

ASCSU 54th Senate
24th Session
March 26th, 2025



Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Land Acknowledgment
- IV. Swearing-In of new Senator and Associates — NONE
- V. Beginning Roll Call
- VI. Consent Agenda
 - Motion to add Gallery Input under Guest Speaker — PASSED
- VII. Guest Speaker – National Marrow Donor Program/NMDP
 - Presentation link [HERE](#)
 - A non-profit organization that organizes a registry of volunteer blood stem cell donors.
 - CSU has an NMDP chapter on campus.
 - Work with over ten organizations at CSU, including ASCSU.
 - Two upcoming volunteer events
 - Next Monday, March 31st
 - Next Tuesday, April 1st
 - Multiple ways to help, register as a donor and/or volunteer at events
 - To volunteer you will need to check-in and check-out of the event
 - Recruit, educate, and share on social media
 - Hype squad, teaching team, and registration guide roles
 - Working to collaborate with ASCSU

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- 1,649 new registrants from CSU events in the past 5 years
 - Donor Qualifications
 - Between the ages of 18 – 40
 - A resident of the U.S. or one of its territories or freely associated states
 - Having a valid address
 - Able to meet medical guidelines
 - If you are a match, it costs nothing to donate
 - NMDP pays for all donation-related expenses, including medical, travel, personal, and professional
 - When you register, you're committing to donating to any patient in the world
 - It is one of the most wonderful ways someone can give and could potentially save a life

VIII. Gallery Input

- Michael May, Co-President for the CSU Young Democratic Socialists of America Chapter and Student: Here in support of Lex #5417 – Creation of the At-Large Representative Student Council. Seeing the attacks on DEI in higher education, it is critical that ASCSU and the university take measures to protect Cultural Resource Centers and their student representatives. Is also here in support of Resolution #5411 - Calling Upon the University Policy Office to Sign the CRFW Letter of Intent, Making CSU a Recovery Friendly Workplace. It is important that people have the ability to

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recover from substance use disorder and find employment. CSU should care about and support these individuals.

- Jonas Andersen, Biomedical Sciences Student: Here to support Lex #5417 – Creation of the At-Large Representative Student Council. Believes it is critical to protect Cultural Resource Centers and their student representatives. The passage of this Lex would ensure that all voices are heard, especially those from marginalized and underrepresented communities.

IX. Executive Reports

- Director of Governmental Affairs Wilkins
 - Thank you to everyone who attended Day at the Capitol, it was a big success. Because of its popularity, Director Wilkins is including information in her transition report urging for more event funding so more students can attend.
 - Has been meeting with the Joint Budget Committee regarding funding in higher education and tuition caps. Were able to get the Committee to lower their proposed percentage and there has been an increase in general funding for higher education. Will continue lobbying for higher education affordability.
 - Will continue providing Joint Budget Committee updates.
- Vice President Dietz
 - House Bill 1090, a state bill ASCSU has been closely supporting just passed through the Senate. The bill deals with protections against deceptive pricing

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practices which prohibits a landlord from requiring a tenant to pay certain fees.

Will keep pushing for the Governor to sign the bill.

- SFRB has saved about \$7 off the initial proposed fee increase.
- After all the presentations have concluded, SFRB will come to Senate with their proposed fee package for next year. This will occur in a few weeks.

X. Judicial Reports

- Associate Justice Scott Perez
 - Collaborating with Executive Cabinet for Know Your Rights Week. Will be bringing in contacts from immigration law firms to better educate students about their immigration rights. Also hoping to integrate workers' rights since many students work.

XI. Legislative Reports

- Officer Reports
 - Speaker Taylor
 - Later tonight this Senate's last session date will be decided. If you want to write and pass legislation, do so soon since there isn't much time left.
 - Quite a few strikes will be sent out this week. Avoid strikes by attending committees and Senate.
 - Parliamentarian Kamberg
 - The file issue with the Senate computer has been fixed, thanks Elisa!

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- The edited version of the ASCSU Constitution has been sent out in the weekly newsletter and on the Teams. There have been lots of improvements with the Constitution's accessibility.
 - Appreciates the feedback she has received from her QR code forms on the Speaker's Office door.
 - There will be a parliamentary procedure training soon.
 - Wants feedback for what the new Senate legislation template should look like.
 - When sending legislation in an official capacity, it should be a file, not a link.
 - If you make edits to legislation, make sure the name of your committee is in the title and upload it to the Teams. That is where the most recent versions of legislation edits will be.
 - Speaker Pro-Tempore Reese
 - Will be introducing a piece of legislation codifying Senate's onboarding process soon. If you have any suggestions about the onboarding process, reach out to Speaker Reese.
 - All onboarding emails should be sent out with a Calendly link. If you need the email but haven't received it, contact her.
 - Lots of second strike emails will be sent out soon. Make sure to attend committees.

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- Committee and Caucus Reports
 - Budgetary Affairs Committee — Chair McGlothlin
 - Endorsed and discharged Bill #5412 and Lex #5418 with minor edits.
 - Discussed the creation of an informational presentation on the how the ASCSU budget works. Will hopefully present to Senate sometime in the next month.
 - Also discussed the creation of an ASCSU Financial Policy to consolidate and codify financial guidelines for all members of all branches.
 - Internal Affairs Committee — Chair Lutz
 - Saw Bill #5412 and Res #5411, made minor edits and discharged both.
 - Committee meets Fridays, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm
 - Had to cancel Constitution Subcommittee on Monday due to a time conflict.
 - The Subcommittee meets Mondays, 10:00 – 11:00 am and Thursdays, 4:00 – 5:00 pm.
 - University Affairs Committee — Chair Miller
 - Saw Lex #5417 and Res #5411, endorsed and discharged both.
 - Meet Thursdays, 2:00 – 3:00 pm.
 - DEI Committee — Chair Meyers
 - Saw Bill #5412 and changed all instances where it said “ceremony” to “celebration” and minor edits regarding the budget.

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- Saw Lex #5418 and added a sentence for more specifics with the fiscal reports and sponsorship.
 - Meet Fridays, 2:00 – 3:00 pm.
 - Accessibility Caucus — Chair Snyder
 - Met with CSU Facilities before the break to discuss ongoing accessibility projects like the door buttons.
 - This week, Caucus will be debriefing the meeting with Facilities, discussing the Caucus report, and going over the recent federal executive order. Encourages all members to attend.
 - Meet Fridays, 3:00 – 4:00 pm.
 - Housing Caucus — Chair Davis
 - Had a combined meeting with the Food Security Advisory Council where they were able to work more on the Affordability Report.
 - The Affordability Report compiles data and resources regarding the cost of living and housing in Fort Collins. If you are interested in seeing this, contact Chair Davis.
 - Meet Mondays, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm.
 - Senator and Associate Senator Reports
 - Pride Resource Center — Senator Greene
 - Trans Days of Visibility Events

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- Saturday: Trans Joy Resource Fair with NocoSafeSpace from 12 - 1 PM in Old Town Square
 - Saturday: Rainbow Skate from 6:00 – 9:00 PM at Rollerland, costs \$15.00
 - Sunday: TDOV March with NocoSafeSpace at 12 PM in Old Town Square
 - Sunday: Fundraising Event from 3:00 – 6:00 PM at Prism and MVMT Apothecary
 - Monday: A Night of Joy with Splash, PFLAG, and other local organizations.
 - Student Disability Center — Senator Luna
 - Know Your Rights Training hosted by ASCSU, the Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition, and Career Center Monday is April 14th, 5:00 – 6:00 pm in the LSC Ballrooms.
 - Part of National Student Employment Week.
 - There will be catering.
 - All requests for using the accessible testing center for finals must be submitted by Monday, April 14th, 4:45 pm.
 - Had an Accommodations Pizza Party today where students could learn about getting accommodations from the SDC.

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- If you have a personal connection to public libraries and are an advocate for library funding, contact Senator Luna.
 - To stay updated on the SDC and its events, their Instagram handle is @csu_sdc
 - Student Disability Center — Senator Gray
 - Disability Accessibility Week Student Activities
 - Monday: Get to know the SDC!, 12 – 2 PM in TILT 121
 - Tuesday: AT Tools for Organization and Time Management, 2 – 3 PM in TILT 105 and Virtual Option
 - Wednesday: This Wasn't a Chapter in the Parenting Book, How to Support your Child with Disability with ALVS, 1 – 2 PM in TILT 105
 - Thursday: Destress with Dogs ft. HABIC with APACC and NACC, 1 – 2 PM in LSC 372
 - Friday: ACT Human Rights Film Festival: Life After, 7 PM at "The Lyric" Theater
 - Walter Scott, Jr. College of Engineering — Chair McGlothlin
 - Collegian article about the Cooperative Institute for Research of the Atmosphere where Chair McGlothlin works.
 - United Campus Workers are hosting a general meeting open to everyone employed by the university tomorrow from 4:00 – 5:00 pm in LSC 324.

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- Asian Pacific American Cultural Center — Chair Miller
 - Has been working on a resolution to bring awareness to emergency housing processes and procedures. If you are interested, let Chair Miller know. Also looking for sponsorships and endorsements.
 - Asian Pacific American Cultural Center — Senator Buschow
 - APIDA and SWANA Heritage Month is this April
 - Eid Henna Night this Friday, 7:30 – 9:00 pm in APACC (LSC 333)
 - Healing Through Community next Tuesday, 4:00 – 6:00 pm in LSC Theatre
 - Tinikling Dance Workshop next Wednesday, 5:00 – 6:00 pm in CSU Rec Center Studio 1
 - College of Agricultural Sciences — Senator Eveline Rivera
 - The College of Agricultural Sciences is hosting their 75th Annual Skyline Stampede next Friday through Sunday.
 - More information on the Colorado State Rodeo website.
 - El Centro — Senator Yoseline Rivera
 - Meet the Coaches and Enjoy Donuts Event on Friday, 12:30 – 5:00 pm in El Centro
 - The El Centro stole reservation applications are open until April 7th.
 - The El Centro Award Nominations application is open until April 9th.

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- Caminos Fellowship Program for mentoring first-generation students at Fort Collins High School and Poudre High School. Please consider applying.
 - Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2:30 – 4:00 pm
 - You don't need to commit for every date
 - Mentors will receive a stipend
 - If you have any questions, reach out to Senator Rivera
 - Black/African American Cultural Center — Senator Diggs
 - A second When2Meet for tabling with constituencies has been sent out in the GroupMe.
 - Africa's Got Talent Event next Saturday
 - Event details can be found on Instagram @africansunitedcsu
 - There will be student performers, dancing, music, and more
 - College of Natural Sciences — Senator Jaudon
 - Tomorrow and Friday, the College is putting on their annual hackathon.
 - You can register on Handshake.
 - ASCSU Elections are coming soon
 - Make sure to be engaged, informed, vote, and encourage others to vote
 - Will make a When2Meet for election engagement tabling
 - SAFE Center — Chair Davis

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- Wrapping up Women's History Month
 - Last Bread and Roses Event is tomorrow, 12:00 – 1:00 pm in LSC 300
 - Free lunch and discussion
 - Hiring applications for the SAFE Center are still open.
 - If you are interested in volunteering, VAT training will be the week after finals week.
 - ASCSU and the SAFE Center will be handing out drink covers and drink spike tests at RamBand next Thursday, 9:00 – 10:00 pm.
 - A Sign-Up Genius will be sent out in the Teams
 - Every Senate member needs to attend at least one Executive Cabinet meeting. If you can't attend any, contact Speaker Reese and Chief of Staff Nunley.
 - Cabinet is Wednesdays, 5:00 – 6:00 pm
 - SAFE Center — Chair Friske
 - If you are interested in giving presentations about consent to first-year students, please sign up.

Confidence Business

XII. Old Business

- Lex #5417 – Creation of the At-Large Representative Student Council
 - Final reading
 - PASSED via placard vote in 26-0-1

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- Resolution #5411 - Calling Upon the University Policy Office to Sign the CRFW Letter of Intent, Making CSU a Recovery Friendly Workplace
 - Final reading
 - PhD student Brittany Lynner focuses on psychology related to work, particularly equity and worker well-being.
 - Has looked at the experiences of people recovering from substance use disorder and their work experiences.
 - Here as a recovery ally which means she is committed to creating work and learning environments that are inclusive, stigma-free, and supportive of people in or seeking recovery.
 - Discussed the importance and benefits of recovery friendly workplaces.
 - PASSED with unanimous consent

XIII. New Business

- Lex #5419 – Establishing a Voting Caucus
 - Abstract: *“This bill aims to establish a voting caucus under Article VI of the Constitution.”*
 - “THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ENACTED That a Subsection 605 be added to Article IV the ASCSU Constitution stating, “Section 605 - A Voting Caucus: A. A voting caucus shall take the form of a normal caucus, but shall be given the ability to appoint 2 Senators and 4 Associate Senators to represent their interests and needs in the Senate body. These Senators will be appointed by the caucus as a

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whole; this process will take place on the first official meeting of the caucus. The appointed Senators and Associate Senators will be sworn in by a justice of the Supreme Court or by the Speaker of the Senate. B. This voting caucus will represent the needs, interests, goals, etc. of a specific constituency outlined in the initial application and bylaws of said voting caucus. C. Voting caucuses will have their own bylaws. D. Senators and Associate Senators representing the voting caucus will, to the best of their ability, represent the constituencies and interests/goals of said constituencies that are established by the voting caucus. E. Senators and Associate Senators chosen to represent a voting caucus will be ratified by the Senate in a majority vote. F. Voting caucuses will be established through a lex presented and passed by a majority vote through the Senate. This lex will contain the bylaws of the Voting Caucus, the constituency they plan on representing, and the goals/action-items they will pursue as a caucus. Furthermore, this lex will require a change to the bylaws of the active Senate during which they are applying, detailing the constituency they are representing. After a lex establishing a voting caucus is passed, the constituency the caucus is representing will be added to the bylaws of its respective Senate. G. Voting caucuses will meet a minimum of twice per month. E. Voting caucuses will be chaired by one or both of the appointed Senators who represent that voting caucus. F. A constituency who wishes to be represented by a voting caucus must either be a) a member of the At-Large Representative Council, or b) have had a

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constituency outlined in Section 204 of the ASCSU Constitution that has since been dissolved. G. A voting caucus will report to an advisor who will operate as another measure of accountability. ; and,”

- For transparency, this piece of legislation is to ensure CRC representation in Senate through the Constitution in the case that the CRCs are dissolved.
 - Believes a Voting Caucus would function most similarly to how CRCs currently operate.
- Will be sent to DEI Committee and University Affairs Committee.

XIV. Ending Roll Call

XV. Adjournment