



Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada

90th Session, 2022-2023

A BINDING RESOLUTION TO CREATE A PERMANENT LIAISON POSITION FOR THE PATH TO INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM

Resolution Number: 116

Authored By: Senators Galvez and Zheleznyakova

Sponsored By: 2022-2023 Student Government Assembly

Whereas, Path to Independence (P2I) is an inclusive, two-year, non-degree certificate program established in 2013 offering a college experience to students with intellectual disabilities;

Whereas, the non-degree certificate program offers participants two years in college, with access to the same classes as undergraduate students;

Whereas, all students within the P2I program are required to pay the Associated Students UN fee, \$6.10 per undergraduate credit;

Whereas, although they pay this fee, they are not represented by any senator within the Senate of Associated Students;

Whereas, Senator Galvez of the 90th Session acts as the liaison between ASUN and P2I through the committee on IDEA;

Whereas, with no mention in the Statutes of the Associated Students, nor the 90th Session Rules of the Senate, the P2I program would likely go without representation in future sessions without the codification of a liaison position;

Be it resolved that, the changes in Addendum A be made to the 90th Session Rules of the Senate;

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

- Donald Easton-Brooks, Dean of the College of Education and Human Development

- Jessica Keefhaver, Director for Path to Independence
- Dionne Stanfill, ASUN President

Adopted in Senate on March 29th, 2023

Attest:

Wyatt Layland, Senate Secretary

Andrew Thompson, Speaker of the Senate

2 **Rule X: STANDING COMMITTEE DUTIES**

3 d) **Committee on IDEA**

4 The Committee on IDEA shall be responsible for policies concerning the Association as it relates to
5 matters of diversity, equity, and inclusion. Members of the committee are expected to advocate on
6 behalf of underrepresented groups, address student concerns within its jurisdiction, and, in addition
7 to Senators added pursuant to Rule IX of the Rules of the Senate, will also consist of the Director of
8 Diversity and Inclusion who shall serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the committee. In
9 conjunction with the ASUN Department of Diversity and Inclusion, Office of the University
10 Diversity and Inclusion Officer, Student Services' First-Generation Student Center, The Center,
11 Every Student. Every Story., Disability Resource Center, the Hate and Bias Response Team, Veteran
12 Services, the Office of International Students and Scholars, and any additional departments or
13 organizations that share the committee's mission, the Committee on IDEA shall be provided to the
14 aforementioned departments and organizations at the discretion of the committee.

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16 One member of the committee shall be designated to serve as the liaison to the Path to
17 Independence Program. The committee chair must serve with the committee chair serving as liaison
18 to the Faculty Senate committee with similar jurisdiction, as well as the Equity and Inclusion
19 Committee within the University Office of Diversity and Inclusion.