

STUDENT SENATE BILL 2023-1086**TITLE:** Roll Call Quorum Check Clarification Act (RCQCCA)**AUTHOR(S):** Senate President Santiago Perez**SPONSOR(S):** Senate President Pro-Tempore Nathan McGinnis**RULE IV****ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS**

(AMENDED: 2011-116, 2014-106, 2019-124, 2019-1104, 2021-1003)

1. Roll Call:

- a. The Chair of the Rules and Ethics Committee (or Vice-Chair in the Chair's absence) or their designee will call the roll of the Senate whenever needed. If no members of the Rules and Ethics Committee are present for roll call, the Senate President may designate a Senator to call the roll of the Senate.
- b. The roll will be called at the start of every meeting, after every recess, as well as for any quorum call or roll call vote.
- c. Any Senator that fails to answer a roll call; or quorum call, will receive a one half absence, with a maximum of one absence being given to a Senator per meeting.
- d. Voting records (see Rule VII §1) will be used to determine the final roll call unless the final roll call is called for by a majority vote.
- e. If a Senator turns in an incomplete voting record for final roll call the Senator will receive one-half absence.

2. Absence Excuses:

- a. If a Senator believes that an absence should be recorded as excused, that Senator must submit an excuse to the Rules and Ethics Committee no later than one week following the absence (see Rule XII §5).
- b. The Rules and Ethics Committee will submit their recommendations of excusal to the Senate for approval during the committee's report.

3. Quorum:

- a. A quorum to conduct business will be a majority of the total membership of the Senate.
- b. Any Senator may raise a point of order regarding the presence of a quorum, at which point the Chair of the Senate will instruct the Chair of the Rules and Ethics Committee (or Vice Chair or their designee) to call the roll.
- c. The Senate Sergeant-at-Arms will prevent any Senators entering the chambers during the roll call from being recorded as present.

d. During roll call votes, if the number of senators present and voting does not equal the quorum requirement, the Chair of the Senate shall instruct the Chair of the Rules and Ethics Committee (or Vice Chair or their designee) to call the roll. If it is established that there is no quorum, the vote shall be null and void.

Oscar Santiago Perez 7/25/23
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Senate President