

Associated Students of Colorado State University

Forty-Fifth Senate

Fifteenth Session

December 9, 2015

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Gallery Input
- V. Consent Agenda
 - 12/2/2015 Minutes
 - i. Minutes were accepted from last meeting
- VI. Guest Speakers
- VII. Executive Reports
 - Director Paulus: We need volunteers for the LSC Late Night on December 13th for the ASCSU table. It is only for an hour. If you could look at the email regarding this and check out the google doc.
- VIII. Judicial Reports
- IX. Legislative Officer Reports
 - Senator Lensky: As next semester coming up, I want to go over office hours. Senators have to complete five hours of office hours which includes sitting in on one internal committee and an external committee. The other three office hours can be completed in the office, volunteering for ASCSU, or attend a college council. Associate Senators have to complete three hours and one of those hours have to be from attending an external or internal committee. We are really going to be cracking down on this next semester.
- X. Senator Reports

- Senator Nolan: The Constitutional Task Force is still plugging along and now getting into the by-laws. We would like more people to attend and will keep you updated.
- Senator D: There are several bills being worked on in committees. Please contact the committee chairs to see what bills are in the committees and attend these meetings.
- Senator Lensky: Senate Budgetary Committee realized that we do not technically exist and we still met though. We decided that we will start from scratch and re-create this committee. I will be working on this with my committee over winter break. The office campus life advisory board and talked about fall clean up and volunteer work. There were over 1500 volunteers that helped with fall clean up and increased the amount of projects completed by 70 projects. We also discussed the social host ordinance and how there are two more hearing that we can attend. The community of teaching and learning committee was the other one I attended. We talked about new ways we can use adaptive learning programs and techniques. If you have any questions, come find me and we talk about those questions.
- Senator Harbert: I plan to present my ASCSU Mission Statement bill next semester.

XI. Associate Senator Reports

- Associate Senator Laffey: This will be my final senate session. Classroom review board discuss a new super computer item. This was a historic discussion. We also talk about other ideas that would be coming to UFAB. We are going through a pool of five candidates to replace an advisor position on this committee. Committee of Strategic Financial Planning met last week. There are eight budget committees and six of them will be going through budget review process. There will be tuition increases will a cut in government investing. The committee on university programs. There are two programs within this committee that do not meet standards and may be vetoed. UFAB meet for the last time this week and Clayton King will be taking on the chair position of the committee.

XII. Ratification & Swearing in of New Members

XIII. Confidence Business

XIV. Committee Reports

- Internal Affairs – In internal affairs, we did talk about Senator Harbert’s bill and supported it. We also talked about future plans and what new legislation that may be created in the future. We made changes to the grammar of Resolution #4512 as well

as endorsed it. We changed a therefore clause in this resolution. There were some word removals that needed to be made.

i. Resolution #4512 Legislative Sexual Harassment Training

- External Affairs – We talked about the ASCSU Mission Statement bill and are excited for it to come next semester. We also are creating a document in regards to gun violence. We also made changes to resolution #4508 that were of a grammatical nature. We did make a mistake that we will amend when the resolution comes to the floor.
- University Issues – We had Resolution #4510 in our committee and will be discussing the changes we made. The biggest problem we saw was the ordering of the resolution and rearranged the resolution. We removed the 2.5 GPA part of the bill and added a clause of where should this bill be forwarded to. We also changed the impeachment of a position after missing six office hours to ten office hours. Tomorrow I will be holding a meeting and will have a review of everything that we have done this semester. I will also have food there.

XV. Old Business

- Resolution #4509 Approval of the Inclusive Excellence Committee Bylaws
 - i. Resolution #4509 adopted for discussion
 - ii. Resolution #4509 read by Parliamentarian
 - iii. Discussion/Debate
 - 1. Senator Nolan: This did come to IEC and the main issue was removing the application process and was fine with that. I don't see why there would be any more controversy.
 - iv. Vote
 - 1. 16:04
 - 2. Resolution passes
- Resolution #4508 Incentivizing Meeting Bookstore Due Dates
 - i. Resolution #4508 was adopted for discussion
 - ii. Resolution #4508 was read by Parliamentarian
 - iii. Discussion/Debate

1. Senator Williams: I would like to make a friendly amendment of in the 5th whereas clause where spring 2016 should read fall 2015. I move to accept all changes.
 - a. Changes passed
- iv. Vote
 1. 20:0:0
 2. Resolution passes
- Resolution #4510 Amendment of the ASCSU Senate Bylaws
 - i. Resolution #4510 was adopted for discussion
 - ii. Resolution #4510 was read by the Parliamentarian
 - iii. Discussion/Debate
 1. Speaker pro Tempore Seel: Friendly amendments of the before green and gold book, remove the s from increased in the microphone clause, and should be seek below that. I move to accept all proposed amendments.
 - a. Senator Bryan: Anything in red is a change and is what we are voting on. I think this section on the amount of times we speak is restricts freedom of speech. I move to strike this from the amendments
 - i. Senator D: It was suggested by committee to do this as one senator cannot take up the entire time of question and answer. It is a monopolization if we don't do this.
 - ii. Senator Bryan: That is why we have a motion to exhaust the speaker list.
 - iii. Speaker pro Tempore Seel: We can do a motion to expand the number of questions a person may ask. It expands the amount of questions but makes it an equitable solution.
 - iv. Vote
 1. 4:15:1
 2. Amendment Fails

- b. Vote
 - i. 17:3:0
 - ii. Motion passes
2. Senator Lensky: I move to remove lack of participation from the first therefore clause.
- a. Discussion
 - i. Senator Lensky: It doesn't clarify participation and what it entails in that aspect. You can remove them if they are involved in one aspect but not in another aspect. I think the lack of participation should be removed. Participation is a hard thing to gauge.
 - ii. Senator Nolan: We do participate in things here at ASCSU. I think it should stay within the resolution.
 - iii. Senator D: I echo previous speaker and see that it could be misused.
 - iv. Associate Senator Wright: I echo previous speakers. We need to move away from ambiguous writing.
 - b. Vote
 - i. 17:2:1
 - ii. Amendments passes
3. Senator Laffey: I move to amend that Article 3 Section I and remove the entire clause.
- a. Senator D: I am firmly against this amendment. It would be useful to have them in the by-laws.
 - b. Senator Nolan: Let's have less vagueness and is not bad. I would vote no
 - c. Senator Lensky: I would support removing this because if we change the name of the book, we would have to change that entire section.
 - d. Speaker pro Tempore Seel: The intention of this was to increase the clarity of where to find this information. Should the name of the book change, I don't think that this concern

is necessary. There is always an opportunity to change the by-laws every session.

- e. Associate Senator Laffey: I disagree with previous speakers as you could go google what business attire is or ask other people in ASCSU.
- f. Vote
 - i. 0:10:8
 - ii. Motion does not pass

4. Associate Senator Laffey: I move to amend the proposed changes by removing Rule 4 Section M

- a. Speaker pro Tempore Seel: The intention do defer to Robert's Rule of Order, there are specific aspects of misconduct that would be beneficial to senators. This makes it a more precedent rule for senators. I would say it is appropriate for the by-laws
- b. Senator D: I think some of us need a reminder and endanger quorum.
- c. Senator Nolan: I echo previous speaker. We have a problem walking around during proceedings. I urge a no vote.
- d. Director Kendall: I tend to meander around. Does that offend people?
 - i. Too many people doing that can be distracting
- e. Associate Senator Laffey: This is to help keep quorum and would be removing people from the body that would be affecting quorum.
- f. Senator Nolan: Removing them from the room in unacceptable and disagree with previous speaker.
- g. Associate Senator Vaishampayan: I do see both sides of the argument.
- h. Vote
 - i. 0:19:1
 - ii. Amendment failed

5. Senator Bryan: I would like to propose an amendment of Article 1 Section C of changing impeachment to removal of office.
 - a. Senator D: The reason to continue for impeachment because of the excuses and gives the person a trial and a fair chance to keep office. I would stand against people being removed.
 - b. Senator Bryan: This is something that could be brought up with the Senate Membership Officer. Impeachment is a serious office and would be in a public meeting.
 - c. Speaker pro Tempore Seel: When a person can resign before the actual impeachment process. The resignation would make it a removal of office. Impeachment can be made private.
 - d. Associate Senator Laffey: It is largely foolish to invoke impeachment within the language of the bill. Having been through this, this is public and the public does not understand our rules. There are huge implications on someone's future. This is not a good thing for the future of the body.
 - e. Senator D: I would like to refer to the Constitution and would be grounds of impeachment in this aspect.
 - f. Senator Bryan: I echo previous speakers and there is experience in these people. Think of all of the times you have heard of the times of impeachments. How long did the impeachment process take last senate body? This is overstepping just a bit.
 - i. It took a full month to complete.
 - g. Senator Lensky: Office hours are a big deal. Senate meets for about four hours a week and then a couple hours outside of senate. Senate does not even count to office hours. On this, impeachment may be a little bit extreme but I also do see removal the flaw in this aspect. Impeachment is a strong word. I would suggest removing impeachment and replace it with a process of meeting with a group of individuals in a private meeting to discuss the matter.

- h. Gallery: why is this in the by-laws if this is already in the job description and by-laws?
 - i. This effectively states at what point negligence can be and move forward into process. It grades the negligence and offers action against it.
- i. Speaker pro Tempore Seel: Impeachment is a strong word and is the word to remove a person from an elected office. We can have a meeting before this action is taken.
- j. Senator D: If we chose to pass this amendment we would also have to change the constitution. It only impacted two senate sessions for the last impeachment process.
- k. Associate Senator Wright: Let's put it to bed and choose a better word.
- l. Senator Bryan: A previous speaker mention that a meeting was mentioned and removal was not mentioned also.
- m. Associate Senator Syron: If we follow the current system, half of the members of senate would then be impeached.
- n. Vote
 - i. 8:10:2
 - ii. Motion fails

6. Speaker pro Tempore Seel: To amend to complete the section for similar action for associate senators at six hours

- a. Vote
 - i. 17:0:3

iv. Vote

- 1. 15:2:3
- 2. Resolution passes

- Resolution #4512 Legislative Sexual Harassment Training
 - i. Resolution #4512 adopted for discussion
 - ii. Resolution #4512 was read by the Parliamentarian
 - iii. Discussion/Debate

1. Senator Nolan: I move to accept all amendments made by committee
 - a. Amendments passed
2. Senator Nolan: I put my full support behind this resolution. I support a yes vote
3. Associate Senator Vaishampayan: I move to amend the bill to put the session of the senate on top of the bill.
 - a. Amendment passes

iv. Vote

1. 20:0:0
2. Resolution passes

XVI. New Business

- Bill #4510 Approval of ASCSU Board for Student Organization Funding decision of the Student Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects
 - i. Bill #4510 was adopted for discussion
 - ii. Bill #4510 was read by Parliamentarian
 - iii. Presentation of the bill by author
 1. What you have before is a BSOF event of LA Days. This is Andrew and speak on the event. I am the current President of this group and LA Days is going into its 23rd year. It is mainly a seminar event and bring in five high profile speakers in these areas. Our department is very small but is important for CSU and exposure of the department. It also gives networking opportunities for our students. It also give more credentials to the group.

iv. Questions

1. Senator Bryan: What was the typical turnout? How long is it? How does this benefit all students?
 - a. It is about 180 but we also bring in non-CSU students. We are expecting over 200.
 - b. It will be 5 speakers on 5 days.
 - c. This is a very broad program where it includes other aspects that go into other programs. We are working on marketing

this event to more groups and get more attention to this event to increase the amount of students that attend.

2. Senator Lensky: Can you talk about the speakers?

- a. The group all together is pretty diverse. The first one is well traveled and has won almost every top award in this horticulture and landscape architecture field. He taught in Europe and now works in New York. The last speaker in the series does many talks at Harvard and other universities. He is also very infamous in the field. Sanders is a principle of another famous firm in the field that has been around for four decades now. David Rueben owns his own firm and is a newer speaker that is up and coming.

3. Associate Senator Wright: What kind of outreach do you plan on doing?

- a. I am unfamiliar with the undeclared leadership council but would be place to start. We also do daily ads in the Collegian and university media. We also do posters that we give out to the departments and flyers. An article in the source is another thing we do. I want to do more emailing and more outreach as well.

v. Bill put on expedited status

vi. Discussion/Debate

1. Associate Senator Laffey: I am glad to see that this event has been expanded. This event and major is well known in the world. We are small but are good at what we do. I would highly encourage a yes vote.
2. Senator Bryan: I am just concerned that it doesn't address all students.
3. Senator Nolan: This is open to all students and is not exclusive. It doesn't have to reach everyone's interest.
4. Senator Lensky: I attended this event last year as a Finance major. It was a great event even though it didn't cover my major. It is a great event. I urge a yes vote.

5. Senator Beck-Doss: In previous years there has been 170 students attend and that is more than the amount of students in this program here at CSU. I also urge a yes vote.
 6. Associate Senator Wright: What is the total amount of money that has went to this event?
 - a. 5700 event is from co-sponsorship and total is 17000
- vii. Vote
1. 20:0:0
 2. Bill Passes
- Bill #4511 Approval of ASCSU Board for Student Organization Funding decision of the Students for Holocaust Awareness
 - i. Bill #4511 was adopted for discussion
 - ii. Bill #4511 was read by Parliamentarian
 - iii. Presentation of bill by author
 1. Here is the application for the Holocaust Awareness Week. Denise and Sam Laffey will be speaking on the event. This event is on the awareness of the holocaust and how students can help prevent future genocides. We are flying out a speaker that was a survivor.
- iv. Questions
1. Senator D: Who is the speaker two?
 - a. She is a first or second generation survivor and shows how the effects of these events have on future generations. It is hard to find current holocaust survivors now.
- v. Bill put on expedited status
- vi. Discussion/Debate
1. Senator Williams: I put my whole support behind this. With a lot of survivors passing away, bringing in second hand survivors keeps the accounts going. We need to keep this memory alive and prevent this from happening again in the future.
 2. Senator Nolan: We passed this last year and urge it again.
 3. Senator D: I like to strongly echo previous speakers and this topic still matters.

vii. Vote

1. 20:0:0
2. Bill passes

XVII. Announcements

- Senator Williams: Next Tuesday is the 5th GOP debate is happening at 7:00 PM and we are organizing a watch party in the LSC.
- Senator Nolan: My cousin had to have her head shave due to treatments but is hanging in there.
- Associate Senator Wright: This was my first semester here at ASCSU and have really enjoyed my time here and all the friendships and hard work that is put in. I do value everyone's friendship in here. This is Associate Senator Laffey's last session here in ASCSU.
- Senator Harbert: There has also been some talk and discussion about doing something about a value statement after the mission state bill. Next semester, I would like help and support for the values of this group.
- Senator D: I wish everyone good luck on finals next week and to take care of yourself while studying for this week. Also rest up and enjoy yourself. Thank you for a great semester and the hard work.
- Associate Senator Laffey: As tradition states, graduating member of senate give some remarks. I would like to thank you for making the last two years of being in this body enjoyable. There have been ups and downs but a great experience. It is very humbling to be a part of this group. I wish the best of luck and to have guidance in the following semester. Thank you very much.
- Associate Senator Ricketts: I am graduating also. It has been a great time being a part of this organization. I am excited with the changes senate has been making and looking forward to reunions in future years. I wish you all the best of luck.
- Speaker pro Tempore Seel: We are at the end of the fall semester. I hope you all take the time to think of some legislation and hit the spring running. I have a list started for the Star Wars movie premiere and is in the senate office. It is Friday December 18 at 7:00 PM and is acceptable to have a plus one. Just make sure to note it.
- YAY BOX

- Senator Lensky: I have seen a lot happen in senate. I have seen exceptional work from Associate Senators Laffey and Ricketts. In honor of these two men, I would like to present Laffey with a wooden American flag and Ricketts with a tiger statue for their service to this organization. We wish you farewell on your journey and thank you.

XVIII. Roll Call

XIX. Adjournment