

## **Senate Minutes 2/16/11**

**Called to order by Vice President Jennifer Babos at 6:33**

### **Pledge**

### **Roll Taken**

#### Directors Present

- Jordan
- Chase
- Tim
- Matt
- Jillian
- Regena
- Eric
- April
- Beau
- Wendy
- Andrew

#### Judicial

- Nick

### **Gallery input**

Weiner: Object to remove the dress code

Suspending the dress code Approved

### **Guest speakers**

#### **Ratification of new members**

Director Martel: Hello we have Keegan Shultz here he is going to be the next associate director of Ram Ride. He is a great addition.

### **Questions**

Weiner: Will you be serving your entire term as associate director

Shultz: Yes I plan to.

Weiner: Will you be giving up your senate seat?

Shultz: Yes I will

Shank: What made you want to apeopley?

Shultz: Ram Ride is one of the big things of ASCSU that everyone wants to be part of. I wanted to do something hands on to help the students.

#### **Discussion and Debate occurred**

#### **Secret Ballot**

**Vote: 20-0-4**

#### **Approved**

Babos: Please welcome the new Associate director of Ram Ride. Are there any more ratifications?

Director Landorf: I come with Allison up for ratification for Associate Director of Student Services. She has done everything that Associate does and I want to give her that option

#### **Question and Answer**

#### **Discussion and Debate**

#### **Move to a Secret Ballot**

**Vote: 20-0-4**

#### **Approved**

Babos: Welcome our new associate director of Student Services. Are there any other Ratifications?

Director Hart: Rebecca has been helping us out in the marketing department. I really think she does excellent work and I want to make her a new assistant for marketing

#### **Questions**

Weiner: what photo editing tools do you use?

Rebecca: I use publisher

Jackson: What's your major?

Rebecca: Graphic Design

Shank: What made you want to apeopley?

Rebecca: I wanted experience in my field

#### **Discussion and Debate**

## **We now move to a secret ballot**

**Vote: 20-0-4**

### **Approved**

Babos: Welcome our new assistant for marketing. Are there any other ratifications?

Director Ives: Hello Senate. We are splitting up the elections committee ratification into three separate groups. We are ratifying them now because we are trying to start with a lot of time for training. We will have four weeks to look over the elections code and look at evidence objectively. First member is Arrie Claskin.

Arrie: I'm a marketing major senior year. I am the associate director of marketing at ASCSU. This year we have done a bunch of different ideas to market the elections. I did work on a campaign last year and I got to see the process.

### **Question**

Weiner: What do you see as the most important role? Marketing or enforcing.

Arrie: I personally want to work on marketing to try and get the voice of the student voice heard. I want to hand out bills to separate colleges and during election season some people avoid the plaza completely.

## **Discussion and debate**

### **Move into a secret ballot**

**Vote: 18-2-4**

### **Approved**

Babos: Please welcome the new member of the elections committee. Any other ratifications?

Ives: Hello. Here are the at large members we have nominated. I'll have them tell you something about themselves

Eli: Finance major, Chair of elections of the communities college of Denver last spring

Nick: Accounting major, I've been an RA for three years and I know

Matt: Construction Management major, I've been involved in several groups and committee on a smaller level.

Matt DeLong: Psychology. I studied constitutional law and I am air force ROTC and I know how to remove my bias

## **Questions**

Weiner: Give me an idea whether you are marketing or enforcer

Eli: I'm equal on the subject

Nick: I'm more of an enforcer. It is something that is easy for me

Matt: They are equal to me. I have always been a neutral person who believes in the rules

Matt DeLong: I am more of an enforcer I believe in the rules.

Weiner: After seeing the evidence you are uncertain what would you do?

Eli: I would go with the evidence given and I would rule not guilty.

Nick: Same

Matt: Same

Matt DeLong: Same

Shank: Why do you want to do it?

Eli: I am excited to get into ASCSU and see what you are all about.

Nick: I really look at this as an opportunity to get involved

Matt: I'm excited to branch out

Matt DeLong: I'm interested in the Judiciary and I see it as a great way to grow

Gallery: I know Matt DeLong you have a lot on your plate, do you really think you'll have time to work on the elections committee.

Matt DeLong: This has set laws that I can look back at, and my old job was much more vigorous than my new job.

## **Discussion and Debate**

Point of information: Do we want to do this with the clickers?

Babos: Yeah

**Ellie: 18-1-5**

**Approved**

**Nick: 19-0-5**

**Approved**

**Matt: 15- 3-6**

**Approved**

**Matt DeLong: 15-5-4**

**Approved**

Babos: Someone please welcome all of our new at large members of the Elections Committee. Any other Ratifications?

Ives: I would like to present to you the next four members they are all part of ASCSU.

Jordan: Director of Finance, past experience is Dan and Tim made me their election committee member and then Cooper and Babos.

Tim: Controller, I know a lot about the rules

Matt: I'm the director of Legislative affairs, and I have quite a bit knowing about how to do elections

Victoria: Business major, I do not have as much experience about the elections but I want to be part of it

## **Questions**

Weiner: Are you an Enforcer or Marketer

Jordan: I think that the role is both. I think it's important to get campaigns marketed and make the experience fair and equitable.

Tim: If I had to pick one I would be an enforcer. I love the rules and I think that we need to fill in the gaps of the elections code, but I can do marketing

Matt: I don't believe in nonsense. I think I'm an enforcer. I don't think things done in the heat of the moment are appropriate. I want to get students to the table to vote, but I also want elections to follow the rules. Our main goal is to engage the students.

Victoria: I would be more to the side of marketing and I have so decent ideas to get voters to come. I think we can expand chalk outside of the plaza and getting the background of computers to say their things, and being an RA I think I could spread it throughout the res halls.

Shank: Why are you interested?

Jordan: I have been involved heavily in where the organization is going. I think a good role for me now that I'm on my way out is getting the people out to vote and making sure people are following the rules.

Tim: I really didn't want to jump on a campaign this year. I could offer a lot with my experience to the elections committee

Matt: I've been an election judge for 6 years and I'm one of those people who thinks that everything ASCSU does affects the students directly. It's funny how people see the negative things that we do and I think that this committee can be positive to the most and best way that we reach students. It's very important this process is done well. It's not just the nonsense.

Victoria: I'm intrigued about the process. I'm looking forward to learning a lot.

Shank: Are you prepared for the more tedious parts of this job

Jordan: absolutely. I think we are doing something that really matters. I look forward to it.

Tim: I'm used to doing tedious things and working hard. This is something I want to do.

Matt: Yes

Victoria: Yes, I am ready.

Jackson: Being part of ASCSU what are you all doing to stay unbiased?

Jordan: I think the important thing to do is separate my professional life and my personal life. I've had to tell people that these are things that we can't do. You should want to help people, but understand you can't make special allowances to people.

Tim: I've learned how to have a bunch of different hats. I know how to acknowledge friendships, but separate my work

Matt: I think it's naive to ignore the relationships we have, but by way of example I told my department that if you can't do your job I would ask you to leave. I will be professional and try to separate the two.

Victoria: Being an RA it's crucial to switch between being someone's friend and enforcing the rules. I'm really not too worried about it

Gallery input: What is your greatest strength Jordan?

Jordan: I know how to be objective and insuring that everyone is acting in compliance to the rules.

Beau: Being involved in ASCSU is a large time commitment. Do you think you will have time for both?

Victoria: Yes, in Ram Ride we have a new associate and that will take some of the strain off of me

Matt: My nights are free so I'm good

Tim: I've been busier than this before

Jordan: I've had more to deal with than this before

Weiner: How much do you feel intent has to do with the rules

Victoria: If it's not malicious then it may be a mistake. We shouldn't hold it to them unless it becomes a regular habit.

Matt: I think intent is a very difficult thing to prove. The only person who can judge intent is the violator.

Tim: I think that a lot of time it's difficult to see intent. I believe in no nonsense. A lot can be done to make sure that a violation doesn't happen.

Jordan: I don't think it would be appropriate to answer. If a rule is ambiguous we can talk about it.

### **Discussion and Debate Occurred**

#### **Vote**

**Jordan: 14-4-6**

**Approved**

**Victoria: 13-6-5**

**Approved**

**Matt: 18-1-5**

**Approved**

**Tim: 15-4-5**

**Approved**

Babos: Please welcome the new members of the elections committee

#### **Swearing in**

- Shelby Mccracken Associate Senator of Agricultural Sciences
- Rebecca Harnish Assistant of marketing
- Eli Rodriguez election committee
- Matt Huffman elections committee
- Nicholis lederhos Elections Committee
- Stephen Greene Associate senator of natural sciences
- Matt DeLong Elections Committee

#### **Executive Reports**

Eric Berlinberg: Parking services finished its reports about the new parking that we are sending to the vice president's office. Next Wednesday I will send this out to the list serve. The Lory Center Theater

renovations are moving forward with that process and we are starting the development contracts. The governing board is still getting input from the student body. SFRB is also sending out the student voice survey to see what the students think about the fee areas. With SFRB adult learners and vet services are not looking for a fee increase, neither is the performing arts, or the disabled students committee. Other than that for SFRB we will have campus recreation and legal services on Monday so feel free to come. The CSU budget had a big thing today but it looks like we have a 30 million dollar cut. The president's office is having two meetings on the budget so feel free to come to that. We need to ask them these tough questions

Jordan: SFB has a little more than \$3000 remaining. All our books are in order and we are signing the documents and helping Ram Ride with marketing.

### **Committee Reports**

Eden: Due to a lack of members present I would like to keep this in committee till we can reach a better number. I want to remind the body to go to their committees.

Weiner: I don't think there is anything that needs to be done in committee that couldn't be argued on the floor. I want to discharge this resolution 4015.

Shank: Seeing no objection that is discharged

Weiner: As it stands it is not quite there. I would propose to add a therefor clause that would recommend a limit to it. It would still serve the purpose to make this committee aware. I would say that as the distraction concerns are legitimate I think the discussions that occur are prevalent. I would say that while it could be distracting the benefit outweighs the cost. We should get some use out of this resource.

Eden: I would like to disagree. I know that this would be distracting. So the students are paying these people to do a job and to do it well. I don't think that it undermines our professionalism but these people need peace and quiet while doing their work. This should not be done in the ASCSU office. I want to amend this to take out the second whereas clause. Strike the office from in front of ASCSU from the first whereas clause. I would like to make this a motion.

### **Made and seconded.**

Eden: I think this needs to be another location outside of the office. I think this should be used for business. There is no need to do this in the office.

Weiner: I believe that this change would make the action pointless. Really this detracts from the purpose of this legislation. The idea here is not just to play games with the students. This is a way to make people aware of the concerns of the body. ASCSU lacks outreach running around the plaza. This doesn't work and I urge the body to vote no

Ewing: senate should choose where it is. I agree that it would distract, I agree that we need to let student's know where we are. We should do it here (senate chamber) close, out of the office

Harries: I don't think it's a bad idea but I'm not ready to give up doing it in the office. Let's limit the time and have it in the office. I don't think it'll be that much of a distraction mute the game student's would see that people are working once a week not all the time can tell people playing to quiet down if needed professional all the time could be a bad image as well. This is their office the student's paid for it. I'm not for this change.

Gutearis: This strategy hasn't worked in the past, this won't attract the people we want, maybe use the TV for news or soccer games. In el centro they give food and coffee. That works people would actually talk.

Bowling: I agree why can't it be in the chambers? Would allow people to be loud and not interfere w/ work. Who are we attracting with this? This would not attract all of the population, but only a select few. Change it to include more students I don't think people will discuss much when playing the game.

Eckert: I spend a lot of time in the office. I take issue with this particular piece of legislation. Have you ever walked to a place where there are paid employees playing video games. That just seems strange. Just doing something with the TV is not better than doing nothing at all. Outreach is huge. We pride ourselves on our professionalism and this does not line up on this at all. There are directors who are trying to keep this professionalism. I see where you all are going with this, but I don't see it as the answer. Is this a way to get people into the office or is this the way that senators could just play video games all day. This is not a distraction I want or need.

Witter: I am in full support of this amendment. This is not the way to go about outreach. I don't see video games as a professional aspect. I agree with having it in another location if it is successful we can see to change it.

**All in favor of previous question**

**Vote on amendment. Passes.**

**We move into the main motion**

**Previous question Fails.**

Hemphill: I think this is a good idea. I think we should look for every available position for student outreach. Having said I am for it. We obviously need more student outreach. If anyone thinks of something that would increase outreach I encourage them to right it.

Ewing: I brought this up to my college council and kids are interested. If we market this the right way the people will come. Clearly this is something that some students would be interested in. I agree with previous speaker that we need more outreach. This is a start to at least try.

Harries: I would like to make an amendment to change the first therefore clause to say in the senate changes instead of location to be determined.

### **Motion moved and seconded**

Harries: It sounded like people thought the senate chambers would be favorable

Weiner: This amendment limits the marketing department and makes for a less successful involvement act. Because the chamber is used for other purposes it may not be easy to do it in here

Eden: The senate chambers would be a great place to do this. I think an outreach program is an outreach program. I am in full agreement with the senate chambers location. It doesn't inhibit the work of everyone in the office

### **Previous questions**

### **All in favor of amendment. Passes**

### **Main motion**

Jackson: I really think that this doesn't relate to a broad spectrum of people on campus. I would like to take a straw poll to incorporate senator outreach in bowling.

Huntoon: As it stands there isn't a large interest to people coming into this. Any opinion is better than none. Starting off anything is better than nothing.

Taylor: I disagree with this legislation. I feel video games are a very bad idea. I love video games, however when I play them I curse like a sailor. If students do come they might be very competitive and there could be fights. I don't think a lot of students would come. I feel a lot of students would be other places. I believe the idea was good, but we need a different way to do it.

Shultz: If you take the idea and generalize it I like the idea, but I hate the wording. I would recommend that we change the wording. When you say to an executive I want an event, but the more constraints you put on it the more their hands are tied. I don't think it should just be video games. The senate chambers is not the best place to get everything done.

Witter: Call for previous question: Passes

**Vote: 2:16:5**

### **Resolution Fails**

### **New Business**

Weiner: Adopt bill 4012. This is strait forward SFRB members should be ratified and be under senates jurisdiction. The therefor clause is copied verbatim for the SFB. We ratify SFB and election, but we do not ratify SFRB members. I feel that needs to be amended. The Vice president would still be in charge of

application and the process but they would be ratified by the senate. It would help to insure that the candidates would have to go through our screening.

Weiner: not on emergency stat because it's a constitution change and that wouldn't help

Ewing: this year or next? Retroactive

Weiner: immediately

### **Discussion and Debate**

Weiner: I'm going to go ahead and ask whose committee would like this. Next Tuesday at 5:30 in ASCSU. I ask to send this to external affairs.

**This bill is sent to external affairs.**

### **Announcements**

Jackson: I am going to look into team building activities in senate. It sounds like bowling. It sounds like a good idea. Ask me if you have any comments. You will see an e-mail soon.

Shank: I'm trying to bring back free printing on campus and if anyone wants to help me please let me know.

### **Roll Call is Taken**

Directors

- Seller

Associates Present

- Hanna Boyd
- Jordan Garkow
- Emilee Hayward

**Adjourned: 9:49PM**