

Committee on Oversight

Senate of the Associated Students 90th Session
Minutes for Monday, November 7th, 2022 at 7:00 a.m.
Room 405, 4th Floor Joe Crowley Student Union
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1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Speaker Thompson called the meeting of the Committee on Oversight to order on Monday, November 7th, 2021, at 7:10 a.m. via Room 405, 4th Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding Secretary, Wyatt Layland.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Speaker Thompson, Speaker Pro Tempore Ngo, Parliamentarian Taeubel, and Senators Bergren, Claussen, Noble, and Salah.

Absent Excused: Senator Nithyanandan

Tardy Excused: Senator Gonzalez.

A quorum was present.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment at the time.

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

No minutes were approved at the time.

5. **REPORT**

- a. **Chair, Committee on Academics and Student Affairs, Nivetha Nithyanandan**
 - Senator Nithyanandan was not present to deliver a report at the time.
- b. **Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance, Nathan Noble**
 - Senator Noble congratulated his Committee's new Vice Chair, Senator Liam Brown.
- c. **Chair, Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement, Kimmy Claussen**
 - Senator Claussen reported on her Committee's upcoming meeting, wherein they planned on approving the budget for the Veteran's Day Luncheon.
- d. **Chair, Committee on IDEA, Jaime Gonzalez**
 - Senator Gonzalez was not present to deliver a report at the time.
- e. **Chair, Committee on Government Operations, Fayza Salah**
 - Senator Salah did not provide any Committee updates at the time.
- f. **Chair, Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness, Emma Bergren**
 - Senator Bergren did not provide any Committee updates at the time.



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g. Parliamentarian, Brayden Taeubel

- Parliamentarian Taeubel did not provide a report at the time.

h. Speaker Pro Tempore, Olivia Ngo

- Speaker Pro Tempore Ngo announced that there would not be an internship meeting that week. She also discussed intern feedback and areas of interest.

i. Chair, Committee on Oversight, Andrew Thompson

- Speaker Thompson did not provide a report at the time.

6. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business discussed at the time.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Points Memo

- Discussion on the Points Memo was postponed to the following meeting (after the end of the ongoing Outreach period)

b. Review of Senator Outreach

- Discussion on Senator Outreach was postponed to the following meeting (after the end of the ongoing Outreach period)

c. Overlapping Liaison Positions

- Speaker Thompson introduced the ongoing issue of overlapping liaison positions across different Committees, stating that the organizations to which ASUN reaches out had expressed confusion about who was their proper point of contact inside the Association. He briefly outlined the overlapping liaison positions to his knowledge at the time.

- The Committee discussed the matter. Senator Bergren commented that she had discussed breaking up the positions with her Committee members, while Speaker Pro Tempore pointed out how some Committees (e.g., the Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness) are required per the governing documents to retain liaison contacts. Speaker Thompson then noodled on the ways Committees could share contacts, citing how different Committees may require similar organizations to hold events or promote initiatives.

- Speaker Thompson postponed Committee conversation to the following Committee on Oversight meeting, citing Senator Gonzalez's absence.

d. ASUN Code of Ethics

- Parliamentarian Taeubel delivered a presentation on his ASUN Code of Ethics legislation up for referral at the upcoming Senate of the Associated Students meeting. He explained that the legislation would establish a non-enforceable, supplementary document alongside ASUN's existing governing documents outlining proper Association conduct and values.
- Parliamentarian Taeubel asked the Committee for feedback on the Code of Ethics, considering their direct role in holding Senators accountable. They discussed the non-enforceability of the document, with Speaker Thompson and Speaker Pro Tempore proposing that the Committee on Oversight hold the Code in high regard regardless of enforceability and use it as a basis to invite in Senators and appeal to them for good behavior.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at the time.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Thompson adjourned the meeting at 7:47 a.m. via Room 405, 4th Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union.