

Committee of Democratic Civic Engagement

Senate of the Associated Students 91st Session

Minutes for Friday, April 28th, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

Room ASUN President Conference Room, 3rd Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union & Zoom Meeting

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1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Senator Acklin called the Committee of Democratic Civic Engagement meeting to order on April 28th, 2023, at 1:36 p.m. via Room ASUN President Conference Room and zoom, 3rd Floor at the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding Secretary Soraia Bohner.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Senator Acklin, Senator Frobes, Senator Jojan, Senator Landazuri, Senator Tracey

Absent Unexcused: Senator Duhamel

A quorum was present.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment at the time.

4. **MINUTES**

There were no minutes to approve at this time.

5. **REPORT OF DIRECTOR**

There was no report from the director at this time.

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business at this time.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. Election of a Vice Chair

- **Senator Acklin asked the committee to nominate a vice chair.**
- **Senator M. Tracey: Nominates Senator Jojan.**
Senator Jojan accepts the nomination.
- **Presentation from Senator Jojan:** Stated that he thinks he would be a good candidate for vice Chair as he has served as both vice chair and chair for this committee in the 90th session. He discussed his goals for the committee, such as continuing lobbying for students during the legislative session, collaborating more with the Department of Government Affairs, and continuing to put on traditional events, like the Veterans Luncheon. He also stated that his experience would make him a good tool for the current chair to use if he has any questions.
- **The committee had no questions for the Senator.**



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- **Motion from Senator M. Tracey:** Motion to appoint Senator Jojan to the position of Vice Chair for the Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement.
Seconded by Senator Acklin
- **Vote:** Unanimous in Favor.
- **Resolved:** Motion Carried
- b. **Committee Goals and Expectations**
 - **Comment from Senator Jojan:** Stated that this committee provides many opportunities to plan events and that they should continue to do so. He also stated that he would like to work more closely with the Department of Government Affairs and the Director of Government affairs to plan legislative priorities on behalf of the student body. He stated that he talked with Director Deal about making the Department and Committee more cohesive when it comes to planning events. He also discussed a potential trip to Washington D.C for the Day of Action and how he would like to see the committee attend this event.
 - **Comment from Senator M. Tracey:** Stated that as a veteran, she would like to be a part of planning the Veterans Luncheon as she knows the community and spends time in the Office of Veterans Services.
 - **Comment from Senator Jojan:** Stated that last semester, the committee designed banners and posters for the event, but was unsure what elements, such as tanks and flags, would be appropriate to put on the advertising. He stated that having a veteran on the committee would be beneficial for the committee's relationship with the community.
 - **Comment from Senator Landazuri:** Stated that she would like to address loan forgiveness for students.
 - **Comment from Senator Acklin:** Stated that he agrees with all the goals the members discussed and mentioned how he talked about involving Nevada high schools in the ASUN process, as many of them will be a part of UNR when they graduate. He also stated that he would like to address student issues at both the national and state level.

8. **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

- a. There was no miscellaneous business at this time.

9. **COMMENT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. There were no comments or announcements at this time.

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- a. There was no public comment at this time.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Acklin adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m. via ASUN President Conference Room, 3rd Floor at the Joe Crowley Student Union.