

90th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, February 22nd, 2023, at 5:30 P.M.

In Person – Rita Laden Senate Chambers (3rd floor of JCSU)

Zoom Meeting – Email Andrew Thompson at speaker@asun.unr.edu for details

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

3. ROLL CALL

Roll Call must be listed by Legislative Clerk

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

No meeting minutes were submitted at this time.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

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.

Members of the public may participate in the meeting without being physically present by submitting public comment via email to Wyatt Layland at senatesecretary@asun.unr.edu. Please email Wyatt for the meeting details through the email listed above.

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6. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SENATE AND REFERRAL (INFORMATION ONLY)

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 or consent agenda.

7. REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS (INFORMATION ONLY)

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.

POSTED ON OR BEFORE 9:00 a.m.

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 Andrew Thompson at Speaker@asun.unr.edu.



- a. President of the Associated Students, Dionne Stanfill
- b. Vice President of the Associated Students, Jada Maglinao
- c. Chief Justice, Zane Taylor
- d. Chief of Staff, Ashley Martinez
- e. Chief of Internal Affairs, Noah Klein
- f. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Tre Taylor
- g. Director of Programming, Maria Zamudio
- h. Director of Government Affairs, Amanda Vaskov
- i. Director of IDEA, Trace Wolfgang
- j. Director of Sustainability, Chris Rowe
- k. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Winter Nelson
- l. Director of Campus Wellness, Boris Carpio Guerra
- m. Attorney General, Brayden Taeubel
- n. Senate Secretary, Wyatt Layland
- o. Speaker of the Senate, Andrew Thompson

8. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES (INFORMATION ONLY)

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 and Student Affairs, Nivetha Nithyanandan
- b. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance, Nathan Noble
- c. Chair, Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement, Jefrin Jojan
- d. Chair, Committee on IDEA, Jaime Gonzalez
- e. Chair, Committee on Government Operations, Fayza Salah
- f. Chair, Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness, Amelia Bryan
- g. Chair, Committee on Oversight, Andrew Thompson
- h. Parliamentarian
- i. Speaker Pro Tempore, Olivia Ngo

9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

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 (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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

- a. No nominations were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate at this time.

11. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS OF SENATORS AND ASUN OFFICIALS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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. No nominations were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate at this time.

12. VETO MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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

- a. There are no veto messages at this time.

13. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

The Speaker shall sequentially proceed through such acts of legislation that have 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. No items were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.

14. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION (INFORMATION ONLY)

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

- a. The following legislation has been submitted to the Speaker of the Senate:
 - i. S.B. 90- AN ACT TO CREATE SUSTAINABLE EVENT BEST-PRACTICE

15. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK LEGISLATION (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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.

- a. No legislation has been submitted to the Speaker of the Senate at this time.

16. REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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

- a. The following legislation has been submitted to the Speaker of the Senate:
 - i. S.B. 90- AN ACT TO CREATE SUSTAINABLE EVENT BEST-PRACTICES

17. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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

- a. The following legislation has been submitted to the Speaker of the Senate:
 - i. S.R. 90- A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ATHLETICS INSTALLING PROTECTIVE NETTING BEHIND PECCOLE PARK
 - ii. S.R. 90- A RESOLUTION TO AMEND UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL CODE 5,456

18. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

a. Selection of Parliamentarian for the Senate of the Associated Students

The Senate will formally approve a senator to serve as the Parliamentarian for the remainder of 90th session of the Senate of the Associated Students.

b. Committee Changes and Additions

The Senate may make changes to committee assignments.

c. Senator Reports

Two senators will be called at random to progress they have made in ASUN-related activities that they have been working on. Senators that were not selected but have a report to share may share.

19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

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

20. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

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:

Items on the agenda may be taken out of order. The Senate may combine two or more agenda items for consideration. The Senate may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time. Please email the Senate Secretary at senatesecretary@asun.unr.edu as soon as possible to arrange for appropriate accommodation should need any.

Requests for supporting material for an agenda item should be directed to the Archives of the Associated Students. All other inquiries should be directed to Speaker Thompson at "speaker@asun.unr.edu."

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

90th SESSION
2022 - 2023

**S. B. 90 -
AN ACT TO CREATE SUSTAINABLE
EVENT BEST-PRACTICES**

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

FEBRUARY 2023

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR NOBLE, DIRECTORS ZAMUDIO & ROWE

AN ACT TO Create Sustainable Event Best-Practices

1 *Whereas*, the mission of the Associated Students includes promoting sustainable practices, and
2 preserving our campus community environment;

3 *Whereas*, adherence to sustainable event practices help accomplish this mission;

4 *Whereas*, the planning and execution of ASUN sponsored events is an essential part of the
5 Association's identity and the culture of our campus;

6 *Whereas*, in the past ASUN sponsored events have not incorporated sustainable practices;

7 *Whereas*, under Director Zamudio, the department of event programming has implemented
8 numerous sustainable event best practices

9 *Whereas*, these changes have led to a net reduction in the amount of waste generated from
10 events;

1 *Whereas*, a continuation of these practices will ensure that all ASUN events are aligned with the
2 values of the association

3 *Be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students*, that the Statutes of the Associated Students and
4 the ASUN Code of Ethics shall reflect the changes in Addendums A & B Respectively;

5 *Be it further enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students*, that the head of each branch of
6 government shall send a memo to the members of their respective branches informing them of the
7 changes;

8 *Be it further enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students*, this legislation shall be sent to the
9 following individuals:

- 10 • Dionne Stanfill, ASUN President
- 11 • Sandra Rodriguez, Director of ASUN
- 12 • Andrew Thompson, Speaker of the Senate
- 13 • Zane Taylor, Chief Justice

Addendum A:

TITLE XXX: Event Sustainability Best-Practices

CHAPTER 3001: Event Sustainability Best-Practices

SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby established the ASUN Event Sustainability Best Practices.

SECTION 02: PURPOSE

The purpose of the ASUN Event Sustainability Best Practices is to ensure that officers of the Association continue to engage in sustainable practices while planning and executing events.

SECTION 03: Sustainability Checklist

All officers of the Association in any stage of planning or executing an event, shall attempt in good faith and to the best of their ability, to adhere to the following sustainability practices:

- a) Officers shall utilize sustainable, recyclable, and/or biodegradable sources for single use products.
 - i) This includes but shall not be limited to: utensils, plates, cups, napkins etc.
 - ii) In the event that more need to be purchased, the Director of Event Programming shall order these items early and in bulk to make the most effective use of our budgetary constraints.
- b) Officers shall where possible reuse any multi-use materials.
 - i) This includes but shall not be limited to: decorations, table clothes, tables, etc.
- c) Officers shall avoid purchasing or utilizing non sustainable materials such as styrofoam, non-recyclable plastics, non-biodegradable cardboard, etc.
- d) Officers shall make the maximal use of resources that have been provided to them.
 - i) Officers shall break down cardboard and stack any waste to maximize space and reduce trash bag consumption.
 - ii) Officers shall make a good faith effort to utilize left-over supplies before purchasing new ones.
- e) Officers shall proceed with consciousness of future sustainability needs.
 - i) Officers shall when designing and purchasing new event materials attempt to bolster the re-usability of these products.
 - ii) For re-occurring events, officers shall refrain from including dates or locations on their physical marketing materials so that they may be re-used in the future.
- f) Officers shall embed the practices and principles of sustainability within the structure of their events
 - i) Officers shall consider shifting their programs away from materialistic and unsustainable rewards and elevate experience centric events.
 - ii) Officers shall attempt to provide sustainable and environmentally friendly

resources to reduce students' personal usage of more costly and less sustainable alternatives.

- g) Officers shall seriously consider and make attempts to redress any foreseeable sustainability problems.

SECTION 04: Adherence

Officers shall attempt in good faith to adhere to all of the above stipulations. Once all reasonable attempts to comply have been exhausted, officers shall be free to proceed unencumbered. This imperative shall be reflected in the ASUN code of ethics. Any questions or points of confusion for these standards are to be resolved with the director of sustainability.

Addendum B:

Behave in such a way as to uphold and advance the integrity of the Association's reputation while acting in an official capacity.

- b) Hold their position in the highest regard.
- c) Conduct themselves in a manner that shall reflect positively on the Associated Students and the University of Nevada, Reno.
- d) Conduct themselves in accordance with University policy.
- e) Uphold the University Student Code of conduct.
- f) Not intentionally make erroneous or unsubstantiated statements about the University in or to public or private media outlets.
- g) Show respect for the University administration, faculty, and staff.
- h) Address faculty and administrative concerns with ASUN business in a timely and appropriate manner.
- i) Respect the officers of previous, current, and incoming sessions.
- j) Comply with Title XXX of the Statutes of the Associated Students

SECTION 6: ACCOUNTABILITY

- a) Active officers shall hold themselves accountable, as their actions reflect on the University of Nevada as a whole.
- b) In order to assure their independence and impartiality on behalf of the common good, officers shall use their best efforts to refrain from creating an appearance of impropriety in their actions and decisions.

SECTION 7: OBEDIENCE

Officers shall comply with the laws of the nation, the State of Nevada, and the City of Reno, in the performance of their officer duties.

SECTION 8: ELECTED OFFICE

Elected officers shall:

- a) Keep the student interest in mind when voting and consult with constituents on matters that are to be voted on in the Senate when appropriate.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

90th SESSION
2022-2023

S. Res. 90 -

A Resolution in Support of Athletics Installing Protective Netting Behind Peccole Park

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

JANUARY 24, 2023

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR TAEUBEL TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA

A Resolution in Support of UNR Athletics Installing Protective Netting Behind Peccole Park

1 *Whereas*, UNR parking services provides parking spaces located directly behind the fence of
2 UNR's baseball field, Peccole Park¹;

3 *Whereas*, To park in these spaces, the Blue zone 1 permit is required;

4 *Whereas*, The price of the Blue zone 1 permit is \$160 per year²;

5 *Whereas*, Vehicles and people in these spaces are at risk of being damaged by baseballs hit over
6 the fence;

7 *Whereas*, Any damage done to vehicles is the responsibility of the owner; athletics nor parking
8 services are responsible;

¹ <https://www.unr.edu/main/images/divisions/administration-finance/parking-services/images/parking-map.jpg>

² <https://www.unr.edu/parking/permits-and-fees/fees>

1 *Whereas*, The price to repair a broken windshield can be as high as \$400, making repair expenses
 2 more than the price of the Blue zone permit;

3 *Whereas*, Students tend to purchase the Blue zone permit due to its cheaper cost relative to the
 4 other parking passes, which range up to \$510³;

5 *Whereas*, Affordable parking options are limited on campus; cheaper parking that puts students
 6 and their vehicles at risk is an issue of equity;

7 *Whereas*, Students who cannot afford a more expensive parking pass should not be put in danger
 8 or risk of property damage or bodily injury;

9 *Whereas*, Protecting the health and safety of our students should be a top priority of the
 10 University;

11 *Whereas*, this project is currently in development but source of funding is yet to be found;

12 *Be it resolved that*, The Associated Students of the University of Nevada supports and strongly
 13 encourages the building of a net behind Peccole Park;

14 *Be it further resolved that*, ASUN recommends that the University of Nevada Athletics provides the
 15 funds for this project;

16 *Be it further resolved that*, this legislation be sent to the following individuals:

- 17 • Stephanie Rempe, Director of Athletics
- 18 • Kuponon Decker, Director of Baseball Operations
- 19 • Hernando Monroy, Director of Athletics Facilities
- 20 • Michelle Horton, Director of Parking & Transportation Services
- 21 • Justin Reginato, Associate Vice President, Facilities Services

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³ <https://www.unr.edu/parking/permits-and-fees/fees>

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90th SESSION
2022-2023

S. Res. 90 -

A Resolution to Amend University Administrative Manual Code 5,456

In the Senate of the Associated Students

December 7, 2022

Submitted by Senator Galvez and
Senator Perez Ramirez

A Resolution to Amend University Administrative Manual Code 5,456

- 1 *Whereas*, the University of Nevada, Reno acquired Sierra Nevada University on July 1, 2022;
- 2 *Whereas*, the acquired campus is now known as the University of Nevada, Reno at Lake Tahoe
- 3 (UNR-LT);
- 4 *Whereas*, before the Lake Tahoe Campus was acquired by the University of Nevada, Reno,
- 5 slacklining and hammocking were not prohibited;
- 6 *Whereas*, at the former Sierra Nevada University, students, faculty, and staff alike enjoyed the
- 7 practice of slacklining and hammocking;
- 8 *Whereas*, the University of Nevada, Reno Administrative Manual (UAM) contains established
- 9 policy of the University. It is intended to serve in defining, understanding and

communicating university policies and procedures, identifying responsibilities, and providing guidelines in the performance of specific task;

Whereas, since the acquisition of the campus, UNR-LT has been subject to the policy within UAM;

Whereas, Code 5,456 of the University Administrative Manual regarding slacklines states: “[...]”

no person shall attach a slackline to or install on any tree or plant growing within or upon any university-owned or controlled property. No person shall attach any object to or locate any object on university property in such a manner as to damage the property, obstruct public right of way or interfere with the function of the university space. This includes but is not limited to anchor points such as trees, shrubs, plants, fences, rails, posts, bollards, ground anchors or any fixed device used to attach a slackline.”;

Whereas, Code 5,456 of the University Administrative Manual regarding hammocks states:9+

“fastening a hammock, cot or any similar suspended bed or swing is prohibited on any and all fixed objects, whether they are living materials, such as trees, or inanimate objects, such as light poles.”;

Whereas, Students have expressed concerns about UAM policies that are not applicable, relevant, nor necessary to their campus in Incline Village due to the different environment and geography. *Code 5,456: Slackline, Hammock, Ropes and Tent Stakes* was more frequently cited by students than any other policy within UAM;

Whereas, trees on the University’s main campus were carefully curated for the campus’ specific needs and environment;

Whereas, trees on the Lake Tahoe campus are native, deeply rooted, wider and taller, thus creating more support for slacklines and hammocks;

Whereas, a digital survey was conducted by Audrey Schuler, a residential assistant, to gauge interest and knowledge on the topic of slacklines and hammocks. This survey was sent to all students of the UNR-LT campus;

Whereas, The survey had 28 participants, 26% of the student body on the UNR-LT campus;

Whereas, The survey results are as follows:

- “Do you know how to set up a slackline safely without hurting yourself or nature?”

Yes - 75%	No - 25%
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- “Do you know how to set up a hammock safely without hurting yourself or nature?”

Yes - 79%	No - 21%
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- “Would you like to learn this information in an educational setting?”

Yes, in class - 32%	Yes, outside of class, - 32%	No - 21%
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Be it resolved, this body supports that the University Administrative Manual Code 5,456 be amended to create an exception clause for the University of Nevada, Reno at Lake Tahoe campus, allowing students to enjoy the practices of slacklining and hammocking;

Be it resolved, this body encourages the instruction of slackline and hammock safety at TahoeFIT;

Be it further resolved that, this resolution be sent to the following individuals:

- Jill Heaton, Senior Vice Provost
- Darrell Lockhart, Vice Provost, Faculty Affairs
- Felicia DeWald, Director of Academic Development Programs
- Anastasia Seator-Braun, President of Student Activities at Lake Tahoe
- Brian Sandoval, President of the University of Nevada, Reno
- Dionne Stanfill, President of ASUN