



ASUNM FULL SENATE MINUTES

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1. Opening
 - a. Call to order
 - i. Vice President Milan officially calls the January 27, 2021 Full Senate meeting to order at 6:00 pm
 - b. Roll Call
 - i. All Senators are present
 - c. Approval of Minutes
 - i. MOTION to approve the minutes
 1. MOTION is seconded and passed
 - d. Approval of Agenda
 - i. MOTION to approve the agenda
 1. MOTION is seconded and passed
 - e. Open Meetings Act Resolution
 - i. MOTION to open the Open Meetings Act Resolution
 1. MOTION is seconded and passed
 - f. Approval of Spring 2021 Standing Rules
 - i. MOTION to approve the Spring 2021 Standing Rules
 1. MOTION is seconded
 2. MOTION to move Public Comment to after Agency Reports
 - a. MOTION is seconded
 - b. Discussion
 - i. Friendly Amendment: to move Public Comment to after Guest Speaker
 - c. MOTION is passed
 3. MOTION to hold resource center reports after committee reports
 - a. MOTION is seconded and passed
 4. Vote
 - a. The Spring 2021 Standing Rules are approved with 19 votes
2. Preliminary Business
 - a. Guest Speaker: Rodney Bowe
 - i. It's great seeing everyone. I wanted to have a conversation with you all today and I want you to first think of who you are as individuals, how you

grew up, why you're here, and as leaders what is your internal drive? As you are thinking about your personal story, think about the previous person's. Think even beyond ASUNM and into your personal lives and the community. You need to reach out to one another because you're a diverse senate that represents a diverse university. So I want you to spend time with each other and learn each other's values because that's important to know. I challenge you to take a diversity curriculum class that will expand your horizons because we all have biases. Also, think about where your values came from and how they formed, and also if they are accepting towards others. You are very powerful individuals and you hold a key piece of our university. What you do will impact all of us so I hope your decisions are empathetic. Remember that hate cannot conquer hate only love can.

b. ASUNM President's Report

- i. President Mia Amin: Good evening, I hope you had a good start to the semester and welcome new Senators to your first Full Senate meeting, I have a few things to cover. Our legislation priority is funding for outdoor lighting and more. We also will request money to offset the debt of the lottery scholarship. Something new this semester is we're requiring every Executive Director to attend another agency event and I encourage you to do the same. Recently I was informed of a screenshot of an ASUNM Senator using racist language in private conversation. We will not tolerate this and that Senator has tendered their resignation. You all represent ASUNM so I hope you all take the situation seriously.

c. ASUNM Vice President Opening Remarks

- i. I also wanted to start by addressing that situation. This will never be tolerated but the Senator's resignation shows he is holding himself accountable. We are all elected officials and we are held to a higher standard. Also, we have scholarships starting soon so please share this information. Before Full Senate, I send a template you need to send to all your student organizations.
 1. Senator Accountability
 - a. None
 2. Demerits
 - a. None

d. ASUNM Executive Agencies

- i. Arts and Crafts Studio
 1. Sen. Cornelio: No current updates.
- ii. Community Experience
 1. Sen. Polsin: They are holding volunteer meetings on Fridays at 1:00 pm and the first is this Friday. All specifics about upcoming projects on social media.
- iii. Elections Commission

1. Sen. Ambarian: The President and Vice President elections will be held in March and the packets are due to the Executive Director.
 - iv. Emerging Lobo Leaders
 1. Sen. Carrillo: They just closed applications for the incoming class and the meetings are on Thursdays this semester.
 - v. Governmental Affairs
 1. Sen. May: President Amin hit most points about their lottery scholarship goals.
 - vi. Lobo Spirit
 1. Sen. Southern: They are working on upcoming events.
 - vii. Student Special Events
 1. Sen. Munson: They have been working hard and are getting an artist in February for a virtual event.
 - viii. Southwest Film Center
 1. Sen. Zhao: Lobos Got Talent is happening soon and they're having workshops for how to submit your virtual talent.
- e. Joint Council
 - i. Joint Council Speaker John Hawkins: I have a few updates: the College of Education and Human Sciences is working to encourage enrollment. The School of Engineering had a welcome back day and the Joint Council supports Resolution 1S today.
- f. Boards and Committees
 - i. Boards and Committees Coordinator Krystah Pacheco: The SUB board met and discussed reopening this semester and they evaluated what to do with space in the SUB.
- g. Public Comment
 - i. Executive Director of the Elections Committee Josh Laffeyette: Congratulations to new Senators and best of luck this semester.
 - ii. Liaison from Staff Council Autumn Collins: Congratulations for being elected leaders and keep being good leaders. I'll be here all semester so contact me if you need me.
 - iii. Ryan Lindquist: We had drag bingo recently and a student organization workshop. Tomorrow Arts and Crafts are doing a self-care workshop. I wanted to praise the work of Governmental Affairs and President Amin. Lastly, Lobo social pack is starting on campus thanks to all of you that are mentors. It helps students connect with organizations and agencies during this time.
 - iv. Ryan Regalado: Nice to see you all and good luck this semester. If you have questions about writing legislation please let me know. There's a bill I recommend passing for transparency. And to echo Ryan and Mia, the lottery scholarship is so important this year so please get involved. Also, we reached out to Faculty Senate and found that the President Pro Tempore never contacted them last semester so the Pro-Temp this year should keep that in mind this semester.

- v. Editor in Chief of the Daily Lobo Alex McCausland: Resolution 1S means a lot to me given the events of the fall semester. Our organizations should have a more amicable relationship and I will do all in my power to repair that relationship. If you need to reach me for anything, please do.
 - vi. Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Deon Watson: Congratulations to you all, please uplift the rules and values you ran on, and please have a good semester. Don't hesitate to contact me if you need anything
 - h. ASUNM Senators
 - i. Sen. Nagji: I wanted to introduce myself, I'm on the Steering and Rules Committee and I hope we have a good semester.
 - ii. Sen. Polsin: Budgeting workshops are happening next Friday and Tuesday, all information is on the ASUNM website.
 - iii. Sen. Harper: Congratulations to new Senators. I hope we have a good meeting today and I look forward to working with you all, if you have legislative ideas let's make it happen this semester.
 - i. Attorney General Law Book Edits
 - i. Attorney General Abby Lutz: I'm excited to work with you all. This section is for me to make any small grammar changes to the lawbook. One tip is about abstaining votes, they are for if you maybe weren't in the room and didn't hear the motion or if you have a personal connection to a motion.
3. Business
- a. Election President Pro-tempore
 - i. MOTION to open the Election of the President Pro-tempore
 - 1. MOTION is seconded and passed
 - ii. Nominations
 - 1. Sen. Polsin: I nominate Sen. Harper.
 - a. Sen. Harper: I accept.
 - iii. Speeches
 - 1. Sen. Polsin: I nominated Sen. Harper because she is a well-rounded Senator that knows each committee and she is very involved. She would make a great President Pro-Tempore.
 - iv. Vote
 - 1. Sen. Raina Harper is elected as the President Pro-tempore
 - b. Finance Committee
 - i. Chairwoman Polsin: There was no business besides two budget revisions that we went through. We elected Sen. May as our Vice-Chair and I look forward to working with him.
 - c. Steering and Rules Committee
 - i. Chairman Romero: Shoutout to my committee, I'm happy to work with you all. Our Vice-Chair is Sen. Southern. I'm all for all the legislation tonight, I encourage discussion and questions on the legislation.
 - ii. Bill 1S
 - 1. MOTION to open Bill 1S

- a. MOTION is seconded and passed
 - b. Authorship Speech
 - i. Sen. Polsin: I wrote this bill to amend the language of the lawbook to reflect the language we use in the finance committee.
 - c. Discussion
 - i. President Pro-Temp Harper: I think it's a good change that's simple and consistent. I commend the authors and Attorney General.
 - ii. Sen. Le: I agree, it provides clarity and will help future Senators.
 - d. Vote
 - i. Bill 1S passes with 19 votes
- iii. Bill 3S
- 1. MOTION to open Bill 3S
 - a. MOTION is seconded and passed
 - b. Authorship Speech
 - i. Chair Romero: This bill improves transparency between us and the student body. It will help students understand our rules and legislation. I wanted to hear discussion on the retention part
 - c. Discussion
 - i. Sen. May: AG Lutz and I have been talking about how to further comply with the Open Meetings Act and we wanted to amend section two at the end of the sentence.
 - ii. MOTION to add an extra bullet point in Article 8 Section 1 that says "Any business or agenda may not be amended less than thirty-six (36) hours before the meeting."
 - 1. MOTION is seconded
 - 2. Discussion
 - a. Friendly Amendment to change "thirty-six (36)" to "seventy-two (72)"
 - i. Sen. May: I accept.
 - 3. MOTION is passed with 19 votes

- iii. MOTION to add on line 126 the words “one or more of” and make the word “label” plural
 - 1. MOTION is seconded
 - 2. Discussion
 - a. President Pro-Temp Harper: I made this motion because a business can have more than one of these labels.
 - 3. MOTION is passed with 19 votes
 - d. Vote
 - i. Bill 3S passes with 19 votes
 - iv. Commendation 1S
 - 1. MOTION to open Commendation 1S
 - a. MOTION is seconded and passed
 - b. Authorship Speech
 - i. Sen. Polsin: I wrote this for Joanna Garcia with the AG and President Pro-Temp Harper for all her work she's done with the finance committee and to thank her.
 - c. Discussion
 - i. AG Lutz: Joanna has been an amazing mentor for me and she was an invaluable piece of the finance committee, especially with budgets and she has forever changed the committee.
 - d. Vote
 - i. Commendation 1S passes with 19 votes
- v. Resolution 1S
 - 1. MOTION to open Resolution 1S
 - a. MOTION is seconded and passed
 - b. Authorship Speech
 - i. Sen. Gunn: We all know what happened last semester and this is a resolution to help both parties work together.
 - c. Discussion
 - i. President Pro-Temp Harper: There has been tension in our relationship with the Daily Lobo so this is a good effort to solve the relationship.
 - ii. Sen. Griego: This is necessary to pass, this bill is a first step to fix the situation.

- ii. Sen. Charles: Congratulations on having our first meeting and congratulations to President Pro-Temp Harper and I thank her for helping me in my new role.
 - iii. Sen. Spotts: I'm excited to work with all of you and it's nice to see everyone.
- b. ASUNM President Pro-Tempore
 - i. President Pro-Temp Harper: I'm excited to have the opportunity to serve and thanks for electing me. I'm ready to serve the students and work with all of you. Congratulations on your first Senate meeting and to the Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs. I'm looking forward to an excellent semester.
- c. ASUNM Vice President Closing
 - i. Vice President Ana Milan: This first meeting went very well. I encourage you to read all legislation before you come and if you ever have questions reach out to me. Shout out to my Senate Aides for all their hard work, and the new President Pro-Temp Harper. You must send a template to your sponsoring organization bi-weekly.
- d. Adjournment
 - i. Vice President Milan officially adjourns the January 27th, 2021 Full Senate meeting at 8:02 pm.