

Committee on Safety, Sustainability and Wellness

Senate of the Associated Students 93rd Session
Agenda for Friday, August 21st, 2026, at 10:00 AM
Joe Crowley Student Union, RM 317
Meeting ID: 883 4111 8941
Passcode: 749684

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/committee-on-safety-sustainability-and-wellness-12/>
- 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?
 - i. <https://unr.zoom.us/j/88341118941?pwd=Z0Gtegi5Y8W0pT5049DhKWjVogK69v.1>
- d. If the answer to any of these questions is no, this meeting must be ENDED IMMEDIATELY unless NOML covers a legitimate correction.

3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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4. ROLL CALL

The Secretary must list roll call.

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 Chair may elect to take public comment on actions on this agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable limits on the length of time members of the public may speak.

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a) 7.2.2026

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7. REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

- a) Chair Barrus, Liaison VACANT
- b) Senator Anderson, Liaison for the Student Health Center
- c) Senator Benavente, Liaison for E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center
- d) Senator Castro, Liaison for Title IX Office
- e) Senator Espinoza, Liaison for Counseling Services
- f) Senator Potter, Liaison VACANT
- g) Senator Saporito, Liaison for University Police Services
- h) Senator Williams, Liaison for NevadaCARES
- i) Senator Zuniga, Liaison VACANT

- i) Director Cook, Department of Sustainability
- ii) Director Brown, Department of Wellness

8. OLD BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a) **Safety Week Discussion**
Members of the Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness will discuss Safety Week, with a presentation from the Departments of Sustainability and Wellness respectively.
- b) **Master Document Discussion**
Presentation of the Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness Master Document. Led by Chair Barrus and Vice Chair Saporito.

9. NEW BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

- a) **S.B.R. 94 – A BINDING RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL YOUTH HIV/AIDS AWARENESS DAY**

10. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)

A) Liaison Assignments

- i. **Facility Services** – VACANT (For Possible Action)
- ii. **NevadaCARES** - Senator Williams (For Possible Action)
- iii. **University Police Services** – Senator Saporito (For Possible Action)
- iv. **E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center** – Senator Benavente (For Possible Action)
- v. **Counseling Services**- Senator Espinoza (For Possible Action)
- vi. **Title IX Office** - Senator Castro (For Possible Action)
- vii. **Campus Dining** - VACANT (For Possible Action)
- viii. **The Student Health Center** – Senator Anderson(For Possible Action)
- ix. **University Housing** - VACANT (For Possible Action)

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12. ADJOURNMENT

NOTES:

Agenda items may be considered out of order at the discretion of the Chair. The committee may combine two or more agenda items for consideration. The Committee may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion of an item at any time.

Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness

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

Agenda for Thursday, July 2nd, 2026, at 1 p.m.

332, 3rd Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

Email Senator Barrus for more information

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- a. Chair Barrus calls the meeting of the Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness to order at 1:04 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

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4. ROLL CALL

- a. Chair Barrus- Present
- b. Vice Chair Saporito- Present
- c. Senator Castro- Present
- d. Senator Anderson- Present
- e. Senator Benevente- Present
- f. Senator Zuniga- Absence Excused
- g. Senator Williams- Present
- h. Senator Potter- Absence Excused
- i. Senator Espinoza- Absence Excused



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BEFORE THE MEETING**

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5. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. There is no public comment at this time.

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a. 05.08.2026
 - i. Chair Barrus seeks a motion to approve agenda item 6a though unanimous consent.
 - ii. So moved by Senator Anderson.
 - iii. Second by Senator Williams.
 - iv. Seeing no dissent, the minutes are approved.

7. REPORTS (INFORMATION ONLY)

- a. Chair Barrus, reports that she will take over the liaison position that is vacant after the last few senators choose their liaisons.
- b. Senator Anderson, Liaison VACANT
- c. Senator Benavente, Liaison for E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center, reports- that he has reached out to the liaison and is in contact.
- d. Senator Castro, Liaison for Title IX Office, reports- that she is communication with Speaker Issa and previous Senator Kitch, who was the previous liaison.
 - i. Chair Barrus asks if Senator Castro has talked to Speaker Issa about the Title IX Office.
 - ii. Senator Castro answered that she has not met with Speaker Issa yet but is in contact with previous senators about the office
- e. Senator Espinoza, Liaison for Counseling Services, reports- no report at this time.
- f. Senator Potter, Liaison VACANT
- g. Vice Chair Saporito, Liaison for University Police Services, reports- that he is discussing the “Coffee with a Cop” event and a refurbishing a memorial bench honoring a fallen officer.
- h. Senator Williams, Liaison for NevadaCares, reports- that she has met with her liaison and is preparing a contact document for ASUN to present to her liaison.
- i. Senator Zuniga, Liaison VACANT
- j. Director Cook, reports- that she is excited for Safety Week and the upcoming ASUN graduating tree program and the classification of UNR as an arboretum campus.
- k. Director Brown, reports- no report at this time other than her presentation with Director Cook.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- a. No old business at this time.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Safety Week Presentation

- i. Director Cook and Director Brown will present on the upcoming Safety Week events.
 - i. Safety Week is a collaboration between the Department of Wellness and Department of Sustainability and the Committee on SSW.
 - ii. Director Cook presents, It would be very helpful for any senators to help out and table during the events. And most importantly, take lots of pictures.
 - iii. Director Brown breaks down day by day each event that is planned and some of the further details apart of that.
 - iv. Chair Barrus opens up discussion with the fact that the previous years sexual safety event was good but the location was out of the way and this year with it located in the KC breeze way it will draw more attention.
 - v. Senator Anderson asks if the event will be in the breeze way itself or the adjoining room at on end of the walkway.
 - vi. Chair Barrus clarifies it will be in the walkway itself.
 - vii. Senator Castro thanks Director Cook and Director Brown on their presentation and asks if at any events we should invite Vitalant or any other organizations to the different events.
 - viii. Director Cook answers that yes it would be nice to figure out how we could incorporate a blood drive into some of the events.
 - ix. Vice Chair Saporito asks if it would be better to host the sexual safety event in the KC rotunda, as it is more private and can host a larger number of people.
 - x. Chair Barrus agrees that hosting the event in the rotunda would be a good idea because they could invite the health center and other organizations to table.
- b. Safety Sustainability and Wellness master document
 - i. Chair Barrus presents the master document which includes an overview of all the current planned events for both this and next semester. And the bill that was just submitted to Senate regarding the National Youth HIV Aids awareness day.
 - i. Director Cook reminds everyone that Earth week is in April and that the committee should plan some event for that.
 - ii. Senator Williams says that it would be a good idea to collaborate with NevadaCares for some of these events.
 - iii. Senator Castro suggests a collaboration with the Office of DEI and the DEI summit because it falls on the same day as the HIV Aids awareness day. She will help collaborate as the Chair of the Committee on IDEA.
 - iv. Director Brown mentions that for SSW week she would like to work with the health center for an event about physical health or something a long those lines.
 - v. Vice Chair Saporito suggests that there are always more people that can be pied in the face. Everyone loves pieing people so it would drum up a lot of attention.

10. Miscellaneous Business

- a. Liaison Assignment
 - i. Senator Anderson moves to place himself as the liaison position to the Student Health Center though unanimous consent.
 - ii. Second by Senator Williams.
 - iii. Seeing no dissent, Senator Anderson was placed as the liaison for the Student Health Center

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. There is no public comment at this time.

12. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Chair Barrus adjourns the Committee on Safety, Security, and Wellness at 1:33 P.M. at

Committee on Safety Sustainability and Wellness

Friday, May 8th 2026 at 4:00 P.M.

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the Frankie Sue Delpapa conference room and on Zoom.

[DISCUSSION DRAFT]

93rd SESSION
2025-2026

**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
SENATOR,

A 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>

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- Associate Director of Student Government, *Luis Aguilar-Herrera*;
- Senior Associate Director, *Amy Koeckes*;
- President of ASUN, *Dillon Moss*;
- Vice President of ASUN, *Luke Calderon*

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 • Speaker of the 94th Senate, *Jason Issa*
- 32 • Chair of the Committee on Safety, Sustainability, and Wellness, *Anna Barrus*;
- 33 • Director of Campus Wellness, *Jordan Brown*;
- 34 • United States Senator, *Catherine Cortez Masto*
- 35 • United States Senator, *Jacky Rosen*
- 36 • United States Representative, *Mark Amodei*
- 37 • United States Representative, *Dina Titus*
- 38 • United States Representative, *Susi Lee*
- 39 • United States Representative, *Steven Horsford*

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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 93rd Session Rules of the Senate Last Updated April 16th, 2025 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, Arbor Day, and National Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness 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.