

93rd Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, September 17th, 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. 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

Roll Call must be listed by Legislative Clerk

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

There are no minutes to be approved of

5. 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.

Members of the public may participate in the meeting without being physically present by submitting public comment via email senatesecretary@asun.unr.edu or via Zoom conference call. Please email the Senate Secretary for the meeting details through the email listed above.

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

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. There are no nominees submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.



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7. 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**
- l. Director of Campus Wellness - **Emily Hohman**
- m. Director of Ethics and Compliance - **Caleb Oster**
- n. Speaker of the Senate - **Leaf Acklin**

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**
- 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**

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, **VACANT**
- b. Legislative Clerk, **Jasveen Kaur**

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

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

- a. There are no nominees submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.

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. There are no nominees submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.

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)

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. There are no nominees submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.

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. S.B.R. 93 – A Binding Resolution to Define the Duties and Liaison Positions of the Special Committee on Food Insecurity
- b. S.B. 93 – A Bill to Establish an Annual Day of Recognition and Support for UPDNC and Promote Campus Safety Initiatives

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. There are no items 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. S.B.R. 93 – A Binding Resolution to Define the Duties and Liaison Positions of the Special Committee on Food Insecurity
- b. S.B. 93 – A Bill to Establish an Annual Day of Recognition and Support for UPDNC and Promote Campus Safety Initiatives

17. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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

- a. **There are no items submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.**

18. 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. **Legislation Workshop**

The Speaker and Parliamentarian will host a Workshop to make sure the 93rd Senate is up to date on the process of formatting and writing Legislation.

19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

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

20. 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.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Unless otherwise marked by an asterisk, all agenzized 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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[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION
2025-2026

S.B.R. 93 -
A BINDING RESOLUTION TO DEFINE THE
DUTIES AND LIAISON POSITIONS OF THE
SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD INSECURITY

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

AUGUST 15TH, 2025

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY SENATOR SAPORITO AND PARLIAMENTARIAN ISSA

Whereas, special committees, while temporary in nature, operate under the procedural and structural framework established for standing committees, unless otherwise directed by the Senate or specified in their formation;

Whereas, in the latest version of the 92nd session Rules of The Senate, Rule X: Standing Committee Duties and Rule XI: Special Committees, there is no mention of the Special Committee on Food Insecurity or the liaison positions for the Special Committee on Food Insecurity;

Whereas, Special Committees often appear under special circumstances, and therefore are not common in nature within the student government;

Whereas, Special Committees serve an incredibly unique role within the student government;

Whereas, it is vital to communicate updates within the student government throughout its legal documents;

Whereas, it is vital to update both the student government and student body on the changes, revisions, or additions created from session-to-session;

Whereas, codifying the duties of the Special Committee within the Rules of the Senate will establish a uniformed understanding of the Committees goals, objectives, projects, and functions within the Student Government;

Whereas, codifying the duties of the Special Committee within the Rules of the Senate will ensure that clarity and transparency is prioritized to upcoming or newly-elected Senators who chose to join the Committee;

Whereas, codifying the duties of the Special Committee within the Rules of the Senate will ensure that upcoming ASUN Legislative Interns will not be confused by the development of

the Special Committee;

Whereas, any additions within the Rules of the Senate can later be edited/revised for a more accurate reading;

Whereas, an addition of subsection (c) will highlight the Duties of the Special Committee on Food Insecurity for the 93rd session;

Whereas, subsection (c) will clearly define the Special Committee on Food Insecurity;

Whereas, subsection (c) will define the Special Committee in a similar manner to the Committees established in Rule X: Standing Committee Duties;

Whereas, subsection (c) will offer a summary of the committee for the 93rd session;

Whereas, it is vital for subsection (c) to establish the vital liaison positions founded within the Special Committee;

Whereas, Pack Provisions serves as a vital on-campus resource in the fight against food insecurity, offering free access to nutritious food, hygiene products, and support services for all members of the University of Nevada, Reno community, and fostering a supportive and equitable learning environment;

Whereas, the Desert Farming Initiative plays a pivotal role in addressing food insecurity and promoting sustainable agriculture on campus and across the region, actively collaborating with Pack Provisions and other partners to increase access to fresh, locally grown produce while advancing education, research, and food sovereignty;

Whereas, the Food Bank of Northern Nevada provides critical support to more than 160,000 individuals each month through a vast network of community partnerships and direct service programs, representing a valuable and strategic ally for the Special Committee in addressing regional food insecurity and strengthening community well-being;

Whereas, Wolf Pack Meats, a key part of the University's Experiment Station, provides hands-on education in sustainable meat processing and supports regional food systems by offering locally sourced protein, creating opportunities for student training, academic research, and community food access;

Whereas, Residential Life is dedicated to fostering a comfortable, sustainable, and inclusive living environment for all scholars, while maintaining strong connections with the student body, campus facilities, faculty, and university administration to support student success and well-being;

Whereas, Pack Rides, the University of Nevada, Reno's student-run transportation service, plays a crucial role in promoting campus safety, accessibility, and student well-being by providing free, late-night rides and weekend retail shuttles, thereby reducing transportation barriers that may contribute to food insecurity and ensuring equitable access to essential resources for all students;

Whereas, since 1979, FISH has been a vital resource for rural Northern Nevada, providing over 460,000 Food Pantry meals annually and actively engaging with the Carson City community as well as local and state government to address hunger and support those in need;

Whereas, these liaison positions will uphold duties including but not limited to; student-related issues, outreach opportunities, and general marketing;

Whereas, one of the main priorities of the Special Committee during the 93rd Session regards consistently outreaching with organizations, both on and out of campus;

Whereas, these liaison positions will be heavily recommended to not only outreach and assist their direct contact over the 93rd session, but also communicate and outreach to other neighboring organizations/facilities/faculty;

Whereas, further suggested contacts will be established in the Contact Sheet displayed within the Special Committee Files located in the UNR Box;

Whereas, with the future of the Special Committee—whether removal, continuation, or transition to a Standing Committee—subject to Senate determination at the end of the 93rd Session, the current liaison language should be struck or revised ahead of the 94th Session;

Be it resolved by the Senate of Associated Students, that the 93rd session of Senate Rules reflect the addition of subsection (c), found in Addendum A;

Be it further resolved, that a copy of the legislation be sent to the following individuals:

- Director of the Center for Student Engagement, *Sandra Rodriguez*;
- Associate Director of Student Government, *Luis Aguilar-Herrera*;
- 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*;
- Chair of the Committee on Government Operations,;
- Assistant Director of Pack Provisions, *Ryan Syad*; and
- Vice President of Student Services, *Heather Speed*

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.

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 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.

c) ACTIVE SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The following special committees are recognized as currently active. Each committee operates under the authority of the Senate and serves a unique function in addressing specific issues or initiatives. The committees listed here are temporary in nature but are expected to adhere to the Senate's procedural standards unless otherwise directed.

i) SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD INSECURITY

The Special Committee on Food Insecurity shall be responsible for addressing food insecurity among the student body by assessing current resources, advocating for accessible support systems/services, and working collaboratively with University and Community stakeholders to improve food accessibility. The Special Committee shall be responsible for drafting and advancing legislation related to food insecurity and awareness of food insecurity, both on and off campus. The Special Committee shall hold the Director of Pack Provisions (or a student representative appointed by the Director) as an ex officio member of the committee. The Special Committee must also deliver reports to the Senate Table throughout the 93rd session, in October and February; these reports must focus on the core pillars established by the Special Committee:

Discovery shall serve as the intellectual foundation for the Committee's operations. The Committee shall conduct, gather, and regularly review new and existing data related to food insecurity among the student population. Following the Committee's reporting duties, it shall deliver formal reports to the Senate Table in October and February, focusing specifically on progress within each of the four pillars and evaluating the impact of its initiatives.

Outreach shall focus on building and maintaining relationships with external partners, including local nonprofits, advocacy groups, and food insecurity-based organizations throughout Reno and Carson City. Outreach efforts shall provide a tangible, community-based foundation for the Committee's initiatives.

Collaboration shall emphasize strengthening internal relations with University organizations and administrations. The Committee shall actively engage with departments and student-led organizations. By participating in ongoing programs and assisting with existing initiatives, the Committee shall foster mutual support and establish a visible, reliable presence within the campus ecosystem.

Action shall focus on sustained advocacy and student engagement. This pillar emphasizes the Committee's role in mobilizing the student body through civic engagement. The Committee shall promote volunteer opportunities through platforms such as GivePulse and actively support food distribution and education efforts.

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2025-2026

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

SEPTEMBER 11TH, 2025

SPONSORED BY SENATOR SAPORITO
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 OnTRAC¹;

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;

¹ 2024 UPDNC’s Annual Security Report:

<https://www.unr.edu/main/pdfs/verified-accessible/divisions-offices/administration-finance/police-services/annual-security-report.pdf>

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 community²;

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;

² UPDNC's 2025 Fall Collaboration With CSW:

<https://www.unr.edu/nevada-today/news/2025/committee-on-the-status-of-women#:~:text=%E2%80%9CBy%20creating%20networking%20opportunities%20and,everyone%20is%20welcome%20to%20attend.>

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 (35%) 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.