



STEERING & RULES AGENDA

Wednesday, February 19th,
2025 5:30 PM

Student Union Building Cherry/Silver

Jackson
Mary
Garcia

Taylor Hedrick
Member

Rohith
Yangalasetty
Member

Britten Ratcliff
Member

A. Opening

- a. Call To Order
 - Called to order at 5:50pm
- b. Land Acknowledgement
- c. Roll Call
 - 4 present, 1 absent
- d. Approval of Agenda
 - Seconded and passed
- e. Approval of Minutes
 - Seconded and passed

B. Preliminary Business

- a. Chair
 - hi everyone. I've got a lot to say, so please pay attention. I promise I'm not mad. Hello, Senators. I hope you had a good week so far and a restful weekend. I did have a couple things I want to mention for meetings, a couple of reminders. We're going over five bills today, so I wanted to emphasize the importance of coming to meeting, having read the bills, and being able to like ready to comment and ask questions. It's highly appreciated and helps us facilitate discussion outside and inside of parliamentary procedure, which is important next, I wanted to remind everyone of the required legislation which every member in the committee is included or is required to write, including myself, each general rule senator is required to write at least two pieces of legislation, but I highly encourage you to write more throughout the semester, even if you're like, also just reading over stuff and editing. You do have to, like write too, but it's also a great idea to edit and sponsor other legislation too, even if you're worried about it passing anything, the important part isn't like, just the pass like just the passing of the legislation. It is also the way that you're, like, actively participating in the Student Government. I will say it doesn't have to be scary or difficult, and if you ever need help, you can

come to me. You can reach out to me through email, through text, and even if you needed time to meet me, we can do that as well. And I can help you guys work in legislation. I also wanted to emphasize discussion with them within our meetings is an important part of the process, to get different perspectives on legislation before we pass it. And if we don't talk about legislation, parliamentary procedure, our thoughts will not make it into a minute, the minutes which is very important, and the public won't know our thoughts, which kind of takes away from the ACM transparency. So just please speak up and discussion and questions, anything like that, and then we'll last minute thing, attendance is very important. We have a lot to discuss, and it turns out we can't discuss things before our meeting at a quorum, and we need this time to discuss bills so that it makes it easier for us once we get into parliamentary procedure. Quorum for our committee right now is three. So if you do have issues, please submit an absence form. Please let me know if you're going to be late or anything like that, like don't feel scared to text me or anything. But if you can, please be here

b. Members of the Committee

- Sen. Ratcliff
 - I just again, kind of to touch on what Mary said. Really encourage everyone to reach out about pieces of input to bills. For an example, part of the bill that Marion center, Senator Garcia and Senator Hendrick submitted, I had something that I wanted to discuss about. We were able to discuss that before this meeting. Now we saved all the same save time from this meeting. And also, you know, was able to save it from possibly disagreeing or failing that bill, and like delaying the process to getting this bill through, because we're able to talk before this senate meeting. So really encourage please, please, please give input to bills. I will be trying to submit as many bills as I can this semester, so please feel free to submit input, any time I can, I can take hard input.

c. Public Comment

- none

C. Old Business

D. New Business

a. [Bill 3S](#) - Outlining the duties of the legal counsel in ASUNM

- Motion to open 3S
 - Seconded and passed
- Authorship speech, Sen. Ratcliff: The main reason we're doing this bill is outlining the duties of legal counsel. So at our correct meetings, we found that the currently the attorney general, if we were to go to trial, the Attorney General is not able to present information or give legal counsel to the student who was there was to get consultation from the Attorney General. So this bill is highlighting the Attorney General able to give counsel, which, in the next bill is talked about a little bit more of what that really is, but it's really being able to present opening statements, closing statements, questioning witnesses, and any other courtroom procedures, calling objections. And so if we look at throughout the bill, you just see that we added or counsel, with counselor and counsel, to really highlight that the Attorney General and the upcoming student attorney position that will hopefully be here, they

will be able to do that. And then in Section 4503 we strike some of the some of the unneeded information that was prohibit. hibiting that Attorney General, from acting and courtroom procedures. Yes, that, that's basically the summary of that bill. Yeah, I really encourage input. If you support it questions if you have any.

- Sen. Hedrick
- Section 4503 where it says advisors are and then, like, comma, therefore, not permitted to speak or participate directly in any hearing. I was wondering, like, would that be something you think would be beneficial to keep like or like why did you take that part out as well.
- Sen. Ratcliff: So in the ending of Section 4503 and Bill three, as it says, advisors are therefore not permitted to Speaker participate directly in any hearing. So is that saying that if someone comes to you asking for your counsel that you're able to technically like deny it, and don't you don't have to talk if you don't want to.
- AG Barragan: If a student comes to them, they're like, they have to give counsel if the case proves it needs to trial. So it would kind of be pointless. The student attorney denies them also. I have to deny students if they're not asunm, because I have to defend only ASun. So technically, I would deny them like, I'm sorry I defend ASun if that's who I'm defending. Student attorney, if the case proves top married and goes to trial, there would be really no point in the nine because it's their entire job to help students. So, I mean, it really doesn't make any sense, kind of the question, how would we kind of fix that. It'll be they can't really deny it's their job.
- Chair Garcia: if because you can't, like deny, or you can't be representing students, because these Attorney General can only represent ASun. Should we strike Attorney General out of this part and just leave student attorney because Attorney General is still in that section for sorry.
- Sen. Ratcliff: Well, I was this says plaintiff or defendant. So for her example, she would be defending the plaintiff and the Attorney General, or, I mean, the student attorney would be defending the defendant.
- Sen. Hedrick: Sorry, that kind of that competing. But my question was more like, does like, are we no longer requiring the plaintiff or defendant to speak for their their own case entirely like they they can't speak on it, only the student attorney or Attorney General can.
- Sen. Ratcliff: They're still able to speak if they would like. This is just saying that the Attorney General and the student attorney is also able to speak if that's what they request.
- Discussion
 - Sen. Ratcliff: I am, as an author and sponsor, I am in support of this bill, I think this adds clarification to our law book, and it kind of corrects some of the understandings that I definitely had, and I'm sure others had, of what our courtroom procedures look like. So I think this bill does a good job of highlighting what those procedures, procedures do look like
- Passed 3-0-0-1

b. [Bill 4S](#) - Definition of “Counsel”

- Motion to open Bill 4S
 - Seconded and passed
- Authorship speech: Sen. Ratcliff: So this is really just the definition of Council. We figured that. So there's like Council and council like CIO and then SEL, and there's kind of a lot of different terminologies for it. So we decided to highlight counsel, and so it's you know exactly how it's written. It really highlights what their responsibilities actually are, such as presenting opening statements, questioning witnesses, presenting closing statements, introducing objections, motions and any other courtroom procedures. We added that last part to kind of broaden the scope, just in case. In the future, we add courtroom procedures such as cross-examination or discovery, subpoenas, whatever that may be. They would also be able to do that. And this would be added in the definitions code under whatever is in the alphabetical.
 - Questions
 - none
 - Discussions
 - Sen. Hedrick: Are there any discussions on before us? Senator Hendrick, thanks, chair, Garcia, I think is there any way, or this isn't a question, but I think we should change the I like everything as it is, but, or I'd like the bill, but I think if we could change the second sentence so that it like, is it sent like a grammatical sentence, because it just starts as such as, which I don't think it mean, yeah, it doesn't have a subject, yeah, I or just do, I don't know we could talk about, but I don't know what it would be, but I just know it's not a new way
 - Sen. Yangalasetty: I would have said like, This may include, or this would include, presenting opening statements, questioning witnesses, presenting closing statements. You know, just continuing off that I agree, such as just doesn't sound soundly professional
 - Sen. Ratcliff: It is in discussion format. I encourage discussion of either moving or switching that period to a semicolon or starting the sentence.
 - Sen. Hedrick: Motion to motion to strike out “such as”.
 - Seconded and passed
 - Sen. Ratcliff: Motion to strike “such as” and add “these duties”
 - Seconded and passed
- Passed 3-0-0-1

c. [Bill 5S](#) - Refining the definition of the Community Experience Agency

- Motion to open
 - seconded and passed
- Authorship speech:
 - Sen. Ratcliff: So this is the bill that was discussed last week

in full Senate. It's been edited, and the way it's been edited is the position of cultural director was taken out. And so the only thing that's affected about this bill is the purpose, which was executive director Barbara's request of what she believes the agency's purpose is, and then the past, and then section 2302 the past positions that were available in that agency are no longer positions. The new positions are now just executive assistant director and volunteer coordinator. And so it's just highlighting and adding a little bit more update into what the agency entails. Of the bill that was failed last week in full Senate is going to be split into two. And so this is kind of that first part of the community experience, without the cultural director having anything to do with it

- Discussion
 - Sen. Yanglasetty: I see like in Section 2302 for the membership section on subsection A after, like the A, Executive Director one, there's like a semicolon in the and is that supposed to be leading into Subsection B
 - Pro temp Gonzales: Try to encourage discussion by rephrasing it
 - Sen. Ratcliff: I know, yeah, that's just saying that overall meetings and her duties also include so the very first subsection A says the executive director will be responsible for and so China, it kind of just goes through her duties, and that's part of her duties, leading in. It's kind of like the law book's way of leading into the to the next part of her duties.
 - Sen. Ratcliff: I would not be opposed to adding it
 - AG Barragan: We should add “and:
 - Sen. Ratcliff: Motion to add “and;”
 - Seconded and passed
 - Sen. Yangalasetty: I would like to discuss “ would like to discuss how to make section 2301 purpose flow properly with the connection to the University of New Mexico's undergraduate community part. I would say I would like to discuss and connect with the University of New Mexico's undergraduate community. I feel like that would possibly lead to like, just better flow. I mean, it's not like the biggest deal”
 - Sen. Ratcliff: Unnecessary verbiage and this makes the statement more concise.
 - Passed 3-0-0-1

d. [Bill 6S](#) - Outlining the duties of the student advocate position in ASUNM

- Motion to open 6S
 - Seconded and passed
- Authorship Speech, Sen. Ratcliff: Yes, so we previously discussed this a little bit in PRI, SNR, I'll kind of go reiterate what we said during the correct committee. We found that the duties of the student or, Oh, wait, oh, this is the bill of the student attorney. This was actually passed last cycle in full Senate. However, it was denied by the General Counsel attorney, who has to approve all of the bills,

and it was denied by him, and so we took his feedback, which you all have an email to of what his feedback was about the bill and we corrected it.

- Sen. Hedrick: Are there any discussions on Bill success? Senator Hatcher? I really like it. I mean, we passed it last semester, and I really think that this makes sense, and I think it addresses all of the concerns that Senator Radcliffe just expressed. So I am all for passing
- Sen. Ratcliff: I also definitely think student attorney position needs to be available for other students against filing points against ASun them. I think this creates equal opportunity for everyone to have that right. Court, or whatever, those complaints may be. So, I'm also in favor of passing this
- Passed 3-0-0-1
- e. [Bill 7S](#) - Ensuring that no person(s) can coerce/pressure a voter to vote for them, or any other candidate.
 - Motion to open 7S
 - Seconded and passed
 - Authorship Speech: Sen. Hedrick: This bill is for just making sure that no person can coerce or pressure a voter to vote for them during any election. Yeah, that's pretty much, pretty much it
 - Sen. Ratcliff: I think it is very specific in what we need it to be, but also broad enough to where there's not any gray area of what people could bring up in court if a situation like this were to happen. I think it's very well written. I yield my time.
- Passed 3-0-0-1

E. Closing

a. Members of the Committee

- Protemp Gonzales: I just wanted to say, Good job everyone. I've never been in a steering so once you guys operate, it's very cool. I love that. You say, yay. That's amazing.

b. Vice Chair

- Thank you everyone for the input that we provided on all the bills today. I think we're very productive in our discussion. I look forward to presenting this to full senate and hearing more input or other senators' support of this bill, or these bills that we all passed, again. I really, really encourage discussion, and when bills are sent out, to please give input if you have any. So we're not like, spending 30 minutes on like, grammatical stuff during the meeting. That's something that maybe we can do before and to discuss, like, the principle of the bills and the meetings. But yeah, really enjoying my time on this committee with all of you. Y'all are lovely to be around.

c. Chair

- Thank you everyone for being here. I'm glad that you are here again. A little emphasis on being here on time. It is important just that we can actually start our meetings. I know there's a lot of issues today, but it's okay. Just contact me if anything is to happen again. I do want to say I am very proud of the committee. We did discuss a lot more than we had in our past committees. So I am actually very happy about that. I did want to emphasize that I'm available at any time. So please, please, if you need help with anything, come to me, email, phone number, set up

a time to even just have a phone call with me. I'm hoping if you guys have the time, you will set up a meeting with me before the next steering Rules Committee, which is on the fifth to kind of go over some things. I want to emphasize this so that I can help you guys get through this meeting. You also have a lot of other resources, Attorney General Orn and then Senator Hedrick. She's been in as before, as well as our vice chair, Burton Radcliffe, or Senator Radcliffe.

F. Adjournment

a. Adjournment at 6:39 PM



FINANCE AGENDA

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

6:00 PM

Student Union Building Fiesta A/B

A. Opening

a. Call To Order

b. Land Acknowledgement

Founded in 1889, the University of New Mexico sits on the traditional homelands of the Pueblo of Sandia. The original peoples of New Mexico – Pueblo, Navajo, and Apache – since time immemorial, have deep connections to the land and have made significant contributions to the broader community statewide. We honor the land itself and those who remain stewards of this land throughout the generations and also acknowledge our committed relationship to Indigenous peoples. We gratefully recognize our history.

c. Roll Call

6 Senators Present || 0 Absent

d. Approval of Agenda

[Seconded and Passed](#)

e. Approval of Minutes

[Seconded and Passed](#)

B. Preliminary Business

a. Chair

None

b. Members of the Committee

None

c. Public Comment

C. Old Business

None

D. New Business

a. Election of Vice Chair

b. Appropriation #16S - [Automotive and Motorsport Club \(UNM\)](#)

Chair entertains a motion to open APP 33S - [Seconded and passed](#)

[DETAILED DESCRIPTION](#)



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DISCUSSION AND QUESTIONING

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**All motions passed

Appropriation 33S Roll CALL VOTE

Appropriation 33S passes with a (4,0,0,1)

Seconded and passed (AT AN AMOUNT OF 6,231\$)

Said organization will be able to attend and speak during the

c. Appropriation #17S - [Juniper Reimagined](#)

Chair entertains a motion to open APP 33S - [Seconded and passed](#)

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Seconded and passed (AT AN AMOUNT OF 6,231\$)

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d. Appropriation #18S - [Society of Women Engineers](#)

Chair entertains a motion to open APP 33S - [Seconded and passed](#)

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Appropriation 33S Roll CALL VOTE

Appropriation 33S passes with a (4,0,0,1)

Seconded and passed (AT AN AMOUNT OF 6,231\$)

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e. Appropriation #19S - [Nepali Students Association](#)

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Appropriation 33S Roll CALL VOTE

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Seconded and passed (AT AN AMOUNT OF 6,231\$)

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f. Appropriation #20S - [Pre-Medical Society](#)

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g. Appropriation #21S - [Health Professions Symposium](#)

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- h. Appropriation #22S - [American Indian Business Association](#)
- i. Appropriation #23S - [American Indian Science and Engineering](#)



[Society \(AISES\)](#)

j. Appropriation #24S - [Pre-Dental Society](#)

E. Closing

- a. Members of the Committee
- b. SGAO
- c. Vice Chair
- d. Chair

F. Adjournment



ASUNM OUTREACH & EVENTS COMMITTEE AGENDA

02/19/2025

6:00PM

SUB JEMEZ

**Adrianna
Casaus**

Chair

**Greece
Trujillo**

Member

Aizza Rehman

Member

Mia Dragone

Member

**Dillon
Williams**

Vice Chair

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Member

1) Opening

a. Call to Order

Call to order at 6:04pm

b. Land Acknowledgement

Founded in 1889, the University of New Mexico sits on the traditional homelands of the Pueblo of Sandia. The original peoples of New Mexico – Pueblo, Navajo, and Apache – since time immemorial, have deep connections to the land and have made significant contributions to the broader community statewide. We honor the land itself and those who remain stewards of this land throughout the generations and also acknowledge our committed relationship to Indigenous peoples. We gratefully recognize our history.

c. Roll Call

Present

d. Approval of Agenda



Approved

e. Approval of Minutes

Approved

2) Preliminary Business

a. Chair

Chair Casaus: Good and productive meeting ahead

b. Vice Chair

Not in attendance

c. Members of the Committee

None

d. Public Comment

None

e. Media

None

3) Old Business

None

4) New Business

Friday SWFC event, IR was submitted, everyone showed up between 5-5:30. Sen Williams will create preview for what O and E has planned for the semester

Mar 5 midterm mental health event. No more therapy dogs in the sub. Therapy dogs will be moved outside to the cactus garden, Chair Casaus will be checking with therapy dog owners to check if that works. Secondary emails will be sent to resource centers, and visits will be planned. COSAP, COSAC, LGBTQ+, and GEO want to participate. Chair Casaus will draft email

At 6:14 acknowledging presence of Sen Trujillo

Mar 24 is Civic Duty Event, Rockwall and boba, handing out voting pamphlets about ASUNM and why you should vote.

April Events - collab instead of doing one to avoid overwhelming students. First or third week of April. Tabling- handing out candy in eggs for easter. April Fool's charictratures idea. Speed sketchers can do it. Will be on Tuesday, April 1st. 12:00-2:00. Earth Day event, Monday, April



21st. 9:00-11:00. compostable planters and chia seeds, (flowers?) and handing out breakfast burritos. Dean of Students 500 dollar wellness grant, reach out to Greg, associate dean of wellbeing. Can be used for Student Success Week

5) Closing

a. Members of the Committee

None

b. Vice Chair

c. Chair

Chair Casaus: Thank you guys for a productive meeting, I look forward to our next event

6) Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm