**Associated Students of Colorado State University**

**Forty-Fourth Senate**

**Eighteenth Session**

**February 11, 2015**

**Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge
3. Roll Call
4. Gallery Input
5. Consent Agenda
   * 2.4.2015 Minutes
     1. Bondi: I move to approve the consent agenda.
        1. Vote: 13.0.1
6. Guest Speakers
   * Jake Christensen, Director of Governmental Affairs and Sarah Bruce, Deputy Director of Governmental Affairs - Legislative Update: We are going to do this bi-weekly. There are 2 bills from the previous report. The first s house bill 1015. This clarifies ASD and says autism must be addressed in health insurance. It is still in committee. House bill 1027 is the instate tuition for Native American tribes tied to tribes that originate in Colorado. It is in the appropriations committee. House bill 1152 concealed handgun carry with no permit, it allows someone to not have to get a concealed carry permit but it still abides to the laws of not being able to carry guns on school properties. This is pretty controversial. Senate bill 1532 is the financial literacy bill empowers students higher ed funding. It gives funding to high schools and middle schools to teach about the cost of higher education and how to get loans and things like that. Myself and Sarah Bruce are going to testify in favor of that bill. We would like to put together a resolution for this bill. Fun fact: Throwing missiles at cars in Alamosa is illegal.
     1. D: Did they actually have any requirement to take a class?
        1. Christensen: if you are eligible to own a gun, you are eligible to carry.
7. Ratification & Swearing in of New Members
   * MacNeill, Brooke—Associate Senator, CVMBS
   * MacNeill, Blaire—Associate Senator, CVMBS
8. Executive Reports
   * Whitesell: We have body acceptance week coming up the week of the 23rd. we will be on the plaza. The later times in the afternoon are when we need people. They are one hour shifts. We have t shirts we just got in this week. We will have some other resources available as well.
   * Bergeron: I have arranged for ASCSU to have a spot at the flea market every Wednesday. It is a full day of exposure for ASCSU and I am trying to include and incorporate as many people as possible and I want to show what we are doing in ASCSU and next to the date, there is a little blurb of what the topic on the white board will be that day. I will pass that around. I also have a signup sheet for ASCSU’s contribution to Choose CSU and there are 3 different Saturdays we can promote.
   * Wells: For those of you are interested in the IEC, I have an email list for you all to sign up on. You will get an email for when the first meeting will be. I also have an event sign up for Ram-dom acts of kindness of campus. We will be handing out candy as well as healthier snacks on campus because we want them to feel valued and understood. We will be handing out pay it forward cards and have them pay it forward to other students. We are doing that from 10-2. The IEC is a committee that creates conversation and discussion around inclusion and they will be the new home of the representatives of senate and turn these discussions into legislation in senate.
   * Christensen: Day of the Capital is the 24th. Try to get the RSVPS in by Sunday the 22nd.
   * Block: next Tuesday we will be on the plaza with Colorado transportation and they want to hear what students have to say. 12:30 to 2:30.
   * Gurau: I move for university issues to adopt their committee report.
     1. Seel: Why right now?
        1. Gurau: I have to go soon.
     2. Vote: 14.0.0
   * Gurau: I move to adopt bill 4412.
     1. Laffey: I move to previous question.
        1. Vote: 14.0.2
     2. Vote: 15.0.1
9. Committee Reports
   * University Issues
     1. Bill #4412 Campaign Spending Limit Bill
        1. Ozekin: We basically as a committee decided to change it in two ways. This year we will stick to the 1500 dollar limit but with 1000$ out of pocket and 500$ of donations that are in increments of 50$ of an individuals with an eID. The bill has a clause for next year that will lower the individual spending to 750$ and donations still at 500$.
10. Old Business
    * Bill #4412 Campaign Spending Limit Bill
      1. Earle: Now I could go out and find 10 friends, give them a 50$ bill, they give it back to me, now I have 1500$ again. How you find that money does not change how much or how you might spend it. I think it is getting ambiguous.
      2. Laffey: I also am concerned similar to previous speaker. It’s a nice idea, but is it practical? I don’t think so.
      3. Gurau: in response to previous speakers, they are required to have a receipt of receiving this money. I don’t think it will be exploited as much as people think so. I think this gives people more constituent input by listening to them and in return maybe receiving a donation.
      4. Jordan: I move to amend the bill. I move that in both places that mentions in-kind donations, it reads “said donations shall not be monetary”
         1. Jordan: I made this motion because the idea is that the donations come in physical units, someone giving you time something like that.
         2. Laffey: I don’t believe this is the right language and could cause ambiguity. I move to add “issue” after monetary.
            1. Laffey: if we make this to clarify, it should be very specific so no one could harm various elections.
            2. Gallery: I want to comment. I think the 1000 dollars is good. In-kind donations cannot exceed 50 dollars is too low if you cap donations. Throwing too many curve balls is too much. 50 dollars is too low of an amount.
            3. Gurau: We felt that having 1 person donate 500 dollars would be too much. We looked at 100 dollars too and that would only be 5 people able to donate.
            4. Gallery: Chelsea and Cole had donations over 50 dollars and so did mine. Candidates in the past have relied on that and if it was going to be introduced, it should have been done a while ago.
            5. King: I move to dissolve and move into body of a whole.

Laffey: We have two motions, I don’t think it is complex enough to move into committee as a whole.

Ozekin: it might be necessary because the thoughts of my committee might not be the thoughts of everyone.

Maher: time can be saved by moving into this instead of using parli procedure.

Vote: 15.1.1

COMMITTEE OF A WHOLE

* Bondi: I don’t understand why we are dealing with donor ship at all. We should just put a cap on it. There is no reason we need to be tracking the donor ship and this will make the D and E a total nightmare. I contributed 300$ last year to their campaign and that would’ve been money they would’ve had to put D&E.
* Seel: If we do this amendment, it would be easier to make it a definition in the bill or a 1000 dollars cap in total would be easier and it makes the financial aspect a less burden in the first place.
* Laffey: I also agree with previous speakers, I do not feel in any way that this is probably a bad idea and a huge time waster. I saw the expense files.
* Gurau: Last Friday in committee, we came to the compromise that they should be able to spend 1500 dollars total but only 1000 in personal spending. We didn’t want to drop the hammer too hard. Some people have spent 300 dollars and some people have spent more but I don’t think it would be too bad to add a few more hours of work. It would make people have to reach out and talk to students instead of just having a platform for students to go to. The culture we have here is pretty bad so this would increase voter turnout. It’s not so cut and dry but it’s a solid compromise for the caps. It’s a 50% decrease in the span of a year if we decreased it to 1000. People may have been counting on that money.
* Hansen: regardless where you put the line, by making an in-kind donation limit, you are setting a burden on the students. If you want to donate, you would have to go through a long process. It doesn’t sound well if you are saying you want support and then saying “hey can you by me some flyers?” I just have an issue with capping. I don’t think this will be getting it done. There is no mechanism for moving into this. I take a large issue in that.
* Gallery: I think there is a lot of problems. With in-kind donations: There are a lot of loopholes. If I hand out 50 dollars to 10 friends, they have donated. If your parents want to donate, they will just give 500 to your friends. A good cap would be $750, $1000, or $1250. Donations will complicate things.
* Jordan: I was involved when talking about donations. Initially I thought this was a good idea. Listening to previous speakers, if someone already has the money, they will just give people money, I think it would be a better idea to scrap donations section and make it $1500 this year and $1250 next year.
* Ozekin: if we lower it down way too fast, all the other campaigners will be hit by a bus and not know what’s coming. I’d say $1500 or $1250 might be the best course of action but not having the whole budget right off the bat.
* D: I would like to encourage senate to consider this by benefit and harms perspective. What would be the repercussions of going over the 50 dollars? I would like to consider other students. I want this to be an accessible thing. Say there is a student who wants to run, they should get an opportunity and not be hindered by bureaucracy. I think this is problematic. I would like to see $1500 cap.
* Hill: Campaign finance for me is about accessibility. That’s why we limit. Some are more privileged than others. Coming back down often doesn’t happen so I appreciate that. In addition to that, reaching out to CSU students through campaign finance, there is a better way. Flat amount seems to be the general consensus.
* Maher: I move to see the number 1000, cancel it from after that.
  + Maher: There is another aspect in the second therefore clause I would like to amend.
  + Jordan: It’s the same thing only after 750.
  + Earle: I move to strike both clauses from the bill.
    - Vote: 12.2.2
* Gurau: I move for the first therefore clause to say $1500 instead of $1000. And the $750 to be raised to $1000.
  + King: does anyone not like that? I like $750 for next year.
  + Whitesell: I feel like it should be $1000. If our real goal is to make it accessible, $1500 is a lot of money for people to use.
  + King: With personal in there, does that prevent room for donations? I think that’s too fast of a turnover. That’s 1/3 of the total. Cutting to $1500 from last year is too much. I think we should do $1250 next year. We can change this in the future.
  + Seel: I think we have a lot of really good ideas. This bill should go back to university issues.
  + King: the numbers are a big issue to me. We have $1000, $1250, and $1500 for the second year. Can we do a straw poll? (want to keep it at 1000)
  + Gurau: Elections are coming up very soon. That’s ¼ of the time I have left to make changes. If the drop to 1000 dollars is too harsh, consider the fact that our peers have $1000 cap. Dropping it to $1000 is a fast drop, but I think it’s reasonable. Dropping less than $1500 this year would be too much of a drop though. We can work with it in the future. Please pass this tonight.
  + Earle: Keep it at $1500 this year and $1000 next year.
    - Vote: 14.0.2
  + Laffey: I move to move out of committee of a whole.
    - Vote: 15.0.1
* Bill #4412 Campaign Spending Limit Bill
  + Laffey: I move to adopt all amendments from committee as a whole.
    - Vote: 14.0.2
  + King: I move to previous question.
    - Vote: 14.0.2
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1. Judicial Reports
   * Jordan: We made an opinion on court case. 4402.
     1. Dannemiller: See court Case
2. Senator Reports
   * Laffey: I am the vice chair for the university fee advisory board. We have half a million dollars to allocate this year. These projects include various things, flipped classroom proposal, over a million dollars’ worth of classroom renovations, allocations for furniture for Eddy, canopy for Rockwell. Let me know if you have any questions. We have two upcoming this week over two million dollars. We have four rooms for microbiology and Wagar. Liberal arts council is going well. We have 5 associates being ratified tomorrow. Holocaust awareness week is coming up.
   * Seel: I am fully into this position. I have already been contacted by several people that want to come to senate. Give them my contact information if you know ANYONE who is interested. I am looking at graduates and natural sciences. We want it to be filled in two months.
3. Associate Senator Reports
4. Confidence Business
5. Committee Reports
   * Internal Affairs
     1. Bill #4411 Impeachment Reformation
        1. Seel: we added two sections specifically a part of what happens if someone wants to resign during impeachment. If someone resigns within 2 weeks, they will be banned for a semester. If they resign after 2 weeks, they can have the full year ban.
   * External Affairs
     1. Nolan: External had 2 voting members. We would be happy if people could join.
6. Old Business
   * Bill #4411 Impeachment Reformation
     1. Jordan: I move to adopt bill 4411.
     2. Jordan: While I did not attend the committee, this is perfectly in line of what I’d like to see the bill do.
     3. Laffey: For the senate’s knowledge, the liberal arts wanted to amend article 6 of the constitution. It is had been postponed.
        1. Vote: 13.0.3
     4. Jordan: I move to send this to university issues committee.
        1. Vote: 15.0.1
7. New Business

* Bill #4414 Concerning ASCSU’s Relations with the CSU Faculty and Administrative Bodies
  + Nolan: I move to adopt bill 4414.
  + Laffey: This bill ranks ex officio status to admin and professional staff and board members, including faculty reps and student reps. This clarifies a situation that has already happened and after speaking with admin, there is a good support for something like this.
    - Ozekin: do you encourage them to attend senate?
      * Laffey: Short term, yes but long term, engaging them with pressing issues and trying to help them and the students. This gives them a permanent voice and every person who might come to speak to us, has the right to.
      * Ozekin: I just feel like they would always be yielded to in the gallery.
      * Laffey: it is partly for the resolution coming up as well.
  + Li Puma: I send this to university issues.
* Resolution #4414 In Support of the Campus Climate Subcommittee
  + Seel: I move to adopt resolution 4414.
  + Nolan: There will be a building checklist for each new building to be inclusive of all gender inclusive restrooms. It is largely ignored and we need to move forward.
  + Seel: We have talked with admin about getting ideas like this before but we are asking them to do this in the next year. And they work on making eminent changes as soon as it can be done.
    - Hill: In the next year, the resolution doesn’t say next year.
    - Lee: How is this being funded?
      * Seel: Right now, there is a surplus of money, over a relatively minor investment, you can make a surprising difference in the climate of campus.
  + Laffey: I move to send this to university issues.
    - Laffey: this is a resolution that deals with this topic. Since it can be moved tonight and there is no pressing need, we should send this to university issues.
    - Ozekin: A few people from my committee already looked at it so we are wanting to base it off the standards of the rec center.
    - Wells: this is important to note that this resolution is in support of a push of something we already have going. It’s pretty straight forward.
    - Whitesell: This resolution is based off a committee of a group, if you want to make changes to a new legislation, you would have to make a different resolution. Changing this in a committee is saying you won’t be endorsing that committee’s decision.
    - Nolan: I would prefer to have this on expedited status. All committees have seen it at this point. This is something we need to do.
    - Vote: 1.13.1
  + Ozekin: I move to place this on expedited status.
    - Wells: The initial proposal by the campus climate committee was made and created last semester. The sooner we could show support would be beneficial.
    - Vote: 14.1.0
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* Resolution #4415 In Support of Making the ASCSU President and the GSC President Ex Officio Non-Voting Members of Colorado State University’s Faculty Council
  + Laffey: I move to adopt resolution 4415.
  + Laffey: This bill started over the summer. I think the faculty council is by far one of the most important institutions on campus and we should have some representatives on there. It could very well be that others would be on the faculty council. As well as there is also an idea that has been floating around that this position could be elevated. The point of this is I want student representation on faculty council because they give out a lot of projects and discuss things that students are unaware about. This ties into the other bill because last year we met with the chair of the faculty council. We decided not to go forward with it last year because there was a lot of different opinions. I feel that now is the time that such things can happen.
  + Ozekin: I move to send this to internal committee.
    - Vote: 11.2.3

1. Announcements
   * Wells: The mother of Treyvon Martin is coming next week, you have to have tickets for it. Stop at the info booth in the LSC and order them. We are starting to get into the part of the semester, take care of yourselves, and take self-care.
   * Whitesell: Valentine’s Day is coming up, think about all the other forms of love you have in your life if you do not have a significant other.
   * Laffey: I attended the faculty council meeting and we have a riveting discussion about public private partnerships. There is great unknowingness of what the system is. Several public private partnerships have been considered in the past, for example, the stadium and parking on campus.
   * Williams: This month is national residence hall month. Within that month we have different themes. This week’s theme is advocacy. This week would be the week to give special attention to that.
   * Seel: If you are interested, parking and transportation committee meets next wed at noon on the 18th. If you want to come, it will be in the prospect and lake parking garage. There is an office on the southwest corner.
     1. Laffey: there are one or two seats open
   * Li Puma: do your office hours. We have note of who is not attending committee meetings.
2. Roll Call
3. Adjournment