Westerman were present.

Senator D. Hall was absent excused.

A quorum was present.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment at this time.

4. **MINUTES**

There were no minutes to be heard at this time.

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business at this time.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Election of a Vice Chair**

Senator Collins nominated Senator Collins for the Vice Chair position.

Senator Collins said she thought she would be a good fit because she served as the committee chair for the past session.

Senator Harvey sought a motion to approve Senator Collins as the Vice Chair.

Senator Westerman moved to approve Senator Collins for Vice Chair.

Senator Ahmed seconded.

The motion carried.

b. **Committee Goals**

Posted at the ASUN Offices in the Joe Crowley Student Union, Frandsen Humanities Building, the Pennington Student Achievement Center, Mathewson- IGT Knowledge Center, and online at www.nevadaasun.com.

If you would like a copy of any of the agenda items listed, please contact Senator Alvarez at senatoralvarez@asun.unr.edu.



Senator Harvey said if the committee had any goals she wanted to hear them.

Senator Collins said she wanted to pass some goals on from the last session. She wanted to work with advising because there was a very confusing connection between the advising of colleges such as interdisciplinary and the college of science.

Senator Ahmed said he wanted to work on getting the library to stay open for 24 hours because that was what they had talked about during last session.

Senator Collins said she had already started writing legislation on that. However, they were told last session that keeping the library open for 24 hours was going to be impossible but it was possible for them to extend the hours during finals season.

Senator Harvey said it would be nice to start small and that she looked through the legacy box. She thought the discussion on the Silver Core requirements was interesting and she wanted to bring that back into discussion.

Senator Collins said that was something from the 85th session they had spoken about.

Dr. Beattie said that legislation had come to the Senate table three times already. It passed Senate but it didn't pass in the 2/3 of the students regard. Then, Hannah Jackson had brought it back up. But, it was a back and forth argument that ultimately it lost again by 11 votes.

Senator Collins said another thing that interested her was the legislation involving undergraduate research. She thought that was something they could take on. This was because many students weren't involved in much research and she thought it would be a great idea to have a day to bring professors to table for students and introduce their research.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment at this time.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee on Academics meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.