**Associated Students of Colorado State University**

**Forty-Sixth Senate**

**Third Session**

**August 31st, 2016**

**Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge
3. Roll Call
4. Gallery Input
	* CSU Police Department
		1. Pam Norris and I struck a deal that we would build more of a community with CSU and ASCSU. We are here to build relationships. I try to be as transparent as I can. One of the ways that we do that is that we connect with any organization or group. I have been a cop for a long time and I can tell you that it is never like what you know. We are here to be a resource for you. We probably won’t interact as much but will be in the room. If you have a question, ask. I am going to leave some business cards here for some contact points. We build our business with our relationships with the community and it starts right here. The majority of my role is like this and is communicating.
		2. I graduated a year ago and I was in your shoes. I have been in the department for a year now. I am learning too. Keep that in mind when you are dealing with officers. If you have any questions, just let me know. I love talking to people.
5. Consent Agenda
	* Minutes 08/24/16
	* Resolution 4602 – In Support of an Excused Absence Policy
	* Resolution 4604 – Approval of the FY17 BSOF Bylaws
	* Resolution 4605 – Amendment of the 46th Senate Bylaws
		1. Consent Agenda was approved
6. Guest Speakers
7. Ratification & Swearing in of New Members
	* Board for Student Organization Funding
	* Senators: Sarah Hill (College of Liberal Arts)
		1. Sworn into office
	* Cabinet Members:
		1. Presentation
			1. Alexis Svenson (Deputy Director of Traditions and Programs)
				1. I am studying Business and a programmer for RAM Events. I really like event planning. I am really interested in this role. We have the opportunity to take charge and plan these events and create those memories for the students here.
			2. Gabriela Maldonado (Chief of Staff)
				1. I have a major in international studies and ethics. I am involved in multiple organizations on campus. My values with ASCSU align and look forward to working with professionals.
			3. Veronica Bass (Deputy Director of Marketing)
				1. I am Journalism major and have taken several roles here at CSU. I am more focused in Marketing and think would be a great addition
		2. Questions:
			1. Senator Martin: How has your roles prepared you for this office.
				1. My role with analytics will definitely play a role.
				2. My role in my fraternity has allowed me to gain leadership experience. I am a planner and think that this would be an easy transition.
				3. I have had the opportunity to campaign for an education board member in Denver. I have had roles in having tough conversations with people.
			2. Will you be able to meet the time requirements of this role?
				1. Yes. I have already worked through the schedule.
			3. Where have you studied abroad?
				1. I studied in England.
				2. I studied in England as well.
		3. Vote
			1. Ratified into office with a vote of 18:0:0
		4. Candidates were sworn into office
8. Executive Reports
	* Director Sathe: Thank you for everyone that came to the Welcome Walk.
	* Deputy Director Rhine: The first RLT event is coming up soon. If you know anyone that is interested, please send them my way.
	* Director Wells: I am here to recruit members for BSOF. I would like to get the best group that I can possibly get. I will be sending out reminder emails with applications to get this process going. BSOF does count as one of your committee meetings.
	* Director Nathan: Tomorrow is Grill the Buffs and wear your Forever Green shirt. Please find me to check in. Please wear hats as it is a safety and health code thing.
	* President: ASCSU’s name is really getting out there. This is a new year. We will have to refer to old knowledge but shouldn’t dwell on the past. Really be proud of the name you represent. I am open to meetings of how we can make the organization better and want to hear your input. It all boils down to professionalism. We are a student organization but are also a professional office. We will have a great year if we make it so.
	* Director Siri: I am the director of Academics for all of you that don’t know. Academic Integrity week will be coming up in mid-October.
9. Judicial Reports
	* Chief Justice Stein: We are still taking applications for open positions in the supreme court and are due by Friday at 5pm. If you have any questions, please talk to any of us.
10. Senator Reports
	* Senator Brown: Tonight we have some people that are interested in joining ASCSU and being a part of this organization. If you know of any other people that are interested in joining, please get them in contact with me.
	* Senator Auer: The Pride Resource Center will be hosting a barbeque here soon and would be great to see people there. It will be starting at 5:30 next Wednesday.
11. Associate Senator Reports
12. Confidence Business
13. Committee Reports
	* Internal Affairs
	* External Affairs
	* University Issues
14. Election of Committee Chairs
	* Internal Affairs –
		1. Nominations
			1. PJ Seel
		2. Vote
			1. Elected into chair with a vote of 15:4:0
	* External Affairs –
		1. Nominations
			1. Juan Caro
			2. Duane Hansen
		2. Presentations
			1. I am really excited to chair a committee. I have been really involved the past few years. I think it is time for me to take a more neutral role and push discussion and debate. I would love to chair this committee.
			2. Part of the reason why I want to run for this committee, is that this body is too internally focused. I want to change that and push for more external bills. My credentials are expansive. I had experienced at Front Range Community College and came to CSU and have started from the bottom working up through the organization. I want to work for this body and students of the university.
		3. Questions
			1. Senator Caro
				1. Director Williams: Would you be willing to get involved in all legislative matters

Yes, I was Ray Martinez intern this summer

* + - * 1. Senator Auer: How has previous roles helped you out?

I have seen lots of voices that have been suppressed and have been on that side. I am willing to put my time and my abilities to encourage discussion and debate.

* + - * 1. President: How is your schedule looking?

My schedule is a little more flexible and not as busy as this past semester.

* + - 1. Senator Hansen
				1. Director Williams: Would you be willing to get involved in legislation on all levels.

Absolutely

* + - * 1. President: How will this work into your schedule?

I do have a few obligations. None of them will interfere with this position and could work well together.

* + - * 1. Senator Auer: How has your past experiences prepared you to help facilitate these discussions?

Anyone has a right to speak and welcome all opinions. I am good at working with different parties in discussions.

* + 1. Vote
			1. 11:7:0:0
			2. Duane Hansen elected to chairman
	+ University Issues –
		1. Nominations
			1. Juan Caro
		2. Presentation
			1. Basically the same reasons to chair this committee as last. Just a bit of different items.
		3. Questions
			1. President: What are some issues that you see that you would like resolved or work on?
				1. We did a lot of internal work last year and nothing for the students
		4. Vote
			1. 15:2:1
			2. Senator Caro elected to chairman
	+ All chairmen present were sworn into office
1. Old Business
2. New Business
	* Resolution 4603 - Adoption of ASCSU/New Era Partnership
		1. Resolution 4603 was adopted for discussion
		2. Resolution 4603 was read by Speaker pro Tempore Kendall
		3. Presentation
			1. Hello Senate, for those who don't know me my name is Josh Williams and I am the Officer of Governmental Affairs in the Executive Branch. I am here to present this resolution and Agreement between New Era Colorado and ASCSU. This election cycle has been pretty unique and historic, but has created apathy especially among young people like us. This is not good for our Republic as we need voters to participate in the elections process. This is why we are working towards an agreement with New Era…to help engage students in the process and help ensure participation by people our age in the process. Last election cycle, only 21.3% of our generation actually voted. ASCSU, as a student org, should do all within our power to reverse this trend. This is where New Era comes in. New Era Colorado is a non profit, nonpartisan, 501c3 organization dedicated to engaging especially millennials to participate in the elections process. The proposed agreement is not a contract and is non binding. Attached to the agreement are a list of terms and conditions agreed to by all parties. The basics of the agreement are that ASCSU will partner with New Era specifically for voter registration and education. The terms and conditions listed are limitations on what ASCSU and New Era can and cannot do while in this agreement together. The first term states this agreement must be approved by all branches of ASCSU. Through the summer and the beginning of the year I have presented to the Executive and Judicial branches and have gained their support for this agreement. Now I am presenting to Senate. The next term says that we may partner with other organizations to maximize student engagement. This is to address the concern that New Era takes stances on issues some in the body may not agree with. If there are other organizations we can partner with to maximize outreach to students, we can! The next condition prohibits ANY issue advocacy by New Era or ASCSU on campus or any other CSU affiliated property. This is to ensure no bias of any kind enters into registration and education process. The next term states that if the terms are violated, either party may withdraw from this agreement. This is so we don't get lax and allow any favors to ourselves or new era and created accountability. The final condition states that new era does not have access to the ASCSU office for any reason except for meetings with ASCSU personnel. Our goal is student engagement in this election, not only in the presidential election but in the state and local as well as the myriad of ballot issues we are presented with this fall in Colorado. As an organization we have a responsibility, to our constituents to promote involvement in all elections and this partnership is a positive step towards accomplishing this goal. Thank you! Are there any questions from the body?
		4. Questions
			1. President: Can you tell us about this agreement and what it will do for ASCSU members?
				1. It allows us to have any member to undergo voter registration training. There will be plenty of opportunities to be had here. The terms and conditions allow
			2. Senator Hansen: Will New Era be allowed to discuss the changes and how it impacts the students?
				1. This change should not impact your financial aid package as it allows people vote based on residency.
			3. Senator Pyfrom: Will New Era be on a neutral standpoint?
				1. Everyone who is on the registration drive is required to not tell people how to vote and that it is their decision.
			4. Gallery: What about the use of profanity in propaganda?
			5. Senator Caro: I echo previous speaker. Could you tell me about the $300,000 of donations and other money?
				1. There are non-partisan organizations that can be promoted or issues if they are not for a candidate. There is a term/condition to prevent this.
			6. Senator Brown: Why was New Era the partnership of choice?
				1. The relationship was made with the director last year and considered continuing that.
			7. Associate Senator Jones: Is to 501C3 have to be non-partisan
				1. 501C3 and 501C4 can exist at the same time and 501C is based on tax structures and how they can represent.
			8. Gallery: How would it look to have a group come on campus and hand out propaganda that would look bad and that we sponsor it?
				1. That is something that we can address with enough support.
			9. President: Is there a way to clearly state and provide language to clarify these issues.
				1. This will go to committee and can be changed. This is just words on a paper and can be amended.
			10. Gallery: Are you concerned about the media complications that this could cause?
				1. No matter who we partner with, there will always be people that are unhappy with it.
			11. Senator Pyfrom: Is anyone from ASCSU going to be watching for that these terms to make they are not violated?
				1. There will not be appointed ASCSU people and anyone can look for these matters.
			12. Senator Hansen: What is the purpose of the agreement?
				1. The terms and conditions are there just for writing. It is not binding in a contract but rather than agreement.
			13. Senator Horowitz: Is New Era on campus currently?
				1. Yes they are
		5. Discussion/Debate
			1. Gallery: If this is passed, I will have 200 plus members watching this. I am a fee paying student and am disgusted with the group here. There will be press about this.
			2. Senator Caro: I think that we should not get involved and let it play its course. We do not need to get involved. I do not think that we need any more media or problems. It worries me and I am a strong no.
			3. Gallery: I echo previous speaker and have went through voter registration training.
			4. Senator Brown: I have my reservations with partnering with any group. I was a little hesitant to sponsor this piece of legislation. I am really interested in this resolution as it is a work in progress and can work to make it better.
			5. Gallery: We are the only non-partisan voter registration group on question.
			6. Senator Rodenbaugh: I echo previous speaker. We need to encourage voter registration.
			7. Director Durazo: This bill was written in a non-partisan way.
		6. Resolution sent to External Affair committee
3. Announcements
	* Senator Bruce: People in the Middle East, they vote in ink and would like to consider what voting means.
	* Senator Hansen: If you are interest in External, come talk to me.
	* Senator Horowitz: Grill the Buffs tomorrow.
	* Senator Brown: Cam the ram will be at Grill the buffs
	* Speaker pro Tempore Kendall: I would like to bring back the Potts after Senate
	* President: Anyone that is still heated and wants to talk more about this topic, please go to external to talk about this in more detail.
	* Parliamentarian Vaishampayan: CVMBS College Council met and will be the next Monday after Labor Day. Point of Information is to ask for information and Point of Clarification is to add information.
	* Senator Auer: Tour de Fat is this weekend.
	* Senator Horowitz: Hillel is having a service this Saturday. I am going to be meeting with all of you at some point and would like to set up those meetings now.
	* Senator Martin: Real Talks have started in The BACC Office at 4pm every week.
	* Speaker pro Tempore: Come find me about consent agenda items.
	* Vice President Lensky: Over the summer, we looked into clarifying the language of the bill. There are languages in the bill that is not clarified and not defined. We would like to invite everyone to come and discuss the topics on the clarification.
4. Roll Call
5. Adjournment