# 93<sup>rd</sup> Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, October 1st, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.
In Person: Rita Laden Senate Chambers, 3rd Floor of Joe Crowley Student Union Zoom: https://unr.zoom.us/j/85031212520

# 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

# 2. COMPLIANCE WITH NEVADA OPEN MEETING LAW

- a. Was the agenda posted three full working days by 9 am, not including the meeting date?
  - https://nevadaasun.com/meetings/senate-of-the-associated-students-12/
- b. Is the meeting taking place on the day of the week, month, day, year, at the time and location listed on the agenda?
- c. Is the Zoom link working and available to the public?

# 3. 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."

### 4. ROLL CALL

Roll Call must be listed by Senate Secretary

### 5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. 8/6/2025

### 6. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

Items heard under public comment may be for items either on or off the agenda. Action may not be taken on items raised under public comment. The Speaker may elect to take public comment on action items on this agenda. The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

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# 7. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SENATE AND REFERRAL AND FOR POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION

The Senate will receive communications addressed to the Senate and, if necessary, refer each to the appropriate committee. No action will be taken on communications other than referring them to committee unless placed on the fast-track agenda.

- a. College of Science Senator DeBarger (Possible Corrective Action)
- b. College of Science Senator Bhardwaj (Possible Corrective Action)
- c. Event Programmer Josh Chaney (Possible Corrective Action)
- d. Club Commissioner Bianka Patel (Possible Corrective Action)
- e. Club Commissioner Daielle Coleman (Possible Corrective Action)
- f. S.B. 93 An Act to Establish ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures (Possible Corrective Action)
- g. S.B. 93 A Bill to Establish the State of the Association Address (Possible Corrective Action)
- h. S.B. 93 An Act to Rename the Director of Executive Affairs (Possible Corrective Action)
- i. S.B. 93 A Bill to Amend the Compensation Structure for Chairs of Special Committees (Possible Corrective Action)
- j. S.B.R. 93 A Binding Resolution to Amend the Duties of Procedures for Special Committees (Possible Corrective Action)
- k. S.R. 93 A Resolution to Oppose the Mandatory Integration of PACK AI into Academic Curriculum (Possible Corrective Action)
- 1. Motion to Discharge S.B. 93 An Act to Establish ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures

# 8. REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Speaker shall recognize any senior officer of the Association, including the Secretary, to offer a report on his or her official activities since the previous meeting and make any summary announcements he or she deems necessary for no longer than five minutes.

- a. President of the Associated Students Carmina Aglubat
- b. Vice President of the Associated Students Ethan McNamara
- c. Chief Justice Rena Arneson
- d. Director of Executive Outreach Naomi Tecson
- e. Director of Executive Affairs Gabriella Detrick
- f. Director of Clubs and Organizations Madison Hess
- g. Director of Programming Railyn Krentz
- h. Director of Government Affairs Kennedy Taylor
- i. Director of IDEA Zyna Navarte
- j. Director of Sustainability Sephora Lee
- k. Director of Campus and Public Relations Juliauna Sullivan
- 1. Director of Campus Wellness Emily Hohman
- m. Director of Ethics and Compliance Caleb Oster
- n. Speaker of the Senate Leaf Acklin

# 9. 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
- b. Committee on Budget and Finance Logan Miceli
- c. Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement Jason Issa
- d. Committee on Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Viviana Castro
- e. Committee on Government Operations Nicholas Bohlander
- f. Committee on Safety, Sustainability and Wellness Camille Levy
- g. Special Committee on Food Insecurity Alexander Saporito
- h. Parliamentarian Jason Issa
- i. Speaker Pro-Tempore Dillon Moss
- j. Committee on Oversight Leaf Acklin

# 10. REPORTS OF SECRETATRIES 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. Interim Senate Secretary, Shea Finau
- b. Legislative Clerk, VACANT

# 11. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK APPOINTMENTS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION AND FOR POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION)

The motion to fast track a resolution or appointment confirmation shall be in order if recommended by the committee of relevant jurisdiction.

- a. College of Science Senator DeBarger (Possible Corrective Action)
- b. College of Science Senator Bhardwaj (Possible Corrective Action)
- c. Event Programmer Josh Chaney (Possible Corrective Action)
- d. Club Commissioner Bianka Patel (Possible Corrective Action)
- e. Club Commissioner Daielle Coleman (Possible Corrective Action)

# 12. <u>APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS OF SENATORS AND ASUN OFFICIALS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION AND FOR POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION)</u>

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 Science Senator DeBarger (Possible Corrective Action)
- b. College of Science Senator Bhardwaj (Possible Corrective Action)

# 13. 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.

# 14. CONSENT AGENDA (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION AND FOR POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION)

The Speaker shall sequentially proceed through such acts of legislation that have been previously been placed on the consent agenda. Such acts shall be considered adopted by consent, unless a single senator rises in objection thereto. All acts so objected are immediately placed on the end of the agenda for second reading.

- a. Event Programmer Josh Chaney (Possible Corrective Action)
- b. Club Commissioner Bianka Patel (Possible Corrective Action)
- c. Club Commissioner Daielle Coleman (Possible Corrective Action)

# 15. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION (INFORMATION ONLY)

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

- a. S.R. 93 A Resolution to Ensure Transparency in the Use of Laboratory Course Fees
- b. S.R. 93 A Resolution in Support of Extending Course Evaluation Windows
- c. S.B. 93 An Act to Establish the Furthering Educators Fee Waiver Program
- d. S.R. 93 A Resolution in Support of the UofNEA's Advocacy for Student Teacher Compensation

# 16. 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. There are no items submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.

### 17. REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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

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# 18. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION AND FOR POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION)

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

- a. S.B. 93 A Bill to Establish an Annual Day of Recognition and Support for UPDNC and Promote Campus Safety Initiatives
- b. S.B. 93 An Act to Establish ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures (Possible Corrective Action)
- c. S.B. 93 An Act to use Capital Funds for Technology Replacement
- d. S.B. 93 A Bill to Establish the State of the Association Address (Possible Corrective Action)

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- e. S.B. 93 An Act to Rename the Director of Executive Affairs (Possible Corrective Action)
- f. S.B. 93 A Bill to Amend the Compensation Structure for Chairs of Special Committees (Possible Corrective Action)
- g. S.B.R. 93 A Binding Resolution to Amend the Duties of Procedures for Special Committees (Possible Corrective Action)

# 19. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

a. Senate Committee Changes and Additions

The Senate may make changes to committee assignments.

### b. Senator Reports

The Senate will share progress they have made in ASUN-related activities that they have been working on.

### c. University Police Department-Northern Command

The 93<sup>rd</sup> Senate will hear a presentation from the affiliated department.

# d. The Nevada State Undergraduate Research Journal

The 93<sup>rd</sup> Senate will hear a presentation from the affiliated department.

### e. Government Affairs

The Senate will hear a presentation from the Department of Government Affairs.

## 20. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Speaker shall recognize in turn Senators requesting the floor for a period not to exceed two minutes.

## 21. PUBLIC COMMENT (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Speaker may elect to take public comment on items on or off this agenda. The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

# 22. ADJOURNMENT

Unless otherwise marked by an asterisk, all agenized items are action items upon which the Senate may take action. Action items may be taken out of the order to be presented at the discretion of the Speaker. The Senate may combine two or more agenda items for consideration. The Senate may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time. Any inquiries or requests for supporting material for an agenda item should be directed to the Secretary of the Senate at senatesecretary@asun.unr.edu.

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# **MEMORANDUM**



TO: Leaf Acklin, Speaker of the 93<sup>rd</sup> Senate

FROM: Railyn Krentz, Director of Programming

DATE: August 6th, 2025

RE: Nominations to the Department of Programming

Honorable Speaker Acklin and Esteemed Members of the 93<sup>rd</sup> Senate,

I am honored to present the nominations of the following individuals for their respective offices:

1. Nomination of Mr. Josh Chaney to the position of Event Programmer.

Additionally, **I am requesting that these nominations be fast-tracked through the Senate**. Should you require any additional information or clarification regarding these nominations, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With best regards,

Railyn Krentz

Director of Programming



From: President Aglubat and Vice President McNamara

TO: Speaker Acklin and ASUN Senate

Date: July 23rd, 2025

RE: Request to Fast Track Consent Agenda Officers

Dear Speaker Acklin and Esteemed Members of the 93rd Session Senate,

It is with great enthusiasm that we submit for your consideration the following nominees for the Executive Branch Officers of the 93rd Session of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada. In alignment with longstanding precedent, we respectfully request that this individual be fast-tracked for approval on the consent agenda during the upcoming Senate meeting on Wednesday, August 6th, 2025.

Our intention in submitting this fast-track request is to ensure that our executive team is confirmed in a timely manner.

# **Department of Clubs and Organizations**

• Commissioner- Bianka Patel



From: Dillon Moss, Speaker Pro Tempore of the ASUN Senate

TO: Leaf Acklin, Speaker of the ASUN Senate

Date: 9/24/2025

RE: Motion to Discharge S. B. 93 - An Act to Establish ASUN Standard

Meeting Protocols & Procedures

Hello Speaker Acklin,

On August 6th, 2025, S.B. 93 – An Act to Establish ASUN Standard Meeting Protocols and Procedures was referred back to the Committee on Government Operations after it was determined that it needed necessary amendments by the authors.

August 22nd marked fourteen days of inaction in the Committee on Government Operations and as such, I am requesting this piece be discharged from this Committee, pursuant to Senate Rule XII, Section C, which establishes that any Senator may submit a written motion to discharge a piece from a committee if it has not been acted on within fourteen days.

Approval of this motion to discharge will allow the Senate of the Associated Students to discuss and potentially approve this bill during the October 1st Senate meeting.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Dillon Moss

Speaker Pro Tempore

Associated Students of the University of Nevada

# [DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION 2024-2025

# S. R. 93 -A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING TRANSPARENCY IN THE USE OF

LABORATORY COURSE FEES

In the Senate of the Associated Students
SEPTEMBER 11, 2025
Submitted to the Senate of the Associated Students by Senator Bhardwaj Co-Sponsored by Senator Barrus, Senator DeBarger, Senator Evans, Senator Levy

1	Whereas, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN) represents the voice of
2	undergraduate students in matters affecting academic and campus life;
3	Whereas, laboratory courses within the College of Science are essential to preparing students for
4	professional success, offering hands-on experience in chemistry, biology, physics, and related
5	disciplines;
6	Whereas, laboratory courses often require additional fees to sustain the high-quality learning
7	environment necessary for student success, including consumable materials, equipment maintenance,
8	safety measures, and instructional technology;
9	Whereas, peer institutions maintain lab fee policies that emphasize clarity and appropriate use:
10	e.g., the University of Michigan's lab fee guidelines explicitly state that fee assessments should be
11	transparent and clearly communicated to the public, and limit fees to allowable, course-specific costs;
12	Whereas, the University of Texas System provides system-wide guidance on when to assess
13	course and lab fees and how to ensure compliance with statutes, underscoring the importance of
14	consistent, transparent practices across departments and campuses;
15	Whereas, the University of Utah's policy on special course fees specifies allowable uses (e.g.,
16	consumables, use of specialized facilities) and bars fees from supplementing general departmental
17	budgets, clarifying for students what fees can and cannot fund;
18	Whereas, students have expressed a desire for greater clarity on how these fees directly support
19	their education, with the goal of fostering a stronger sense of confidence and appreciation for the
20	resources provided;
21	Whereas, transparent communication between departments and students builds trust, enhances
22	the academic experience, and strengthens the College's reputation as a leader that attracts and retains
23	top students;

25	Be it resolved, that the ASUN Senate formally requests each department in the College of Science
26	offering laboratory courses to prepare a concise and accessible statement, affirming the ways in
27	which laboratory course fees are reinvested to sustain and enrich the student learning experience;
28	Be it further resolved, that these statements highlight the many categories of investment: such as
29	consumables, equipment upkeep, technology, safety and compliance, and other critical instructional
30	expenditures;
31	Be it further resolved, that these statements be made readily available to students through course
32	platforms (e.g., WebCampus) or departmental websites;
33	Be it further resolved, that departments be encouraged to present an overview of these allocations
34	in a College-wide student forum or similar venue, thereby strengthening a culture of transparency,
35	celebrating the College's ongoing investment in student success, and reinforcing the partnership
36	between faculty, administration, and students;
37	Be it further resolved, that this resolution does not seek to alter fee levels, but to celebrate the
38	College's investments in experiential science education by making the connection between fees and
39	learning resources more visible to students;
40	Be it further resolved, that a copy of the legislation be sent to the following:
41	Dean, College of Science, Louisa Hope-Weeks;
42	Chair of the Department of Biology, Anne Leonard;
43	• Chair of the Department of Chemistry, Ana de Bettencourt-Dias;
44	Chair of the Department of Geography, Adam Csank;
45	Chair of the Department of Geological Sciences and Engineering, Paula Noble;
46	• Chair of the Department of Mathematics & Statistics, Tin-Yau Tam;
47	Chair of the Department of Physics, Joshua Williams;
48	• Chair of the Department of Psychology, Fang Jiang;
49	• President of the Associated Students, Carmina Aglubat;

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- Vice President of the Associated Students, Ethan McNamara;
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- Speaker of the 93rd Senate of the Associated Students, Leaf Acklin;

# [DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION 2024-2025

# S. R. 93 A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDING COURSE EVALUATION WINDOWS

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS	
SEPTEMBER 17, 2025	
SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY SENATOR BHARDWA CO-SPONSORED BY SENATOR BARRUS	J

1	Whereas, the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) currently opens student course evaluations for
2	a period of 10 days, closing them at 11:59 p.m. on Prep Day (the Wednesday before finals), with
3	short and dynamically dated courses generally receiving 5-7 days;
4	Whereas, this schedule can present conflicts for students balancing exams, projects, and
5	deadlines in the final weeks of the semester, leading to missed opportunities to provide feedback and
6	lower completion rates, especially for students who may be off-campus or otherwise unable to
7	complete evaluations on Prep Day;
8	Whereas, peer institutions within the Nevada System of Higher Education, including the
9	University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), provide longer evaluation windows of up to three weeks,
10	open prior to finals week, which has demonstrated success in maintaining or improving response
11	rates; and institutions beyond Nevada, such as the University of Minnesota Duluth, George Mason
12	University, the University of New Hampshire, and Arizona State University, provide windows of two
13	or more weeks leading up to the end of the term, with results generally released only after grades are
14	finalized to preserve fairness;
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27	Whereas, extending evaluation windows and adopting complementary practices would better				
28	align UNR with peer and aspirational institutions, improve opportunities for student voices to be				
29	heard, and ultimately support faculty development, curriculum planning, and overall institutional				
30	improvement;				
31	Be it resolved, that ASUN expresses its strong support for the University to extend the standard				
32	course evaluation window for regular fifteen-week courses from ten days to fourteen days by opening				
33	evaluations earlier in the term while maintaining the current closing time of 11:59 p.m. on Prep Day;				
34	Be it further resolved, that ASUN encourages the University to consider scaling evaluation				
35	windows for short and dynamically dated courses to seven to ten days, proportional to course length,				
36	so as not to disadvantage students in accelerated formats;				
37	Be it further resolved, that ASUN urges the University to review and, where feasible, implement				
38	additional practices proven to increase response rates and evaluation quality, including but not				
39	limited to providing targeted reminder messages during the open period, offering a visible opt-out				
40	mechanism that preserves student agency while maintaining the current grade-view hold incentive,				
41	and including brief bias-awareness reminders in evaluation forms to encourage fair and constructive				
42	feedback;				
43	Be it further resolved, that ASUN recommends the Office of the Provost explore piloting the				
44	extended evaluation window and complementary measures in select colleges during a future				
45	semester, with results reported publicly to Faculty Senate and ASUN;				
46	Be it further resolved, that a copy of the legislation be sent to the following:				
47	• Executive Vice President & Provost, Jeffrey S. Thompson;				
48	• Senior Vice Provost, University Projects and Strategic Initiatives, Vincent J.				
49	Catalano;				
50	Associate Vice Provost for Curriculum and Assessment, Jane Detweiler;				
51	Vice Provost, Undergraduate Education, David Shintani;				
52	Faculty Senate Chair, Jennifer McClendon;				

President of the Associated Students, Carmina Aglubat;
 Vice President of the Associated Students, Ethan McNamara;
 Speaker of the 93rd Senate of the Associated Students, Leaf Acklin.

# [DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION 2025-2026

# S. B. 93 -

# AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FURTHERING EDUCATORS FEE WAIVER PROGRAM

In the Senate of the Associated Students
August 27th, 2025
Submitted to the Senate of the Associated Students by Speaker Pro Tempore Moss

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Whereas, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN) is committed to supporting students pursuing careers in education and addressing the statewide teacher shortage; and

*Whereas*, the PackTeach and NevadaTeach programs require students to complete the C-BEST or Praxis examinations as a prerequisite to enrollment in each program; and

Whereas, the cost of these examinations can create a barrier for students from low-income or underrepresented backgrounds, discouraging them from entering the teaching profession; and

Whereas, ASUN currently administers a financial assistance framework (the Passion Fund Program) that uses an established formula to determine financial need and equitable allocation of funds; and

Whereas, dedicating a portion of ASUN's budget to subsidize these critical fees will enhance access to education programs and remove barriers to teacher preparation pathways; and

Whereas, The C-Best Exam costs 30 dollars per subtest; and

Whereas, the Praxis Core Exam costs 90 dollars per subtest and \$150 for the combined test; and

Whereas, the Event Programming Budget has available funds suitable for reallocation toward programs that foster student success and professional development; and

THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REPRESENTED IN THE SENATE, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

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Be it enacted, that the Associated Students of the University of Nevada shall establish the Furthering Educators Fee Waiver Program, hereinafter referred to as the "FEFW," to provide financial support to students taking the C-BEST or Praxis exams for admission to PackTeach/NevadaTeach; and

Be it further enacted, that an amount not to exceed \$3,000 shall be reallocated from the Senate Operating and Travel Budget to fund the FEFW on an annual basis; and Be it further enacted, that after the first year of the program, it shall be allocated funds on a needed basis each fiscal year; and

*Be it further enacted*, that the FEFW must be marketed and made accessible to all students upon establishment; and

Be it further enacted, that the Fee Waiver shall be awarded based on financial need using the same formula as the Passion Fund Program, and that each student may only receive the Fee Waiver no more than two (2) times during their academic career; and

*Be it further enacted*, that the administration of the FEFW shall follow the same application, review, and disbursement processes currently in place for the Passion Fund, with necessary modifications to accommodate testing fee payments; and

Be it further enacted, that the Committee on Government Operations, the Committee on Budget & Finance, the Director of ASUN, President of ASUN, and Senator for the College of Education & Human Development shall ensure the establishment, oversight, and reporting of the FEFW, including an annual report to the Senate detailing total applications, awards granted, funds utilized, and recommendations for continuation or adjustment; and

Be it enacted that the language of Addendum A be adopted in full upon passage and approval by the President of the Associated Students;

Be it further enacted, that a copy of this bill will be sent to:

- Director of ASUN, Sandra Rodriguez
- Associate Director of ASUN, Luis Aguliar-Herrera
- President of ASUN, Carmina Aglubat
- Vice President of ASUN, Ethan McNamara
- Speaker of the 93rd Senate, Leaf Acklin
- Director of Event Programming, Railyn Krentz
- Dean of the College of Education & Human Development, Donald Easton-Brooks
- Associate Dean of the College of Education & Human Development,
   Lindsay Diamond.
- Assistant Dean of the College of Education & Human Development,
   Diana ElAlami
- Chair of the Committee of Government Operations, Nick Bohlander
- Chair of the Committee on Budget & Finance, Logan Miceli

# Addendum A

# TITLE XXXI: The Furthering Educators Fee Waiver Program

# Chapter 3101: The Furthering Educators Fee Waiver Program

# SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby a service offered within the Association called the Further Educators Fee Waiver Program.

# **SECTION 02: PURPOSE**

The purpose of this program is to help ease the financial burden that comes with pursuing a career in education or human development and family sciences.

## SECTION 03: ADMINISTRATION

The Program shall be administered by the Center for Student Engagement and the Associated Students of the University of Nevada.

- a. The program shall be administered in the same fashion as the ASUN Passion Fund
- b. Applications shall be routed to the Office of Financial Aid to review applications and measure if an applicant is financially eligible.

## Section 04: Oversight

The program will be overseen by a number of officers to ensure that it is administered properly.

- a. The program will be overseen by the following officers
  - i. The Director of ASUN
  - ii. The Associate Director for Student Government of ASUN
  - iii. The President of ASUN
  - iv. The Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance
  - v. The Senator for the College of Education and Human Development

## SECTION 05: REPORTING

The Director of ASUN shall draft and deliver a report of the program to the ASUN Senate at the end of each session.

- a. The report shall include the following total applications, awards granted, funds utilized, and recommendations for continuation or adjustment
  - i. Total applications

- ii. Awards granted
- iii. Funds utilized
- iv. Recommendations for continuation or adjustment

# Section 06: Eligibility

A student must adhere to the following to be eligible for the fee waiver

- a. Have shown a reasonable need for financial aid as determined for by the Office of Financial Aid.
- b. Will be taking the CBest or Praxis exam to qualify for a pre-education program at the University of Nevada, Reno.
- c. Maintain at least a 2.00 GPA.

# Section 07: Regulation

Students that seek to use funds within the fee waiver program may only qualify for the program no more than two times.

a. Students that must take the CBest of Praxis exam more than twice must use their own funds to take the exams after using the fee waiver two times.

# SECTION 08: ADVERTISEMENT

The Director of Campus and Public Relations shall work in partnership with the Senator of the College of Education and Human Development to advertise this program every Fall Semester

a. Marketing shall be posted within the first two months of the semester.

# <mark>Addendum B</mark>

Account Number	Furthering Educators Fee Waiver			
	Operating			
	Student Support		-	
	Program Support		3,000.00	1
	Balance Forward	3,000.00		
	Total Future Program		\$3,000.00	\$3,000

T. Actual T. Allocated Dollars

# S. R. 93-A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE UOFNEA'S ADVOCACY FOR STUDENT TEACHER COMPENSATION

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

MONTH DAY, 2025

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY SENATOR DILLON MOSS

Whereas, Nevada is facing a growing teacher shortage due to a lack of qualified individuals pursuing careers in education;

Whereas, completing a student teaching placement at an accredited school in the Reno/Sparks area is a requirement for earning an education degree at the University of Nevada, Reno;

Whereas, student teaching is considered a seminar course and incurs the same tuition and fees as other university courses;

Whereas, education students, both elementary and secondary, are strongly discouraged from seeking paid employment or teaching placements while student teaching, creating a financial burden;

Whereas, the University of Nevada Education Association (UofNEA) has prioritized advocating for paid student teaching positions at UNR;

Whereas, UofNEA is a chapter of the Nevada State Education Association (NSEA), a union representing teachers and aspiring educators statewide;

Whereas, UofNEA is actively collaborating with NSEA to promote policy initiatives that secure compensation for student teachers across Nevada;

# THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA REPRESENTED IN THE SENATE, ARE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

Be it resolved, that the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN) formally supports the efforts of the UofNEA to secure paid student teaching opportunities;

Be it further resolved, that ASUN urges the University of Nevada, Reno, and the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) to explore and implement mechanisms for compensating student teachers, including state funding, stipends, or school district partnerships;

Be it further resolved, that ASUN commits to raising awareness about the financial barriers faced by student teachers and to collaborating with UofNEA and other stakeholders to advocate for sustainable, long-term solutions;

Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution will be sent to:

- Director of ASUN, Sandra Rodriquez
- Associate Director of ASUN, Luis Aguliar-Herrara
- Vice President of Government and Community Engagement, Michael Flores
- Dean of the College of Education & Human Development, Donald Easton-Brooks
- President of ASUN, Carmina Aglubat
- Director of Government Affairs, Kennedy Taylor
- President of the University of Nevada Education Association, Miles Shanor
- Chair of Democratic and Civic Engagement, Jason Issa

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# S.B. - 93

# A BILL TO ESTABLISH AN ANNUAL DAY OF RECOGNITION AND SUPPORT FOR UPDNC AND PROMOTE CAMPUS SAFETY INITIATIVES

In the Senate of the Associated Students

April 25th, 2025

Sponsored by Senator Saporioto Originally Authored by Speaker Acklin, Speaker Ali, and Speaker Pro Tempore Meiszburger Whereas, the individuals serving in the University Police Department – Northern Command (UPDNC) courageously put themselves in harm's way daily to ensure the safety and well-being of all students, faculty, staff, and visitors at the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR), as well as at other Northern Nevada NSHE institutions, including Truckee Meadows Community College (TMCC), Western Nevada College (WNC), Great Basin College (GBC), and the Desert Research Institute (DRI);

Whereas, establishing a dedicated day of recognition would honor the dedication, values, and commitment of the UPDNC, while also promoting greater student awareness of the department's safety efforts, resources, and educational programming;

Whereas, campus safety is a shared responsibility, and UPDNC plays a critical role in maintaining a secure environment through proactive patrols, educational outreach, and emergency response services;

Whereas, the department, established in 1965, has provided decades of public service without formal recognition from the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN) for its continued excellence and dedication;

Whereas, the department offers vital services including campus escorts, event security, ride-along opportunities, victim advocacy, the SafePack App, women's self-defense classes, and student engagement tools such as PowerEngage;

Whereas, the department addresses illegal drug use and alcohol possession through educational programs such as BASICS, CASICS, SHIFT, STEPSS, and OnTRAC<sup>1</sup>;

Whereas, the department supports transparency and community trust by engaging students through public presentations, safety training sessions, and informal gatherings like "Coffee With A Cop," held across UNR, TMCC, and WNC campuses;

Whereas, UPDNC normally schedules only one "Coffee With A Cop" event each semester;

Whereas, UPDNC hosted 127 safety-related training sessions in 2024, including women's self-defense classes, monthly safety sessions at WNC, active assailant training, and community outreach programs like "Bigs with Badges" with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern Nevada;

Whereas, the department made significant contributions to public safety and victim advocacy in 2024, with 325 victims contacted, 427 disclosures of trafficking, and 26 victims recovered, including a December operation recovering 17 adults and one child, resulting in 5 felony arrests;

Whereas, UPDNC's Victim Services Division provided support to 64 individuals across 54 new cases, many involving stalking, suicide prevention, and crisis intervention, with special attention to both NSHE affiliates and the broader community;

Whereas, UPDNC implemented major organizational resilience initiatives in 2024, including trauma kit placements across all Northern Nevada campuses, participation in statewide emergency planning, and execution of the first NSHE-wide Great ShakeOut earthquake drill;

Whereas, UPDNC is collaborating with the campus' Committee on the Status of Women to host HERO (Human Exploitation and Recovery Operations) Project Workshops to focus on trafficking awareness for the university community<sup>2</sup>;

Whereas, UPDNC expands its resources each year to promote and ensure the safety of our student body, even in the face of potential budgetary restrictions;

Whereas, according to 2024 statistics, the department reported:

- 30,225 total citizen contacts
- 5,421 foot patrol hours
- 12 use-of-force incidents
- 0 excessive use-of-force complaints
- **4,967 CAD incidents**, with 99.8% not requiring force
- 122 arrests
- 1,374.5 hours of officer training logged

Whereas, during the UNLV shooting on December 6, 2023, the department demonstrated professionalism, swift action, and transparency to ensure the safety and confidence of the UNR community;

Whereas, ASUN recognizes prior concerns in police-student relations and reaffirms its commitment to building mutual trust, equity, and understanding through communication, feedback, and education;

Whereas, ASUN will utilize its platforms—including social media, public events, and peer-to-peer channels—to share safety resources, increase student-police interaction, and promote programs that contribute to a safer, more informed campus community;

Whereas, the second Friday of October shall be designated annually as a Day of Recognition for the University Police Department – Northern Command, honoring their service and reinforcing student engagement with safety programming;

**Be it enacted,** that ASUN will collaborate with the Community Relations and Support Services Specialist of UPDNC to organize recognition events including tabling, social media campaigns, and other outreach to increase student awareness and appreciation;

**Be it further enacted**, that ASUN will promote student participation in UPDNC-led safety education, such as Student Safety Workshops & Training, ride-along sessions, and self-defense programs;

**Be it further enacted**, that ASUN will provide partial sponsorship 25% for the Coffee With A Cop event to support community connection.

- If the department pays for 7 dozen donuts at \$17.95/dozen, ASUN will contribute \$43.97 of the \$125.65 total.
- If the department pays for 14 dozen donuts, ASUN will contribute \$87.96 of the \$251.30 total. The final amount will be confirmed in coordination with the Community Relations and Support Services Specialist;

**Be it further enacted**, that UPDNC will be invited annually to present to the ASUN Senate in October to share updates, address student concerns, and foster dialogue between campus safety officials and the student body;

**Be it finally resolved**, that a copy of this resolution be sent to:

- Chair of Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness Camille Levy
- Chief of University Police Department, Northern Command Eric James
- Deputy Chief of Police Department, Northern Command Joshua Reynolds
- Community Relations and Support Services Specialist Madison Eifert

# Addendum A

### Rule X: STANDING COMMITTEE DUTIES

### c) COMMITTEE ON SAFETY, SUSTAINABILITY, AND WELLNESS

The Committee on Safety, Sustainability and Wellness shall be responsible for policies concerning campus wide departments regarding student safety and wellness, including but not limited to: Facilities Services, university Housing, University Police, Student Health Services, Counseling Center, Campus Dining, Title IX Office, The Student Wellness Advisory Group, the ASUN Director of Sustainability and the ASUN Director of Campus Wellness. The Committee shall develop relationships with mental and physical health-related student organizations. The Committee shall assist and consult the Director of Sustainability in the promotion of sustainable campus initiatives, the Sustainable Nevada Initiative Fund, and events such as Public Lands Day, Earth Day, and Arbor Day. Along with helping UPDNC host & sponsor Coffee with Cops and designating the second Friday of October as 'A Day of Recognition for UPDNC,' the Speaker will also formally invite UPDNC to present to the Senate each October. This annual presentation will strengthen cooperation between our two departments and promote transparency. The Committee shall be responsible for legislation regarding sustainable practices on and off campus, any policy concerning student health and student safety on campus and in the community, as well as anything else that the Chair finds pertinent to the Committee. The Committee will also work with the Director of Campus Wellness to allot at least four days within the academic year for the promotion of health and wellness, and resources available to students.

# [DISCUSSION DRAFT]

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# S.B. 93 -

# An Act to Establish ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures

In the Senate of the Associated Students
July 3rd, 2025
Submitted to the Senate of the Associated Students by Speaker Pro Tempore Moss and Parliamentarian Issa

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Whereas, Transparency and accountability are foundational principles of democratic government and student representation; and

Whereas, Nevada Open Meeting Law (NRS Chapter 241) serves as guidelines to ensure public access to government meetings and decision-making processes; and

Whereas, ASUN, as the recognized student government of the University of Nevada, Reno, should strive to uphold similar standards; and

Whereas, as the officially recognized Student Government of UNR, pursuant to the NSHE Handbook, any multi-member body must adhere to the established code in Nevada Revised Statutes; and

Whereas, the Director of Ethics and Compliance cannot enforce or interpret NRS; and Whereas, the Director of Ethics and Compliance can enforce any regulation or requirement within the Statutes of the Associated Students; and

*Whereas,* the Judicial Council is empowered to conduct hearings and issue decisions on violations of duties, regulations, and requirements within the Statutes of the Associated Students.

Be it enacted, that the regulations and standards established in Addendum A be known as ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures; and

Be it further enacted, that all regulations and standards shall be established under the introduction of the Statutes of the Associated Students as Chapter 004; and

Be it further enacted, that it be within the Director of Ethics and Compliance to enforce and interpret any regulation established in this legislation; and

Be it further enacted, that the Judicial Council is empowered to hear and decide on a violation of ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures; and

Be it further enacted, that the Director of Ethics and Compliance, Parliamentarian of the Senate, and Chief Justice of the Judicial Council shall train their respective branches on the new standards and provisions established with ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures within thirty days of it being approved by the President of the Associated Students; and

Be it further enacted, the President of the Associated Students shall send correspondence to the Senate upon approving this legislation to begin the time requirement for training of each branch; and

*Be it further enacted,* that the changes and provisions reflected in Addendum A be adopted upon passage and approval; and

Be it further enacted, that the changes and provisions reflected in Addendum B be adopted upon passage and approval; and

Be it further enacted, that a copy of this bill will be sent to:

- Director of ASUN, Sandra Rodriguez;
- Associate Director of ASUN, Luis Aguliar-Herrera;
- President of ASUN, Carmina Aglubat;
- Vice President of ASUN, Ethan McNamara;
- Speaker of the 93rd Senate, Leaf Acklin;
- Chief Justice, Rena Arneson;
- Chair of the Committee of Government Operations, Travis Terry;
- Director of Ethics and Compliance, Caleb Oster; and
- Secretary of the Senate, Faith Johnson

# Addendum A

# Chapter 004: ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures

### Section 01: Establishment

There is hereby established ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures for all officers of the Associated Students.

## **SECTION 02: PURPOSE**

The purpose of this document is to provide a set of requirements and standards for the officers of ASUN when conducting public meetings that discuss matters important to the student body.

### **Section 03: Definitions**

- a) "Meeting" shall mean any gathering of a quorum of a public body to deliberate toward or make a decision on any matter over which the body has supervision, control, jurisdiction, or advisory power.
- b) "Deliberate" shall mean to examine, weigh, or reflect upon the reasons for or against a course of action.
- c) "Action" shall mean a decision, commitment, vote, or promise to make a decision.
- d) "Public body" shall mean any official ASUN entity, board, commission, or group created by statute or governing documents with three or more members.
- e) "Quorum" shall mean a simple majority of the members of a public body, unless otherwise defined by its governing documents.
- f) "Serial communication" shall mean a series of communications involving members of a body that collectively constitute a quorum and are intended to circumvent the provisions of this chapter.

### Section 04: Administration

The Senate of the Associated Students shall set all regulations and standards relating to ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures. The Senate of the Associated Students may propose changes to this chapter, with the consent of two-thirds of the body.

## **SECTION 05: QUALIFICATION**

Any official body under the Associated Students comprising three or more members must adhere to the regulations set by ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures.

### Section 06: Accessibility

This law shall apply to all official meetings of the ASUN, its Committees, the President's Cabinet, any Departments, Commissions and Boards, and any other entity created in the Statutes or ASUN governing documents.

- a) All meetings covered by this Chapter shall be open to the public unless a specific exception is outlined under ASUN policy and consistent with student rights and university policy.
- b) Reasonable accommodations shall be provided to ensure public access for individuals with disabilities.
  - i) All meetings must be in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- c) Audio or video recordings of meetings shall be made available when feasible to ensure transparency and public access.

### **Section 07: Notice of Meetings**

Each officer that shall act as Chair of their respective body shall be required to post a notice or agenda prior to each meeting.

- a) Notice of each meeting shall be publicly posted at least by 9:00 am, three university business days prior to the meeting.
- b) The notice shall include the date, time, location, and a complete agenda of the items to be discussed.
- c) Notices shall be posted on the ASUN website and shall be physically posted on all designated areas on campus.
  - i) Designated Posting Places shall include:
    - 1) The Center for Student Engagement in the Joe Crowley Student Union:
    - 2) The Mathewson-IGT Knowledge Center;
    - 3) The Pennington Student Achievement Center; and
    - 4) The Frandsen Humanities Building.
- d) Agendas must include a clear description of each item to be discussed or acted upon.
- e) No action may be taken on items not listed on the posted agenda.
- f) Each meeting shall include time for public comment at the beginning and end of the meeting. Public comment may not be restricted based on content but may be subject to reasonable time limits by the Chair of the body.
- g) The Chair must verbally identify any item being discussed before the start of the discussion or vote.
- h) Meetings may not be conducted via serial communications, text messaging, or email chains that constitute deliberation outside a noticed meeting.

### Section 08: Minutes and Records

Each meeting held must have minutes taken and recorded for the public to review after the conclusion of a meeting of any body.

- a) Minutes of each meeting must be recorded, including
  - i) The date, time, and location of the meeting
  - ii) Names of members present and absent
  - iii) A record of members of the public that were present
  - iv) Summary of discussions and votes taken
  - v) Public comments, when practicable
- b) All agendas, minutes, and supplemental materials shall be made publicly available

- within thirty university working days after the meeting and archived in a publicly accessible digital format.
- c) Recordings, when available, must be archived and linked to the respective meeting agenda.

#### Section 09: Enforcement and Violations

Any student or ASUN officer may report a violation of this Chapter to the Director of Ethics and Compliance.

- a) If a meeting is found to have violated these provisions:
  - i) Actions taken during the improperly noticed or conducted meeting may be rendered voidable.
  - ii) The offending body may be required to reconvene in compliance with this law
  - Repeat or egregious violations may result in disciplinary review by the appropriate governing body.
- b) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall be empowered to enforce and interpret all provisions within ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures and may prosecute any violation of the established standards.
- c) Any individual may file a complaint within ten university working days of the violation. Complaints must be acknowledged within five business days and resolved or referred within fifteen university business days.
- d) The Judicial Council shall serve as the final authority on disputes, remedies, and appeals related to violations of ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures.

#### **Section 10: Exemptions**

Certain bodies and types of meetings may be exempt from the provisions in this law pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes. The following types of meetings or proceedings are exempt from the provisions of this law, in accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes Chapter 241 and applicable student government context:

- a) Judicial Deliberations
  - i) Meetings or internal deliberations of the ASUN Judicial Council concerning adjudication, interpretation of governing documents, or the rendering of advisory or binding opinions shall be exempt.
- b) Trainings, Workshops, and Retreats
  - i) Training sessions, leadership development workshops, retreats, and similar gatherings where no formal action or deliberation on public business takes place are exempt from this Chapter. No votes, decisions, or policy discussions may occur during such gatherings.

#### Section 11: Severability

If any provision of this chapter is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall continue to be in effect.

# Addendum B

### Chapter 205: Director of Ethics and Compliance

#### **SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT**

There is hereby a Director of Ethics and Compliance, appointed by the President, with the consent of the Senate.

#### **SECTION 02: DUTIES**

The duties of the Director of Ethics and Compliance are:

- 1) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall issue advisory opinions concerning the law, legislation, or any other act of the Association.
- 2) Copies of the Director of Ethics and Compliance's opinions will be distributed to the President, Vice President, and all Senators. The opinions are to also be made available to anyone upon request.
- 3) All requests for the Director of Ethics and Compliance to issue advisory opinions must be made in writing except those made on the Senate floor.
- 4) To update and distribute the Constitution for the purpose of engrossing any Constitutional Amendments as passed by the Association and approved by the Board of Regents. The Director of Ethics and Compliance is designated the responsibility to publish current editions of the Associated Student's Constitution.
- 5) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall act as President if, by reason of death, resignation, removal from office, inability, or failure to qualify, there is no President, Vice President, Speaker of the Senate, Director of Clubs and Organizations, or Director of Programming to act as President.
- 6) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall investigate alleged violations of the Election Code and prosecute offenders before the Judicial Council.
- 7) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall prosecute any case, at the Director of Ethics and Compliance's or Judicial Council's discretion, filed by a third party, even in cases where the plaintiff seeks to dismiss the charge.
- 8) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall act as the representative of the Director of Elections and Democratic Education before the ASUN Judicial Council.
- 9) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall ensure that all regulations concerning petitions are followed fully.
- 10) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall deliver and provide for all petitions (for each election) or for initiative and referendums to the President of the Associated Students and the Director of Elections and Democratic before the Candidates' Meeting.
- 11) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall assist any student interested in writing a petition for initiative and referendum.
- 12) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall verify that there are a sufficient

number of valid signatures on each petition, by checking the student status of each person who signed the petition, to immediately notify the Primary Proponent(s) if the verifying official discovers that the petition submitted lacks sufficient valid signatures, and to preserve the petition for the same time period as the Director of Elections and Democratic Education preserves the ballots for the election for which the petition qualified or attempted to qualify for placement on the ballot.

- 13) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall notify Candidates and all others cited of charges during elections.
- 14) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall supervise ballot tabulation.
- 15) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall release the election results as soon as possible.
- 16) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall attend or send a representative to all physical polling locations and places where ballots are kept and tabulated, provided such representative is not a candidate or agent in the election.
- 17) To carry out such other functions and duties as required under the constitution and laws.
- 18) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall not prosecute any case to which the Director of Ethics and Compliance is a party or in which the Director of Ethics and Compliance has an interest in the outcome as described in subsection 3, Title III, Chapter 302, Rule 3a. When such a conflict occurs, the Chair of Government Operations shall act as a special prosecutor to act as and perform the elections duties of the Director of Ethics and Compliance insofar as the Director of Ethics and Compliance's conflict is concerned.
- 19) To have a report read or spoken into record at minimum every other Senate meeting.
- 20) Responsible to attend all ASUN retreats, and training as decided by the President and the Director of Executive Outreach.
- 21) The Director of Ethics and Compliance shall serve as ex-officio member on the Senate Committee on Government Operations.
- 22) Organize trainings and continue to provide education on ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures for the Association.
- 23) Ensure ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures are followed and work with Officers to correct any violations.
  - a) To cancel meetings that have violated ASUN Standard Meeting Procedures.
  - b) In the cancellation notice, the Director of Ethics and Compliance must list what violation(s) occurred.
  - c) The Director of Ethics and Compliance must send a meeting cancellation notice no later than twenty-four hours before the meeting is to take place.
  - d) The invalidation notice must be sent to the presiding officer and the Secretary of the Senate.

# [DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93RD SESSION 2025-2026

# S. B. 93 -AN ACT TO USE CAPITAL FUNDS FOR TECHNOLOGY REPLACEMENT

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

AUGUST 26TH, 2025

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR MICELI TO THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FINANCE

# A Bill An Act to use Capital Funds for Technology Replacement

Whereas, an appropriation from the Capital Fund has been requested;

Whereas, the funds are requested to pay for technology replacement in the Frankie Sue Del Papa Conference Room and Pack Place located in the ASUN Center for Student Engagement;

Whereas, ASUN must invest in capital resources to keep its electronic equipment up-to-date;

Whereas, the Frankie Sue Del Papa Conference Room has the ability to host online and hybrid meetings, allowing ASUN to comply with Nevada Open Meeting Law, and the technology to do so was purchased in 2018 and has since been having issues with camera usage, sound, power, and overheating, despite attempts to troubleshoot;

Whereas, Pack Place has two TV's which project images from laptops and AirMedia devices for meetings and activities, of which such devices were purchased in 2015 and have since been unplugged due to security concerns that the exposure of University network information systems could be abused by malicious parties;

Whereas, the request is being made to replace the Frankie Sue Del Papa Conference Room Creston System and TV as well as the two Pack Place Air Media's;

Whereas, the technology replacement will cost \$12,445.11, including a 10% contingency required by the Statutes of the Associated Students for possible price increases from the vendor;

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students,

a) The Capital Fund be approved to pay for the \$12,445.11 technology replacement.



TO: Carmina Aglubat, ASUN President

Sandra Rodriguez, Director of ASUN & Center for Student Engagement

FROM: Aaron Adams, IT Tech 1

Amy Koeckes, Associate Director Student Engagement

DATE: August 21, 2025

RE: \$12,445.11 Capital Request – Technology Replacement for Conference Room & Pack Place

This request is for new technology in the Frankie Sue Del Papa Presidents Conference Room and Pack Place located in the ASUN Center for Student Engagement. After an assessment of the current technology, it has been determined that an update is needed.

- Frankie Sue Del Papa Presidents Conference Room has the ability to host online and hybrid meetings. This allows ASUN to meet standards for Nevada Open Meeting Law. This system was purchased in 2018. In the last year the technology in the conference has been having issues with camera usage, sound, power issues, TV issues, and recently has been overheating causing it to shut down and not be able to be used. The staff has tried to troubleshoot to fix these problems, and they are no longer working.
- Pack Place has two TV's that project images from laptops from AirMedia devices behind each
  TV for meetings and activities. These AirMedia devices were purchased in 2015. Two weeks
  ago, the two AirMedia devices had to be unplugged due to security concerns that the University
  systems could be abused. The aged devices were exposing the University network to malicious
  parties.

This request is for new technology for the two areas listed above for a total of \$12,445.11

- \$7,928.75 Frankie Sue Del Papa Presidents Conference Room Crestron System
- \$599.99 Frankie Sue Del Papa Presidents Conference Room TV
- \$2,785.00 Pack Place 2 AirMedia's
- \$1,131.37
   10% contingency for possible price increase in prices from the vendor



CCS Presentation Systems 2567 W Cheyenne Ave N. Las Vegas, NV 89032 (702) 869-0020 (702) 365-8740 Fax NV Contractors License # 0060399 Price Valid For 14 Days

Project Info Project: UNR Student Engagement

Proposal: CCS-8530 Rev. 1.0 Date: April 7, 2025

**Customer Info** 

**UNR Student Engagement** 

Confidential Proposal

#### **CONFERENCE ROOM**

#### **SCOPE**

Supply & Install

- Crestron UC-B70-A-T
- Crestron Scheduling panel
- All required cabling & Installation hardware

#### Exclusions:

- High voltage electrical, provided by others
- Low voltage conduit/raceways, using existing or plenum rated cable through plenum space
  - Surface mounted raceway is available at additional cost
- Installation or integration of any equipment not included in this proposal
- Teams room licenses
- Networking, provided by owner

#### Notes:

- UNR to provide 2-gang box/ring and a connection to network for the scheduling panel
- UNR to configure scheduling panel to work with scheduling management system

#### **VIDEO**

QTY	DESCRIPTION		PRICE	PRICE EXT
1	Crestron TSS-770-B-S 7 in. Room Scheduling Touch Screen, Black Smooth		\$748.75	\$748.75
1	Crestron UC-B70-A-T Crestron Flex Large Room Conference Solution with All-In-One Videobar 70 for Micros		\$5,625.00	\$5,625.00
1	CCS Misc. Cables, and Hardware		\$700.00	\$700.00
		EQUIPMENT TOTAL		\$7,073.75
		LABOR TOTAL		\$855.00
		CONFERENCE ROOM TOTAL		\$7,928.75

93rd SESSION 2025-2026

# S. B. 93 A BILL TO ESTABLISH THE STATE OF THE ASSOCIATION ADDRESS

In the Senate of the Associated Students
May 27th, 2025
Submitted to the Senate of the Associated Students by Speaker Pro Tempore Moss

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Whereas, the work of the Associated Students as the University of Nevada Reno's Student government is based in accountability and transparency;

Whereas, accountability and transparency in student government are essential to maintaining the trust and engagement of the student body;

Whereas, the President of the Associated Students serves as the chief representative and spokesperson of undergraduate students attending the University of Nevada, Reno;

Whereas, student and officers of the association would benefit from a clear and regular articulation of the priorities, achievements, progress, and challenges faced by the executive branch; and

Whereas, a regular a State of the Association Address would foster a sense of unity, collaboration, and civic engagement among the officers of the association and the students at large;

Be it enacted, that the President of the Associated Students shall deliver a State of the Association Address twice during each session of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada:

Be it further enacted, The State of the Association Address shall be delivered to the Officers of the Association and shall be open to the public;

Be it further enacted, The Address shall outline the State of the Association, review the progress made on initiatives and goals, and articulate the vision and priorities of the current administration for the remainder of its term.

Be it further enacted, The first Address shall occur no later than one (1) week before Dead Day of the Fall Semester

Be it further enacted, The second Address shall occur no later than one (1) week before the Convening of the next session of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada.

Be it further enacted, The President shall provide written notice of the time and location of each Address to the Senate and the Officers of the Association at least seven (7) days in advance.

*Be it further enacted,* that the changes outlined in Addendum A shall be adopted into the Statutes of the Associated Students immediately upon adoption;

Be it further enacted, that a copy of this bill will be sent to:

- Director of ASUN, Sandra Rodriguez
- Associate Director of ASUN, Luis Aguliar-Herrera
- President of ASUN, Carmina Aglubat
- Vice President of ASUN, Ethan McNamara
- Speaker of the 93rd Senate, Leaf Acklin
- Chair of the Committee of Government Operations, Travis Terry

# Addendum A

## Chapter 201: Office of the President

#### **SECTION 01: DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT**

The following shall be considered the duties of the President of the Associated Students:

- 1) To attend meetings of the Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents.
- 2) To make all appointments to University Committees.
- 3) To appoint and remove all inferior officers of the executive branch unless otherwise specified by law. Should a dire circumstance impede the functions and operations of an executive department, the President may temporarily withhold appointment of executive officer(s) with a majority vote approval from the Senate of the Associated Students.
  - a. If an executive position is not hired in a two-week period, the Speaker of the Senate must place the question of appointment for the position on the agenda where the Speaker sees fit. The senators will vote whether the President can delay the hiring of an officer or must hire an officer in the coming two weeks. The President will be allowed a presentation, followed by discussion of the senators, then a vote.
- 4) To attend meetings of the Foundation Board of Trustees.
- 5) To attend meetings of the Alumni Association Council.
- 6) To communicate regularly with the President of the University and members of the University Administration.
- 7) To expend funds from the Capital Account and any existing ASUN accounts comprising student fees, bookstore profits, grants, and revenues as allocated by the Senate.
- 8) Shall have the power to co-sponsor events through the Office of the President, subject to Senate funding.
- 9) To submit requests for positions necessary for the function of the Executive Branch at the time of presentation of the budget to the Senate for approval.
- 10) Shall have the power to issue proclamations, or opinions of the Office of the President.
- 11) To transmit to the Senate a statement showing the whole number of persons in each college and school, and the number of Representatives to which each college and school, and the number of the then existing number of Senators.
- 12) To set the guidelines for the executive training according to Title I.102.6.
- 13) To submit nominations to the Senate within two weeks of the President taking office for the following officers: Director of Executive Affairs, Director of Programming, Director of Clubs and Organizations, Director of Government Affairs, Director of Campus and Public Relations, Director of Sustainability, Director of Campus Wellness, Director of Ethics and Compliance, and Chief Justice.
- 14) To present a new appointment to the Senate within the following two weeks of said committee or Senate meeting if an executive appointment is reported unfavorably by the Senate committee on Oversight or if an appointee is not passed by the Senate, or in the

event that the President is unable to find a qualified candidate within those two weeks, the President must present to the Committee on Oversight and explain the circumstances.

- 15) To report changes of signature authority at the Senate meeting immediately following.
- 16) To report to the Senate Committee on Budget and Finance when a temporary transfer from the Capital Fund is to be made, its purpose, and its expected duration before reversion with guidance from the Director of the Associated Students.
- 17) To prepare the budget according to Title VI.605.5.
- 18) To develop programs to improve the compilation, analysis, publication, and dissemination of statistical information by agencies in order to enhance fiscal efficiency.
- 19) To make a study of each agency to decide, and may send the Senate recommendations, on changes that should be made in:
  - a. The organization, activities, and business methods of agencies;
  - b. Agency appropriations;
  - c. The assignment of particular activities to particular services; and d. Regrouping of services.
- 20) To evaluate and develop improved plans for the organization, coordination, and management of the executive branch of the Government.
- 21) To determine the design for the seal of the President.
- 22) To notify the Senate Committee on Academics and Student Affairs if the President formulates and publishes additional regulations as may be necessary to administer the scholarships funded by the Associated Students.
- 23) To establish a selection committee or delegate the administration to the Office of Financial Aid for the purpose of awarding the scholarship, in accordance with the terms of the scholarship when a scholarship is awarded by the Associated Students but has not been provided for in statute.
- 24) To ensure that the Office of Financial Aid promotes ASUN funded scholarships.
- 25) To publish the names of the recipients of each scholarship awarded by the Associated Students in a medium that is suitable for the purpose of recognizing the recipients.
- 26) To review the ASUN Food Pantry Program prior to the approval of the budget for each fiscal year.
- 27) To have a report read or spoken into record at minimum every other Senate meeting.
- 28) To serve as a member of the University Leadership Alliance.
- 29) Responsible for attending all ASUN retreats, and training as decided by the Director of Executive Outreach.
- 30) To chair and oversee all meetings of the President's Cabinet, which must occur at least once per month, with an agenda posted in accordance with Nevada Open Meeting Law.
- 31) The President shall deliver a State of the Association Address twice during each session of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada.
  - a. The first Address shall occur no later than one (1) week before Dead Day of the Fall Semester.
  - b. The second Address shall occur no later than one (1) week before the Convening of the next session of the Associated Students.
  - c. The President must provide written notice to the Senate and Officers of the Association at least seven (7) days in advance, specifying the time, date,

- and location of each Address.
- d. The Address shall provide an overview of the current state of the Association, highlight accomplishments and progress made by the Executive Branch, and outline the administration's goals and vision for the remainder of the session.
- e. The Address shall be delivered to the Officers of the Association and made open to all members of the public.

93rd SESSION 2025-2026

# S. B. 93 AN ACT TO RENAME THE DIRECTOR OF EXECUTIVE AFFAIRS

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

Month Day, 2025

Submitted to the Senate of the Associated Students by Speaker Pro Tempore Moss, in partnership with Director Detrick

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Whereas, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN) maintains a Director of the Executive Affairs, which currently serves as the Chief Advisor to the President; and

Whereas, ASUN strives to maintain organizational clarity and operational efficiency within the Executive Branch; and

Whereas, The position currently titled Director of Executive Affairs was formerly known as Chief of Staff, a title commonly used and recognized in the student governments and our local, state, and federal governments across the country; and

Whereas, the title of Chief of Staff more accurately reflects the responsibilities of the position within the office of the president that includes, internal management of executive departments and projects and management and implementation of the ASUN Internship Program; and

Whereas, the current title of Director of Executive Affairs has led to ambiguity and confusion regarding the role's purpose and responsibilities within the Office of the President and the Association;

Whereas, the title is relatively uncommon and may be inaccessible or unclear to students, as it does not reflect a widely recognized or standardized position within student government or professional settings; and

Whereas, restoring the original title of Chief of Staff aligns with established naming conventions used across both policy-focused and professional organizations, thereby improving internal clarity and external recognition of the position's function; and

Whereas, the change in this title will align better with ASUN's values of transparency, tradition, professionalism and student engagement by ensuring clarity in the Executive Branch's structure.

*Be it enacted,* that the position of Director of Executive Affairs shall be officially restored to the title of Chief of Staff and that this change shall be reflected wherever the title may appear in the Statutes of the Associated Students; and

Be it further enacted, the Director of Ethics and Compliance, the Committee on Government Operations, ASUN Professional Staff and the Secretaries of the Senate shall ensure that the changes made in this legislation are reflected in the Statutes of the Students, other governing documents, and the ASUN Website.

Be it further enacted, that a copy of this bill will be sent to:

- Director of ASUN, Sandra Rodriguez
- Associate Director of ASUN, Luis Aguliar-Herrera
- President of ASUN, Carmina Aglubat
- Vice President of ASUN, Ethan McNamara
- Speaker of the 93rd Senate, Leaf Acklin
- Chair of the Committee of Government Operations, Nick Bohlander
- Director of Ethics and Compliance, Caleb Oster
- Secretary of the Senate, Faith Johnson

## [DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93<sup>rd</sup> SESSION 2025-2026

### S. B. 93 -

# A BILL TO AMEND THE COMPENSATION STRUCTURE FOR CHAIRS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

AUGUST 15, 2025

SPONSORED BY SENATOR ALEXANDER SAPORITO ORIGINALLY AUTHORED BY SENATOR TRAVIS TERRY

# A Binding Resolution To Amend the Compensation Structure for Chairs of Special Committees

Whereas, the 92<sup>nd</sup> Session created the Special Committee on Food Insecurity;

Whereas, the creation of this committee resulted in much confusion regarding compensation of the Chair;

Whereas, due to the less formal nature of special committees, allocating an additional stipend for the Chair of said committee is inappropriate;

Whereas, the work of a special committee should be focused on resolving specific issues with its membership consisting of Senators passionate about or otherwise well-equipped for the work of the committee;

Be it resolved by the Senate of the Associated Students, that Addendums A be adopted;

Be it further resolved by the Senate of the Associated Students, that this legislation take effect in the 94<sup>th</sup> Session;

Be it further resolved by the Senate of the Associated Students, that a copy of this legislation be sent to:

- Speaker of the Senate and Chair of the Committee on Oversight, Leaf Acklin;
- Speaker Pro-Tempore of the Senate, Dillon Moss;
- Parliamentarian of the Senate, Jason Issa;
- Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, Travis Terry;
- Chair of the Special Committee on Food Insecurity, Alexander Saparito;
- President of ASUN, Carmina Aglubat;

#### Addendum A

## **CHAPTER 402: APPOINTED OFFICERS**

**SECTION 03: OFFICIALS COVERED BY PAY SCALE** d) Level IV:

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  - 2) Speaker Pro-Tempore

1) Associate Justice

- i) The Speaker Pro-Tempore shall receive both Elected Officer Level III and Appointed Officer Level IV compensation.
- 3) Parliamentarian
- i) The Parliamentarian shall receive both Elected Officer Level III and Appointed Officer Level IV compensation.
- 4) Senate Committee Chairs
- i) Senators who are also Senate Committee Chairs shall receive both Elected Officer Level III and Appointed Officer Level IV compensation.
  - ii) A Senator who serves as the chair of a special committee shall receive

both Elected Officer Level III and Appointed Officer Level IV compensation.

## [DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93<sup>rd</sup> SESSION 2025-2026

## S. B. R. 93 -

# A BINDING RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE DUTIES OF AND PROCEDURES FOR SPECIAL COMMITTEES

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

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AUGUST 15, 2025

SPONSORED BY SENATOR ALEXANDER SAPORITO ORIGINALLY AUTHORED BY SENATOR TERRY

# A Binding Resolution To Amend the Duties of and Procedures for Special Committees

Whereas, the 92nd Session created the Special Committee on Food Insecurity;

Whereas, the creation of this committee resulted in much confusion regarding the membership of the committee and compensation of the Chair;

Whereas, concerns over the effectiveness of a special committee, specifically in situations where the work on the committee to be created would be very specific, were also raised at this time;

Whereas, concerns over the effects the creation of a special committee would have on the work of the other standing committees were also raised at this time. With all committees requiring at least five senators and each Senator being required to sit on just two committees, standing or special, work would be diminished in all committees;

Whereas, due to the less formal nature of special committees, allocating an additional stipend for the Chair of said committee is inappropriate;

Whereas, the work of a special committee should be focused on resolving specific issues with its membership consisting of Senators passionate about or otherwise well-equipped for the work of the committee;

Whereas, amending the duties and procedures of special committees allows for the Senate to continue in the creation of Special Committees without the negative affects of the current structure.

Be it resolved by the Senate of the Associated Students, that Addendums A be adopted;

Be it further resolved by the Senate of the Associated Students, that this legislation take effect in the 94th Session;

Be it further resolved by the Senate of the Associated Students, that a copy of this legislation be sent to:

- Speaker of the Senate and Chair of the Committee on Oversight, Leaf Acklin;
- Speaker Pro-Tempore of the Senate, Dillon Moss;
- Parliamentarian of the Senate, Jason Issa;
- Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, Travis Terry;
- Chair of the Special Committee on Food Insecurity, Alexander Saparito;
- President of ASUN, Carmina Aglubat;

#### Addendum A

## **Rule XI: SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

#### a) APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The formation of a Special committee may occur at the discretion of the Speaker or by binding resolution of any Senator with the approval of the Senate. The Speaker shall appoint the chairperson and other members of the Special committee, unless the motion creating the committee specifies some other method of selection. The Chair of such a committee shall not receive additional compensation for this office. The Chair of a special committee may serve in any other leadership position within the Senate except that of Speaker. Special committees shall not count for a Senator's required membership on two committees, therefore any Senator sitting on a special committee must still sit on two other standing committees.

#### b) MEETINGS AND GENERAL DUTIES OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Special committees shall meet at the discretion of the Chair, subject to any conditions which may be stated in the committee's formation. Special committees shall be subject to all rules governing standing committees, unless otherwise provided by law. Special committees shall be responsible for the consideration of all questions referred to them by the Senate and the preparation of legislation as directed by the Senate in their formation or subsequent instructions, and the preparation of all reports required by these Rules or deemed necessary at the discretion of the Chair.