

93rd Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Minutes for Wednesday, June 11th, 2025, at 5:30 P.M.

In Person: William Raggio Building, Room 2023

Zoom: <https://unr.zoom.us/j/85031212520>

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Speaker Acklin called the Senate of the associated students to order on August 11th, 2025, at 5:31 PM in the William Raggio Building, Room 2023 and on Zoom. Presiding Secretary Johnson.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & LAND ACKNOWLEDGE

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all"

"We acknowledge that the University of Nevada, Reno is situated on the traditional homelands of the Numu (Northern Paiute), Wašiw (Washoe), Newe (Western Shoshone), Nuwu (Southern Paiute) peoples. These lands continue to be a gathering place for Indigenous Peoples and we recognize their deep connections to these places. We extend our appreciation for the opportunity to live and learn on their territory."

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Speaker Acklin and Senators Atkinson, Barrus, Castro, Evans, Issa, Kitch, Custer, Levy, Lawson, Miceli, Moss, Packard, Saporito, Terry, Villa.

Absence Unexcused: Senators Huang, Houghtelling, Lucchesi, McAndrews, Miller, Moore.

-Quorum was present.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- No minutes to be approved at this time.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

- Luis Aguilar-Herrera, Assistant Director for Student Government, introduced himself and encouraged Senators to join the Photo Circle.

6. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SENATE AND REFERRAL

- Due to lack of timely responses, only one candidate for the School of Social Work seat was present.
- Motion to approve items C–D by unanimous consent. Motion by Speaker Pro Tempore Moss, seconded by Senator Atkinson. Motion carried.



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7. REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS (INFORMATION ONLY)

- a. President of the Associated Students - **Carmina Aglubat**- Thanked Senators for a positive retreat., Announced upcoming NSA mixer with Board of Regents, pizza & refreshments at CSE, and asked Senators to show hospitality to visitors, noted upcoming high school graduations at Lawlor Events Center and encouraged Senators to congratulate graduates.
- b. Vice President of the Associated Students - **Ethan McNamara**- No report at this time
- c. Chief Justice - **Rena Arneson**- Reported on dismissal of a sealed charge filed May 27th and dismissed June 2nd.
- d. Director of Executive Outreach - **Naomi Tecson**- No report at this time.
- e. Director of Executive Affairs - **Gabriella Detrick**- No report at this time.
- f. Director of Clubs and Organizations - **Madison Hess**- No report at this time.
- g. Director of Programming - **Railyn Krentz**- No report at this time.
- h. Director of Government Affairs - **Kennedy Taylor**- No report at this time.
- i. Director of IDEA - **Zyna Navarte**- No report at this time.
- j. Director of Sustainability - **Sephora Lee**- No report at this time.
- k. Director of Campus and Public Relations - **Juliauna Sullivan**- No report at this time.
- l. Director of Campus Wellness - **Emily Hohman**- No report at this time.
- m. Director of Ethics and Compliance - **Caleb Oster**- No report at the time.
- n. Speaker of the Senate - **Leaf Acklin**- No report at this time.

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. Committee on Academics and Student Affairs - **Madison Kitch**- Next meeting June 20th at 9 a.m. in PCR.
- b. Committee on Budget and Finance - **Logan Miceli** – Reported on Fiscal year begins July 1; first financial reviews expected September.
- c. Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement - **Jason Issa**- Reported on Meeting in late June with Director Rodriguez and Kathy Castro on history and future of committee; Constitution Day planning; Big Day of Service initiative; one-on-one check-ins scheduled.
- d. Committee on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion - **Viviana Castro**- Reported on Meeting to be scheduled end of June or early July; outreach to YDSA and campus organizations for presentations.
- e. Committee on Government Operations – **Travis Terry**- Reported on Meeting week of June 23rd; reviewing SAS Titles I–II; stakeholder meetings with Executive officers to follow.
- f. Committee on Safety, Sustainability and Wellness - **Camille Levy** – Reported on Planning Safety Week and sustainability fee discussions with Facilities; next meeting to be scheduled.
- g. Special Committee on Food Insecurity - **Alexander Saporito**- Reported on Meeting next week, reviewing 2018–2024 CSC survey data on food, financial, and housing security.
- h. Parliamentarian - **Jason Issa**- No report at this time.
- i. Speaker Pro-Tempore - **Dillon Moss**- Reported on Internship Committee reviewed expectations and goals for upcoming year; planning recruitment and syllabus finalization for fall.
- j. Committee on Oversight - **Leaf Acklin**- Only one candidate present for Social Work seat; thus, light agenda with no legislation, Noted future meetings will have more business, Sent scheduling form for oversight meetings to committee chairs.

9. REPORTS OF SECRETARIES OFFICE (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Speaker shall recognize any senior officer of the Association to offer a report on official activities since the previous meeting and make any summary announcements for no longer than five minutes.

- a. Senate Secretary, **Faith Johnson**- No report at the time
- b. Legislative Clerk, **Jasveen Kaur**- No report at the time

10. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK APPOINTMENTS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Speaker Acklin sought a motion to fast-track agenda item 10c-d through unanimous consent- So moved by Senator Barrus, seconded by Speaker Pro Tempore Moss

- a. College of Social Work – **Genna West (Denied)**
- b. College of Social Work – **Aidan Espinoza (Denied)**
- c. College of Social Work – **Kaylee Radtke (Approved)**
- d. Commissioner - **Bianka Patel (Approved)**

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. College of Social Work – **Genna West**
- b. College of Social Work – **Aidan Espinoza**
- c. College of Social Work – **Kaylee Radtke**

The Senate considered agenda item 11C, the appointment of Kaylee Radke to the vacant Senate seat for the School of Social Work. Radke, an incoming junior and president of the Social Work Student Advisory Board, presented her goals of amplifying student voices, promoting inclusivity, improving communication with administration, advocating for mental health, and ensuring fair internships. She also expressed interest in serving on the Committees on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness; and Democratic and Civic Engagement.

During questioning, Senator Terry asked about internships and field placements, Speaker Pro Tempore Moss asked about mentoring interns, Senator Castro asked about increasing engagement in the College of Social Work, Senator Issa requested specific committee goals, and Senator Hotelling (via Zoom) asked about college-specific priorities. In deliberations, Senator Terry, Speaker Pro Tempore Moss, and Senator Castro all spoke in support of Radke's appointment. The Senate voted unanimously to confirm her as Senator for the School of Social Work.

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's submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.

13. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

Speaker Acklin seeked a motion to approve agenda item 13a through unanimous consent- So moved by Speaker Pro Tempore Moss and seconded by Senator Atkinson. -Vote was held- Nominees were confirmed.

- a. Club Commissioner - **Bianka Patel (Confirmed)**

14. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION (INFORMATION ONLY)

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

- a. No items were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate

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 items were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate

16. REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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

- a. No items were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate

17. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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

- a. No items were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate

18. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a. Senate Committee Changes and Additions

- Senator Radtke moved to place herself on the Committees on Democratic and Civic Engagement and IDEA through Unanimous consent. Seconded by Senator Terry. Motion Carried
- Speaker Pro Tempore Moss moved to place himself on the Special Committee on Food Insecurity and remove himself from the Committee on Democratic and Civic Engagement through unanimous consent, seconded by Senator Castro, the motion carried.

- b. Senator Reports

Senator Castro- Reported on making sure that we include everyone in the community fostered at retreat and making sure those who come later in the session feel included.

19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

There was no comments or announcements made at the time.

20. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

Luis Aguilar Herrera, Assistant Director of Student Government, Members were asked to schedule bi-weekly 15-minute check-ins over the summer, which will transition to weekly in the fall. Committee chairs should begin planning for the fall semester, including finalizing class schedules by mid-July and preparing to schedule committee meetings accordingly. Any proxy access issues should be reported via email, including Will Card status, the date and time of failed access, and the location where the issue occurred. Additionally, committee chairs should notify if they do not have print code access.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Acklin adjourned the Senate of the Associated Students meeting on June 11th, 2025 at 6:19 pm in the William Raggio building in Room 2023 and on zoom.

