



ASUNM FULL SENATE AGENDA

January 25th, 2023

6:00 PM

Lobo A&B, Student Union Building

- 1) Opening
 - a. Call to Order
 - i. The Chair calls this meeting to order at 6:01PM
 - b. Land Acknowledgment
 - c. Roll Call
 - i. 19 Senators present
 - d. Approval of Agenda
 - i. The Chair entertains a motion to approve the agenda
 1. Motion seconded and passed
 - e. Approval of Minutes
 - i. The Chair entertains a motion to approve last meeting's minutes
 1. Motion seconded and passed
- 2) Preliminary Business
 - a. Guest Speaker
 - i. Jennifer: Hello, we're here to talk to you about the OER initiative. The presentation defines and describes the initiative and how you can participate in it. It started from the rising cost of textbook, which has increased since the 1970s by over 1000 percent. Open textbooks are free to read or download and have a license that allows you to use it without violating copyright. The open textbooks are written and reviewed by experts and your instructor can take these materials and adapt them to their lessons, and they also never expire. We have had this initiative in motion since last semester, as well as a working group trying to put this together for faculty. Our steering committee works to figure out the direction of the initiative. Things I learn from you all I can pass on to the committee, as I am on it. These are some resources, you will have access to the PowerPoint afterward for these links, and there is very useful information on all of them. You may also contact me, I am the



OER librarian. I worked at CNM and did that for them and now I get to do it here, which is very exciting. In my office I have an OER fellow, who has helped me tremendously. Thank you all so much. OER's are accessible by the web, openly licensed, and you can also write and license them yourself. Wikipedia is an open license, if you didn't know. OER always respects copyrights of the original owner: it is still their intellectual property and use must be attributed to the owner. Depending on the license, you can combine materials from multiple sources. It is a lot of extra work to do this, which is why we support faculty through this process. Studies have found students who take courses with OER drop less classes. Other universities and colleges have systems in place to notify students about which courses have OER. Student success increases, which is good for the university. Withdrawal rates are 29% lower than courses with traditional textbooks. Obstacles to OER growth include how much money and time it takes to adapt and adopt open textbooks, because private textbooks generally come with easily adaptable course materials. Additionally, faculty adaptation is hard and takes time and training. At other universities, student government has developed legislation to support OER, spread awareness, collaborated with librarians for events. We also have monthly meetings you are welcome to come to. Any questions?

- ii. Sen. Sanchez: I was wondering if you had a time and place for the OER group meetings?
- iii. Jennifer: The third Wednesday of every month from 2 to 3.
- iv. Sen. Chessman: If we were to write supportive legislation, how would we most effectively help?
- v. Jennifer: The legislation I've seen is openly licensed and I can share it with you. In Michigan, they wrote it to show support to faculty and their support of non-bookstore methods.
- vi. Sen. Gurule: Is this something that could be expanded to lectures or other courseware?
- vii. Jennifer: I've heard about open courseware, but I'm not sure.
- viii. Sen. Gurule: I've used other open courseware for universities like MIT and CNM



- ix. Jennifer: It really depends on the professor, some are more skittish but it certainly could happen.
 - x. Sen. Ramkowsky: UNM is trying to adopt this long-term?
 - xi. Jennifer: Yes.
 - xii. Sen/ Ramkowsky: What is the timeline of this initiative?
 - xiii. Jennifer: We are in the beginning stages. I am working with the lower level English department right now, and chemistry is also looking into it but their timeline would be a lot longer. Eventually we would want to develop guidelines for departments who want to do this kind of work. This would hopefully roll out in the fall of this year but we are just beginning right now. I am hoping it grows and gets bigger but it is just baby steps right now.
 - xiv. Sen. Wyatt: I know the different departments vary greatly, do you think OER will help all disciplines equally?
 - xv. Jennifer: I think some disciplines won't have to do as much work, but could you clarify your question?
 - xvi. Sen. Wyatt: I'm wondering how the different departments will adapt to the OER system.
 - xvii. Jennifer: We will try to help all departments adapt to this, and to help all disciplines create original content, but we haven't quite worked out the details yet. Each department will be evaluated for initial funding, however. If any of you want to meet with me, email me! You are all welcome.
- b. Public Comment
 - c. ASUNM Vice President's Opening Remarks
 - i. Vice President Pacheco: Hi everyone, I hope you're doing well. There are handouts for each of you. One is for the leadership workshop, we are having this February 4th, lunch provided. This is one of the top leadership workshops in the nation and will look really good on resumes. Sign up by February 1st. This is a really great opportunity. The other handout is for Step Afrika. If you're interested in going, please let me know by 5pm on Friday. There should be no empty seats if you claim to go. Put this in your calendar. Please check the group chat, only 13 of you have looked at the messages out of the 20 of you, turn on



notifications as this our main method of contact. Please also fill out the form Sen. Chessman sent out. If anything comes up, please communicate with the president pro-tempore and I if you cannot make a meeting or office hours. Go to Chair Romero-Salas and General Zinsmeyer if you're writing legislation. With that we will move on.

d. Joint Council

- i. Chief of Staff Macsteveny: Director Bell could not be here, but her only update is her first meeting is February 1st. I do not know what time or where but I will send that out.

e. Boards & Committees Report

- i. Coordinator Carillo: Hello everyone, great to be on the other side of this table. I have a few updates. We have some vacancies, on student publications board, and management committee. These are both student rec spots and you are welcome to apply. We have chair changes, so I can forward you their emails. I have been reaching out to new committees for updates and am working on updating the calendar. The admissions and registration committee is on February 1st on Teams. Be Kind is planning their Kind Week, they have a lot of events that need volunteering. The next SUB board general meeting is on the 9th. Please reach out to me if you need anything.

f. ASUNM Senators

- i. Sen. Martin: The Southwest Film Center is playing Everything Everywhere All At Once, free admissions and concessions the 28th and 29th.
- ii. Sen. Romero-Salas: The elections commission has an update. If you are interested in running for president or vice president please reach out as that is in March. MWF 11a-3p is our new office hours.
- iii. Sen. Chessman: Lobo Spirit has upcoming games. Women's Basketball is playing tomorrow and we have Men's Basketball and Hockey on Friday at 8.
- iv. Sen. Angel: Please apply for ELL by Friday! Let me know if you're interested/
- v. Sen. Gurule: Lobo Day is February 28th. If you wanna be in the SUB picture, go to that. Lobo Palooza is coming to that. Friday men's



basketball is a blackout night. Tickets have been selling out, get them quickly.

g. Attorney General Law Book Edits

- i. General Zinsmeyer: I have a lot of updates. I am not last on the agenda today! That's cool. The lawbook is now updated with all the bills from last semester. Most were very small, we also have a brand new hiring code. We also had stipends passed. I'll be sending out an email with more information and the updated lawbook. As always, I am there for questions. We don't have Ryan tonight so give me some slack.

h. ASUNM President's Report

- i. President May: I'm excited to have this spot of honor. For new senators, congratulations. I am excited to see all these new faces. Being in the senate was one of the greatest honors of my career and there is so much you can get done here. It takes a lot of work, but it's very fulfilling. Think about the best way you can integrate here. The reason we hear reports is because we need to be integrated into student life. If you can, go to joint council. The key to change and new ideas is you all. Boards and committees is also very important. They have some of the most fulfilling work on this campus. Arts and Crafts is having workshops, attend. S&C also has something. CE has an event at the storehouse. The integrated campus plan is meeting Friday February 3rd at noon.

3) Business

a. Finance Committee

- i. Sen. Wyatt: There are eight appropriations tonight. We got things down to a manageable number. Our general balance is sitting at around 71k. The committee and SGAO are comfortable with the amount we've spent. We'll be hearing from my amazing committee members, please listen to their suggestions.
- ii. [Appropriation 1S: American Nuclear Society](#)
 - 1. The Chair entertains a motion to open Appropriation 1S
 - a. Motion seconded and passed
 - 2. Sen. Wyatt: This is for the American Nuclear Society. They wanted plane tickets to an annual conference and some food for a networking event.



3. Appropriation 1S passes 20-0-0-0
- iii. [Appropriation 2S: Professional Sales Association](#)
 1. The Chair entertains a motion to open Appropriation 2S
 - a. Motion seconded and passed
 2. Sen. Martin: This is for the Professional Sales Association. They help teach business and marketing students to make sales and sometimes go to competitions. They requested money for food and refreshments for their networking events. They also requested money for briefcases to help the club look more professional and some printing costs.
 3. Appropriation 2S passes 20-0-0-0
- iv. [Appropriation 3S: Pre-Dental Society](#)
 1. The Chair entertains a motion to open Appropriation 3S
 - a. Motion seconded and passed
 2. Sen. Martin: This is for the Pre-Dental Society. They are requesting money for some out-of-state conferences and visiting different schools. They wanted some office supplies and a printer, food and refreshments, utensils and plates. They also requested money for suture kits and a ballroom rental for one of their events. They chose ground transportation for all their trips, and we funded their El Paso and Kansas City trip but cut their Arizona one and made cuts according to standing rules.
 3. Sen. Wyatt motions to reduce line item 15 to 1820
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Sen. Sanchez: What is the purpose of this cut?
 - c. Sen. Wyatt: We were working with an old version of standing rules, this would be a cut with the updated rules.
 - d. Motion passed.
 4. Appropriation 3S passes 20-0-0-0
- v. [Appropriation 4S: Iranian Students' Association](#)
 1. The Chair entertains a motion to open Appropriation 4S
 - a. Motion seconded and passed
 2. Sen. Wyatt: This was originally quite hefty and still is. They usually throw 3 big events. A lot of things were reduced in full because



of standing rules regarding professional services. Their 20-thousand-dollar request that we reduced to 0 was rescinded during their hearing.

3. Appropriation 4S passes 20-0-0-0

vi. [Appropriation 5S: Men's Lacrosse](#)

1. The Chair entertains a motion to open Appropriation 5S

a. Motion seconded and passed

2. Sen. Avilucea: This appropriation covers some general requirements for the Men's Lacrosse team. Per NCAA rules they needed these pieces of equipment.

3. Appropriation 5S passes 20-0-0-0

vii. [Appropriation 6S: Women's Rugby](#)

1. The Chair entertains a motion to open Appropriation 6S

a. Motion seconded and passed

2. Sen. Bennett: This covers Women's Rugby. They requested funds to cover 3 tournament trips to various places in Colorado. We decided to cut funds to the trip to Grand Junction for Colorado Mesa as they did not prioritize it.

3. Sen. Gurule: I have a question for line items 3 and 8 as to why they were funded below 65%?

4. Sen. Wyatt: We reduced units as well as percentage to standing rules.

5. Sen. Martin: Additionally, line items 3 and 8 had originally high quotes but with new quotes we reduced it according to those.

6. Sen. Wyatt: I apologize, I was thinking of another group.

7. Sen. Bennett motions to increase line item 6 to 250 dollars

a. Motion seconded

b. Sen. Ramkowsky: Why?

c. Sen. Chessman: This would be in accordance with new standing rules.

d. Sen. Martin: Considering lines 6 and 7 total 250 dollars, the new standing rules give 250 dollars to both, couldn't we combine them?



- e. Sen. Chessman: We could cut one line item and raise the other for simplicity's sake.
- f. Sen. Sanchez: Could we make a friendly amendment to reduce the line item in this motion?
- g. VP Pacheco: We could not.
- h. Sen. Moon: If we combine the two line items, would it affect the way they are spent through SGAO?
- i. Sen. Wyatt: BY SGAO, food and lodging are covered by per diem. I also believe standing rules also allow for more than 250 dollars because they're travelling for three days. I believe we should increase this item to 500 and reduce the other line item.
- j. Sen. Wyatt offers a friendly amendment to raise line item 6 to 500
 - i. Amendment accepted
- k. Motion passed
- 8. Sen. Bennett makes a sweeping motion to increase line items 5 and 10 to read 147 each
 - a. Motion seconded and passed.
- 9. Sen. Wyatt makes a sweeping motion to reduce line items 2 and 7 to 0
 - a. Motion seconded and passed
- 10. Sen. Wyatt motions to increase line item 1 to 500
 - a. Motion seconded and passed.
- 11. Appropriation 6S passes 20-0-0-0
- viii. [Appropriation 7S: Men's Club Soccer](#)
 - 1. The Chair entertains a motion to open Appropriation 7S
 - a. Motion seconded and passed
 - 2. Sen. Montoya: This appropriation is for Men's Club Soccer. They were requesting money for hotels and transportation for two away games and a rental field for two home games, new soccer balls, and a camera, but we decided to cut the camera because they wanted to use it on campus but also take it to their away games, and that would be outside standing rules.



3. Appropriation 7S passes 19-0-1-0
- ix. [Appropriation 8S: Society of Women Engineers](#)
 1. The Chair entertains a motion to open Appropriation 8S
 - a. Motion seconded and passed
 2. Sen. Wright: This appropriation requested funds for their national conference, including airfare, lodging, per diem, and food. We cut everything to standing rules and funded their airfare at 65%.
 3. Sen. Wyatt motions to increase line item 3 to 732
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Sen. Wyatt: Their conference fees are more than 500, but they only requested 500 per last year's standing rules, but we can fund them at 65% now.
 - c. Motion passed.
 4. Sen. Gurule motions to increase line item 1 to 2388
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Sen. Wyatt: We averaged their ticket cost, which is why the number is what it is.
 - c. Sen. Martin proposes a friendly amendment to reduce it to 2310
 - i. Amendment accepted
 - d. Motion passes
 5. Sen. Gurule motions to increase line item 1 to 2388
 - a. Motion seconded
 - b. Sen. Sanchez: What got you to this figure?
 - c. Sen. Gurule: The original ticket cost is 237 per ticket, multiplied by 15, I don't know why it's different. 65% of the original request is 2388
 - d. Sen. Chessman: The original request was based on an average of quotes provided
 - e. Sen. Wyatt: They did come to us with an average, but we care about the lowest quote
 - f. Sen. Martin: The original request was for Southwest, but the lowest cost is Delta, and we found the lowest cost.



- g. Sen. Chessman: This request is in the proper amount. I would heavily advise you all to vote against this motion.
 - h. Sen. Gurule: Thank you for the clarification. I will be voting no.
 - i. Motion fails
6. Appropriation 8S passes 20-0-0-0

b. Steering and Rules Committee

- i. Sen. Romero-Salas: Good evening senators. We only have one bill that I will go more into depth to later. If you are working on legislation please run it by me and/or the Attorney General. With that I yield.
- ii. [Bill 1S: Changes one \(1\) Outreach Hour a week to four \(4\) Outreach Hours every four \(4\) weeks](#)
 - 1. The Chair entertains a motion to open Bill 1S
 - a. Motion seconded and passed
 - 2. Sen. Romero-Salas: This is very straightforward. It changes the structure of outreach, allowing for more flexibility. Instead of an hour per week it amends it to four hours per four weeks as well as when you can submit it to the president pro-tempore.
 - 3. Sen. Chessman: This will make your lives 1000 times easier, and with busy weeks it will allow your schedule to be much more flexible and is more efficient than the old system. I will be voting yes.
 - 4. Sen. Martin: I will also be voting yes, an hour a week was very hard and this bill will help everyone. Each club usually meets for more than an hour and this will allow us to be more flexible.
 - 5. Bill 1S passes 20-0-0-0

c. Outreach and Events Committee

- i. Sen. Reynoso: Hello, thank you to everyone who joined for tabling in the SUB. I wanted to make you all aware of an event on February 8th at the SUB, noon to 1, and I will keep you all updated.

4) Closing

- a. ASUNM Closing Comments



- i. Sen. Wyatt: I'd like to express my gratitude to the finance committee for diving headfirst into this business as well as Sen. Gurule for holding us accountable.
 - ii. Sen. Moon: Good job everyone, it's nice to see all your faces. Black History Month starts next week, AASS has a kickoff brunch this week, 10 am Saturday for free with your Lobo ID. At Scholes Hall there will also be a flag raising on February 1st at noon.
 - iii. Sen. Sanchez: Good job everyone, especially finance, we know you all work very hard. Make sure that your voice is heard, you deserve to be heard and make sure that you can be heard metaphorically and physically, so remember to speak up.
 - iv. Sen. Sanchez: To echo his comments, I am hard of hearing so I apologize if I have to ask anyone to speak up a little bit.
 - v. Sen. Juanico: You guys are so professional, I'm so happy to be here. The AISS resource center is hosting an event, a snowshoe hike on February 3rd from 3:30 to 10PM, and they'll provide all the equipment. There is also a scholarship workshop next Wednesday.
 - vi. Sen. Wright: The WRC hosts "crafternoons" every Tuesday at noon at their center.
- b. ASUNM President Pro-Tempore
- i. Sen. Chessman: I am so proud of everyone, you all did amazing, everyone got their emails and office hours sent to me this week. If you didn't send your email before this meeting, send it out the second it is over. If you have updates about your centers or agencies, say them during the opening comments. You are all amazing.
- c. ASUNM Vice President Closing
- i. Vice President Pacheco: Great job everyone. Talking with a lot of you, especially the new senators, keep your motivation up, talk to me or president pro-tempore, you are doing great work. Again, updates are typically reserved for the beginning of the meetings and to keep in contact with your agencies. If you have any questions, come to me. By the end of the week, you should be emailed their staff meetings. Please do your due diligence. If you talk with your student organizations for outreach hours, remind them of the budget workshops coming up next



week. I highly recommend all of you go. Budgets are due February 8th at 5PM.

d. Adjournment

i. The Chair adjourns this meeting at 7:24PM.