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32 Legislative Council Bill #33

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

STUDENT UNION

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A BILL

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BILL HISTORY

Because of the inherently transient nature of student leadership, USSA found that students were continually reinventing the wheel in their organizing efforts, putting little effort into the strategy of issue campaigns.

The GrassRoots Organizing Weekends (GROW) trainings were started in 1985 by The National Student Education Fund (NSEF), USSA, and the Midwest Academy. The training is based on the idea that there are certain techniques that lie behind all successful organizing campaigns, and these skills can be learned. The skills are not issue-specific; students can apply them to campaigns of most concern to their own campuses.

The two and a half day program is designed for active student participation; mixing lectures, audio-visual presentations, exercises and role-plays. Participants are recruited from diverse constituencies within the student population, and special emphasis is placed on the importance of building bridges between groups.

Trainings generally cost NSEF about \$300.00. Members of USSA can get GROW trainings at their campuses for a much reduced rate.

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BILL SUMMARY

This bill allocates an amount not to exceed \$2000.00 + GAR to fund a GROW at CU Boulder, April 6-8.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Union, THAT:

- SECTION 1: The UCSU Legislative Council will form an ad hoc committee to plan the GROW.
- SECTION 2: The committee will recruit at least 25 CU Boulder students to attend the GROW.
- SECTION 3: The committee will set a cost for students from other Universities in the Rocky Mountain region to attend.
- SECTION 4: The committee will arrange for housing for the GROW trainers and students participating from other universities.
- SECTION 5: An amount not to exceed \$2000.00 + GAR will be allocated from Central Reserve to bring three GROW trainers to Boulder April 6-8.
- SECTION 6: A written report will be submitted pursuant to 24 ECB #4.
- SECTION 7: This bill takes effect upon passage.

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2/08/90 - PASSES - Legislative Council - 1st Reading - 10-1-6  
2/15/90 - FAILS - Legislative Council - 2nd Reading - 6-9-1

