



# Syron/Sullivan Administration 2018-2019

## Week ending March 8, 2019

### Executive Summary

#### A Message from the President

My part of the Presidential search concluded on Wednesday. The search progressed extremely well, I have the upmost confidence in the process. U+2 is going well, and we added a page about it to our website. The website has questionnaires from all the candidates and some facts. We are developing a social media campaign to direct people to the website.

Our "LEAD" council (Leadership, equity, accountability and diversity) met on Thursday. I thought discussions went well and we are planning a retreat around the topics the council thinks are pertinent.

I had an interview about water bottle refilling stations for the collegian. Kevin and I passed that bill over a year ago, I'm really hoping I'm remembered for more than that.

Sam finished our "7 year tailgating plan", which we now need to present to Mr. Parker and Dr. Frank. I think they'll like it. I want to create an agreement between ASCSU, FSL and Athletes to secure the plan for next year.

Elections are the week after spring break. Zack is working diligently to create a plan to keep us relevant, as we continue progress on restorative justice, U+2 reform, and a notes bank

Thanks,  
Tristan

#### ACTIONS ACCOMPLISHED

Summary of Actions	Who was involved in ASCSU?	Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>President's Council on L.E.A.D.(Leadership, Equity, Accountability, and Diversity)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ASCSU Organization</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ASCSU has historically had problems with culture in the office, especially concerning inclusivity and marginalized identities.</li> <li>To address these issues and hopefully work towards</li> </ul>

		<p>improvements in our office culture, we have formed a council to discuss problems in our organization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During the second meeting, the name was finalized (previously it was known as the President’s Council on Culture and Accountability)</li> <li>• We discussed how to best raise awareness of problems during our upcoming elections as well as the writing of next year’s job descriptions.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Budget Preparation for Next Year</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department of Finance</li> <li>• Office of the President</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We are gathering materials for next year’s ASCSU administration to form their budget.</li> <li>• Since this year’s administration intentionally spent down our fund balance, next year’s administration may have to ask for a fee increase to keep spending at this year’s levels.</li> <li>• While we are trying to make everything ready, there is only so much we can do until there is a President-Elect to coordinate with.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Student Internship Program</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department of Academics</li> <li>• Office of the President</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our Department of Academics has been working with the Career Center to start a program to give grants to students who work non-credited, un- or under-paid internships.</li> <li>• We have developed criteria for applications as well as some ideas as to make sure that recipients remain accountable.</li> <li>• The roadblock that we are currently stuck at is the exact mechanism of giving the</li> </ul>

		money to the recipient, as student fees have very specific rules regarding their usage.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Additional Funding for the ASCSU Travel Grant</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department of Finance</li> <li>• ASCSU Senate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The ASCSU Travel Grant allocates money to allow students to travel for academic events that they themselves cannot afford.</li> <li>• The funding that had been allocated in May for the Travel Grant had been exhausted. A bill was put through the Senate to give additional money to the program to allow for more funding, which was approved.</li> <li>• We will be working through the bylaws for this and BSOF and seeing if there are any changes needed for the new administration.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Election Preparation</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASCSU Supreme Court</li> <li>• Office of the President</li> <li>• Department of Marketing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASCSU's General Election is barely more than two weeks away, starting March 25<sup>th</sup> and ending April 10<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• Our Elections Manager has ratified their elections committee through the Senate and started to give orientation sessions for the candidates.</li> <li>• We will soon release the marketing for the election itself over the next week and after Spring Break.</li> </ul>

## CHALLENGES/SETBACKS/LESSONS LEARNED THIS WEEK

- Challenge: Spring Break makes it inconvenient to start anything, as having a week off just when a project is starting destroys momentum.
- Lesson: Work isn't everything, especially if it causes burnout.

## **HOW THIS ADMINISTRATION WORKED TO PROMOTE THE CSU PRINCIPLES OF COMMUNITY?**

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- Service: Increasing the amount of community service performed by our organization.
- Inclusion: Looking into the barriers for students who wish to join our organization.

## **ACTION ITEMS AND GOALS FOR THE NEXT FEW WEEKS**

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- Look into making training mandatory in job descriptions for diversity issues.
- Finalize budget documents for next year's administration.
- Figure out a way to fund the trial run of the internship program.
- Continue to look into the bylaws of BSOF and the Travel Grant.
- Ensure that elections are completely ready before break.