



FULL SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, November 20th, 2024
6:00 PM
Student Union Building Lobo A/B

1) Opening

a. Call to Order

The chair calls this meeting to order at 6:12 PM on 11/20/2024

b. [Land Acknowledgment](#)

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

19 Senators Present || 1 Senators Absent

d. Approval of Agenda

[Seconded and Passed](#)

e. Approval of [Minutes](#)

[Seconded and Passed](#)

2) Preliminary Business

a. Senator Accountability

NONE

b. Guest Speaker

None

c. Public Comment

Ryan Linquest: Happy Birthday Sen. Ward. Congrats to our senators who are completing their journeys within ASUNM. Remember that if you're graduating you are eligible for a ASUNM Stole!



d. ASUNM President's Report

SFRB - We finished deliberations for this Cycle and our presentation is on Dec. 3rd. Next Steps will be our recommendations that need to be approved and President Stokes will approve and then The Board of Regents. I attended a town hall meeting with Sahuna Wolf. 109 New parking spaces created on UNM Campus. Arts and Craft fair going on today and a couple days coming. Senator Elections have come to an end and congratulations to all who will continue and new leaders who will lead to ASUNM forthcoming.

e. ASUNM Vice President's Opening Remarks

Put that effort into your education since the senate is coming to a close for the year! Shout out to Chair Rutherford (Fiance) for leading a great committee. Thank you to Sen Zinsmeyer for your commitment to ASUNM and all you've done! Thank you to President Pro Tempore Montoya, you have helped me through everything!! Thank you all for everything you've done and ASUNM is and will always be here for you!

f. Joint Council

RHA was mentioned that Charles Agguire received a special mention as President of the Year!! Well done to him for building community engagement and viable work experiences!
SHAC has put on lots of workshops and thank you for checking them out!
The Joint Council went really smooth this semester and so proud of you guys and hope to see some of you there next year!

g. Boards & Committees Report

None

h. ASUNM Senators

President Pro Tempore Montoya: Honors College is having a bunch of events this week!

SEN RUTHERFORD: Lgbtq resource center is having a friend giving soon!

SEN MITCHELL: Arts and Crafts Fair is happening 22nd - 27th



- i. Attorney General Law Book Edits
No law book edits at this time! But we have three bills tonight so just be mindful and please discuss them. Have a great finals week and thank you!

3) Special Business

The chair entertains a motion to open special business for this evening.

Seconded and Passed 19-0-0-1

- a. Fall 2024 Quasi Endowment Fund Deposit Appropriation

Sen Rutherford: This is an amount of money set aside until 2035. According to the law book, we must ensure that at the end of each cycle we put more money into it so we may invest in our futures.

Seconded and Passed 19-0-0-1

4) New Business

- a. Election of Spring 2025 President Pro Tempore

SEN ZINSMEYER: I nominate Sen. Ward

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MONTOYA: I nominate Sen Rutherford

Both accepted their nominations and left the room

SEN ZINSMEYER: I trust Sen. Ward. He was a great senator and staff member of ASUNM and the Senate. I think it's best for the students and for the senate if you all pick him. Thank you.

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE MONTOYA: Sen. Rutherford has shown utter dedication since his freshman year and has maximized his path in ASUNM. He has dedicated himself to ASUNM and as current President Pro Tempore, I believe Bailey would do a great job within this Role.

SEN DOYLE: I would like to second that Sen Rutherford would be a great fit although I fear he will be studying abroad next semester so I'd like to hear the senate's opinion because we cannot put ourselves in a similar pickle as we did DEI this year.

SEN ROMERO: I'd like to advocate for Sen Rutherford because as a person he is nice but he practices the values of ASUNM and when it comes down to the role, not only do they need to be qualified but they need to be good.

SEN LUCERO: I'd also like to advocate for Sen Rutherford because we met early in our Student Council careers and it's all about serving students. He is so



committed to UNM and does well in his roles because he's kind, a president of a fraternity, a committee chair, and an outstanding open minded best person I could ever know.

SEN GONZALES: I would also like to echo my support for Sen Rutherford because with all due respect he would be devised for the senate as other candidates would be.

SEN CASAUS: Sen Rutherford is a great senator because he's passionate and dedicated to ASUNM. He dedicates his entire being. On the O&E committee last semester, he advocated for all students and accolades that were diverse and he amplified the voices of those who aren't here so I would say he's qualified and I support him 100%.

SEN GARCIA: I would advocate my support for Sen Ward. He is going to be traveling across countries and we've seen growth from Sen Ward. He is passionate and when debating over certain issues he brings us back to a common ground. I believe Sen Ward would be a better option although both would do well.

SEN HILANG: Both candidates are qualified for sure but I would like to advocate for Sen Ward. I have seen first hand the commitment Sen Ward has shown in his roles. I think we should give him a chance.

SEN PINGAL: I would advocate for Sen Rutherford because he embodies equity in every finance committee and would be the best candidate for this role.

SEN LUCERO: There really wont be a hole, the S&R chair will assume that position if Sen Rutherford were to leave. He shouldn't be discounted just because he has opportunities to further his education.

SEN ZINSMEYER: Remember you're not voting for yourselves right now! It's for the student body! They make it known where we are. Both nominations are good but leaving halfway who is in this position would not be an ideal situation and it causes division within the senate and frankly you will all answer to the students later on.

SEN ROMERO: This position is representative of this situation. As trivial as it seems, Sen Rutherford is a clear representative of this body. He is that person who will create a foundation for us coming in the next semester. Even if he isn't in the country, he would be a great person and I guarantee he is our best candidate. I urge you to support him.

SEN CASAUS: This is advocacy and that's what Sen Rutherford is all about. This isn't last year's senate either so discounting is wrong and we've done so much



with this group. It's not the best reference to say we're going to be divided. Sen Rutherford will work his butt off to continue our goals and way of work. If he does leave, that gives our new senators next year and other tenured senators to work in that role. It would create a wonderful role.

SEN CASAUS: RUTHERFORD

SEN GARCIA:

SEN HILANG: WARD

HOLLY : Rutherford

Mitchell: Rutherford

Pingal r

Rehman w

Romero r

Rutherford r

Sen ward wa

Williams w

Montoya r

Gutierrez r

b. Selection of Fall 2024 Outstanding Senator

SEN GONZALES: SEN RUTHERFORD

SEN WARD: SEN ZINSMERYER

SEN RUTHERFORD: SEN LUCERO

SEN GARCIA: SEN GONZALES

SEN GONZALEZ: SEN PINGAL

SEN WILLIAMS: SEN DOYLE

SEN CASAUS: SEN HILANG

SEN GONZALES: SEN HILAG

SEN GUTIERREZ: SEN GARCIA

RED DECLINED THEIR NOMINATIONS

GREEN ACCEPTED THEIR NOMINATIONS

SEN WARD: SEN ZINSMERYER is a tenured Senator and his actions speak for themselves. I nominated him for outstanding senator. He is always willing to help and is a servant to the students.



SEN RUTHERFORD: Sen Lucero and I began our journeys together very early on in highschool. Sen Lucero was The Emerging Lobo Leader and has done a phenomenal job within her role and provides conversations that invoke collaboration across ASUNM and that's outstanding. Her dedication should be applauded.

SEN DRAGONE: Sen Garcia has worked hard and helped me through my journey! Nominate her!

SEN WILLIAMS: Sen Doyle has done her job to the best of her ability and shown dedication to the highest extent.

SEN GONZALES: Sen Hilang is very passionate about her role as a senator and I think she is deserving of this honor.

SEN CASAUS: I would like to offer my support to SEN Lucero and SEN Hilang and SEN Doyle!

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR HUSSAIN and SENATE CLERK SALINAS High fived at 7:19 PM

PRO TEMP SEN MONTOYA: I just think he embodies all the qualities and has been throughout ASUNM, but especially this semester in Senate, where he's kind of made a little wrap-around and has come back to where he started. But yeah, with that idea, thank you.

SEN. GARCIA: I would also like to echo some sentiments about his dedication to SNR in general, we did have an issue of not discussing things that we may have talked about in pre SNR before, because some of us just didn't realize, like it would be better to talk about it, because then we'll get in the minutes. But once he had explained that to us, we were all very eager and passionate about talking during discussion in order to get in on the minutes and let our actual thoughts be known. And I'd also like to talk about the fact that whenever it comes to a position that he has, he's always very strong about his position, even if it's opposed by many other senators. We've had appropriations where he's the only one who's spoken for or against it, and he's never wavered in that aspect. And I feel like that, as well as the fact that I've mentioned before. He's been here for so long, he's done so much, and he has never wavered in his commitment to us to Senate since I think that he would be great not to discount Senator Lucero, as I do a lot of improvement, a lot of potential a lot eagerness and a lot of dedication.



SEN HLAING: I have seen her dedication to what she does at a seminar. Because one thing, one initiative that she led was an initiative that involved outreach to high school students, letting high school students know about ASUNM and, and motivating them to join, even before they went to join a syncing. And I think that that is extraordinary because you're not just bringing in students who are currently in university, Iranian students who might come to a university potentially. And I think that's an enormous effort, and it's going to be above and beyond a role. And additionally, she in the capacity that I have seen her work, she's also worked very closely with resource centers and has been involved in many other aspects of campus. And for this reason, I think she deserves it.

SEN. RUTHERFORD: Lucero is great for many reasons, but the biggest is that she dedicates her time to the senate. After her committee is done meeting she comes into finance and sits in on those meetings. Overall, she is great and we should not discount these efforts.

a. Finance Committee

Chair Rutherford: We spent 427,063\$ this semester! We as a committee did really well this semester.

The chair motions to open Appropriation 37F

SECONDED AND PASSED

i. [Appropriation 37F](#)

Chair Rutherford:

SEN Hilang: I'm just a bit confused about this Line item.

Chair Rutherford:

Roll Call vote - 19,0,0,1

Passed with a total of 933\$

President Pro Tempore Montoya: Motion to Block vote 48F - 56F

Seconded and Passed



The chair motions to open Appropriation 48F

SECONDED AND PASSED

ii. [Appropriation 48F](#)

SEN GONZALES: Sending leaders to Sante Fe for leadership experiences.

The chair motions to open Appropriation 49F

SECONDED AND PASSED

iii. [Appropriation 49F](#)

SEN PINGAL: Art History Initi. are attending a conference in NY and we are funding at 70% and a four day per diem.

The chair motions to open Appropriation 50F

SECONDED AND PASSED

iv. [Appropriation 50F](#)

SEN LONGORIA: No motions made, all cut to standing rules.

The chair motions to open Appropriation 50F

SECONDED AND PASSED

v. [Appropriation 51F](#)

SEN REHMAN: Traveling to NAU on 01/25/2024 at approximately 12:00 PM and returning the following day 01/26/2024 at approximately 2:00 PM. We are traveling to NAU (Northern Arizona University) to play a traditional Navajo game with the NAU Diné club called "shoe game", which is traditionally played only during the winter. We are planning to use 2 personal vehicles to travel to NAU with a request for gas payment for the round trip of 704.4 miles for both vehicles. Additionally we request for food to be paid on this trip to feed members during the shoe game since it will last throughout the night. We request this because we want our members who go to learn more about this traditional game and why we play it, without worrying if they can afford to go.

The chair motions to open Appropriation 50F

SECONDED AND PASSED

vi. [Appropriation 52F](#)

SEN MITCHELL: The wilderness first aid course: 2 day certification course. This provides training, skills, and knowledge that is essential for club members to stay safe on trips. Wolf Creek Trip: this is an annual two night winter sports trip that will take place in February 15-17 2025. This



builds community and makes skiing/snowboarding accessible to club members. Joshua Tree: this is an annual trip for Mountaineering Club to canyoneer, hike, and climb, and camp during spring break. Zion National Park 5/19/2025- 5/25/2025, an annual trip for Mountaineering Club to canyoneer, hike, and wrap up the school year

The chair motions to open Appropriation 50F

SECONDED AND PASSED

vii. [Appropriation 53F](#)

SEN GONZALES: B.L.A.C.K received funding last Fall 2023 for the amount of \$1500. An appropriations was put in that same semester as well. Additional funding is necessary for programming and for food insecurity for some of our members.

The chair motions to open Appropriation 50F

SECONDED AND PASSED

viii. [Appropriation 54F](#)

SEN LONGORIA: organization last received funding from ASUNM during the Fall 2023 semester. As a result, we have not yet received any funding from ASUNM for the current fiscal year.

The chair motions to open Appropriation 50F

SECONDED AND PASSED

ix. [Appropriation 55F](#)

SEN HOLLY: We received appropriations for both Spring and Fall semesters before the current F24 semester. The Spring 24 appropriation was \$4763, where ~\$4100 was granted to us for a conference that a few members attended in late July. The rest was to purchase model rocket kits for our members to launch. We received a similar appropriation for the F23 semester for a SciTech conference in Orlando, FL that we attended in early January.

The chair motions to open Appropriation 50F

SECONDED AND PASSED

x. [Appropriation 56F](#)

CHAIR RUTHERFORD: We need the funding for a conference out in Atlanta, GA. We don't really have any self generated funds. The cost of tickets is expensive and we would like to try to represent our organization.



NOTICE **** There were two different names on the appropriation but we fixed.

Roll call to the block vote of appropriation 49F-56F
19,0,0,1 Seconded and Passed

b. Steering and Rules Committee

Sen Zinsmeyer: We had 7 Bills and had to fail four of them this cycle. This committee did a great job this year and we had a rebuilding year!

The chair motions to open Bill 16F

SECONDED AND PASSED

i. [Bill #16F.docx](#)

SEN GARCIA: This Bill is important to pass as to not allow coercion in our election process.

SEN WARD: I offer my support and commend the authors. This Bill will ensure the fairness of our elections. It's been called for and we have put it here in front of you all today.

19,0,0,1 This Bill has passed!

The chair motions to open Bill 17F

SECONDED AND PASSED

ii. [Bill #17.docx](#)

SEN WARD: This is another bill to make sure our election stays fair and ensures universities and departments and staff aren't using any time to help any individual candidate.

Motion to strike from line 59, "their" to "individuals"

Motion after using line 59, "university time or resources as outlined in UAP Policy 2060 Political Activity.

19,0,0,1 This Bill has passed!

The chair motions to open Bill 20F

SECONDED AND PASSED

iii. [Bill #20F.docx](#)

SEN WARD: This sentiment from the full senate is that we did not want to adopt certain aspects and this separate bill for student advocates for said reasons.



SEN GONZALES: Is this stipend?

SEN ZINSMEYER: Yes. and I think this is a great idea and have help from our system to be a part of a trial.

19,0,0,1 This Bill has passed!

C. Outreach and Events Committee

SEN DOYLE: Student Success Week has a few updates:

Monday Breakfast with the Bo's

Tuesday Destress before your Test

Wednesday Break Day

Thursday Art with ASUNM craft center

Friday Yoga in the Ballrooms

5) Closing

a. ASUNM Closing Comments

Sen Romero: I would like to thank you all for our time together this semester! I think everyone in this room is contributing to a better future for ASUNM and UNM. Best of luck!

Sen Lucero: Please come out and support Student Success Week! Love you all and good luck!

Sen Rutherford: One of my passion projects (a bill that failed last week) i hope we can encourage to push Undocumented students ty for fiance chair and ty for promtempore

Sen Doyle: Great semester everybody! I loved my O&E committee. I loved being the chair and coming out and supporting them!

Sen Ward: We made it far and I want to thank the office of the vice president., Daniyal and Owen you guys rock! To our chairs you guys are awesome!

Sen Hilang: This is my final moment in ASUNM and I want to wish you all good luck and every senator in this room has put enormous amounts of work into this program. I'm grateful for everyone!

Sen Zinsmeyer: I'm at a loss of words because I spent over three years in this room and it's weird that I will never sit here again. If we stay in the same place forever you fade away. You must enter every tunnel until you find the light at the end. You all will do amazing and to all the new fces, i see you care and dont ever give up and do the work for the student body for those who need it.

Sen Casaus: Thank you all to the senators especially to those on the way out, we appreciate your contributions and love you all!



b. ASUNM President Pro-Tempore

Thank you all for letting me serve you all this semester! Thanks for letting me chair! You've all contributed in many ways and I like to congratulate Sen Rutherford in his future role as ASUNM President Pro-Tempore!

c. ASUNM Vice President Closing

This has been my best semester in senate even if it was the most challenging and most work bearing! I have gained so many new friends and family members! I love you all and me and President T. and Sen Lucero were all sworn in together so that's a special moment. Owen, Daniyal, and the entire cabinet of the VP have been instrumental to the functionality of my job! Shout out to Ryan Linquest and everyone who helped me this year and let's make next year even better! To those leaving my phone and door are always open to you. Stay connected and I'll reach out to you! I love you all.

d. Adjournment at 8:43 PM