



ASUN President's Cabinet

Minutes for Wednesday, January 21st, 2026, at 9:00 AM

In-Person: Frankie Sue Del Papa President's Conference Room

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1. Call to Order

President Aglubat called the ASUN President's Cabinet meeting to order on Wednesday, January 21st, 2026 at 9:05 am in the Frankie Sue Del Papa Conference Room and on Zoom.

2. Roll Call

Present: President Aglubat, Vice President McNamara, Chief of Staff Detrick, Director Tecson, Director Navarte, Director Krentz, Director Mendoza, Director Sousa, Director Lee

Absence Excused: Director Hess

Absence Unexcused: Director Hatch

A quorum was present.

3. Land Acknowledgement

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

4. Public Comment

- No public comment at this time.

5. Reading and Approval of Minutes

-No minutes to be approved at this time.

6. Reports of Officers

a. President, Carmina Aglubat

- President Aglubat reported that she will attend the Board of Regents special January meeting on Friday but remain available for communication. The meeting will review tuition and fee increases (including Honors College and differential fees like Social Work), and students are welcome to attend or give public comment.
- President Aglubat will give a “year in review” address at the ABC1 retreat and provided updates on ongoing planning for basketball tailgates (possibly renamed for safety reasons) and upcoming concert details.
- Officers may attend President’s Cabinet on teams (cameras on unless approved otherwise), with expectations for engagement remaining the same.
- Cabinet meetings will be held every other Wednesday at 9 a.m., and Senate meetings every other Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
- President Aglubat encouraged everyone to stay productive and motivated during the second semester, emphasizing continued momentum and growth.
- Attendance at in-person President’s Cabinet is encouraged but not required due to class schedules.
- President Aglubat encouraged officers to meet with their new advisors, build relationships,

b. Vice President, Ethan McNamara

- Over break, several new pack-friendly businesses reached out, including a hotel chain offering discounts; Vice President Mcnmara reported that he is seeking creative ideas on how to make that useful for students.
- Vice President Mcnamara attended planning meetings for SSW Week, athletics discussions about basketball events (tailgates or similar), orientation sessions, and conversations related to the upcoming Board of Regents meeting.
- Vice President Mcnamara participated in a food insecurity meeting, where efforts are moving toward smaller subgroups to address local solutions.
- Student media selection is coming up, and interested students are encouraged to reach out for details.
- After winter retreat, there may be a casual basketball game with Chief of Staff Detrick and the Office of the President to build camaraderie; an interest email will be sent out.
- In his “sunshine and rain,” he shared enjoying time with family in Canada (sunshine) and dealing with a coffee spill disaster in his new bag (rain), along with appreciating time spent with his aging dog.

c. Chief of Staff, Gabriella Detrick

- Chief of Staff Detrick reported that she is compiling a list of legislation and best practices related to the internship program to ensure key data and processes are institutionalized for future sessions before she leaves the role.
- Chief of Staff Detrick is working on establishing a social hygiene fund and has been in contact with menstrual hygiene–focused nonprofits in Nevada; although progress has been slow, she is optimistic about developing campus solutions in the coming weeks.
- Chief of Staff Detrick announced that the winter retreat theme will be *The Hunger Games*, with more details to come.
- Chief of Staff Detrick emphasized the importance of intern feedback and asked members to remind their interns to complete the internship feedback form to help improve the program.
- In her sunshine and rain, Chief of Staff Detrick shared feeling exhausted from travel and time zone adjustment (rain), but celebrated successfully submitting a long-term scholarship application as her sunshine.

d. Director of Executive Outreach, Naomi Tecson

- Director Tecson attended a Mark Comm meeting over break, where the rollout of the new visual identity and branding is planned for next year's homecoming.
- Director Tecson attended the MLK Gala, which she described as fun and engaging.
- Director Tecson shared updates on winter retreat planning, including reaching out for activity submissions, coordinating the basketball game, and reminding officers that RSVP closes at 5 p.m.
- Director Tecson requested department highlights and event photos to include in slides for presentations.
- Director Tecson attended a meeting with Regent Erestada discussing tuition increases for the upcoming school year.
- Over break, Director Tecson studied for the TEAS exam (rain) but enjoyed spending time with family and friends (sunshine), and congratulated Naomi on her TEAS score.

e. Attorney General, Vacant

- No reports at this time.

f. Director of IDEA, Zyna Navarte

- Director Navarte and her team are planning several major events this semester, including Share the Crown, Black Cultural Fest, Love and Departing for Valentine's Day, a Lunar New Year Festival sponsorship, and Fusion, a multicultural festival.
- Director Navarte asked for help spreading the word to interns and commissioners interested in volunteering, noting that support is also coming from other student organizations and campus clubs.
- Director Navarte attended the MLM Gala on the 19th, describing it as a wonderful and insightful event, and thanked those who participated.

g. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Madison Hess

- Director Hess reported a busy winter break and shared that Student Club Fridays will begin Thursday, January 22nd at GCSU, with about 200 on-campus organizations and clubs registered. The first “funny hearing” is scheduled for Friday, January 23rd at 12 p.m.
- Director Hess worked with her assistant director, Corey Gibson, to consolidate Columbia Counts accounts, clearing inactive/frozen funds and allocating the rest for future projects.
- Club Renewal deadlines were set for Spring Club Fair, with new clubs still able to submit afterward.
- Director Hess met with President Aglubat to draft legislation for a special funding tier for clubs that have exhausted other sources, including support for travel or extended community service, aiming for equitable distribution.
- Director Hess is working to improve communication and connection among commissioners, including regular bi-weekly social media posts on HVO Instagram, especially amid PR transitions.
- Director Hess encouraged collaboration on events and questions about her work.

h. Director of Event Programming, Rilyn Krentz

- Director Krentz reported that Welcome Back Week is going well, highlighting today’s Pack Exchange event, a thrifting and farmers market activity.
- Director Krentz is beginning interviews to fill two major positions, with four applicants so far, aiming to have a full team soon.
- Planning is underway for several events: *Mackey Week* (Feb 17–20), a Drag Show, and a concert. The main Drag Show performer is selected, pending contract review, and a similar process is ongoing for the concert.
- During Mackey Week, a MacBook Air will be raffled at one event, and Director Krentz is preparing detailed event guides for the Drag Show and concert with layouts, contacts, and emergency plans.
- For Director Krentz’ personal update: she got sick on the first day of classes (rain), but enjoyed visiting a close friend in Utah over the weekend (sunshine).

i. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Keira Mendoza

- Director Mendoza created club and orchestra highlights posts to showcase what clubs do and their upcoming events; these will be posted soon.
- Director Mendoza plans to check on the ACN Canvas page and work on the end-of-year video, encouraging videographers at events and offering support if needed.
- Director Mendoza is working on a collaboration between ASUN and the UNR Police Department, which includes a student survey about campus safety.
- Director Mendoza’s sunshine was visiting family in Pittsburgh for a month.

j. Director of Campus Wellness, Lauren Sousa

- Director Sousa is transitioning into her new role as director, updating her email, contacts, and notifying relevant people about the position change.
- SSW Week is scheduled for March 9–13, with multiple events planned, including a sun safety event in partnership with the Nevada Cancer Coalition and a farmers market in collaboration with BIRG.
- Director Sousa is in the process of hiring a new assistant director, with interviews planned for next week.

- Director Sousa's sunshine was visiting family over break, and her rain was a bad fall while hiking on icy terrain.
 - k. Director of Government Affairs, Isabell Hatch
- No report at this time.
 - l. Director of Sustainability, Sephora Lee
 - -Director Lee has been working closely with Director Sousa over winter break to plan SSW Week, and planning is going very well. Events, locations, and times have been finalized, and multiple partners have been contacted.
 - Director Lee reached out to local community groups, including an SPF group called Scooge, grassroots organizations, Radical Cat Bookstore, and county libraries, to participate in SSW Week events.
 - Director Lee met with Director Sousa in early January about Bird scooters and is working to have them table at the SSW farm market to promote scooter safety and awareness, including student demonstrations.
 - Director Lee is also coordinating with her assistant director, Kendra, to organize transition items for future initiatives.
 - For sunshine and rain, Director Lee shared that her sunshine was visiting her family in Utah over the weekend.
 - m. Speaker of the Senate, Leaf Acklin (*ex-officio*)
 - n. Chief Justice, Rena Arneson (*ex-officio*)

6. Old Business

- President Aglubat moved the meeting to the next item since Cabinet went over the reports.

7. New Business

A. Winter Retreat

- Director Tecson provided updates on upcoming activities and retreat planning, emphasizing outreach opportunities, collaboration with campus partners and engagement during the retreat. Director Tecson highlighted the importance of participation, team spirit and preparation particularly for the Senate versus Executive Branch basketball game. Director Tecson also underlined the significance of the retreat as an opportunity to engage interns and strengthen involvement within the ASUN.

B. Department Accomplishments

- President Aglubat emphasized the importance of recognizing accomplishments and maintaining morale as an association. She explained that goals were established during summers and cabinet retreats and have been tracked through midterm check-ins. Members are asked to submit three to five accomplishments they are most proud of by the 30th, along with photos to Director Tecson. These submissions will be highlighted during the winter retreat, potentially through a

slideshow and brief individual presentation as a way to celebrate progress and acknowledge everyone's contributions.

8. Reports on Liaison Committees

- She said there have been no updates yet on the facilities resource committee, but she expects to be able to attend this semester if the meeting time does not change. She noted that the student tech fee committee has sent out availability requests, with meeting details expected within the next week or two. She added that Faculty Senate and University Athletic Committee meetings are now accessible and welcomed anyone interested in attending. She also highlighted that the Spring Club Fair will be held inside the Joe Crowley Student Union, describing it as a great opportunity for constituent outreach, particularly with wellness and sustainability clubs.

9. Upcoming Executive Branch Initiatives

- The Spring Club setup takes place inside the Joe Crowley Student Union, and the way the space is organized creates a valuable and engaging experience. It provides strong opportunities for outreach.

10. Public Comment

- Amy Koeckes thanked Director Tecson for meeting to discuss retreat planning and highlighted collaboration between student officers and the Center for Student Engagement, including plans to continue joint interactions. She reminded that ASUN elections are currently open and encouraged everyone to promote applications. Updates were as addition of Toni Ortega as Pantry Board Leader and the departure of Kathy Castro to new campus opportunity. Amy Koeckes also shared updates on recent donations, including bottled water for events and a new refrigerator and freezer for pack for Vision, with older equipment being repurposed. She expressed appreciation for the opportunity to attend the MLK Dinner. She provided administrative reminders regarding detailed receipts, tip limits, and Workday approvals. In response to a question about volunteer coordination following Kathy Castro's departure, Koeckes noted that the support will temporarily be handled by herself along with Senator Issa.

11. Adjournment

- President Aglubat adjourned the meeting at 9:44 am. On Wednesday, January 21st, 2026 in the Frankie Sue Del Papa Conference Room.

NOTES

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