**BILL #2F** **2021 FALL SESSION**

**Legislative Action**

Introduced by: Attorney General R. Romero-Salas (A)(E), Senator S. Carrillo (S), Senator E. MacSaveny (S) (E), Senator M. Chessman (S), Senator J. Zinsmeyer (S), Senator J. Ambarian (S), Senator I. May (S)

1st Reading: Referred To: Steering and Rules

2nd Reading: Committee Action:

3rd Reading: Senate Action: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Executive Action**:

⛞ Approved ⛞ Vetoed

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ASUNM President Date

Unsigned by the President on this \_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2021. Bill automatically becomes law.

**Legislative Response**:

Veto override vote taken: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Senate Action: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of New Mexico that the following be amended in ***(Executive Code)*** of the ASUNM ***(Law Book)***:

# **Article I: Officers of the Executive Branch**

Section 7. Duties of the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

1. The Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion will be responsible for:
   1. Providing guidance and focus on inclusion in the hiring and appointment processes and practices of ASUNM positions; and
   2. Providing guidance to the Executive, Judicial, and Legislative branches on inclusivity initiatives, innovations, and representation; and
   3. Working with the Division of Equity and Inclusion and UNM Resource and Ethnic Centers to ensure ASUNM events, scholarships, correspondence, and governing documents are inclusive to all students; and
   4. Regularly reporting to and attending, Joint Council meetings; and
   5. Arranging regular training opportunities in diverse subject matter for employees and elected members of ASUNM; and
   6. Providing guidance and making recommendations to the Executive Office on reports delivered to agencies, boards, committees, and commissions on which the President is an advisory, **non-voting** member.
2. **The Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion shall serve as Chair of Joint Council.**
   * + - 1. **Responsibilities include but are not limited to**

**Being knowledgeable of all Senate business to be discussed at Joint Council.**

**Work with the ASUNM President and ASUNM Vice President before meetings to ensure accuracy regarding agenda items.**

**Give a report about the Senatorial discussion and action which occurred at the most recent Full Senate Meeting**

* 1. **If the Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is unable to attend a Joint Council meeting, the President shall be Chair for that meeting.**
  2. **Attend every Full Senate meeting, unless excused by the President.**

1. The Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is appointed by the President to help with the aforementioned duties. It is recommended that The Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is the first member of the Executive Office hired in order to provide oversight for the remaining positions in the Executive Office during the hiring process. The Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion may only be removed from office by the President.

# **Article II: Joint Council**

Section 1: Officers of Joint Council

1. The membership of Joint Council shall consist of one (1) representative from each college, resource center, or other student life sector.
   1. The chair of Joint Council is required to contact the head of each sector three (3) weeks prior to the beginning of the semester.
2. ~~The ASUNM President shall serve as the chair of Joint Council until a chair has been elected by the Joint Council.~~
   1. ~~The elected chair shall be named the Speaker of Joint Council.~~
   2. ~~A new chair shall be elected at least once every year.~~
      1. ~~The term of Speaker of Joint Council is one year.~~
      2. ~~If the office of Speaker of Joint Council is vacant, whether by removal, resignation, or other circumstances, a new Speaker of Joint Council shall be elected.~~
      3. ~~The Speaker of Joint Council will hold two (2) published office hours per week during which time they will be present in the ASUNM office.~~
3. ~~The Speaker of Joint Council will be responsible for:~~
   1. ~~Being knowledgeable of all Senate business to be discussed at Joint Council.~~
      1. ~~The Speaker of Joint Council shall work with the ASUNM President and ASUNM Vice President before meetings to ensure accuracy regarding agenda items.~~
      2. ~~The Speaker of Joint Council shall give a report about the Senatorial discussion and action which occurred at the most recent Full Senate meeting.~~
   2. ~~Attending every Full Senate meeting, unless excused by the President.~~

Section 2: Role of Joint Council

1. Joint Council shall serve as an advisory board to gather student feedback and disseminate information to the diverse student population.
2. Joint Council meetings shall occur each week of Full Senate prior to 6PM on Wednesday.
3. A report shall be given at Full Senate by the Speaker of Joint Council or ASUNM President about the presentation and opinions of the Joint Council officers.
4. Members of Joint Council are required to attend all Joint Council meetings unless excused by the Chair.