

87th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, September 4th, 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 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.
- b. Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from May 15th, 2019. The Senate will discuss the minutes of May 15th, 2019 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- c. Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from May 29th, 2019. The Senate will discuss the minutes of May 29th, 2019 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- d. Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from June 12th, 2019. The Senate will discuss the minutes of June 12th, 2019 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- e. Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from August 7th, 2019. The Senate will discuss the minutes of August 7th, 2019 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- f. Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from August 28th, 2019. The Senate will discuss the minutes of August 28th, 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.

- a. Native Land Acknowledgment, Ivory Wyatt
- b. Director of Legislative Affairs, Joko Callies

POSTED ON OR BEFORE 9:00 a.m.

ON THE THIRD WORKING DAY BEFORE THE MEETING

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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. Senator Intern Agreement, Keegan Murphy

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 Justice, Payton Hart
- d. Chief of Staff, Austin Brown
- e. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Davis Florence
- f. Director of Event Programming, Gabrielle Lew
- g. Director of Legislative Affairs, Joko Callies
- h. Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Ayanna Releford
- i. Director of Sustainability, Zachary Green
- j. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Kristen de Guzman
- k. Director of Campus Wellness, Claudia Feil
- l. Attorney General, Omar Moore
- 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 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. 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.R. 87- A Resolution in Support of the Creation of the Student Media Internship
- b. S.R. 87- A Resolution to Censure Senator Veltre
- c. S.B. 87- An Act to Amend ASUN Club Membership

11. 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.

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12. 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.

13. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION

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

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- c. S.B. 87- An Act to Amend ASUN Club Membership

14. 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

15. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

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

16. 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.

17. 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: Dominique Hall, Senator of the Reynolds School of Journalism

TO: Speaker Hughes

Date: August 28th, 2019

Re: September 4th, 2019

Dear Speaker Hughes,

Please fast track this Senate Bill as it needs to be passed in order to recruit new members at upcoming University events. Fast tracking this legislation is vital to the success of this program because of the rigorous curriculum that is planned.

Respectfully,

Dominique Hall

Senator of the Reynolds School of Journalism

Senate of the Associated Students

Associated Students of the University of Nevada

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

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S. Res. 87-

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CREATION OF THE STUDENT MEDIA INTERNSHIP

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2019

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR D. HALL

A Resolution

IN SUPPORT OF THE CREATION OF THE STUDENT MEDIA INTERNSHIP

- 1 *Whereas*, student media exists to “be a valuable aid in establishing and maintaining an
2 atmosphere of free and responsible discussion and of intellectual and artistic exploration on
3 the campus.”¹
4 Giving Student Media organizations a voice on campus, as well as recognition, will aid in the
5 desire to joining an associated student media organization;
6 *Whereas*, Each ASUN Department has an internship, except student media organizations;
7 *Whereas*, The Student Media Internship aims to provide the skills that are necessary to
8 hold a position within a student media organization by providing a hands-on experience;

¹ https://www.unr.edu/Documents/student-services/student-activities/student-publications-advertising/Student_Media_Advisory_Board.pdf

1 *Whereas*, the outcomes expected of the Student Media Internship program would be for
2 interns to understand how to become a paid staff member of a student media organization
3 as well as upholding the values of public service and transparency to their audience;

4 *Whereas*, Sustainability is a legislative priority and Student Media organizations have
5 adopted a digital component, which will allow interns to learn about the importance of
6 Sustainability;

7 *Be it resolved that*; this legislation hereby orders that the student media advisory board
8 discusses this happening at their board meeting.

9 *Be it further resolved that*, this legislation is sent to Amy Koeckes, chair of the Student
10 Media Advisory board.

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S. R. 87-

A Resolution to Censure Senator Veltre

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

AUGUST 29TH, 2019

SUBMITTED BY SPEAKER HUGHES TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT

A Resolution

To Censure Senator Veltre

1 *Whereas*, Senate Rule II.f.3 states: Upon verifying the fifth accumulated attendance point, the
2 Committee on Oversight shall recommend a censure of the offending senator. Any senator's first
3 censure shall include, at minimum, a recommendation that the senator in question release a public
4 statement or apology to the Nevada Sagebrush. Additional punitive action, which may include
5 expulsion from the Senate, will be recommended upon the accumulation of additional points.

6 *Whereas*, Senate Rule II.f.5 states: The Senate of the Associated Students shall calculate
7 attendance upon the following 10-point formula:

- 8 i. Six unexcused absent Senate office hours shall be equivalent to two
9 points (1/3 point for every missed hour)

- 1 ii. An unexcused absence from a Committee meeting of the Senate shall
2 be equivalent to one point. iii. Three instances of unexcused tardiness at
3 committee meetings shall be equivalent to one point (1/3 point for every
4 instance)
5 iv. Three instances of unexcused tardiness at general instances shall be
6 equivalent to two points (2/3 point for every instance)
7 v. An unexcused absence from a meeting of the Senate of the Associated
8 Students shall be equivalent to two points.

9 *Whereas*, Senator Veltre has accumulated a total of 6 points for unexcused Senate absences
10 on 5/29/2019, 7/31/2019, and 8/7/2019.

11 *Be it further resolved that*, Senator Veltre shall release a public statement or apology concerning
12 the censure to the Nevada Sagebrush within one week of the passing of this resolution.

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**S. B. 87-
AN ACT TO AMEND ASUN CLUB
MEMBERSHIP**

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

AUGUST 22, 2019

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR COCANOUR

**An Act
To Amend ASUN Club Membership**

1 *Whereas*, Chapter 202, Section 8, of the Statutes of the Associated Students does not include
2 any restrictions as to who is allowed to be in an ASUN club;

3 *Whereas*, This allows individuals who are not attending the University to be members of ASUN
4 clubs;

5 *Whereas*, By being a member of an ASUN club while not attending the University, individuals
6 receive the benefits of club support funding and other University benefits while not being a member
7 of the campus community or paying into the Association;

8 *Whereas*, Additionally, non-University of Nevada, Reno students are not obligated to follow all
9 University regulations or guidelines such as Student Code of Conduct or Title IX;

1 *Whereas*, individuals who are part of clubs that do not have to follow these rules or community
2 guidelines pose a hazard to other students and creates a legal complication for the University;

3 *Whereas*, as a result, it is essential that we limit club membership to individuals who are taking at
4 least one credit at the University;

5 *Whereas*, we should continue to allow graduate students to act as a member of these clubs
6 because they provide a multitude of benefits to undergraduate students and they are still required to
7 abide by University rules and regulations;

8 *Whereas*, graduate students can serve as a mentor, role model, and subject matter expert, among
9 other things;

10 *Whereas*, in addition to limiting club members to being students at the University, we must also
11 enact a method to enforce this;

12 *Whereas*, by mandating that clubs document and report their club membership we can ensure
13 that club members are University students;

14 *Whereas*, this also allows a consequential benefit of being able to accumulate data on club
15 membership on campus that the University and ASUN can use for data, research, demographics, and
16 new initiatives;

17 *Be it Enacted* , that the Department of Clubs and Organizations create and deploy a method of
18 club membership reporting;

19 *Be it Further Enacted*, that the Statues of the Associated Students be amended as described in

20 Adendum A.

Adendum A

SECTION 08: RECOGNITION OF CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

a) Any group of at least 10 undergraduate students enrolled in at least seven (7) credits may petition for the recognition by ASUN. Recognition shall be granted based on the club or organization's compliance with the following terms and conditions:

- 1) The constitution of the club or organization shall be submitted, and the content thereof must be in compliance with such reasonable rules and regulations that the professional staff may establish.
- 2) The club or organization must have an advisor who is a full-time employee of the University as an administrative faculty, academic faculty, or classified staff. Exemptions based on expertise may be considered by the Assistant Director of the Center for Student Engagement and the Director of Clubs and Organizations."
- 3) The club or organization must agree to a statement of non-discrimination, as follows:
"[Organization] does not discriminate with respect to membership on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, age, sex, gender identity, socio-economic status, physical or mental impairment, or sexual orientation." ASUN does recognize exemption from this policy based on Title IX, departmental and national status.
- 4) The club or organization must appoint a President, Vice President, and Treasurer.
- 5) The club or organization must abide by all ASUN or University policies governing clubs and organizations.
- 6) The club or organization must have at least 10 undergraduate students enrolled in at least seven (7) credits to become members on the club or organization's GivePulse page.
- 7) The President and Treasurer of the club or organization must annually complete the Club Recognition Course, which includes Central Station, FERPA, and food training.
- 8) The club or organization must submit a thorough and complete record of all members of their club compliant with the methods and regulations provided in the Club Funding Manual.
- 9) By applying for club recognition, the club or organization recognizes that they are affirming that all current or future members of the club are enrolled and will be enrolled in at least one (1) credit at the University of Nevada, Reno either in a graduate or undergraduate course.

10) The club recognizes that permitting a non-University student to be a member of the club will result in termination of club recognition standing effective immediately and a probational period may be determined by the Director of Clubs and Organizations.

b) The Club Commission reserves the right to make final decisions regarding club recognition status for all clubs and organizations under their purview.