



Associated Students of the University of Utah

2023-2024 ASUU Senate, Cycle #5

General Senate Meeting Agenda

February 15, 2024 | 6pm | Union Pano East

I. Call to Order

- a. Senate Chair will call the meeting to order to convene the General Senate session.

II. Roll Call

- a. The Parliamentarian will take and document roll call in collaboration with the Secretary.

III. Land Acknowledgement

“We acknowledge that this land, which is named for the Ute Tribe, is the traditional and ancestral homeland of the Shoshone, Paiute, Goshute, and Ute Tribes. The University of Utah recognizes and respects the enduring relationship that exists between many Indigenous peoples and their traditional homelands. We respect the sovereign relationship between tribes, states, and the federal government, and we affirm the University of Utah’s commitment to a partnership with Native Nations and Urban Indian communities through research, education, and community outreach activities.”

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- a. Time for the Senate to formally vote to approve the previous General Senate’s Meeting Minutes as transcribed by the Senate Secretary.
 - i. Meeting Minutes 1/18
 - 1. [General Senate 4 Meeting Minutes.docx](#)
 - 2. Lucas moves to amend the agenda (Taylor will amend later)
 - 3. Mukai Approves, Lucas 2nd

V. Public Forum

- a. Opportunity for members of the public (i.e., any non-Senate community members) to spend time talking with and/or presenting to the Senate.
 - i. N/A

VI. General Announcements

- a. Time for any ASUU Senators to share out any important announcements with the group.
 - i. WE HAVE TWO CYCLES LEFT!!!! If you have legislation you want to be seen, now is the time! We want everyone to engage in at least one piece of legislation!

- ii. Legislative Meet & Greet details and updates: If you were unable to attend, these are the issue areas that senators and representatives are currently working on. If you are interested in pursuing any of these issues, let me know and I can get you in touch with the group that is currently working on it.
 - 1. Snow Removal on campus
 - 2. Gender Neutral Bathrooms
 - 3. RSO/CSC connection and accessibility
 - 4. Business School Merit Scholarship
 - 5. Mandatory Mental Health First Aid for Staff
 - 6. Extending SafeRide hours on weekends
 - 7. Graduate Student Representation
 - 8. Requiring AEDs on all floors of all buildings used frequently
- iii. Elections reminders:
 - 1. As an ASUU affiliate, you cannot endorse any candidates. Remain neutral.
 - 2. Attend events (Especially Cookies with Candidates!!)
 - 3. Reach out to Jay Jensen if you have any elections related questions (but be sure to look through the elections packet first!)

VII. Executive Committee Reports

- a. Members of the Senate Executive Committee will have time to share out updates from their areas (i.e., what they and their teams are working on.)
 - i. Chair Truax
 - 1. Library resolution is no more
 - 2. Land acknowledgment at sports events is no more due to capitol hill
 - 3. Firearms safety survey ready to go, needs help with legislation
 - 4. Testing center hours adjusted to fit more student need legislations, needs help
 - 5. I want to do another senate social so look out for details
 - ii. Vice Chair Israelsen
 - 1. Starting CSC revamp meetings, please send availability
 - iii. Treasurer Neff
 - 1. \$22000 left in the bank
 - iv. Parliamentarian Ault – Proxy James Vanlooy
 - 1. N/A
 - v. Secretary Taylor
 - 1. Snow removal bill
 - 2. Buttons and elevators bill

VIII. Ex-Officio Reports

- a. Ex-Officio members of the Senate will have time to share updates from their areas (i.e., what they and their teams are working on.)
 - i. Academic Affairs Director Carson
 - 1. Working on first year faire event
 - ii. Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Director Estorpe
 - 1. N/A
 - iii. Finance Director Subotic

1. Finance guidelines are cryptic so working on fixing on fixing the language
2. Makes it like Redbook
- iv. Vice President of University Relations Shewell -Proxy Harker
 1. Confirming Deputy Chief of Staff
- v. Attorney General Ho
 1. Hosting next Ramen and Redbook, elections edition

IX. Old Business

- a. Time updates on any legislation that was introduced during previous sessions.
 - i. Confirmation: Abram Wilcox – CEB AD
 - ii. Confirmation: Jessica Moscoso - Vice Chair of Student Wellness
 - iii. Confirmation: Celine Cardena - Chair of Student Wellness
 - iv. Confirmation: Cole Davis - Elections AD
 - v. Confirmation: Gannett Fisk - Supreme Court Justice
 - vi. Confirmation: Zoha Riaz - CEB Director
 - vii. Confirmation: Nash LaFrankie - Marketing AD
 - viii. Approval of Assembly Apportionment
 - ix. JR 04: Resolution in Support of Disability Awareness on Campus
 - x. JB 04: A Bill to Adjust Compensation for the Members of the ASUU Supreme Court
 - xi. JB 05: Legislation to Amend Redbook Article III, Section I, Line I
 - xii. SB 02: A Bill to Partially Fund the University of Utah School of Medicine Formal
 - xiii. SB 03: Transform Funding Fall 2023
 - xiv. SB 04: Transform Funding November 2023
 - xv. SB 05: Transform Funding December 2023
 - xvi. SB 06: Student Bar Association Barristers Ball Funding

X. New Business

- a. Time to introduce all new legislation to the Senate floor.
 - i. Confirmation: Deputy Chief of Staff - Cole Murphy – **JOINING VIRTUALLY**
 1. [Deputy Chief of Staff Letter of Intent.docx](#)
 2. Presentation
 - a. Reached out to by O’Leary
 - b. Likes to work with others
 3. Questions
 - a. N/A
 4. Debate
 - a. N/A
 5. Vote
 - a. Yes 9
 - b. No 0
 - c. Abstain 0
 - d. Passes
 - ii. Confirmation: Social Work Senator - Emma Parkin – **JOINING VIRTUALLY**
 1. [Emma Parkin Resume.png](#)
 2. Moved to next Meeting

- iii. Confirmation: FYC Director - Arden Cook
 - 1. [FYCArdenC.pdf](#)
 - 2. Presentation
 - a. Current associate director
 - b. Works closely with other directors
 - 3. Questions
 - a. N/A
 - 4. Debate
 - a. N/A
 - 5. Vote
 - a. Yes 9
 - b. No 0
 - c. Abstain 0
 - d. Passes
- iv. JB 06: Legislation to Create Honors College Representation in ASUU
 - 1. [JB 06 - Legislation to Create Honors College Representation Within the ASUU Legislative Branch.docx](#)
 - 2. Presentation
 - a. Creates an honors college senator and assembly representative
 - 3. Questions
 - a. Vanlooy: Why would they get only one seat; how much is it going to cost regarding budget? How exactly do the students decide how to vote?
 - i. Based on other colleges and being enrolled in other colleges, a budget is made every year, and we have more opportunities to expand. People want to be involved and the element of novelty is important for now, but we need to create this option.
 - b. Israelsen: Will the advisory committee transition to a CSC? How does this not give more representation than non-honors students?
 - i. There is further debate internally, would we be creating a new CSC, it is specific for honors, and they would not be making decisions based on their college, honors college gets less because of the representation they do have?
 - c. Lucas: What problems do honors students have that regular students have? Why do we need this representation?
 - i. It is not necessarily about problems; it is about unique perspectives and being able to represent those students. It is also expanding as more people are seeking honors degrees. It is for the same function as regular
 - d. Neff: Do you think it is worth the additional \$2000 to pay students?
 - i. Yes
 - e. Watrin: Can you representative for more than one college
 - i. You cannot run for both, but you can run for one or the other
 - f. Steele: Can people vote for their college and honors or both?
 - i. Same as normal
 - 4. Debate

- a. Easterly: 4 people in honors, 1 person for business and what is stopping
 - b. Vanlooy: I think that it can help others, would the fee have to increase?
 - c. Lucas: you can still sponsor legislation for other colleges, other representation needs to be addressed first
 - d. Neff: Double representation and all students pay SSF, and I do not think it justifies the extra money, one-way would-be ear marks
 - e. O’Leary: ASUU is funded by ASUU fee not the SSF, all students are part of the college of undergraduate students and honors is not technically a degree
 - f. Taylor: It is just like a double major and I do not think that we should think about double representation because we currently technically have two people in humanities in senate right now.
 - g. Maughan: This opens doors for legislation, especially for graduate students, you also cannot graduate with just an undergraduate degree, I do not think it is a bad idea to create more ideas for campus change
 - h. Israelsen: Why can’t college of undergraduate studies be represented but not honors?
 - i. Watrin: Undergraduate degrees is technically a degree, but it is a liberal arts degree
5. Vote
- a. Yes 3
 - b. No 6
 - c. Abstain 0
 - d. Fails
- v. JB 07: Legislation to fund CEB
1. [JB 07 - ASUU Legislation CEB FUNDING.docx](#)
 2. Presentation
 - a. Brings more funding events to create more opportunities for students to participate in the campus for free to bring additional funds out of general reserve for events
 3. Questions
 - a. Lucas: Why is there a \$30,000 deficit
 - i. That was priced out months ago, everything else was added up and things cost more than estimated and we have an unknown amount in reserve
 - b. Watrin: What other amounts are we going to pull? If we do not approve this, would the event still happen
 - i. Exec Cabinet is not pulling, and potentially the special projects fund, but that will not be necessary, no
 - c. Steele: How much did the suggestion boxes cost
 - i. Approximately \$12,000
 - d. Neff: This does not affect the senate at all right?
 - i. Nope
 - e. Carson: is the added \$30,000 added due to influx of student
 - i. No, this is needed to hold the events

- f. Jenson: Where did this \$30,000 go? Seems like this this for allocation once a year, any plans after approval so this does not happen again
 - i. It came from an overspending in the fall, general increase in cost and this is a onetime ask, as we change leadership and there will be proper usage of the funds
4. Debate
 - a. N/A
5. Vote
 - a. Yes 9
 - b. No 0
 - c. Abstain 0
 - d. Passes
- vi. SB 07: Legislation to Fund College of Nursing Prom
1. [SB 07 - ASUU Legislation CON Prom.docx](#)
 2. Presentation
 - a. Prom for nursing school to celebrate accomplishments and to create community, 2nd annual prom and is asking for less than last year, asking for \$6,965
 3. Questions
 - a. Neff: What would the cost for students be? If we did not
 - i. It would be free, if not about \$35
 - b. Lucas: Is the facility contributing funds?
 - i. No as they would also be attending
 - c. Israelsen: Why is it less than last year?
 - i. There was more funding last year, and we wanted to keep it realistic rather than go all out
 - d. Vanlooy: How do you know how many people are going?
 - i. RSVP and if there are more than we thought we will have to charge for guests
 4. Debate
 - a. N/A
 5. Vote
 - a. Yes 9
 - b. No 0
 - c. Abstain 0
 - d. Passes
- vii. SB 08: Legislation to Fund College of Engineering Event
1. [SB 08 - Senate Legislation NEFF.docx](#)
 2. Presentation
 - a. Funding for a speaker to present on astrophysics and to build community amongst colleges, only asking for \$900
 3. Questions
 - a. Lucas: any other additional support?
 - i. No
 4. Debate

- a. Easterly: Maybe consider something other nachos due to better options
- 5. Vote
 - a. Yes 9
 - b. No 0
 - c. Abstain 0
 - d. Passes

XI. Senatorial Forum

- a. Time for Senators to share with the group regarding any initiatives, programs, or projects of interest. This is a great opportunity to recruit fellow Senators for support.
 - i. Senator Easterly
 - 1. Chartwells to get perishables discounted to 50% at the end of the day
 - 2. Trying to get SafeRide's on the weekends
 - ii. Senator Lucas
 - 1. To go and increase graduate students' representation
 - iii. Senator Mukai
 - 1. Dental school prom and has passed assembly, holding townhall for legislation
 - iv. Senator Roelofs
 - 1. Absent
 - v. Senator Romney
 - 1. Absent
 - vi. Senator Steele
 - 1. CSC and gender inclusive bathroom bill and mental health first aid training
 - vii. Senator Watrin
 - 1. No Updates
 - viii. Senator Williams
 - 1. Absents
 - ix. Senator Woychick
 - 1. No Updates

XII. Adjournment 7:52 PM