

BILL 5560 – UPDATE BSOF BYLAWS FOR 26-27



THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

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ENDORSED BY: Walter Nelson Finance Administrative Intern, Brandon Abila Finance Intern, Lily Coughlin Assistant Director of Campus Engagement, Entire BSOF board

ABSTRACT: *This bill outlines the updates being made to the BSOF bylaws for the 2026-2027 academic year.*

WHEREAS (1),

At the end of each year, the Board for Student Organization Funding puts together suggested changes for the bylaws. This is designed as an exercise to evaluate what bylaws did not work well for us and caused confusion this year and decide what we can add to the bylaws so that the board functions more efficiently in the future; and,

WHEREAS (2),

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The board felt it important to add a mandatory disclosure statement for members that might also be a part of the student org presenting so that the board is fully informed when voting and can hold members accountable to abstaining/recusing themselves from voting.; and,

WHEREAS (3),

Article VI Section 2 currently states “If a Board member is an officer, member, or advisor of a RSO presenting to the Board, they must abstain from voting. If a Board member finds themselves unable to make a decision based on the Viewpoint Neutral Criteria they shall abstain from voting.”; and,

WHEREAS (4),

The board saw several presentations from RSO’s hosting end of year celebrations that closely resembled a commencement ceremony and commencement ceremonies are clearly outlined as an event we cannot fund. These events were not expressly commencement ceremonies, so it was up to the discretion of the board to decide if the event being presented counted as a commencement ceremony and felt that we should add a clearer definition for what classifies as a commencement ceremony; and,

WHEREAS (5),

Article VI Section 1 subsection 4 ends at letter “S” stating that BSOF will not fund Travel for students. We would like to add a letter “T” to clarify that BSOF will not fund RSO specific award ceremonies. The purpose of BSOF is to fund events open and marketed to all CSU students and when organizations host award ceremonies that are specifically for their organization, it is by nature, exclusive to the rest of the student body.

WHEREAS (6),

Article VI Section 1 currently ends at subsection 19 that states “Any event must submit a report, outlined by the Director of Finance, for record-keeping purposes. This report will include important metrics such as total attendance, general details, breakdown of cost, etc. This will be kept in ASCSU records for further years to assess the event when re-presented.”, and we would like to add another clause after number 19; **so,**

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED/ENACTED (1)

Article VI Section 2 shall be amended to say “If a Board member is an officer, member, or advisor of a RSO presenting to the Board, they must abstain from voting and disclose to the rest of the Board that they hold a position in the presenting RSO. If a Board member finds themselves unable to make a decision based on the Viewpoint Neutral Criteria they shall abstain from voting.”; and,

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THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED/ENACTED (2)

Article VI Section 1 Subsection 4 shall be amended by adding a letter “t” that says “RSO specific award ceremonies”; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED/ENACTED (3)

Article VI Section 1 shall be amended by adding a subsection 20 that says “BSOF funding shall not be used for events primarily associated with graduation or end-of-program recognition, including commencement ceremonies, senior celebrations, or similar activities, particularly those occurring at or near the end of the academic term, or those primarily intended for graduating students or specific organizational members, rather than the general student body.”; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED/ENACTED (4)

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Amy Parsons, President, Colorado State University; Tony Frank, Chancellor, CSU System; Marion Underwood, Provost & Executive Vice President, Colorado State University, Blanche Hughes, Vice President, Student Affairs; Kauline Cipriani, Vice President for Inclusive Excellence, Office of the President; Mike Ellis, Associate Vice President and Executive Director of the Lory Student Center, Student Affairs; Pamela Norris, Associate Executive Director Engagement and Talent Development, Student Affairs; Ben Schrader, Director, Adult Learner and Veteran Services, ASCSU Advisor; Duan Ruff, Director, Student Leadership Involvement and Community Engagement; Julia Pratt, Assistant Director for Student Government, Student Leadership, Involvement and Community Engagement; Farah Shah, ASCSU/SLiCE Accountant, Student Leadership, Involvement and Community Engagement; Ali Raza, Assistant Director of Involvement, Student Leadership, Involvement and Community Engagement, ASCSU Advisor; Elisa Randazzo, ASCSU Administrative Assistant; Warner College Council; Ag Council; College of Liberal Arts Representative Council; Natural Sciences College Council; College of Health and Human Sciences Dean’s Leadership Council; College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences College Council; College of Business Dean’s Student Leadership Council; Lisa Chandler, Assistant Director, Adult Learner and Veteran Services; Kathleen Fairfax, Vice Provost, International Affairs, Colorado State University; Chad Hoseth, Assistant Vice Provost, International Affairs, Colorado State University; Greg Wymer, Director, International Student Scholars and Services; Mary Ann Lucero, Executive Director, Academic Advancement Center; Elizabeth Sink, Lead, Multifaith and Belief Initiatives; Gaurav Harshe, Interim Director, Asian Pacific American Cultural Center; John Miller IV, Director, Black/African American Cultural Center; Aaron Escobedo Garmon, Director, El Centro; Maggie Hendrickson, Director, Pride Resource Center; Tyrone Smith, Director, Native American Cultural Center; Imani Lindberg, Interim Director, Survivor Advocacy & Foundational Education Center; Justin Dove, Director, Student Disability Center; Amy Taylor, Senior Director of the Accessibility Center;

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ASCSU PRESIDENT JAKYE NUNLEY

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RESOURCES:

Use this section to place any relevant citations and/or resources used in the producing of this legislation.

THAT THIS LEGISLATION SHALL BE FORWARDED TO:

Amy Parsons, President of Colorado State University

Tony Frank, Chancellor of the Colorado State University System

Marion Underwood, Provost and Executive Vice President

Blanche Hughes, Vice President of Student Affairs

Kauline Cipriani, Vice President for Inclusive Excellence

Mike Ellis, Associate Vice President and Executive Director of Lory Student Center

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