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36 Legislative Council Bill #9

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO  
STUDENT UNION

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A BILL

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BILL HISTORY

The Black Student Alliance, as a student group organization, is committed to equipping its members with the necessary skills in human engineering which will allow them to achieve self-awareness in all communities. As a recognized body of black students on this campus, BSA is in the role of maintaining meaningful communication with the university officials, other organizations, and the community at large.

The Sixth Annual National College and University Student Conference on Non-Violent Social Change is in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and his philosophies. Held in Atlanta, Georgia during King Week, January 15-20, 1992, this five day conference brings together students of different backgrounds who are committed to working together to make a just and equitable society through creative non-violent social change. The conference is comprised of workshops, strategy sessions and panels designed to help to form interracial and intercultural coalitions in the tradition of non-violence. Participants in the conference have included: the King family, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, and Atallah Shabazz, daughter of Malcolm X.

The Black Student Alliance believes that the conference's significance applies to its members as well as the entire university community. In our everyday campus lives, the techniques and philosophies of Kingian non-violence are applicable to race relations, community outreach and general public interaction at a predominantly white university such as the University of Colorado.

The selection process for individuals desiring to attend the conference will consist of a written essay discussing Kingian philosophies, how the individual would benefit the university by attending the conference and their reasons for wanting to attend. Candidates will be chosen by the Black Faculty and Staff Association according to the quality of essay, past involvement, and present involvement at the university.

As a follow-up activity, delegates will be expected to present an oral report describing their experience at the conference, and the tools necessary to form Dr. King's 'beloved society'.

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BILL SUMMARY

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

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SECTION 2: An oral report shall be given to the Legislative Council. As well, a written report will be filed pursuant to 24 ECB #4.

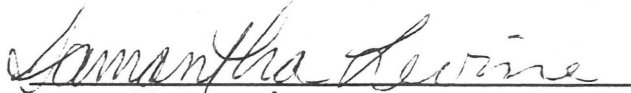
SECTION 3: This bill shall take effect upon passage.

BUDGET

Airfare (5 tickets @ \$264.13/ticket)	\$1320.65
Registration (\$80.00/person x 5)	400.00
Lodging (\$55/room x 2, x 5 nights)	550.00
Ground transportation (\$15/day/person)	375.00
Meals (\$25/day/person)	500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3145.65</b>
<b>UCSU request</b>	<b>\$908.26</b>


12/5/91 - Student Fee Guidelines Overridden - 10-0-3

12/5/91 - Passes as amended - Special Order - 12-0-1

  
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By Black Student Alliance Participants in King Week '92

### Sixth Annual College Conference on Nonviolent Social Movement

The conference, entitled, "Where Do We Go From Here: Nonviolence a Blueprint for Life," consisted of several workshops and guest speakers who addressed the issue of social change through nonviolent means. These workshops were run by facilitators trained by the Martin Luther King Center, and were comprised of student leaders from across the nation.

Student leaders were taught Dr. King's six principles of nonviolence:

1. Nonviolence is a way of life for courageous people.
2. Nonviolence seeks to win friendship and understanding.
3. Nonviolence seeks to defeat justice, not people.
4. Nonviolence holds that suffering can educate and transform.
5. Nonviolence chooses love instead of hate.
6. Nonviolence believes that the universe is on the side of justice.

The conference opened with a speech by Rev. Bernice King, the youngest daughter of Dr. King, who informed students of what is needed to carry on the legacy of Dr. King. The conference facilitator, Layli Bashir, gave an overview of the conference and its expected outcomes. The film, "From Montgomery to Memphis: The Story of Dr. Martin Luther King." The film detailed the life and struggles faced by Dr. King, during the beginning of the civil rights movement.

The second day of the conference began with workshops and continued with a talk by the Rev. Clarence Glover Jr. on the realities of racism. The speech dealt with the fact that racism, like sexism is by design. It focused on how racism is perpetuated through the public education system and becomes a subtle aspect of daily interactions.

The highlight of the third day was a dialogue with Coretta Scott King. Mrs. King discussed the details of her life with her husband, as well as how to continue his dream of nonviolent social change as student leaders. The talk concluded with a question and answer

session. Saturday evening there was an All Peoples Gala which celebrated the unique differences among cultures.

Sunday, the final day of conference activities, consisted of a lecture by the Honorable John Lewis, U.S. Congressman from Georgia. The conference concluded with a celebration of Dr. King's 63rd birthday.

On Monday, January 20th, we participated in the march commemorating the national observance of Dr. King's birthday.

As a whole, the conference served as a catalyst for us to re-evaluate our position as students within the university and the surrounding community. The training received will enable us to further educate our peers on what is necessary to obtain and maintain Dr. King's 'Beloved Society.'

An oral report is forthcoming.

\*Note: An account of expenditures may be obtained through SOFO.