**Associated Students of Colorado State University**

**Forty-Fourth Senate**

**Fifth Session**

**September 24th, 2014**

**Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge
3. Roll Call
4. Guest Speakers
   * Sarah Bruce and Lora Elliot- Community Update:
   * Elliot: The first thing that is going on is that they recently had a special session yesterday deciding if they wanted to appeal a decision on the fracking ban. Colorado Supreme Court said that the previous law we had was a contradiction. Also, we were taken to court on the issue we passed last year, regarding this. Those are the things that led to this. We are figuring out if we want to pursue appealing this or not. Also, Longmont is the other city that is dealing with this right now. On another note, Old Town is undergoing renovation with a 3 million dollar project that is proposed to start January 2015.
   * Bruce: B.O.B Tax Renewal. This is a one quarter cent tax on all sales in Colorado. This applies for anyone that buys anything in Fort Collins. It’s supposed to improve and maintain the city of Fort Collins. This tax has worked on a lot of things relevant to us, like construction on roads and things like that. A project list is available on the City Council website if anyone wants more information. Last Thursday there was a city process that senate held for public deliberation. This invited citizens to sit down and prioritize the projects. B.O.B will be on the ballot in April. The results will be presented to council.

Medical marijuana: right now, there’s issues with the caregiver clause. The issue is that they’re not supposed to profit off of their growths but they are right now. They can have up to 5 patients and 6 plants per patient and 5 plants for themselves. This project is also moving to Wyoming. The city council is trying to define separation. There are a lot of plants being grown that are not being accounted for. They are selling to non-patients. Therefore, they are trying to get some kind of warehouse where caregivers will have their own sections to grow individually. Customers are paying taxes for everything they buy and the caregivers are not. They are getting pure profit.

* + 1. Jordan: Is there a list of projects that’s allowed to be paid for on B.O.B?
       1. Elliot: The money will be allocated to those projects. City council will choose from these and prioritize them.
    2. Hansen: Should the city go for the appeal, what would they be going toward?
       1. Bruce: This hasn’t been decided but I think it will be state wide. They are still deciding whether or not they will even appeal it.
    3. Seel: Did they vote yesterday in the meeting?
       1. Bruce: They are trying to pound out more details so there may have been a vote but I’ll check.

1. Ratification & Swearing in of New Members
   * Student Fee Review Board
     1. Alan Nash 17-0-2
     2. Allison Eret 18-0-1
     3. Andrew Bondi 13-5-1
     4. Brandon Earle 12-6-1
     5. Brandon Majmudar 18-0-1
     6. Connor Barry 17-0-2
     7. Deanna Olson 18-0-1
     8. Duane Hanson 18-0-1
     9. Grace Fenske 16-3-0
     10. Jason Gardner 17-0-2
     11. Katrina Chaney-Roberts 17-1-1
     12. Nick Dannemiller 15-2-2
     13. Patton Lowell 17-0-2
     14. Rioux Jordan 17-2-0
     15. Ryan Brooks 18-1-0
     16. Sam Laffey 13-6-0
     17. Scott Ricketts 19-0-0
     18. Yusurf Yilmaz 18-0-1
     19. Andrei Gurau 18-0-1
   * Nick Goode: Associate Senator
2. Executive Reports
   * Roos: We are releasing the freshman 15 early October and we need your help to implement it on campus. We are going to be looking at social sustainability. We are looking into getting it into paper that already exists so that we won’t need to print new sheets off to advertise sustainability.
   * Ricketts: There is a new deadline for getting senators on external committees. It is a month away from this senate. My office hours are TR 2-5, FRI 3-4. Deanna: MW noon-1.
   * Maher: Last week we talked about college councils. I am here to formally announce homecoming and what we have planned. The Homecoming theme is “100 Years of Coming Home”. In talking to the campus historian, the first date of homecoming was chosen arbitrarily. Homecoming slowly built into what it is today. 1914 was when it started. There will be a strong emphasis on history. One issue we are having is a disconnect with alumni because when they were students, homecoming wasn’t that enjoyable. Therefore, we are trying to make it fun now so that current students think it’s fun later, when they are alumni. This is an outline of the week: Oct 12-18.
     1. Sunday: First event is kick off with soccer game at 1pm. That will be smaller, we are looking to make it a bigger deal.
     2. Monday is when we will be advertising homecoming and we will be on the plaza spreading the word. We will have a large banner that people can sign and that we will display. This will give a way for students to “sign in” or “check in” to homecoming. We will also have a video camera set up asking why CSU or Fort Collins is their home.
     3. Tuesday: we are partnering with RHA to do a trivia event. This will be held in Durrell Bottoms.
     4. Wednesday will be a campus wide game of Clue. The question is, “Who stole Cam the Ram?” We are working to establish a handle of numbers of key places on campus. We will create clues that will direct individuals to these spots. We are also still trying to figure out a way to be able to check in at each place. Once you collect them, you bring them to ASCSU office and you get prizes based on your place.
     5. Thursday we are partnering with Fraternity and Sorority Life to do a chalking event to get educated on organizations on campus.
     6. Friday is the parade.
     7. Football game is Saturday.
   * Wells: Hispanic Heritage month started this week and will go till October 15. Campus step up applications are due on November 5. It is a retreat that happens as a great way to get educated on social justice and inclusivity.
   * Christensen: City council voted yesterday that they will file for an appeal. We did win the voter registration drive against CU. New Era is really impressed with the volunteers that helped. The community reach out event is October 6 from 10-3.
   * Brookes: I need one more volunteer to join the student funding board. We allocate money out to student organizations. We meet Thursday 5 o clock. We push the bills for BSOF to the front to respect directors.
   * Vote to bring new business to before judicial reports: 16.0.0
3. New Business
   * Supplemental Funding Proposal #4401
     1. Earle: I move to adopt Bill 4401.
     2. Brookes: Indianite is a good chance for Indian students to showcase their talents and other cultural things they may put on. They have 12-15 different performers. It has been going for 12 years with great attendance.
     3. Guest Speaker: This will be held at the Lincoln Center. We thought we would increase marketing by putting it into KCSU and the Collegian and giving a skit performance here and there and flash mobs in front of LSC. The budget has increased compared to last time for that reason.
        1. Balster: When is this?
           1. Speaker: October 19th.
     4. Yearby: As a member of BSOF, I was very impressed with this last year. This is one of the bigger groups for funding proposals. Their goal is 1500. They have a great event. We should definitely vote for it because it’s becoming a CSU tradition. I encourage a yes vote.
     5. Seel: From personal experience, I went to this event last year, it was really organized well and had a great mixture of entertainment and understanding the Indian community here. I encourage a yes vote.
     6. Roos: I’m all for this event. I want to move culture forward and we throw all these events all the time but we need to move this event forward. This also can tie into how we can maintain sustainability for events like this.
        1. Yearby: How do you propose for this event to have a zero waste?
           1. Roos: We are talking about the source and local stuff and reducing our carbon footprint. With this event, I would say that wherever our money goes, it should go green.
     7. Gurau: This looks like this will be a great event. We are voting as a confidence vote not about whether this is a great idea.
     8. Balster: I move to previous question.
        1. Vote: 22.0.0
        2. Vote: 22.0.0
   * Supplemental Funding Proposal #4402
     1. Laffey: I move to adopt bill 4402.
     2. Brookes: This event for the most part is a final closing of a week-long event for women of color. The goal of this is to foster the relationship of community. Lauren and I have worked a lot back and forth to get the budget sheet.
     3. Lauren: As an overview, united women of color, we strive to unify, strengthen, and empower all women of ethnic backgrounds. Some of our values include: service, academics, engagement, etc. We are developing ourselves through networking and collaboration. The reason why the amount is so high this year is because bands we ask for are about $10 thousand dollars. Melanie Fiona, our performer, was asking for $20 thousand but she cut down to $13500. We believe that Melanie Fiona fits into our values because she promotes diversity engagement. She came from a multi-cultural city and represents a lot of different genres. Right now we have executive members and Lance Wright to give us $1200 and we have some money in our account to fill in some and we hope to get grants as well. We believe this will be a benefit for everyone and we want to make sure they feel included on campus and we want to have fun nonalcoholic event for a fun, great experience.
     4. Yearby: As some members know from the 43rd senate, we approved their proposal last year and it was a success and there was a lot of people there, even people from other schools. This is pretty big highlight for members of this board. It worked out well. BSOF will be reviewing it. I support this bill.
     5. Vote: 22.0.0
   * Resolution #4403 Roll Call Change
     1. Laffey: I move to adopt resolution 4403.
     2. Dugger: It’s pretty straight forward. My thinking is just that we have some business to do here and if we have a more concise start time, it’ll be better for senators. If we can get to the chase and get things done quicker that’d be best. I recognize there are some good speakers.
        1. Crites: If we aren’t required to be here for guest speakers, and they speak to an empty room, why would that not look bad for senate?
           1. Dugger: It would still be on the agenda to come if you are interested.
        2. Yearby: With the therefore clause, is this changing the time period of senate?
           1. Dugger: Yes right now it starts at 6:30. I moved roll call to 7pm.
        3. Li Puma: The way, what the second therefore clause says, I wouldn’t be able to call to order till 7pm. It just moves senate back a half hour. As the author, would you feel this would be just if someone would move to say, “If there is a presenter, there is a 30 minute presentation before hand at 6:30 and 7 if there wasn’t,”?
           1. Dugger: Yes.
        4. King: If that amendment were to occur, if we have 1 speaker, how would that work?
           1. Dugger: They are given 30 minutes to speak so it would start at the end of speakers list.
           2. King: How would that work if someone didn’t take the whole 30 minutes?

Li Puma: I would do roll call at 7pm.

* + - 1. Seel: For the last therefore clause, would that be limiting for a bill that might have admin that would want to have their opinions heard?
         1. Li puma: You as senate body can extend that time.
      2. Yearby: Who currently chooses guest speakers?
         1. Dugger: Lance.
         2. Li Puma: Senate Leadership creates the agenda, not just me.
    1. Yearby: Since it’s the first reading, we can’t make any amendments. We aren’t going to vote on it tonight. I think the necessary change is to clarify that senate meets at 6:30 but roll call isn’t taken until 7pm. Also not being deemed by the Vice President and Senate Leadership but by senate as a whole. Even though its valued info, it seems that we are here so they can check off that they spoke to students. We can have a vote on that for the next session. If we have requests for speakership, we can break it up.
    2. Crites: With no disrespect to the author, I think it’s rude that we don’t want to sit and listen to guest speakers. We should take the time to listen to them if they take the time to come. If we don’t recognize someone by name, just seeing them on the agenda, we won’t come. Some really great information comes from some of them and great follow ups come from them as well. We wouldn’t know that information if it was optional.
    3. Balster: I agree with previous speaker. It’s addressing symptoms instead of the problem. This bill is not going to answer but address in the future to have a more clarified plan of what they will speak about to present to senate.
       1. Li Puma: I have been turning away a lot of speakers. I would like to apologize for that one session. And I want to say I have moved conversations good for ASCSU, not senate specifically, to other certain events or times.
    4. Watson: I motion to yield to the gallery.
       1. Watson: I am a CSU alum. I am in town on business. In any event, I came in here to see what I left behind and believe it or not, this idea was also brought up when I was a senator. I appreciate the fact that ASCSU is still doing stuff. Starting time as 6:30 has been that way since before I was here. Anyone know why? No. But I’ll let you look it up. It started at that time for a purposeful reason. If you don’t like the fact that it runs too long, I wouldn’t suggest changing the time. Talk faster, or quit, or suck it up. Being that I’m an alumni, and you wanted to change it for the sake of convenience, I would have no idea when you all started. Also, I come back to look at the things I paid for with my fees. If you want to change something like that you can because you have the power to do that if you so desire. Some things shouldn’t change like the fact that you are going to pay for things you can’t enjoy. We had tradition. That slight amount of tradition now is that is starts at 6:30 and going to Pott’s after.
    5. Nolan: I think this bill is arrogant in thinking the people presenting aren’t worth our time. This is a tradition.
    6. Gurau: I can see where Eric is coming from and I agree and disagree and agree again. They deserve to hear and have our full undivided attention to listen. It’s fair to them and it’s rude to pass this. We are all making sacrifices to be here and so are the speakers.
    7. Seel: I feel that we have a good discussion and a general tone has come across. I think looking at the process of who comes to senate and looking at scheduling would be a good discussion. We can put this away to look at a different one later
    8. Earle: The bylaws state that speakers have 10 minutes to speak and 10 minutes for questions. Senate can amend it if they need to.
    9. Yearby: I think this is a good strong consensus that changing the time is not supported but I still think a roll call change is necessary. The agenda needs to be more open and mindful of the things that happen. I think changes can be made within this bill. Also who decides comes to senate list is still an issue. I want to send this to a committee and fix this bill.
    10. Li Puma: I send this to internal committee.
        1. Yearby: Can we look at overall agenda changes?
    11. Yearby: I motion to close new business and move to committee reports.
        1. Earle: Just given the order of things, I would like to see us finish this out.
        2. Jordan: If we move the agenda, I think we should look at gold book thing tonight.
    12. Yearby: I change my motion to say going back to normal order to reference.
        1. Vote: 18.0.0
    13. Yearby: I move to table diversity bill for 2 weeks.
        1. Vote: unanimous

1. Judicial Reports
2. Senator Reports
3. Associate Senator Reports
4. Committee Reports
   * Internal Affairs
     1. Bill #4405 Diversity Bill: Seel: We were going to suggest the previous motion but in addition to that we are pursuing 3 bills, one being in the agenda today. This one includes having senate hours become more public so people can interact with them. That is being worked on. Myself and Bondi are working on a new committee that could perhaps be another alternative to the diversity bill. Laffey also wrote one.
     2. King: I motion to adjourn.
        + Gurau: I want to say something too.
        + Sydoriak: It’s late but it’s getting uncivil. It’s going to take like 10 more minutes.
        + Earle: A motion to adjourn requires a second or is not debatable.
        + King: I withdraw my motion.
          - Vote: unanimous

• External Affairs

* + 1. Bill #4406 the $10M Cap: Crites: We did a lot and had a great meeting. I’ll get to the 10 million dollar cap. Nolan gave us information on the new mental health committee and there will be legislation coming. Laffey attended and let us know about his bill. $10M Cap: we are all in support of the concept but we have hefty suggestions. First thing, we struck “Sydoriak” at the top because you are a writer now. More grammatical issues. Whereas clause, we talked about by saying “physical and technological infrastructure, we thought it meant buildings so we struck “infrastructure” Instead of saying a “bylaw change”, we wanted to change it to “in addition to the bylaws”. More language issues. These questions specifically, I was working with communications record, when you structure questions, is there certain language you use to elicit a response? We want to make sure the words used are neutral. The next therefore clause, we ran into some issues saying “there cannot be a referenda of student fees”. We like the language, but we need to organize campaigns versus lobbying for and against something. Next little bit, this as the original language, can be confusing. We suggested changing it to be consistent until we get the language above. Last part: We decided some things we wanted to see until we had total support. First, we want to hear input, see input and be ensured from SFRB because these are the people in charge of creating questions. We want to make sure they are in support before we approve it. We are curious about what research has been done on this survey. We want to make sure that in order to not increase student fees, that we aren’t increasing student fees. We had a lot of questions with the timeline of the event. A lot of proposals for fees come after elections or they aren’t solidified before elections, so how could we get this in to the elections on time? We want the timeline of events and want to make sure SFRB can be done with these. When is this scheduled to take effect?
       1. Yearby: You asked a lot of questions of wanting more information, who do you want to give that to you?
          1. Crites: ACNS.
          2. Yearby: Who do you want to go find these answers?

Crites: The authors.

* + - 1. Yearby: To the questions, are you asking that the authors look into the validity of questions before we question?
         1. Crites: If I as the writer say that I want these exact questions to be asked but they didn’t fulfill the data, then I wouldn’t want to ask those questions anymore.
         2. Yearby: Students wanted to be asked these questions.
         3. Crites: It’s not the question that is poor. I want to make sure that when people look back, they won’t say “well of course I answered yes, just look at the question.”
         4. Yearby: I have done research.
         5. Crites: I just want to see where these came from.
      2. Sydoriak: What’s not neutral?
         1. Crites: We are look for a willingness to pay factor when asking these questions. Rather than saying this amount, you have to ask levels of amounts to gain the thought of student’s utility of dollar amount.
         2. Li Puma: Every kind of student voice gets pushed to student affairs department and makes sure any bias is gone. If this was passed, we would go to student voice survey people and let them create their questions.
         3. Sydoriak: Would you be more comfortable to push that to on to burden people making the survey?

Crites: Yes.

* + - 1. Yearby: With the struck out organization campaign clause, that was about gaining student support. Why did you feel that needed to go away?
         1. Jordan: Elections code does not provide for any option other than referenda.
         2. Crites: By saying vote for this, you are gathering people on a certain side instead of gaining information.
  + University Issues: Gurau: We wrote a bill on bike safety on campus and improving the bike lane and walking lane and improved dismount zones on campus. We will write legislation at 1pm in BSB if you want to come.
  + Laffey: I move to adjourn the meeting.
    1. Vote: Unanimous

1. Confidence Business
2. Old Business
   * Bill #4402 Judicial Reform (Second Vote)
   * Bill #4403 Executive Constitutional Clarification (Second Vote)
   * Bill #4404 Legislative Constitutional Clarification (Second Vote)

• Resolution #4404 Legislation Submission Deadline

• Resolution #4405 No Voting Until all Voices are Heard

1. Announcements
2. Roll Call
3. Adjournment