**Associated Students of Colorado State University**

**Forty-Fifth Senate**

**Sixth Session**

**September 30, 2015**

**Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge
3. Roll Call
4. Gallery Input
   * Michelle Sogge: I am here in the gallery because I am going to resign in the near future. It officially goes through on October 4th. IF you have any questions or need to meet with me, I am available for the next week. I am still training people and I am just here
   * President Sydoriak: U+2 town hall Monday, here at 2pm. If people are interested send them here or get them in contact with us.
5. Consent Agenda
   * 9/23/2015 Minutes
     1. Senator Williams: I move to adopt the agenda for consent. Motion passed
6. Guest Speakers
   * City of Fort Collins: Social Host Ordinance
     1. Social host is intended to give us a tool to reduce the number of underage drinkers within the city of fort Collins. Social host ordinances seem to be the thing that is helping communities in the reduction of the number and intensity of drinkers and parties. This is just another component of the underage drinking problem. We went to city council and presented a presentation about the social host ordinance as well as an MIP ordinance. We are here for just the social host ordinance tonight. You are a major stakeholder and want your advice. We really do want to hear the student voice. Nothing is solidified. We brought a drafted document to city of fort Collins. It is completely open for discussion and changes. We have heard of some compromises and just want to hear your input
     2. Senator D: How big is the problem of underage drinking?
        1. We have some notes from city of Fort Collins. It is focused on high school students. 34.9 of high school students that took the survey, had consumed at least one drink within 30 days of the survey.
     3. Senator D: Is this in relation to parties held by college students?
        1. It is a combination of this and from access at home.
     4. Senator D: What would be the penalties associated with this ordinance?
        1. Education is our main priorities. IT is at civil fines depending on situation of occasion.
     5. Senator D: How will you be forcing this?
        1. Police that would have been called would be the ones by my knowledge.
     6. Senator D: Are there policies already in place?
        1. Putting the host in more of a solution role is our main aspect. Yes there will be fake IDs and some problems, but having a more conscious or aware host is what we are focusing on.
     7. Senator Lenksy: What would you like us to do other than input.
        1. Be involved as much as you want to be.
     8. Senator Rhine: I think it is a great idea. This would help get the school under control. Might take away from the college experience however.
     9. President Sydoriak: Who initiated the idea of this ordinance?
        1. Teen Fort Collins was the group that came to us initially and has had CSU input as well.
     10. Sydoriak: Do you think it would encourage good behavior by hosts and underage drinkers? Would it take into consideration people who would try to find grey areas in this ordinance?
         1. That is our goal. That is always a problem and something that happens and is something we are trying to address with this. We have looked at similar areas with a similar size of university to look for ideas.
     11. Senator D: I have a few concerns. When people are caught, they aren’t sorry for drinking but sorry for being caught. How will you be able to control people in this area instead of pushing them into a corner? I am wondering about double jeopardy and the pilling on of charges for a single act.
         1. That is something we would consider and would be in dialogue. That is something that the Police would need to be in contact with and a discussion to be had.
     12. Senator D: I move to adopt exhaustive speakers lists – passed
     13. Senator Prochazka: Do you have statistics about if underage drinkers would change behavior if they were affected by this ordinance?
         1. Not at this time but will be given to you.
     14. Senator Williams: In the statistics, was it noted of the time of when the drinking occurred? Would police presence be increased to ensure this ordinance?
         1. We do not have that particular we have at the moment. That is something I would have to get back to you on.
7. Ratification & Swearing in of New Members
   * Motion to amend the agenda to include Deputy Director of Graduate Affairs and Supreme Court members under ratification.
   * SFRB Members
     1. Vice President Dugger: We had the bulk ratified last session but had people with prior commitments that couldn’t make it to the session last week.
     2. Sam Laffey: Who was appointed by a group?
        1. Dugger: Sydney was by the Career Center. The others saw dedication and applied.
     3. Members were elected to the committee and sworn in
   * Deputy Directory of Graduate Affairs: Kevin Waida
     1. Waida: I am first year graduate student and haven’t selected an area of study
     2. Laffey: Where are you from and what do you bring to the table?
        1. I am from Longmont and studied at University of Missouri for my undergraduate. I felt that graduate students were underrepresented at Mizzou and would bring that to Colorado State University. That is something I am working on and would start by reaching out to the members. I would think for me is that I would start by sending out an email introducing myself. Next would be meeting with faculty and students to understand the needs and wants from the departments.
     3. Senator Miller: How would you deal with outreach and event planning?
        1. I was on an event planning committee as an undergrad. My goal at first is to reach out to the student base at first. During my tenure I would provide events to meet the needs of these students. With focused events, I would have a better shot to get this feedback.
     4. Motion to have a placar vote. Motion passed
     5. Vote: 24:0:0
     6. Sworn in to office
   * Supreme Court Members
     1. Deputy Chief Justice: Jacob Stein
        1. Chief Justice Dannemiller: We had some opening in the supreme court openings and have been circulating the application. We have been trying to spread the workload of the court between people. We could only do this office internally. We had two associates that were interested. Jacob Stein is our candidate.
        2. Motion for a roll call vote – passed
        3. Vote: 20:0:1
        4. Sworn into office
     2. Associate Justice: Mackenzie Owens
        1. Chief Justice Dannemiller: We did the associate justice process first. We circulated it first through the liberal arts list serve. We also contacted the honors system. I felt our reach was good. We had 23 applications for this position. We were looking for an individual that could serve the two year term. We narrowed it down to two candidates and Mackenzie Owens was our choice. I think she will do an amazing job.
        2. Senator Miller: How will your experience as an RA will help shape your decisions.
           1. I have experience with students already and I think that it is important to have people that understand the needs of the students. It is helpful to have this understanding
        3. Senator Bryan: Help reassure me that the time constraints won’t affect your work here.
           1. If I need to put extra time here, I will do that. Time commitment will not be a problem
        4. Vote – 22:1:2
        5. Sworn into office
   * Associate Senators
     1. Sworn into office by Chief Justice Dannemiller
8. Executive Reports
   * Deputy Director Siri: October is Academic Integry month. October 6th, we will be doing some tabling. This 11:30-12:15 or 12:15-
   * Director Truitt: Speaker tomorrow on social justice. It is at 4 and student leader dinner at 5:30. It is at the campus rec.
   * Deputy Director Yeager: If you have not joined a committee, please contact me so we can get you on one.
   * Director Jackson: We have our last day of mental wellness.
9. Judicial Reports
   * Chief Justice Dannemiller: We are currently working on our second internal complaint and settled our first one.
10. Senator Reports
    * Senator D: Will be writing a bill to use iclickers in senate. It is about time. If you want some input please come talk to me.
11. Associate Senator Reports
    * Associate Senator Laffey: Two weeks ago I missed Senate due to attending an event here at CSU. It was very quite fascinating. There has been a dramatic shift from tenure faculty to non-tenure faculty. There are some causes and problems that all college will have to make. Committee of University Programs, our meeting will be in late October. Some hardships that the students will face is that the classrooms in the stadium will be in the southwest corner of the stadium. UTFAB, attendance has been a little sketchy. We are working on that. We have one million dollars as a baseline for this committee and will expect more. Ground breaking for the new Biology building will be soon.
12. Confidence Business
13. Committee Reports
    * Internal Affairs – There were no changes to the bill since the last week. If there are any questions, they could be forwarded to Director Truitt. We accepted the amendments as they were presented last session. We discussed a bill that will brought up later regarding a task force. It is always open to anyone.
    * External Affairs – We didn’t have any legislation but started tackling the issue of bring the higher education together and to create a better voice. We have been working with governmental affairs. If you are interested, please come to the meeting at 2pm on Friday.
    * University Issues – We had no bills and tackled other issues. We discussed the possibility of a parking meter app. We discussed open source text books and iclickers. We meet at 10 am on Thursday.
    * Senate Budgetary Committee – This pass week we had a presentation from the President about spending and Community Affairs about their budget. It is not require that you present your budget but would prefer it. We can also review or sponsor bills.
14. Old Business
    * Resolution 4502: Reducing Colorado State University Building Impacts
      1. Associate Senator Rickets: Adopt resolution 4502 for discussion - passed
      2. Discussion:
         1. Laffey: I brought this to our advisors. This bill aligns with the university, UTFAB, and facilities missions. It promotes green and is our goal to have all buildings lead-gold certified. Urge yes
         2. Senator Bryan: It is a resolution to say good job and would like clarification.
            1. Director Truitt: It is an update to a previous standing resolution
         3. Laffey: Just to clarify, the three buildings that aren’t gold certified are the Cube as well as a greenhouse project (at ARDEC). We can get everything to this standard but we try our best. We replace our carpets to get it refurbished. We do very good things.
      3. Vote – 23:1:0 motion passes
15. New Business
    * Bill 4505: Pay for ASCSU Senators
      1. Senator Williams: I move to adopt Bill 4505 for discussion – passed
      2. Bill read by Speaker Pro Tempore Seel
      3. Associate Senator Laffey: First off, I have received information that this bill may not be constitutional. That being said, I am going to go to the Supreme Court about this. Being paid, makes you liable and makes you go through the same processes of a CSU employee. It could be enforced to make sure you follow your office hours and commitments. It is a lot of time. You sit on several committees and then come to senate. Most people don’t talk so it must be boring. Do you think that you should be paid? Some say yes some say no.
      4. Discussion:
         1. Ricketts: What happens if the disgressionary funds runs out? This is not a stable fund.
            1. This is the budget surplus that we currently run. I basically put in a line that it will be sunset in one year.
         2. Senator D: If passed, when would it take effect?
            1. If constitutional it would take effect immediately
         3. Where did the 1000 value come from?
            1. It is arbitrary. Considering time commitments, it will be evaluated to be about 24 cents per hour. The real question is how much do you feel is your value?
         4. Senator Bryan: Would you be open for that 1000 dollar number being amended. Would committee chairs receive that flat rate or include what they make now.
            1. Absolutely and would include both for committee chairs.
         5. President Sydoriak: Are you aware that the same time commitments are that of an assistants. When was the bill written?
            1. It was wrote before the bylaws and then edited afterwards. The time commitments stated in the job description have increased dramatically.
         6. Senator Prochazka: Has everyone that sponsored the bill seen the most current version of the bill? Have you collaborated with the President or in the Finance Department.
            1. Yes and have sent multiple emails to leadership. I received information from President Sydoriak but would like that confirmed by the Supreme Court
         7. Senator Rodenbaugh: What about senators that come in later? Why did you decide to take it from the disgressionary fund?
            1. It is paid on a bi-weekly basis. We have run a massive surplus in years on the budget.
         8. Moved to exhaust the speakers list
         9. Senator Elatova: I know the idea of the bill but have you taken into consideration senators not fulfilling duties?
            1. We have officers here for a reason to enforce this stuff. How are cabinet members enforced? The same safeguards must be in place for this to occur.
         10. Discussion
             1. Senator Williams: I am here in senate to not get paid. I volunteer my time as a liaison and I don’t feel like I could justify getting paid that amount for my work.
             2. Senator Teal: After three years of serving on senate, this is not the way we should go. We are here for the students and the student’s voice.
             3. Senator Prochazka: Senator Nolan isn’t here and would like me give his points. I can’t believe this bill made it to the floor and I am in opposition of this bill. I did not join this organization to be paid but here to represent the students. If you are here to boost your resume and make a little cash you are here for the wrong reasons.
             4. Christian Bueno: Michelle Sogge’s points: You are public servants for the students
             5. Senator Lensky: I echo all previous speakers. 1000 dollars per year. That would be $26000 and is a fifth of the total fund. The fund is there for rainy days. I am opposed to this bill as there are a lot of complications in keeping track of senators. I have never been approached due to not having time to serve due to financial reasons. I feel this value is too high
             6. President Sydoriak: I want to commend everyone who puts service before themselves. I am disappointed who created or maintain the budget. When I first created the budget, there were consideration to make positions more prestigious with a high salary. The fund is also a rollover from the previous administration. We need to make sure that the student fees that students paid are paid now. Senate cannot reallocate funds during the year due to a clause in the constitution. The President is the only person that can reallocate the funds during the fiscal year. These changes have to be approved by the legislative process. I do believe there can be an opportunity for funding senators but that can be done through your college councils.
             7. Senator Bryan: The author of the bill stated that the first year would be from the rollover fund and then allocated from other funds. All ASCSU members have to be paid through the ASCSU budget. Those are some serious concerns.
             8. Senator D: I figured there is so much opposition, I would bring a pro. If we pay senators as little as one dollar, it is a legally binding contract. I am here for the service. This would force us to be an employee and would make us more accountable. It will provide some incentive. I can also see all of the previous speakers’ points. I would also see the benefits of this bill.
             9. Associate Senator: I don’t really approve of it. It changes the incentive of new members that would be coming into Senate. However, our time is valuable and that should be understood. While it may not be something that drives us, it is a lot time that we spend. We shouldn’t sell ourselves short.
             10. Senator Harrison: I would like to echo previous speaker. However, I would like to consider the value of time specific individuals. I would suggest reimbursement of parking and transportation costs. Something like that to a couple hours of parking would be great but would be against the process of being paid.
         11. Associate Senator Laffey: I move to postpone this item indefinitely
             1. Vote – 21:0:2 motion passes
16. Announcements
    * Senator D: I would like to invite you all to watch the Avengers in Behavior Sciences on Friday. It will be in A101
    * Director Schafer: The mental health committee is considered an external committee. Please talk to me about this if you are sitting on this committee already.
    * Speaker Pro Tempore Seel: We are looking at the topic of using iclickers. WE are looking to do a dry run in a few weeks. The agenda will look differently. I will go over the job description at this point.
    * YAY BOX
17. Roll Call
18. Adjournment