

Special Committee on Food Insecurity

Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Nevada 94th Session

Agenda for Friday, July 24th, 2026, at 3 P.M.

Frankie Sue Del Papa President's Conference Room, 3rd Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- a. Chair Saporito calls the meeting of the Special Committee on Food Insecurity to order at 3:02 P.M.

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. Yes.
- b. Is the meeting taking place on the day of the week, month, day, year, at the time and location listed on the agenda?
 - i. Yes.
- c. Is the Zoom link working and available to the public?
 - i. Yes.

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

- a. We recognize that the University of Nevada, Reno, sits 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 the deep connections to these places. We extend our appreciation for the opportunity to live and learn on their territory.

4. ROLL CALL

- a. Chair Saporito- Present
- b. Vice Chair Scherschel- Present
- c. Senator Bhardwaj- Present
- d. Senator Castro- Present
- e. Senator Espinoza- Absence Excused
- f. Speaker Pro Tempore Evans- Present
- g. Senator Giammona Wilber- Present
- h. Senator Radke- Present
- i. Senator Price- Present

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. No public comment at this time



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6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. There are no minutes to be adopted at this time.

7. REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

- a. Vice Chair Scherschel- No report at this time.
- b. Senator Bhardwaj- No report at this time.
- c. Senator Castro- No report at this time.
- d. Senator Espinoza- No report at this time.
- e. Speaker Pro Tempore Evans- No report at this time.
- f. Senator Giammona Wilber- No report at this time.
- g. Senator Radke- No report at this time.
- h. Senator Price- No report at this time.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. There is no old business to be discussed at this time.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. S.B. 94 - An Act to Use Capital Funds to Fund the Feasibility Study of the Sierra Hall Expansion for Pack Provisions
 - i. Vice Chair Scherschel expertly presents not only the proposed bill but the overall expansion plan for Sierra Hall.
 - ii. Ryan Syad asks to what level Pack Provisions will have during the proposed expansion?
 - iii. Chair Saporito answers that Pack Provisions will be very involved or hopes that they will be during this time.
 - iv. Ryan Syad asks how long the study will take and mentions that 30-40% of students are just food insecure but very food insecure.
 - v. Chair Saporito answers that the study will take about a month to complete.
 - vi. Senator Bhardwaj asks what would make this expansion a “success” in the eyes of the university and who would eventually need to say yes after the survey.
 - vii. Luis Aguilar-Herrera answers the survey will provide the answers on how much it will cost and what burden the students and university will have to take on. A favorable study will essentially greenlight the project.
 - viii. Chair Saporito seeks a motion to approve agenda item 9a though unanimous consent.
 - ix. So moved by Vice Chair Scherschel.
 - x. Second by Senator Castro.
 - xi. Seeing no dissent, the bill is favorably recommended.

10. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a. Liaison changes and additions
 - i. Pack Provisions — Chair Saporito, Vice Chair Scherschel- reports that she is looking into various fundraising opportunities, especially during homecoming. Hopefully the Committee on Budget and Finance will be able to meet soon so that the bill can see the Senate floor.
 1. Ryan Syad asks where the budget for this committee comes from.
 2. Vice Chair Scherschel answers that most of the time it comes from the outreach budget or donations from other ASUN departments.
 - ii. Nevada Dining — Chair Saporito

- iii. Desert Farming Initiatives — Speaker Pro Tempore Evans, Senator Radke
- iv. Assistant Director of Business Operations (Food Ins. Committee/Reslife) — Senator Bhardwaj
- v. Livestock Coordinator & Supervisor (Main Station, CABNR) — Senator Espinoza
- vi. Wolf Pack Meats — Senator Wilber
- vii. FISH (Friends in Service, Helping) — Senator Castro
- viii. Pack Rides — Senator Price

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. No public

12. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Chair Saporito adjourns the meeting of the Special Committee on Food Insecurity at 3:31 P.M.