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## Agenda

- I. Call to Order - 6:39 pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Land Acknowledgment
- IV. Swearing-In of new Senator and Associates – NONE
- V. Beginning Roll Call – Clerk took attendance on a separate spreadsheet
- VI. Consent Agenda
  - Motion to pull Lex #5419 from Internal Affairs Committee and add it to the top of Old Business – PASSED
  - Motion to move Res #5430 to the top of Confidence Business – PASSED
  - Motion to move Bill #5432 – SFRB Bylaws after Bill #5426 – Sunset Clause for Lex #5401 – PASSED
- VII. Gallery Input - NONE
- VIII. Guest Speaker – ASCSU Budgetary Process Presentation
  - The ASCSU Budget is a framework for how the ASCSU Student Fee is allocated. The budget determines how much money each entity within ASCSU can spend, keeps track of how much money is being spent on major contracts, and tracks how much is in reserve accounts. The ASCSU budget is generally allocated in two ways: designated line item or discretionary spending.

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- The budget proposal development happens soon after ASCSU elections, the President-elect works with ASCSU Accounting Staff, the current President, and current Department Directors to create their proposal. Once the proposal is created, it must first be reviewed by the Board for Student Organization Funding.
  - Afterwards, the Budget will need to go through the steps of the Senate Budget Process and Presidential Approval.
  - Link to presentation can be found [Here](#), it is titled “ASCSU Budget Presentation”

#### IX. Executive Reports

- Director of Basic Needs Jorja Whyte
  - Executive Cabinet positions are open on Handshake. If you are interested in applying, Director Whyte will be in the Conference Room tonight to offer tips and advice.
  - The first ever Colorado Basic Needs Summit was on April 9<sup>th</sup>. They had a large group of students from various universities attending and six non-profits. The Summit was able to compile a report about common barriers, hidden populations, and collective next steps. Copies will be in the office and posted in the Teams.
  - Pot-a-Plant Day was a success, it is an annual event before 4/20 that discusses cannabis use and harm reduction and allows students to take home plants.
  - The Fort Collins Housing Advisory Board will be here on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 4:00 – 6:00 pm in the Senate Chambers. It is a great opportunity to learn more about the

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affordable housing process, encouraging officials to back affordable housing, and an open panel.

- The Student Housing Conversation Event is next Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 – 7:00 pm in LSC 304 – 306.
- Director of Governmental Affairs Ava Wilkins
  - House Bill 25-1090 that forces landlords to disclose the actual renting fees to tenants was signed by Governor Polis on Monday. Governmental Affairs has been looking at the language and testified in support of it.
  - The state budget is almost finalized and will be sent to Governor Polis' desk soon. There is a 3.5% tuition cap for resident students and no tuition cap for non-resident students. They are writing a letter to the Board of Governors to urge against raising tuition prices.
  - Next Tuesday, is the Navigating the Future: Conversations with your University Leadership Event, 6:00 – 7:30 pm in the Michael Smith Alumni Center.
    - It is a round table with university leadership to discuss the university's response in the shift of federal policies.
    - Will also have youth civic engagement groups tabling outside the event.

#### X. Judicial Reports

- Associate Justice Melanie Brosseau

- Rams Know Your Rights Week is next Monday – Wednesday
  - Rams Know Your Rights Week is dedicated to educating students about their legal rights in areas such as immigration, student protections, and sexual assault advocacy.
    - The goal is to empower students by providing critical information and actionable resources.
- Tabling: Monday – Wednesday, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm on the LSC Plaza
  - The ASCSU Supreme Court and Governmental Affairs Office will hand out flyers for the Students’ Rights Forum, Know Your Rights cards, and materials from various campus organizations. Students can also compete in trivia and win prizes.
    - There is a sign-up document in the Teams.
- Student Rights Forum on Wednesday, 4:00 – 6:00 pm in LSC Room 324
  - In recognition of Denim Day, this presentation will focus on raising awareness of sexual violence and promoting understanding of students’ rights.
    - Speakers from the American Civil Liberties Union and Student Legal Services will lead discussions on women’s rights and broader student’s rights.
- Chief Justice Morgan Wright

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- Stated her appreciation to the other Justices, especially Associate Justice Brosseau.
  - ASCSU Marketing will table nearby Rams Know Your Rights to connect ASCSU with the wider student body.
  - The End Overdose Organization is having a fundraiser with the Chipotle on College this Saturday. When you make your purchase mention End Overdose, and a portion of the proceeds will go to harm reduction resources.
  - ASCSU is not in a constitutional crisis right now. The Leges from the past Senate will be able to be reflected in the next Constitution. If you have any questions, contact Chief Justice Wright.

#### XI. Legislative Reports

- Officer Reports
  - Speaker Taylor
    - This is the second to last session of the 54<sup>th</sup> Senate. Legislation passed at the last session of the 54<sup>th</sup> Senate will be signed or vetoed by President DeSalvo on Thursday.
    - Will communicate about the timeline between the 54<sup>th</sup> to 55<sup>th</sup> Senates.
  - Parliamentarian Kamberg

- If you have any curiosity in the Parliamentarian position or using the technology, contact Parliamentarian Kamberg.
- Budget Town Hall
- Speaker Pro-Tempore Reese
  - Meeting with College Council Presidents and Representatives on Friday.
  - Next Friday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm there will be an onboarding meeting for the newly elected senators.
  - Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> will be the first session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Senate
    - Look at last year's Senate livestream to think about what positions you may run for, if any.
  - There may be an emergency session on May 9<sup>th</sup> depending on if the budget can get expediated.
  - A feedback form will be sent out through the Teams.
  - If you have been reappointed to your constituency, email Speaker Pro-Tempore Reese and attach your Director if you are from a CRC or President if you are from a College Council.
- Committee and Caucus Reports
  - Women's and Social Justice Caucus – Chair Friske
    - Next week might be the last caucus meeting of the school year.

- Will be working on reproductive care kits at the meeting.
- The Social Justice Library's Book Drive is still running, please spread the word.
- Housing Caucus – Chair Davis
  - Next Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> is 5:00 – 7:30 pm is the Student Housing Conversation Event in LSC 304 - 306
    - In collaboration with the Center for Public Deliberation and Basic Needs.
    - A panel of city members who work in the housing sector will be present and answer questions asked by students.
  - The Affordability Report will be discussed in caucus.
- Budgetary Affairs Committee – Chair McGlothlin
  - The committee amended and discharged Bill #5417.
  - Plans to have committee meetings until the 55<sup>th</sup> Senate begins.
    - This would mean two more meetings.
  - Plans to make reports on how the ASCSU budget is organized and how it has changed.
- Accessibility Caucus – Chair Snyder

- Have been meeting to work on the caucus report. If you have any recommendations for how campus can improve accessibility, contact Chair Snyder or attend Accessibility Caucus.
- Read a statement written by the caucus that opposes the Trump Administration's Dismantling of the Department of Education.
- Senator and Associate Senator Reports
  - Chair McGlothlin – Walter Scott, Jr. College of Engineering
    - Chair Lutz and Chair McGlothlin are working on writing a resolution that would allow all the Colorado universities to come together to support their academic funding and independence. If you are interested in seeing this, contact Chair McGlothlin and Chair Lutz.
  - Senator Greene – Pride Resource Center
    - Queer Prom is this Friday, 8:00-10:00 pm in the LSC Theater.
      - There will also be a Drag Show before the prom from 5:00-7:00 pm in RamSkeller.
    - APACC's Spring Roll/Roller Skating Event will be 10:00 pm – 12:00 am that same night.
  - Chair Snyder – College of Liberal Arts

- Next Monday and Tuesday, the College of Liberal Arts Council will be having recruitment and advocacy events
  - Monday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
    - Outside Clark on the grass area between Eddy and the Education building
  - Tuesday: 8:30 am – 11:30 am
    - Outside the University Center of the Arts
- Chair Friske – SAFE Center
  - Destress with Dogs Event next Monday, the 28<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am – 12:00 pm in LSC 234.
  - Next Wednesday will be the Take Back the Night Event in the LSC Grand Ballroom, 6:00 – 7:00 pm.
    - The event honors Survivors, hosts performances, and fosters healing and community. The first 75 attendees get a tote bag (they also need to have RSVPed).
      - Please RSVP through the form, it can be found on the Safe Center’s Instagram.
  - Come to the SAFE Center Office to look at the Petal Project display.
- Chair Davis – SAFE Center

- If you are a senior graduating and identify as a Survivor, you can go to the SAFE Center to get a luna moth pin to wear on your stole during graduation.
- Senator Jaudon – College of Natural Sciences
  - Sent an email out a few weeks ago asking for people to meet. Another email will be sent out to Senate members, please respond to their email.
- Senator Eveline Rivera – College of Agricultural Sciences
  - The Entomology Club is hosting a Silent Auction on Friday, 5:00-7:00 pm in Nutrien Agricultural Sciences Building Room 135 and 140
    - You can bid on items like preserved insect jewelry, climbing passes, and more.
- Senator Roberts – College of Agricultural Sciences
  - The Colorado Future Farmers of America (FFA) will be on campus next Monday and Tuesday.
  - Invited all colleges to a recruiting opportunity on the LSC Lawn from 3:00-6:00 pm.
    - If you want more details reach out to Senator Roberts during or after Senate.

**Confidence Business**

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- Resolution #5430 – Calling for a Tuition Cap for Nonresident Students
    - Abstract: *“This resolution calls for the Colorado State University System Board of Governors to not raise nonresident tuition by more than 4% for the 2025-2026 academic year.”*
    - Director Wilkins explained earlier in the session that LSAB wrote a letter to the Board of Governors asking for tuition for nonresident students to be put at 4%. Director McGlothlin wanted ASCSU’s signature on the letter, which is why he wrote the resolution.
    - Resolution was expediated leading to Discussion and Debate
      - The resolution is a push from the student body government to the Board of Governors to tell them what they want and promote affordability.
    - PASSED via voice vote

## XII. Old Business

- Lex #5419 – Establishing A Voting Caucus
  - Final reading
  - Chair Davis wrote this in the scenario that Cultural Resource Centers were dissolved. It provides safety clauses to allow Senators and Associate Senators’ positions from those constituencies to be represented in a new type of caucus.
  - Floor edits were made.

- Discussion and Debate
- PASSED via voice vote
- Lex #5423 – The Accommodations Act
  - Final reading
  - The Budgetary Affairs Committee provided input and floor edits were made.
  - PASSED via unanimous consent
- Lex #5424 – Adjustments for Accessibility
  - Final reading
  - Discussion and Debate
  - PASSED via unanimous consent
- Lex #5420 – Ensuring Fair Financial Distribution Within ASCSU Branches
  - Final reading
  - Discussion and Debate
    - Discussed the Senate as the final decider of the budget and the conflicting definitions of equity.
  - PASSED with a placard vote of 11 – 5 – 8
- Resolution #5414 – Supporting Student Rights to Protest
  - Final reading
  - Discussion and Debate

- Member stated that the right to protest is an important right to students.
- PASSED via unanimous consent
- Lex #5425 – Establishing Term Limits For University-Wide Elected Positions Within ASCSU
  - Second reading
  - Discussion and Debate
    - Member spoke against term limits, believes that representation should include the student body president, vice president, and speaker of the senate to be able to run as incumbents in those positions.
    - Member stated that leadership is seen in everyone, not necessarily just based on the position they hold.
    - Discussion about whether the authorship knows about term limits in student body governments.
    - Member stated that putting in term limits would take away agency from the student body and repeated terms are not that common. The last two-term president was 35 years ago.
    - Some members agreed that a one-year term limit on president, vice-president, and speaker of the senate would be beneficial.

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- In a placard vote of 11-5-7 the Lex will move forward
  - Bill #5417 – Reproductive Care Kits
    - Q&A
      - Questions about sunset clause and cost for pamphlet shipping costs.
    - Discussion and Debate
    - PASSED via unanimous consent

### XIII. New Business

- Bill #5426 – Sunset Clause for Lex #5401
  - A change to add a sunset clause to an earlier passed bill, Lex #5401 which established the Senate Public Relations Officer Position.
  - Made a floor edit changing the year.
  - Abstract: *“This bill amends Lex 5401 to add a sunset clause for allocated funding.”*
  - Will be sent to the Internal Affairs Committee.
- Bill #5432 – SFRB Bylaws
  - Abstract: *“The revisions to the Student Fee Review Board (SFRB) bylaws focus on improving procedural clarity, accountability, and efficiency in the management and review of student fees at Colorado State University. Key updates include refining membership rules,*

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*enhancing expectations for voting members, and reinforcing ethical standards regarding conflicts of interest. The amendments clarify the responsibilities of the Chair and Vice Chair, ensuring better oversight and continuity in leadership. Additionally, adjustments to voting procedures, fee proposal evaluations, and advisory board roles aim to create a more transparent and equitable process for assessing and approving student fee allocations. These changes enhance the board’s ability to serve as an effective liaison between students and the university administration, ensuring that student fees are reviewed with fairness, fiscal responsibility, and student interests in mind.”*

- Made changes to make two vice chairs rather than just one possible, clarified outdated language, and allowed for the Board to go into executive session.
- Will be sent to the Internal Affairs Committee and the DEI Committee.
- Bill #5427 – Ensuring Student Success in Graduate Entrance Exams
  - Abstract: “This bill allocates \$3500 from the Senate Discretionary Fund to provide funding for ASCSU to purchase study materials for graduate entrance exams.”
  - Will be sent to the University Affairs Committee and the DEI Committee.
- Bill #5428 – Increasing Wages for Administrative Student Workers

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- Abstract: *“This bill allocates \$3106 from the Senate Discretionary Fund to increase the wages of the hourly student workers in ASCSU’s Administrative Staff in FY26.”*
  - Will be sent to the Internal Affairs Committee and the DEI Committee.
  - Resolution #5429 – Denouncing Visa Revocations for International Students
    - Abstract: *“This resolution denounces the revocation of visas for international students at Colorado State University by the US Department of State.”*
    - Q&A
      - The bill’s purpose is to put out a statement that ASCSU is extremely opposed to the unjustified revocation of visas for international CSU students.
    - Will be sent to the University Affairs Committee and the DEI Committee.
  - Bill #5431 – Funding Future Election Success
    - Abstract: *“This bill reserves the remaining balance of the Senate Discretionary Fund and the Legislative Cabinet Discretionary Account to be used to fund an Elections Advertising position in the 2025-2026 academic year.”*
    - Q&A

- The position for an Elections Advertising position has not been formally created in legislation but that would reasonably fall under the Judicial branch.
- If the position is not created, there is a sunset clause that the funds would be returned to the discretionary account on July 1, 2026.
- Will be sent to the Internal Affairs Committee, the University Affairs Committee, and the DEI Affairs Committee.

XIV. Ending Roll Call – Clerk used the beginning roll call as end roll.

XV. Adjournment – 9:36 pm