Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement

Senate of the Associated Students, 93rd Session Agenda for Friday, September 12th, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

In-Person: Rita Laden Senate Chambers located in the Joe Crowley Student Union, 3rd floor

Zoom Link:

 $\underline{https://unr.zoom.us/j/84899948085?pwd=jWlNQmB3DrxEq5NLiyMgUSqBuVnEKW.1}$

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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 the deep connections to these places. We extend our appreciation for the opportunity to live and learn on their territory.

3. ROLL CALL

- Chair Issa Present
- Vice Chair Moore Tardy excused
- **Senator Castro** Present on Zoom
- Senator Evans Present
- Senator Packard Present
- Senator Radtke Present
- Senator Saporito Present

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

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• No public comment in-person, on Zoom, or submitted in writing.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a. 05/05/2025
 - Approved through unanimous consent
- b. 05/28/2025
 - Approved through unanimous consent
- c. 07/09/2025
 - Approved through unanimous consent
- d. 07/30/2025
 - Approved through unanimous consent

6. REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

- a. Director of Government Affairs, Kennedy Taylor
- Director Taylor was not present, so no report was delivered.

7. OLD BUSINESS (INFORMATION ONLY/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

There is no old business to be discussed.

8. NEW BUSINESS (INFORMATION ONLY/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

There is no new business to be discussed.

9. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a. Committee member reports
 - i. Chair Issa Reported that he met with Amy Koeckes alongside Senator McAndrews to discuss the implementation of the ASUN "Senate to Student Forum" Canvas page and mentions that Senator Evans might have more to say on the topic in his report.
 - ii. Vice Chair Moore Promoted the Constitution Day event on September 17th at 11:15AM and asked Senators to sign up to volunteer on GivePulse; also asked if anyone was interested in helping to plan the Veterans' Day luncheon.
 - Chair Issa asks for a more detailed report on the Veterans' Day luncheon. Vice Chair Moore replies that she met with Veterans Services last Monday and discussed their shared vision for event, promotion, and merchandise.
 - iii. Senator Castro Reported that she's figuring out the logistics of contacting Austin Daley for an in-person meeting and brought to the Committee's attention the "Discussions in Democracy Forum" event.
 - iv. Senator Evans Reported that he is continuing to work on the ASUN "Senate to Student Forum" Canvas page and he is making sure all of the logistics are in order. He also mentions having trouble getting into contact with the Director of Campus and Public Relations, Juliauna Sullivan.
 - v. Senator Packard No report.

- vi. Senator Radtke Reports that Chair Issa, Director Taylor, and Assistant Director Hatch met to discuss how the Department of Government Affairs and the Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement can collaborate. Also reported a possible collaboration for an initiative to encourage members of marginalized communities to be more civically involved in and outside of ASUN.
- vii. Senator Saporito Reports that he met with Matthew Little on July 15th on how the Committee can promote the Office of Service-Learning and Civic Engagement and service-learning classes on and off of campus. Also stated that Matthew Little is interested in presenting to the Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement.
- b. Liaison changes and additions
 - Chair Issa removed himself from Amy Koeckes's liaison position
 - Senator Packard adds herself to Amy Koeckes's liaison position

10.COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair will recognize Committee members requesting the floor for the purpose of miscellaneous reports and requests. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length members the Committee may speak.

- Chair Issa announces that he will send out a Microsoft Bookings link for each
 member of the Committee to book their one-on-one check-ins and he will be
 emailing all of the Committee's liaison contacts to invite them to present to the
 Committee periodically.
 - Senator Moore raised a point of information asking if Veterans Services will be presenting to the Committee even though they will be presenting to the Senate as well. Chair Issa says yes.

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 Luis Aguilar-Herrera, Associate Director of Student Government – Lets the Committee know that there is a voter registration day next week and requests that Vice Chair Moore provide the date, time and location for the Veterans' Day Luncheon after the meeting.

12.ADJOURNMENT

• Chair Issa adjourns the meeting at 5:24 PM on September 12th in the Rita Laden Senate Chambers and on Zoom

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13.NOTES

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