

94th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, July 1st, 2026 at 5:30 P.M.

In Person: Ansari Business Building Room 101, 1st Floor of the Ansari Business Building

Zoom Meeting: <https://unr.zoom.us/j/81792961863>

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?
 - i. <https://nevadaasun.com/meetings/senate-of-the-associated-students-38/>
- 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 AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Pledge of Allegiance: 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.”

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. ROLL CALL

Roll Call must be listed by the Legislative Clerk.

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

There are no minutes to be approved at this time.

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.

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

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BEFORE THE MEETING**

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7. 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, consent, or approval agenda.

- a. No nominations were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.

8. REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS (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.

- a. President of the Associated Students, Dillon Moss
- b. Vice President of the Associated Students, Luke Calderon
- c. Chief Justice, Emma Silveyra
- d. Director of Executive Outreach, Troy Barrera
- e. Chief of Staff, Madison Atkinson
- f. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Sienna Nepa
- g. Director of Programming, Antonio Munoz
- h. Director of Government Affairs, Isabelle Hatch
- i. Director of IDEA, Jorge Benuto
- j. Director of Sustainability, Kendra Cook
- k. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Keira Mendoza
- l. Director of Campus Wellness, Jordan Brown
- m. Director of Ethics & Compliance, Andrew Sanchez
- n. Speaker of the Senate, Jason Issa

9. REPORTS 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. Chair, Committee on Academics and Student Affairs, Michael Nubel
- b. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance, Henry Lawson
- c. Chair, Committee on Democratic Civic Engagement, Kaylee Radtke
- d. Chair, Committee on Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility, Viviana Castro
- e. Chair, Committee on Government Operations, Lance Zuniga
- f. Chair, Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness, Anna Barrus
- g. Chair, Special Committee on Food Insecurity, Alexander Saporito
- h. Parliamentarian, Faith Strabala
- i. Speaker Pro Tempore, Dominic Evans
- j. Chair, Committee on Oversight, Jason Issa

10. 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, Joshua Fan
- b. Senate Secretary, Macey Gilman
- c. Senate Secretary, Jaya Naidu
- d. Legislative Clerk, Daphne Gutierrez

11. 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 were no items submitted to the Speaker of the Senate

12. 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. No appointments were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.

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 were no veto messages submitted to the Speaker of the Senate

14. 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. No nominations were submitted to the Speaker of the Senate.

15. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION (INFORMATION ONLY)

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

- a. S.B. 94 – An Act to Establish the Furthering Education Scholarship Program
- b. S.B.R. 94 – A Binding Resolution in Support of National Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

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 was no legislation 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.

- a. S.B. 94 – An Act to Establish the Furthering Education Scholarship Program
- b. S.B.R. 94 – A Binding Resolution in Support of National Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

18. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

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

- a. **There was no legislation submitted to the Speaker of the Senate**

19. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a. **NSHE Board of Regents Debrief**

The Senate will hear a presentation from the ASUN Department of Government Affairs regarding the NSHE Board of Regents.

- b. **Senate Committee Changes and Additions**

The Senate may make changes to committee assignments.

- c. **Senator Reports**

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

20. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

The Speaker shall recognize in turn Senators requesting the floor.

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

23. NOTES

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 Speaker of the Senate at speaker@asun.unr.edu.

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[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

94th SESSION
2026-2027

S. B. 94 -
AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FURTHERING
EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

JUNE 12TH, 2026

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY SENATOR ANNA BARRUS ON BEHALF OF
PRESIDENT DILLON MOSS AND VICE PRESIDENT LUKE CALDERON

Whereas, the Associated Students of the University of Nevada have previously demonstrated its commitment to reducing financial barriers for students through initiatives such as the Passion Fund¹;

Whereas, the cost of required academic, professional, graduate school, and certification exams can create an additional financial barrier for students who are already navigating the rising costs of higher education; and

Whereas, exams such as licensure tests, graduate entrance exams, and other required tests are often necessary for students to complete degree requirements, enter their chosen field, or continue their education beyond their undergraduate career; and

Whereas, students from low-income, first-generation, and historically underserved backgrounds may be disproportionately impacted by these additional costs, limiting their ability to access the same academic and professional opportunities as their peers; and

Whereas, reducing financial barriers related to required exams aligns with ASUN's responsibility to advocate for student success, accessibility, and equitable access to academic and professional advancement; and

Whereas, providing financial assistance for required exams would allow students to better focus on their academic preparation, career readiness, and long-term success rather than the financial burden of paying for required testing; and

Whereas, supporting students with the cost of required exams serves as an investment in the academic achievement, professional development, and future success of the student body at the University of Nevada; and

¹ Passion Fund provides financial assistance to students seeking to join registered student organizations, ensuring they can fully engage in their organization's programs and events by covering membership dues

Whereas, ASUN has the ability to create student-centered programs that respond directly to the needs of the student body and remove barriers that may prevent students from reaching their educational and career goals; and

Whereas, the creation of a program to assist students with required exam costs would further ASUN's mission of serving, supporting, and advocating for the Associated Students of the University of Nevada; and

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

Be it enacted, that the Associated Students of the University of Nevada shall establish the Furthering Education Scholarship Program, hereinafter referred to as the "FESP," to provide financial support to students as they pursue their education further.; and

Be it further enacted, that the Associated Students of the University of Nevada supports the creation of this financial assistance program to help students offset the costs of required academic and professional programs; and

Be it further enacted, that \$10,000.00 shall be reallocated from the ASUN Executive Outreach fund to support the creation of the Furthering Education Scholarship Program; and

Be it further 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 the language of Addendum B 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, *VACANT*
- Senior Associate Director of ASUN, *Amy Koeckes*
- Assistant Director for Student Government, *Luis Aguliar-Herrera*
- President of ASUN, *Dillon Moss*
- Vice President of ASUN, *Luke Calderon*
- Speaker of the 94th Senate, *Jason Issa*
- Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance, *Henry Lawson*
- Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, *Lance Zuniga*

Addendum A

TITLE XXXI: The Furthering Education Scholarship Program

CHAPTER 3101: THE FURTHERING EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

SECTION 01: ESTABLISHMENT

There is hereby a service offered within the Association called the Further Education Scholarship Program.

SECTION 02: PURPOSE

The purpose of the Furthering Education Scholarship Program is to provide support for students that want to pursue education beyond their undergraduate career at the University of Nevada without the worry of financial burden.

SECTION 03: ADMINISTRATION

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

- a. The Application of the Furthering Education Scholarship Program shall be monitored by the Chief of Staff and a member of the professional staff of the Center for Student Engagement.
- b. Should a student qualify for assistance and be awarded funds from the program, a scholarship retrieval form shall be completed by the CSE Accounting office and shall be routed to the office of Financial Aid and Scholarships to confirm eligibility.
- c. Should the application be verified and the funds awarded, the funds shall be placed in the student's MyNevada Scholarships and Gifts for the use of their test or exam

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 President of ASUN
 - ii. Vice President of ASUN
 - iii. Chief of Staff of ASUN
 - iv. The Chair of the Committee on Budget and Finance

SECTION 05: REPORTING

The President of the Associated Students shall draft and deliver a report of the program to the ASUN Senate at the end of each session with the assistance of CSE Professional Staff..

- a. The report shall include the following information
 - 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 Furthering Education Scholarship Program

- a. Maintain at least a 2.00 GPA at the time of application.
- b. Be enrolled in at least 6 undergraduate credits at the time of application.

SECTION 07: REGULATION

Students that seek to use funds within the Furthering Education Scholarship Program may only qualify for the program no more than one time.

- a. Students must cite what test they expect to take with the funds that they would receive if they meet eligibility requirements.

SECTION 08: ADVERTISEMENT

The Director of Campus and Public Relations shall work in partnership with any officer providing oversight of the Furthering Education Scholarship Program to advertise this program every Fall and Spring Semester

- a. Marketing shall be posted within the first month of the semester.

Addendum B

Account Number	Furthering Education Scholarship Program		
Operating			
Student Support			-
Program Scholarship Funds			\$10,000
Balance Forward	10,000.00		
Total Scholarship Program			\$10,000.00
			\$10,000.00
			T. Actual Dollars
			T. Allocated

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

94th SESSION
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S. B. R. 94-
A BINDING RESOLUTION IN
SUPPORT OF NATIONAL YOUTH
HIV/AIDS
AWARENESS DAY

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

MARCH 16, 2026

SUBMITTED TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BY SENATOR BARRUS

**A Binding Resolution in Support of National Youth HIV/AIDS
Awareness Day**

1 *Whereas*, “National Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness Day” is a nationwide observance that calls on
2 people to take action to invest in the health, education, and leadership of young people;

3 *Whereas*, National Youth HIV & AIDS Awareness Day (NYHAAD), is a day to educate the
4 public and urge policymakers to support programs and their support to youth impacted by HIV¹;

5 *Whereas*, S.RES. 171, has been referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and
6 Pensions, and has been in Committee since April 10 of 2025;

¹ <https://www.hiv.gov/events/awareness-days/youth>

7 *Whereas*, HIV awareness depends on timely education, testing, and prevention efforts, and this
 8 S.RES 171, is an opportunity to promote Public Health efforts such as reducing stigma, fight
 9 misinformation, and provide awareness to the public;

10 *Whereas*, more than 40 years into the epidemic, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 11 estimates that in the United States, more than 1.2 million people are living with HIV, and 31,800
 12 people were diagnosed with HIV in the United States in 2022;

13 *Whereas*, in 2022, youth aged 13 to 24 years composed 20 percent of all new HIV diagnoses in
 14 the United States²;

15 *Whereas*, in Nevada there were an estimated 480 new HIV infections in 2022, with a total
 16 population of 2,694,688, the HIV Incidence rate in Nevada was 17.7 per 100,000 people³;

17 *Whereas*, as a college campus, we need to ensure those affected by HIV/AIDS have
 18 continued support and advocacy efforts from our university

19 *Whereas*, placing responsibility on the Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness ensure
 20 continuity of support and advocacy

21 *Whereas*, this event will take place on the second Friday of April, and the funds shall be taken
 22 out of Senate Outreach to support the event;

23 *Be it resolved that*, the Associated Students at the University of Nevada, Reno, support advocacy,
 24 education, and policy efforts towards National Youth HIV/AIDS awareness day;

25 *Be it further resolved*, that this body commits to promoting HIV awareness, and is actively working
 26 to reduce stigma against those who live with HIV, ensuring access to testing, treatment, and support
 27 services for all students;

28 *Be it further resolved*, that the changes made in Addendum A are adopted into the Senate Rules;

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

- 30 • Associate Director of Student Government, *Luis Aguilar-Herrera*;

² All the above information has been proposed through: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/senate-resolution/171/text/is>

³ <https://ahead.hiv.gov/nevada/>

- 31 • Senior Associate Director, *Amy Koeckes*;
- 32 • President of ASUN, *Dillon Moss*;
- 33 • Vice President of ASUN, *Luke Calderon*
- 34 • Speaker of the 94th Senate, *Jason Issa*
- 35 • Chair of the Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness, *Anna Barrus*;
- 36 • Director of Campus Wellness, *Jordan Brown*;
- 37 • United States Senator, *Catherine Cortez Masto*
- 38 • United States Senator, *Jacky Rosen*
- 39 • United States Representative, *Mark Amodei*
- 40 • United States Representative, *Dina Titus*
- 41 • United States Representative, *Susi Lee*
- 42 • United States Representative, *Steven Horsford*

ADDENDUM A

Rule X: STANDING COMMITTEE DUTIES

g) THE 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. 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. The Committee will also be responsible for hosting its own events, such as National Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness Day.