

Special Committee on Food Insecurity

Senate of the Associated Students 93rd Session

Agenda for Wednesday, February 4th 2026 at 4:00 PM

Frankie Sue Del Papa President's Conference Room, Joe
Crowley Student Union, 3rd Floor, 1664 N. Virginia St., Reno,
NV 89557

<https://unr.zoom.us/j/8194353742?omn=89587345426>

Meeting ID: 819 435 3742

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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?
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4. ROLL CALL

The Secretary must list roll call.

- i. Chair Saporito
- ii. Vice Chair Atkinson
- iii. Senator Barrus
- iv. Senator Bhardwaj
- v. Senator Dayton
- vi. Senator Issa
- vii. Senator Nubel
- viii. Senator Radtke
- ix. Senator Villa

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6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

a. 12/11/25

7. AUDIO OR MINUTES MISSING FOR PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF THIS BODY THAT DO NOT MEET 30 DAY POSTING OF NEVADA OPEN MEETING LAW

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There are no minutes to be corrected at this time.

8. REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

There are no reports at this time

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

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- xiv. Assembly Member Heidi Kasama
- xv. Assembly Member Duy Nguyen
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10. NEW BUSINESS (INFORMATION ONLY/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a. Discussion on Farmer's Market Locations — Chair Saporito (Information Only)
- b. Discussion on Meal Swipe "Donation Center" — Brian Price (Information Only)

11. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- c. Committee member reports
 - i. Chair Saporito
 - ii. Vice Chair Atkinson
 - iii. Senator Barrus
 - iv. Senator Bhardwaj
 - v. Senator Dayton
 - vi. Senator Issa
 - vii. Senator Nubel
 - viii. Senator Radtke
 - ix. Senator Villa
- o. Current Liaison List
 - Open Liaison Positions: Wolf Pack Meats (can double-up on positions)
 - Chair Saporito: Pack Provisions
 - Vice Chair Atkinson: Reslife
 - Senator Barrus: Pack Rides
 - Senator Bhardwaj: Vacant
 - Senator Dayton: Vacant
 - Senator Nubel: Vacant
 - Senator Issa: FISH (Friends in Service Helping)
 - Senator Radke: Desert Farming Initiatives
 - Senator Villa: Nevada Dining (Chartwells Org.)

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[WRITTEN MINUTES]

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- Meeting called to order at 12:02 pm in the PCR and on Zoom

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- e. Was the agenda posted three full working days by 9 am, not including the meeting date?
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- i. Chair Saporito — Present
 - ii. Vice Chair Atkinson — Present
 - iii. Senator Barrus — Absence Unexcused
 - iv. Senator Debarger — Present
 - v. Senator Villa — Absence Unexcused
 - vi. Senator Radtke — Present
 - vii. Senator Issa — Present
- A quorum was present. For unexcused absences, no points given

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(see S.B.R. 93 – A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules for Winter Break)

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- Minutes were approved unanimously

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- e. Committee member reports
 - i. Chair Saporito
 - o Meal Swipe Drive was a success, excited to help Pack Provisions in anyway
 - ii. Vice Chair Atkinson
 - o Reaching out to Reslife after finals
 - iii. Senator Barrus
 - o No report at this time
 - iv. Senator Debarger
 - o No report at this time
 - v. Senator Villa
 - o No report at this time
 - vi. Senator Radke
 - o Meeting with Desert Farming Initiative later today (12/11/25) regarding methods ASUN can assist with their facilities
 - vii. Senator Issa
 - o Scheduled to met with Jim Peckham, will be next next Monday/Wednesday (12/15/25, 12/17/25) via Zoom to discuss ways students can use FISH and ways ASUN can collaborate with FISH
 - o Current Liaison List
 - Chair Saporito: Pack Provisions
 - Vice Chair Atkinson: Reslife

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- f. Informational – Chair Saporito
- Lauryn Norris with Nevada Dining

Presentation about all the of meal plans, meal trades, and food bucks that can help students save money, have access to well balanced meals on campus. All the possible location students can use their meal plan, the resources students have on campus to eat like feedback phone numbers, dining ambassadors, and dietary/ allergen information. Their reusable to-go boxes partnership with Ozzi to help with their sustainability and waste reduction goals. Meal swipe has tripled this year than it has in the last three years, they are currently at about 256 donated meal swipes. Max number of 4 guest passes per semester to ensure that students have food available to them, trying to reduce food insecurity, if students want to use more than their 4 guest passes, they can get a 15-guest swipe plan. Piloting new program called Food E cards which is like a group meal plan. Upcoming earth month they would like to partner with ASUN to highlight initiatives on sustainability and waste reduction. 4 major events throughout the year to engage with students, welcome back week, earth month, and two events called “Joyful”

- Committee Discussion

Expanding sustainability monthly farmers markets by using outreach funds to create these farmers market in multiple locations and days/times. Reach out to venders at riverside farmers' market. Discuss with programmers on creating event. Potentially partner with local farmers market to create like a credit system for students.

Reach out to state senators and assembly members after winter break in January.

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13. ADJOURNMENT

- Chair Saporito adjourned the Special Committee at 12:53pm in the Presidents Conference Room and on Zoom.

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