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Ronni Marks, Vice President of Academic Affairs, called the Senate meeting of the 2018-2019 Associated Students of Northern Arizona University Senate to order at 4:00 PM in the Havasupai Room A and B, University Union.

**Roll Call**

Senators:

~~Senator Alvarado~~  
Senator Burke  
Senator Gibson  
Senator Kelly  
Senator Martinez  
Senator McClintock  
Senator Schonbrun  
Senator Freitas  
Senator Nardi  
Senator Higgins  
Senator Ward  
Senator Majkrazk  
Senator Alyami

**Approval of Minutes**

Chair Marks: If there are no corrections, the minutes are approved.

**Call to the Audience**

Item A: Housing and Residence Life - Rebecca Cain

Hello, thank you all for having me today. My name is Rebecca Cain and I'm the Assistant Director for our residential college program. I'm going to provide a little handout for all of you and share a little bit of information about our residential college program, how it's going so far and how you can all get involved with us and with the program and how we can have our students get involved with each of the academic colleges. How many of you have previously heard of the residential learning communities? Maybe a few of you? So the residential colleges model for this year is a continuation of that program, that program no longer exists, and we have about 1,000 students participating in that this year. The residential college program does include 4,600 freshmen that are participating in the program. That's pretty much any freshman living on campus in our residential halls are a part of that. There are many different components of the program. There's the housing assignment piece which we have two or more colleges present in each of the residence halls. Gabaldon Hall has all colleges represented and that's because of the gender inclusive housing, as well as Honors because they also have the gender inclusive housing. There is a lot of academic programming as a component, so that's college wide or major specific. Some of you attended our

welcome receptions last week or a couple of weeks ago, so thank you all for being there for those, but that's one of the examples of what we'll be doing throughout the academic year. We do have tutoring and study groups so we brought back in hall tutoring with a partnership with the Academic Success Center so that we're able to offer tutoring in the halls. That's something we're excited about because we're able to cluster students together by college, that makes it easier too to have common courses students might participate in. Informal study groups, also because of the similarities between classes in the college also helps with that. Another component of the program is faculty and staff interaction. That's one of the things that I think makes the college program unique is that partnership between the academic side and really connecting with our faculty members and the programing that we do and having their support with additional staff.

Benefits to our freshmen students include being closer with other students who might have the same classes or similar interests, studying outside of the classroom. Because there are two colleges each of the halls, it gives students the opportunity to connect with those who maybe aren't in their college which is that interdisciplinary component. Our residential college ambassadors, our peer leaders are really there to support our students from the academic side, to connect them with events that are happening within the college, to be there as an academic resource, and support system. If you flip the sheet over to the back, it has some general idea about housing and what we do programmatic wise, whether its our resident assistance in the hall or residential college ambassadors. We have a model that we use for all programing. It's based on a theory of self authorship. There are three different areas that we focus on. That includes relationships in the community, self and success skills. Our ambassadors probably focus more on the success skills when it comes to academics, time management and all that. But that doesn't mean they aren't connecting with students to build community within their college or within the hall. Additionally, exploring their self and what they want to major in, what career am I interested in and that sort of thing. It kind of goes across the board within our department. Overall, engagement is key. We want our students to be involved in any ways that they can. That's really what is related to their academic success overall and them persisting to graduating. Engagement is key whether that's getting involved with a club or organization, or really interacting with other students in the hall, getting connected with each of you since you're all connected with the colleges and with leadership positions so I think you have a lot that you can offer. As I mentioned with programming we have three different areas that we focus on. We have the college wide and major specific programs. Those are planned by our residential college councils made up of faculty members, we have gateway and college advisors on each of our councils, we have someone from career development office participating, we have presidential college ambassadors, we have residential hall advisors, so it's a large group of people coming together from around campus to really help our students be successful. We have in hall tutoring as I mentioned and informal study groups to really help with the academic side support wise. Additionally, our ambassadors are in the hall for on-site hours which is a time for students to connect with them one on one if they have questions about things and to get additional support.

At the very bottom you can see our programs for this year. We've already done our welcome receptions and we've already completed half of our first college wide program. We have some that are taking place next week. Family weekend we're going to do a residential college bingo and our goal during reading week is to do a late night breakfast. So how have things been going so far? We had our welcome receptions. I think our turn out was a little lower than what we were anticipating. We were also worried that it would go the other way where we would have all 1500 students show up but that was a little optimistic. We have reconsidered maybe some other things to do in the future to get students connected. I think for the students who attended they appreciated the opportunity for the connections that they had. As I mentioned our first college wide is occurring and it's going well. The college of Ed. partnered with our residential college and had a welcome event. Some of the events we're doing are really tied in with other events that are already taking place and our goal is to get as many students to things that are already taking place. In hall tutoring, the last time we had it was in 2016. Our numbers are already higher now

than they were then. We're hoping that that's something that continues to be a success. Informal study groups I think some of them are better attended, especially ones that are initiated by students specifically. We put several on the calendar and get those going. It's the first time we've tried this so we're kind of getting some ideas of what might work to get students involved. On site hours really depends on the hall as far as how students are engaging to that really has varied. Individual meetings, our residential college ambassadors are meeting individually with students as well and those have been going well.

Some ideas we have of how you can help us and then I wanted to throw out to each of you if you have questions or ideas as well. We do have a bi-weekly news letter and that would be if you're doing events you want our students to participate in, like things with the deans, definitely feel free to use our email and we'll get that out to our students via our newsletter. We're also going to be looking for some other ways to get information out to students. Any events that you are all doing as well that you might think our freshmen could benefit from, feel free to reach out about that. Does anyone have any questions about the program or suggestions you might have for us?

Item B: Coconino Community College - Dr. Nate Sutherland & April Sandoval

My name is Nate Sutherland. I'm the Provost for Academic Affairs at Coconino Community College. April Sandoval is with me today. She's the executive assistant to our president. Glad to be here today. How many of you have been to a community college before? How many of you have been to Coconino Community College? In Arizona about 60% of students at the Arizona Universities have gotten credit in some way or another from a community college. Did any of you do dual enrollment in high school? We do a lot of dual enrollment. We are here to talk to you today and to share information with you today about a ballot initiative coming up in November. Are any of you involved with the 'get the vote out' effort here at NAU? So NAU has a significant number of voting people here in Coconino county. We as representatives of CCC are not allowed to tell you how to vote, we are only here to share information with you about the initiative we have on the ballot and to answer any of your questions about it. The pictures you'll see in this presentation are students who are either currently at Coconino Community College or who have been recently. I want to talk to you a little bit about what Proposition 417 is about. We're trying to respond to the needs of this county of which you are currently apart to do a number of things. We're trying to assist veterans to transition to civilian jobs, prepare students to be ready for work, train or re-train workers here in the community, develop life long learning programs to expand educational programs around the county, and to continue to strengthen our transfer partnership with NAU.

Who do we serve? Believe it or not Coconino County is the second largest county in the entire country by geographic area. Coconino County is larger than Switzerland. It extends all the way from Sedona up to the Grand Canyon up to the Utah border. Our main campus is here in Flagstaff, we have one just on the other side of the freeway. We do a number of things. We train workers to strengthen the local economy. If any of you have to have help while you're here, get taken in an ambulance, need law enforcement at some point, the majority of those folks have received training at Coconino Community College. So we do a lot to strengthen the local community by providing trained people to make sure your needs are taken care of. We do dual enrollment with the public schools. We got about 1800 students this year that were working with on dual enrollment. We do adult based education and GED preparation so people can get their high school diploma and move onto higher education.

The idea of community college in Arizona. We're trying to make sure students are well prepared to continue their education at other places. Cost wise, it's kind of a fun story for us to tell. Tuition is \$2,620 a year for a full time student. I don't know what the current figure is for NAU but I think it's a little less than NAU is. One thing that we see a lot of is that students who are trying to accelerate their progress towards their degree will take classes from the community college at the same time that they're taking classes from the university. We have really small class sizes. If students are struggling in a particular area

they can come and get some extra individualized attention. We got some programs to help students move forward a little bit more quickly. This is a NAU student. He's a profile on the back of your sheet. Anyone happen to know him? He's a mechanical engineering student. Dan was a high school drop out. High school wasn't working for him. He's very bright. Instead he enrolled in classes at CCC to NAU. He received a national scholarship. It's hugely prestigious, and he'll be graduating here in the next year or two. This is the kind of thing we do here in the community. We help folks get back into the swing of things and get into college. We do a number of things in the community. We do summer workshops, we are very involved in the community. We did a festival back in May, we do food truck events, we do all sorts of things to serve the local community. Summer STEM camps. We're teaching young people how to do things like programming and coding. We ran a camp called Science in the Stars which was super fun. We had seven through twelve year olds out there learning science and exploring the environment out there. Lots of partners out here in the community. Of course NAU is one of our partners. We are the largest transfer partner of NAU. We supply more transfer students to NAU than any other community college in the state. We got some good work programs. This is actually really useful for students who have to work their way through school. One of the things that's common is you'll see students who will get some sort of degree or certificate so they can earn a higher wage while they're getting their bachelors degree here at NAU so we're pretty proud of our work there. We have a higher education contortion and NAU is one of the partners in that contortion. We are working to deliver programs throughout the county. We're partnering with NAU on programs like hospitality and restaurant management, education, health care, a number of other things. We're pretty proud of our partnerships with this institution.

Why the ballot initiative? State aid for community colleges in Arizona has dropped by 64.5% in the last few years. That's a big deal for us. We receive a little bit but it's pretty close to zero. If you look at the ten different community college districts in Arizona, these are the tax rates charged by the ten community college districts in Arizona. Do you see where we are? Not only are we at the bottom, we are a third of the next lowest community college. So when you lose that state revenue and you're trying to rely on local property tax, that's a pretty scary thing. These are the three smallest community colleges by enrollment in the state of Arizona. We're number two. Second to lowest in terms of size. Compared to the three smallest colleges in Arizona that's our tax revenue. So again, prop 417. What we've had over the last seven years, Coconino Community College has what they call a building bond. We went out to the tax payers and asked for support to build extra facilities for the college. Those facilities will be paid off partway through next year. So we'll be free and clear and won't owe any money on property. What we want to do is use that exact same tax rate to start funding programs instead. Hiring faculty, providing new programs both in the transfer and work force. No change in the tax rate for county residents, so this is a property tax. This is something for people who own housing and property will pay. It's no change, it's exactly the same rate they've been paying all along. That will raise about \$2.5 million for us annually to pay for faculty, programming, things of that nature. One of the things I've been looking at is we have more students leaving Coconino Community College and going into engineering than any other program of study. Business is second and I think psychology is number three. We don't have any engineering faculty. We need to hire engineering faculty. We can't hire engineering faculty without the revenue from this. What will the community get? A number of work force preparation programs in early childhood education, things in construction, health care certification, welding, automotive, business and industry certification. Again, programs that serve people here locally but also programs that students at NAU can access and use to improve their job skills and pay their way through college. We're preparing students to be ready for jobs, we're assisting veterans, developing life long learning programs, training and re-training employers, and expanding services throughout our county. Do you have questions about prop 417? Things you would like to know about this? Any questions about what you see on this hand out right here?

### **Unfinished Business**

**Item A:** Club Recognition: Music for Healing

### **New Business**

Chair Marks: For all clubs, organizations and individuals here today, thank you for being with us! When I call your name please come to the podium and give us about a 2-minute-long description of what the funding is for or why you would like to become a club and how it will benefit the student body. All questions will be saved for the voting period.

#### **Item A:** Club Recognition: Information Security

Speaker: Thank you everyone for having me. My name is Dominick and I work with the ITS team. Myself and one of the full time senior analysts are interested in starting an information club at NAU. This club is focused on introducing some of the basic methods of offensive security and will also cater to students who have more experience in the field. This club will be in a learning environment where we will progress to hands on security such as ‘capture the flag’, a game where a user can build and defend their own server while launching attacks on other servers. There will also be ‘hack the bot’ challenges that will test students concentration skills. Whether students are new to the field of cyber security or have some experience, this club will provide the opportunity for them to learn from others in a hands on environment. Thank you.

#### **Item B:** Club Recognition: The Lettuce Club

Speaker: My name is Michael. I’m here to represent The Lettuce Club. So we are trying to become a club that will learn about lettuce. Our goal is to create a club that can be engaging while not being overly time consuming. Over the course of the year myself and my Vice President will be talking about the health benefits you can receive from eating lettuce, how each type of lettuce can impact your health. The only requirement to join the club is to be a student. The only fees are going to be if you want a t-shirt and when you buy a head of lettuce. When you buy a head of lettuce at the very final meeting we’re going to have a contest where everybody eats the lettuce, and whoever eats the lettuce the fastest will be the president.

#### **Item C:** Club Recognition: NAU Roller Club

Speaker: Hello. I’m Ashley and this is Jess and we’re here to represent the NAU Roller Club. Thank you for having us. Basically we’re trying to start a club where people who like to roller skate or roller blade can skate together in a safe environment, hopefully the NAU Field House because it’s got a smooth floor, it’s safer, it’s indoors, so if it snows or it’s icy it’s easy for us to actually skate around. It will just be a space for us to practice together, share skills, learn new tricks, potentially go on little adventures like to a roller rink down in Phoenix or maybe fundraise to go to California. Long Beach is the roller skate capitol of the world so that's kind of our goal.

#### **Item D:** SB 31-04: Young Life

Speaker: My name is Hannah. I’m representing Young Life for NAU. We are a club here already obviously. We have club meetings every Wednesday night where everyone is welcome. We talk about Jesus, basically. This weekend we will be going to Durango for college weekend. It’s this little college retreat so we’re requesting \$3,000 in funding for our transportation to get there. Thank you.

#### **Item E:** SB 31-05: Sigma Nu

Speaker: I’m representing Sigma Nu. Sigma Nu hosts a national convention called the Grand Chapter every few years in select cities around the US. The national convention this year was the 56<sup>th</sup> supreme chapter where they learned leadership skills and safety protocols. We also reflected on the past 150 years of our history and accomplishments with the goal of setting the chapter up for another 150 years of personal and community accomplishments. We were able to come back to our chapter and share what was said and we can apply that to our community as well as our student body through our philanthropies and community service events. With this we can help the chairs of our chapter plan events that will be more

inclusive to the community and student body. There just asking for funding for their trip. For their convention. For the airfare and stuff.

Item F: SB 31-06: Pi Kappa Phi

Speaker: Hello. My name is Jesse Cordova. I serve as the president of Pi Kappa Phi. Thank you for having me. So pretty much this past summer we had what's called our supreme chapter, similar to Sigma Nu. Pretty much every two years every chapter in the United States goes to a various location around the US in order to talk about by-laws that will help our fraternity in the future. It's been pretty apparent recently in the media that Greek life has a very negative stigma to it so we took the initiative to kind of end that. With our new laws we made a lot of requirements that way the whole process of return we have eliminated the pledge ship term, additionally we require now various conferences that we need to attend in order to eliminate hazing, drug abuse, any sexual assault. Other than that we voted on other by-laws to help the chapter run smoothly. That's pretty much it.

Item G: SB 31-07: Pi Kappa Alpha

Speaker: Hello. My name is Daniel Otradovec and I am the treasurer of Pi Kappa Alpha. We are a fraternal organization here on campus. I'm here to discuss our reimbursement for, similar as the other fraternities, we have our international convention. We just went to that in Richmond, Virginia this summer. Basically what this is, is it improves leadership development, recruitment skills, and other operations. Coming back from that we were able to have a successful rush week and recruit a good amount of guys. Also, it helps us to bring new members but also improve our operations and philanthropy events, community service, and so on.

Item H: SB 31-08: NAU Dance Marathon

Speaker: Good afternoon everyone. My name is Logan Murphy. I am the Vice President of External Affairs for NAU Dance Marathon. We are a non-profit on campus benefiting the kids at the Children's Hospital. I'm here today to request reimbursement for our event we had during welcome week. Welcome week is one of the most important times of the year, especially for freshmen coming in. We planned an event to engage all the freshmen and at the same time have a fun time. The event ran smoothly and we're simply asking for reimbursement for the supplies that we purchased for the event.

Item I: SB 31-09: NACE – National Association for Catering and Events

Speaker: Hi, I'm Bree. I'm the president of NAU's student chapter of the National Association for Catering and Events. This past summer we sent six students to a national conference in Palm Springs and we wanted to get reimbursement for their registrations, hotel, whatever it can cover. They got to network with professionals from all across the nation, go to educational breakout sessions, and they got to learn more about the industry.

Item J: SB 31-10: Alpha Lambda Delta

Speaker: I'm the philanthropy chair for Alpha Lambda Delta society and me and the president are asking for \$1,620 for our Alpha Lambda Delta leadership conference in Ohio. It's gonna cover air travel, registration, and transportation. The things that we hope to happen is to gain networking skills for events as well as recruiting more members.

Item K: SB 31-11: Allison Faller & Abigail Harmon

Speaker: My name is Allison and I am applying for individual funding as well as Abigail. We're kind of applying as a group. We want to go to AASHE, the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education. It's happening October 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> and we're requesting funding and reimbursement to go. It's super exciting for me because I'm also the President of the Sustainable Citizen's Program and I get to present to this entire conference and that's going to be really exciting because a lot of other universities don't have anything like this so that's going to be really, really cool to present something that

NAU is doing. I get to work with tons of other universities from across the nation and it would be really cool to bring NAU to this conference and for the student body we get to bring a ton of new ideas back and further our initiatives for sustainability at NAU. If you guys know about the Ozzie containers, that was an idea that started at AASHE. So just lots of really cool initiatives like that can come from this networking opportunity. Thank you very much.

Item L: Green Groups Letter in Support of the Office of Sustainability

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: Hello senate. So this letter was sent in your agenda but I think there have been some edits to it since the version that was in your agenda but I sent the final copy to Ronni and I also have like five copies here. Some background on this. I didn't write this letter. I was sent this letter and have been asked to sign it as the sustainability coordinator. I wanted to get a vote from the senate because I am putting our names on there so I want to make sure the senate is in support of this. I'm not sure if me or Dylan would be signing it. We're not really sure. Anyways, the manager of the Office of Sustainability is stepping down. She got another position in California and the past five or so years the sustainability positions on campus have been consistently cut to just the one position. The only other position on campus is through campus dining so she doesn't actually work for NAU, she works for Sodexo. Last year I was personally apart of a program that was cut because our full time staff member left her position and they never filled it again. I know some concerns within the sustainability community are that they wont fill that position again and it involves a lot of student outreach, student workers, conservation efforts on campus, and other really important programs on campus. The letter is basically just saying we want to make sure that position is filled. It was verbally confirmed by someone but we want to make sure this happens. We're working on all these really important sustainability projects on campus and having at least one full time position is really important at this time so we know those funds are being used responsibly and these initiatives are being seen all the way through. So let me know if you need copies or if you need to read over it, or if you need more information but we'll get to that in the voting period.

**Voting Period**

Item A: Club Recognition: Information Security

Motion: Senator Martinez

Second: yes

Discussion: none

Opposed: none

Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item B: Club Recognition: The Lettuce Club

Motion: Senator McClintock

Second: yes

Discussion:

Senator Nardi: Point of clarification. Can you explain to me more of the purpose of this club and organization. Possibly the different types of lettuce you'll be studying.

Speaker: I'm gonna have my Vice President do a lot of research before the meetings so we have stuff to talk about during the meetings. But there's iceberg and just different kinds.

Senator Nardi: It sounds like you don't necessarily know off the top of your head without doing research. What was your initial thought process in wanting to form this organization?

Speaker: We want to get somewhat involved on campus without a lot of stress.

Senator Ward: How will this benefit NAU as a whole instead of just the students in this club? NAU as a campus.

Speaker: I think that the students who join the club will be happier and then they can display that happiness around the campus.

Senator Freitas: You came here today to kind of organize this club. Does this mean you have perspective members already or is this kind of you and your VP?

Speaker: This is from two days ago in my dorm hall. These are the people that are interested.

Chief of Staff O'Reilly: Do you know if there's any other lettuce clubs across the country or will you guys be the first ones?

Speaker: The University of Maryland and I believe other high schools throughout the country have something.

Senator Nardi: Maybe I misheard you, but I see you listed as president. Additionally I heard you say you would have a lettuce eating contest to see who will be president? Whoever eats the lettuce the fastest will become president? So are you the temporary president for now?

Speaker: We're going to try and have at least five meetings throughout the year. Members have to attend at least three of those and if you hold a position that will be four. The sixth meeting will kind of be like the competition, and whoever wins that will be the president for the next year.

VPGA Quintero: Just because I know we've all heard stories about people drinking milk for competition and they get really sick so are you going to have some sort of form for people to sign, saying hey if I get sick eating this much lettuce this quickly I won't sue the school?

Speaker: We will.

Chief of Staff O'Reilly: How many times a year do you plan on meeting? Are you meeting regularly?

Speaker: We're going to aim for at least once a month, but that's just an estimate. I want to aim for at least twice a month.

Opposed: Senator Martinez, Senator Schonbrun, Senator Nardi, Senator Ward, Senator Majkrzak.  
Pass/Fail: Motion fails.

Item C: Club Recognition: NAU Roller Club

Motion: Senator Freitas

Second: yes

Discussion: none

Opposed: none

Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item D: SB 31-04: Young Life

Motion: Senator Freitas

Second: yes

Discussion: none

Opposed: none  
Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item E: SB 31-05: Sigma Nu

Motion: Senator Martinez  
Second: yes  
Discussion: none  
Opposed: none  
Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item F: SB 31-06: Pi Kappa Phi

Motion: Senator Schonbrun  
Second: yes  
Discussion: none  
Opposed: none  
Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item G: SB 31-07: Pi Kappa Alpha

Motion: Senator Gibson  
Second: yes  
Discussion: none  
Opposed: none  
Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item H: SB 31-08: NAU Dance Marathon

Motion: Senator Burke  
Second: yes  
Discussion:

VPGA Quintero: I was looking at the bill and it looks like it's missing a 'where as' where the number of students who attended goes.

Speaker: Did you need the number of students who attended?

VPGA Quintero: Yes, because we need to add it to the bill.

Speaker: I want to say it was 122 students.

Amend SB 31-08: Add 'Where as: 122 students attended the event'.

Motion: Senator Gibson  
Second: yes  
Discussion: none  
Opposed: none  
Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item I: SB 31-09: NACE – National Association for Catering and Events

Motion: Senator Nardi  
Second: yes  
Discussion:

VPGA Quintero: We're missing the same 'where as'. Is NACE here? How many students went?

Speaker: 6 students.

VPGA Quintero: Do you have their names?

Speaker: Yes.

President Graham: Analisa will collect their names so we have the accurate spelling.

Amend SB 31-09: Add a 'where as' stating the names of the students who attended the event.

Motion: Senator Gibson

Second: yes

Discussion: none

Opposed: none

Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item J: SB 31-10: Alpha Lambda Delta

Motion: Senator Majkrazk

Second: yes

Discussion: none

Opposed: none

Abstentions: Senator McClintock

Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item K: SB 31-11: Allison Faller & Abigail Harmon

Motion: Senator Freitas

Second: yes

Discussion: none

Opposed: none

Pass/Fail: Motion passes

Item L: Green Groups Letter in Support of the Office of Sustainability

Motion: Senator Martinez

Second: yes

Discussion:

President Graham: Did you all look at the letter that's in the senate packet? I really just want to talk to you about what it would mean to have an ASNAU signature on this if that's something we all kind of feel we would like to do.

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: So basically as I explained earlier, just that the manager for the Office of Sustainability is stepping down from her position and we're just requesting that the administration fills that position because sustainability positions have been cut to just this only position and all those outreach programs, the conservation programs, student workers, I believe are important on our campus. Also like I said we are working on the green fee increase, the neutrality plan, and its important to have a full time staff member. The letter isn't necessarily saying any of those things except for that we want that position there so they can manage these programs and these funds appropriately.

President Graham: I just have a couple of points to make. The purpose of this letter is really what Kristen covered, and so this is really a reach from Emerald, the chair of the Green Fund, to sustainability leaders and so it wasn't specifically marketed to us to have a signature on this, it's really something Kristen brought to me and as an executive board we kind of discussed it. But I really wanted to talk to you all about the kind of impact of what ASNAU's signature on this would be as well as how we would proceed if we go a couple of different routes. Personally, I believe that this is... just a little background. The letter has been changing the past couple of days so this isn't something the executive board has had a chance to really discuss with these new edits towards the last couple of paragraphs. The impact of ASNAU's signature is really kind of signifying to upper administration and leadership that ASNAU is really watching this position to see that its filled and that ASNAU wants to have a stake in the future of the

Office of Sustainability and so right now what were kind of shifting towards is Kristen signing on behalf of ASNAU in her position of the ASNAU Sustainability Coordinator as opposed to my signature as president so if you all have some questions I would love to take some about this. I'm not sure if you all have had the chance to really look into this letter and really dive into the issues.

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: I emailed the updated one to Ronni. I'm not sure if she distributed it. I also have a few here if anyone wants to see it. Like I said, the original letter is saying please fill this position and we did get confirmation that this position is getting filled so now it's saying please follow through with that and please make sure that the position still oversees the outreach conservation efforts and student workers as opposed to just managing building energy and the technical stuff. Those extra programs take up a lot of extra time so it's to make sure those extra things aren't lost in the transition.

Senator Schonbrun: How long would we have to wait for this position to be filled if we sign it? Is it a deadline kind of thing?

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: They're not waiting for us to sign this, this is a choice that Emerald made as a student. She's not only the Chair of the Green Fund, she's also the conservation manager and a student. She cares about sustainability on this campus and wants to say I worked closely with Ellen, the current manager, and I want to make sure you fill this position. It's not like they're waiting specifically for ASNAU to sign it.

President Graham: I just have a couple of points on that. It does take a while to fill a full time position on NAU, especially one of this nature, because if Green Groups want to have a say it will take a while. While this letter has a lot of great points about the impact of the Office of Sustainability, filling that position can take a while and that's not something that can NAU can necessarily predict or control.

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: I also know that they're planning on hiring an interim part time position until they can hire a full time.

Senator Freitas: I have a few concerns regarding this. I mean I believe that ASNAU's signature is kind of heavy if we do sign this it should be completely correct, error free, and if they sent this to you last night-

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: Well it was originally sent out I believe on Tuesday, maybe Wednesday, and they've been updating since and again, all in this week they've gotten confirmation that they're going to be filling this position so I know there were some changes there because they wanted to send it out. So they went from asking to fill the position to please follow through.

Senator Freitas: President Cheng has a lot of things to do so I don't know if she should have to read a letter and be like what is this paragraph saying? If we sign it and they send it out and they're like well we forgot something, ASNAU signed their name on it. That looks bad on our part because we signed a document.

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: Me and Dylan talked about this and basically we've decided that- the version that I sent to Ronni, I've confirmed with Emerald that this is the final draft - if we vote to sign it and she changes it again, then we're taking our signature off of it and it would no longer be valid. This paper copy is the version I would sign.

Senator Freitas: A question for you then, if I disagree with formatting or how something is written, can we table it and approve it later or do we need to approve it today?

President Graham: So I'm not exactly sure of Emerald's timeline for this. This isn't even something that she brought to ASNAU, this is would be something saying we support this. So I think this is all for you to kind of consider when you're voting regarding our signature, but this would be on behalf of all students supporting this and so kind of think about all of the sustainability efforts that have happened on campus, weather that's important for our campus to continue. Like Kristen mentioned, they do intend to hire another person for this position, so it's really what else is there to do for us? Maybe if they were taking the Office of Sustainability or trying to reevaluate the entire program, maybe that's something you would be invested in, but this is really just us saying that we want them to follow through on their decision that they already made.

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: Also, like we said I would sign this so I don't know if you could speak on how that changes it as opposed to, I know you kind of touched on it. So I think it's saying something different if I sign it as opposed to Dylan, and it's not holding ASNAU's signature. This was sent out to green group leaders across campus. There will be other people signing it.

President Graham: Just on what Kristen was saying. Her signing in her position is different it as opposed to ASNAU is different just because administration, the signature of the president is pretty much the stamp of approval of all things that we do and if it was, the upper administration would realize that it's not the presidents position but as ASNAU does support this because it does pertain to the position. From a students point of view, the ASNAU kind of approval, they may perceive it as ASNAU's kind of full, everyone in ASNAU and therefore all students would agree to this if that makes sense.

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: And I actually don't know. I want to get senate's vote on it but I don't think it's required. I'm not sure but I want to know I opened this up as an opportunity to open the discussion and to talk to senate about it before I signed it.

Senator Nardi: I just have a quick question. I see that the very last paragraph says at least one full time position. Is there currently no one staffing it? Because I know you mentioned there's currently one individual whose running the entire program, and so is this a subsection of that then?

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: I guess what I would say is that, just as an individual, I can't speak on behalf of everyone, but ideally the Office of Sustainability would have more than one position to oversee the technical stuff and someone to oversee the outreach programs. This is not officially asking for more than one position but we want to leave that opportunity open because I think that students value sustainability on campus and so I think keeping those opportunities is important.

Senator Nardi: May I add then that we add "at least one full time position" or that someone rewords that because that implies that currently no one is doing it when there is currently one person doing it. The letter as a whole is very confusing. I don't know what input we have in this letter but I will say that I am confused by that last paragraph.

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: I know that Emerald was hoping to send it out this week. We can talk to her and see if she wants to send it out later but I can't say for sure.

President Graham: Right now for this vote, the one that's right in front of you is the one that we're voting on. If we voted yes and there were any further edits then like Kristen mentioned earlier our signature would be taken off of that.

Sustainability Coordinator Kristen Morale: I think I would say this all happened very quickly so, not to like defend it, but that could be why it's confusing. I know it was discussed on Monday, writing this letter. And it changed again on Wednesday. Pretty quick changing process.

Senator Majkrazk: Can we call a special session to vote on this after it can possibly be amended?

VPAA Marks: When do you propose we would?

President Graham: If we wanted to do a special session we would do it right after this senate meeting just because we don't know the timeline of this and if we push it back to next week it could have already been sent out. If you want to do a special meeting all of you have to vote on it.

Parliamentarian Estrella: We need 24 hours in advance to call a special session and so it would not be able to be this week and it might not be enough time.

Senator Burke: Dylan, can I ask you for some clarification? You were explaining that your signature on it would basically be an approval that they are going to try to fill the position anyways?

President Graham: So our signature, well in this case we wouldn't sign as ASNAU with my signature, it would be Kristen's signature, and this is really her giving us the opportunity to have a discussion. She is more than welcome to sign the letter on behalf of herself and her position but this is just letting you all know and having a discussion.

Opposed: Senator Gibson, Senator Martinez, Senator Freitas, Senator Nardi, Senator Ward.

Pass/Fail: Motion fails

## **Executive Reports**

### **A. President:** Dylan Graham

Council of Presidents will be taking place on Monday September 24<sup>th</sup>. We have selected the Athletics Fee Advisory Board. There are six total. Three athletes and three at large students. I attended the President's Cabinet meeting. There are an increasing number of students studying abroad. 60% of all NAU revenue is allocated towards people, and 62.9% of students identify themselves within a diverse population. Please see Kiana's report for an update on the budget. A note on professionalism. Please have great customer service. Be friendly and use appropriate terminology. We are not above anyone else. Please call the President by President Cheng or Dr. Cheng – never by her first name!

### **B. Vice President of Academic Affairs:** Ronni Marks

On Tuesday I attended the University Undergraduate Committee and they told us that NAU won the Excellence in Assessment Award. About 40-50 institutions applied for the award but only 5 won so that's a big accomplishment! I started the one-on-ones with the Senators this week and I hope to have those done by next Senate meeting. I can tell that you guys are working hard and are aspiring to great things this year so I look forward to seeing all that everyone accomplishes this year. My meeting with the Intern Provost Dr. Brian Levin-Stankevich got re-scheduled to next week so I will have more updates on that next week. Also I have been working hard to update the club lists and the front desk's club list to re-assign a few clubs to new Senators. Senators, please check the Updated 2018-2019 Club List to view your temporary club additions and shoot them an introductory email.

### **C. Vice President of Student Affairs:** Samariah Riggins

Don't forget to vote for employee of the month! All staff should attend at least one volunteer event on the behalf of ASNAU! The Flagstaff Family Food Center has a volunteer opening on September 29<sup>th</sup> from 10am-8pm. All volunteers will receive free ticket to event, free pizza and drink coupon and T-Shirt! Must volunteer for a 4.5 hour time slot. Don't forget to attend the SafeZone 101 training you signed up for. If you are unsure please contact me and I will let you know! ASNAU Workshop will

be October 4th right after senate! This is mandatory to attend. If you are unable to go, please notify me. If you signed up for a committee or are still interested in joining one, make sure to fill out the below Doodle Polls to make sure that we can find a time that works for everyone. The committees are: Sustainability committee, Diversity committee, Awareness and Campaign committee, and the Volunteer committee. If you are working CHQ, please make sure you are on time and attending the exact time you are scheduled to work. There has to be at least one person in CHQ at all times. If you have any concerns please let me know.

D. Vice President of Government Affairs: Analisa Quintero

This week I got in contact with the Public Interest Research Group, NextGen Arizona/NAU, and an intern for the College Election Engagement Project about my political participation week. These are all non-partisan groups on campus. I have gotten each of these groups to agree to work this week to register voters and PIRG has also agreed to present factual information about each of the ballot measures. We got our stickers for this week as well so every student who registers with us will get a registration sticker. PIRG has also offered to help with Spanish interpretation at the event on Friday. This week I attended a city council candidate accountability session, which was really interesting. I got to talk to a few of the candidates and saw Mayor Coral Evans again, and she remembered my name so I had a chance to fan girl a little bit. We finally got our institutional excuses for those attending ABOR next week, and we will be attending next Thursday and Friday. I reached out to Native American Student Services about helping with their voting workshop for the NASS Students. I am hoping to have contact with them before the event in order to register them by the deadline. I had some senators join my committee which is great, and we are planning to meet sometime next week.

E. Chief of Staff: Tori O'Reilly

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## **Staff Reports**

A. Student State Affairs:

Kaylee Adams: This week I looked more into the FIRE organization and got more information of what they do as an organization. I tried to research more organizations that might come to the campus to put on an event to educate about our rights. I also helped finalize the room placement for our voter registration event in two weeks. We have been conversing with IAMQ, campus dinning, and HCCC to figure out how and where to hold the NAU Cares dinner, which I think we're getting more information to make sure they goes on, and setting up meeting with campus dinning to see about funding.

B. Public Relations:

Graphic Designer – Amanda Jacob, Lauren Pleimann:

Social Media – Madison Abernethy: Follower count is currently at 841, please continue telling your friends and club members to follow our social media. On Instagram we promoted the nap social and on Tuesday posted a guide to the top 8 hikes in Arizona. This post received 92 likes and 14 comments making it our most engaged post! We also featured Gianna Gibson as our Wednesday spotlight. I also created a Senate Facebook so keep an eye out. Finally please let your clubs know they can email me or reach out through direct messages for promotions of any event.

Videographer – Abbi Jackson:

C. Special Events:

Lindsey Kevorkian:

Sophia Ames:

D. Information Technologist:

Dylan Schreiner:

E. NSG:

Jewel Fernandez: This week, I met with the new NSG President Matthew Billings. We discussed expectations of each other, as well as guidance on how to coordinate the upcoming meetings. At tonight's NSG meeting, we will review more details about the homecoming float by going through the homecoming application packet.

F. Diversity Coordinator:

Taheera Shabazz: This week I have been continuing to work on my Inclusion powerpoint for our workshop. I stopped by IMQ to speak with the director about collaboration with the department which revolved around me being chair on the United Diversity Council (I will be having my first meeting in the second week of October), and an ASNAU volunteer opportunity at the Forum as well as promotional opportunities for the Forum. Unfortunately, because everything going on in IMQ, the organizer of the Forum and I had to reschedule our meeting for next week. Thank you to everyone who has joined my committee. I sent out the poll and I am waiting until Sunday for everyone to have a chance to get back to me so we can hopefully have our first meeting next week. And lastly, I have begun planning my events including starting a campaign on campus to recognize Disability Awareness Month.

G. Front Desk:

Christian Catano:

Yakira Flanagan:

Tyler Millidge:

H. Executive Assistant:

Kiana Saleapaga: In the budget committee meeting we went over travel expenses. There is not much that we can pull from this budget because of our ABOR events. We will have 3 instate ABOR meetings and with the way our budget is, it will only allow for us to send three members so the president and two other members just to give you guys a heads up. I know that many of you can't make it to the budget committee meetings but if you want and update on what happened, just let me know via email (asnau\_ea@nau.edu). If you would like to discuss certain topics within the budget let me know as well and we can go over it and when I saw Dylan at work I can relay it to her.

I. Sustainability Coordinator:

Kristen Morale: I have confirmed October 30th as the date of the Fix-it clinic. It will be taking place in the makerlab in Cline library.

J. Volunteer Coordinator:

Katie Martinez: Hey guys just a couple quick updates. You should have already gotten the sign up sheet for the cornucopia at the end of the month. Please sign up for at least 1 shift they're like 4 or 4 and a half hours long. Please have this done no later than the 25<sup>th</sup>. The clothing drive is going to be the 1st of November till the 30th. So get excited about that and we're going to start advertising about halfway through October.

K. Awareness and Campaign Coordinator:

Susan Resendiz: The bullying campaign will be on the Monday and Wednesday of this week. We will be passing out motivational buttons, students can also sign our pledge to stop bullying firsthand. If anyone wants to help out that would be great. I met with sarv- the sexual assault and relationship violence task

force. They are working on a few projects for this semester. We will be participating in the light purple in honor of domestic violence month which is in October. Our office will have a few strings of purple lights for the month. I have also been working through planning for self care week and the events for the spring semester.

L. Club Manager:  
Jo Williams:

### **Committee Reports**

A. Legislative Committee: Senator Freitas

Senator Freitas: The Legislative committee has discussed amending articles X, XI, XVIII-XXVIII (10,11,18-28) of the by-laws to reflect a more accurate attendance policy. Currently it does not define a requirement or reprimanding for senators who fail to report to CHQ hours and office hours and we would like to possibly change that. Does this sound okay with the rest of the board? The committee has also discussed amending the other ASNAU staff member duties to reflect an attendance policy as well. The committee has also discussed plans to implement a policy in ASNAU staff duties that require weekly reports to be sent to the senate clerk within one hour prior to the start of the senate meeting. This is to help out the senate clerk, and holds staff a little more accountable.

B. Appropriations Committee: Senator McClintock

Senator McClintock: Hello! This week at appropriations we had 10 bills. Eight bills were sent on to senate today while two were not at appropriations. Please be sure you are editing and triple checking your bills. There were a lot of mistakes and it makes the process for clubs a lot longer. Please send your bills to an appropriations committee member or myself beforehand if you would like it to be checked and are unsure.

### **Senator Reports**

College of Arts and Letters:

A. Ashlyn Alvarado:

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences:

A. Katie Burke: This week on Monday I went to the ASNAU welcome and helped greet students coming into the office. On Wednesday I met Dean Pugliesi of Social and Behavioral Sciences and we discussed our Dinner with the Dean for later in the semester, which we decided on Wednesday November 7th as the date. We also plan to meet again before the Dinner in November. Wednesday was the second Legislative Committee meeting where we came up with three new adjustments to make to the by-laws.

B. Gianna Gibson: I attended the ASNAU social for a few hours on Monday where I was able to speak with people about what we do in ASNAU and the services we provide for them. We had our meeting with the Dean on Wednesday and chose November 7<sup>th</sup> to host our dinner with the dean event. I came into the office for the awareness and campaign committee on Wednesday. I had my 1:1 with Ronnie today. I attended my CHQ/ASNAU office hours and we passed multiple bills at appropriations.

College of Health and Human Services:

- A. Hanna Kelly:
- B. Brittany Martinez:

College of Education:

- A. Lynsey McClintock: This week Harrison and I worked on our event request form for our Donuts with the Dean event. I have been working on getting in contact with NAU PD to hold a forum about the Safety Walks program and plan to have tabling beforehand to hand out information to students. If you are interested in helping please let me know. I attended Safe Zone 101 training today too.
- B. Harrison Schonbrun: This week I worked with Senator McClintock to put in an event request form for the Dean's Dinner. I also went to the Doughnut kick off, and helped with the Awareness committee.

College of Business:

- A. Mystery Freitas: This week I attended the ASNAU social and I thought it was a great success. Today [Thursday, September 20] I had safe zone training and I thought that it was very informational and enjoyed the presentation. Senator Nardi and I also met with Dean Goebel to talk about the dinner with the dean, and have decided on hosting a 'cookies & talk' with the dean. This is so that we are able to accommodate many FCB students and have the Deans break the ice a bit with students. It is scheduled for October 10<sup>th</sup> in the late afternoon.
- B. Dane Nardi: Senator Freitas and I set our event with the dean for October 10th from 4 - 6 pm in Gardener Auditorium. There will be refreshments and snacks served at the reception.

College of Environment, Forestry and Natural Sciences:

- A. Meghan Higgins: This week Senator Ward and I met with our Dean and he had a lot of good ideas for different events and forums that we can host this year. I attended the NAUgo Mobile app focus group which was a really cool thing to be a part of because I was able to share my thoughts with the IT staff in order to improve the app.
- B. Bella Ward: I met with the dean of my college and wrote a bill.

College of Engineering, Informatics, and Applied Sciences:

- A. Adam Majkrazk:
- B. Mana Alyami: On Monday I went to the appropriations meeting to meet all the club members and the following day I emailed my club and finished their senate bill. On Wednesday I attended the ITS meeting from 5pm-6:30pm.

Advisor Reports

- A. Dr. Cindy Anderson: Family weekend! It is so soon. I'm passing around flyers. A big thing for you to know is that for families, there is an online downloadable booklet on the family weekend website. Similarly, for families coming to campus, on the same website is a parking pass. They do not have to pay for it. Ticket information is through the Athletics. One of the things I would like to say, on Monday, students can log in and download the game ticket. It's the one game that sells out and what they're trying to do is to figure out at what point it is sold out. What is different about family weekend is that students have to declare ahead of time that they're coming and you're gong to have until October 3<sup>rd</sup> to do so unless they sell out before hand. I also want to say for those of you who have worked with out legal council for ASNAU, I'm in the process of

writing his performance feedback and we had hoped to get a survey in place for students who have used him so I can include it.

- B. Kristine Heflin: I don't really have a report I was just gonna ask about The Lettuce Club because in my time I have never had a group denied but we can check on that.

### **Open Forum**

#### **Announcements**

VPAA Marks: I need to mention that we present ourselves at meetings is very important and is representative of our image as a student organization representing other students so we need to be completely engaged in what were doing at meetings and I'm slightly disappointed in the professionalism that we had today. For example, don't laugh at clubs who are seeking recognition. Everyone has a right to express what they want in a club. Save your opinions for the voting period. Don't be on your phone during the meeting. Don't play on your iPad's. They are only there for the agenda and to look through senate bills. When you sit down in your seat before the meeting starts don't have side chatter. I should be starting the meeting over somebody talking. That's unprofessional. When we have presenters in for call to the audience we should try and have at least one question so that way we seem engaged in what they are saying to us. When you want to ask a question, even if its addressed to someone else, you have to wait for me to call on you. Moving forward please think about the way that you're representing not only yourself but ASNAU as a whole. Thank you.

#### **Adjournment**

First: Senator Gibson

Second: yes

Discussion: none

Opposed: none

Pass/Fail: Unanimous. Motion passes.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 PM on Thursday September 20, 2018.