

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2023-1083**TITLE: Amendments to the Agenda Senator Protection Act (AASPA)****AUTHOR(S): Budget and Appropriations Chairman Blake Cox****SPONSOR(S): Senator Colin Lasch, Senator Matt Reich, Senator Wavid Bowman, Senator Monish Vijayaraghavan, Senator Michael Lim****RULE III MEETINGS
OF THE SENATE**

(AMENDED: 2014-106, 2019-124, 2020-1064, 2021-1003)

1. Regular Meetings:

- a. Regular meetings will be conducted on campus at as consistent a time and location as is possible.
- b. The Replacement and Agenda Committee will set the time and location for regular meetings at the beginning of each academic term, but this decision can be overturned by a majority vote of the Senate.
 - i. The Senate Executive Board will release an amendable religious holiday calendar every fall, spring, and summer term.
- c. The Replacement and Agenda Committee will prepare the agenda for regular meetings.
 - i. The agenda may be amended from the floor at the specified time by a majority vote. The Senate may adopt the agenda by a majority vote and if passed, will end amendments to the agenda. **This motion will be considered dilatory if there are still members of the Student Senate waiting to be recognized by the chair at the moment the motion is made.** This motion is non- debatable; and non-amendable. ~~and does not yield to amendments to the agenda.~~
 - ii. The agenda will include sections for Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation/Moment of Silence, Amendments to the Agenda, Amendments to the Minutes, Public Comment, Student Body Officer Reports, Committee Reports, Vetoed Legislation (if any), Second Readings (if any), First Readings (if any), Announcements, Final Roll Call, and any other matters which the Replacement and Agenda Committee deem necessary.
 - iii. If the Replacement and Agenda Committee fails to meet, prepare, and send the agenda by 3:00 PM ET on the day before the meeting of the Senate, the Senate Secretary will prepare an agenda consisting only of Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation/Moment of Silence, Amendments to the Agenda, Amendments to the Minutes, Public Comment, Vetoed Legislation (if any), Second Readings (if any), Announcements, and Final Roll Call. This agenda may be amended from the floor during Amendments to the Agenda.

- iv. All legislation to be considered at a Senate meeting will be provided to all Senators and will be made accessible to the public by being posted on the Student Government website no later than 5:00 PM ET the day before the meeting of the Senate for which the agenda will be used.
- v. The agenda will begin with the following statement: “We will be respectful of each other even when we disagree. We will direct all comments to the issues. We will avoid personal attacks.” A Student Senator who acts contrary to this statement, as determined by the Chair of the Senate, will be issued a warning for disruptive conduct.

2. Special Meetings:

- a. The President of the Student Senate or the Student Body President may call special meetings of the Senate.
- b. The President of the Student Senate will call for a special meeting of the Senate upon receiving a petition requesting such bearing the signatures of a majority of sitting Senators. This petition must include the intended purpose for the special meeting, which must be reflected in the call for the meeting and the agenda (see below).
- c. Notice must be given a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours prior to the start of the meeting to all members of the Senate.
 - i. Notice may be given at a prior meeting of the Senate, so long as that meeting occurs more than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the special meeting.
 - ii. Notification may be given by email
- d. The purpose of the meeting must be included in the call for the meeting. The officer who called the special meeting will prepare the agenda for that meeting.
 - i. The agenda must remain germane to the purpose of the meeting, as mentioned in the call for the meeting.
 - ii. The agenda may be amended from the floor during Amendments to the Agenda by a majority vote. The Senate may adopt the agenda by a majority vote and if passed, will end amendments to the agenda. **This motion will be considered dilatory if there are still members of the Student Senate waiting to be recognized by the chair at the moment the motion is made. This motion is non-debatable, and non-amendable. ~~and does not yield to amendments to the agenda.~~**
 - iii. The agenda will begin with the following statement: “We will be respectful of each other even when we disagree. We will direct all comments to the issue at hand. We will avoid personal attacks.” A Student Senator who acts contrary to this statement as determined by the Chair of the Senate will be issued a warning for disruptive conduct.