

Committee on Government Operations

Senate of the Associated Students 93rd Session
Minutes – May 8th, 2025 at 5:30 PM

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by the Chair in the Frankie Sue Del Papa President's Conference Room.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Land acknowledgment read recognizing the Numu, Washoe, N'ui, Western Shoshone, and Nuwu peoples. Appreciation expressed for the opportunity to live and learn on their traditional homelands.

3. ROLL CALL

- 1 Senator Houtelling – present
- 2 Senator Bohlander – excused
- 3 Senator Villa – present
- 4 Senator Issa – present
- 5 Senator Terry – present
- 6 Quorum confirmed.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

No public comment offered at this time.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

No minutes available for adoption.

6. REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

No reports given.

7. OLD BUSINESS

No old business considered.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Election of Committee Vice Chair

Nominations opened; Senator Houtelling nominated self for Vice Chair and accepted. Presentation given citing experience with parliamentary procedure and passion for government operations. Motion to approve Senator Houtelling as Vice Chair passed by unanimous consent. Senator Houtelling elected

Vice Chair of the Committee on Government Operations.

b. S.B. 93 – A Bill to Reexamine the Role of Attorney General

Bill presented by Senator Moss and Parliamentarian Issa, proposing renaming the ASUN Attorney General to “Director of Ethics and Compliance” to comply with legal guidance and NRS statutes.

Discussion focused on:

- 1 Whether legal services or directors should be present to explain the rationale directly.
- 2 Concerns about transparency to students versus urgency to act.
- 3 Alternative titles suggested, including “Inspector General,” to reflect compliance without implying legal authority.

Motion to postpone the bill to a future meeting failed. Motion to favorably recommend S.B. 93 back to the Senate for second reading passed (Ayes prevailing; Nay votes recorded). The bill was therefore forwarded to the Senate body.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

Brief discussion on postponement of another agenda item (liaisons piece) until a future meeting due to time constraints. No further public comment offered.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.