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40 Legislative Council Bill # 6

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A BILL

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BILL HISTORY

In 1989, the Ethnic Women's Alliance (EWA), a student group open to all students, was founded at UCB. One of the primary goals in establishing the Ethnic Women's Alliance was to create a Women's Resource Center at the UCB campus. For the past four years, some members of the EWA have pursued the concept and development of such a Women's Resource Center.

In the Spring of 1992, then president of EWA, Liz Padilla-Pollauf, approached tri-executives Karen Buck and Jeannette Galanis about co-sponsoring, with EWA, a ballot question for the Spring 1993 elections. The purpose of the ballot question was to ask students if they would approve a .50 cent per student, per semester student fee increase to fund a Women's Resource Center at UCB. The purposed question was placed on the ballot for the spring 93 election, and indeed passed.

The proposed timeline created by the former tri-executives and Ms. Padilla-Pollauf called for the Women's Resource Center to be functional by the beginning of the Fall 1993 academic school year with a director hired in this same time frame. EWA members made their commitment known to tri-executives Stephanie Escher, Negar Ayromloo and Patrick Riley in June of 1993. EWA has continued to make their intentions as co-sponsors known and have been more than willing to help with the organizational and planning components of establishing the Women's Resource Center.

However, EWA, as well as many fee paying students, are concerned about the lack of organization or any tangible efforts made toward establishing the WRC. The 1993 Fall semester is more than halfway completed and the efforts to create an advisory board for the WRC, hire the director, and establish either a filing system or a resource list, among other pertinent organizational components, have not been completed. Time has now become a critical issue. Students deserve to have reasonable efforts and accomplishments made toward the establishment of the WRC which was approved in the 1993 Spring election.

For the above stated reasons, and due to the lack of effective and efficient communication from the tri-executives, we request that

the Legislative Council grant the following proposal:

BILL SUMMARY

This bill proposes the creation of an ad hoc committee to oversee the preliminary stages of the Women's Resource Center within the guidelines of the UCSU's rules and regulations, to be dissolved February 28, 1994. [This bill also proposes the creation of an Advisory Board to oversee the Women's Resource Center.]

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

SECTION 1: This bill proposes the creation of an ad hoc committee to oversee the preliminary stages of the Women's Resource Center within the guidelines of the UCSU's rules and regulations, to be dissolved not later than February 28, 1994. [This bill also proposes the creation of an Advisory Board to oversee the Women's Resource Center.]

SECTION 2: In this bill amending 39 Legislative Council Bill # 13 material contain in parentheses is to be dropped and material in brackets is to be added.

SECTION 3: A: An ad hoc committee shall be created to oversee the preliminary stages of the creation of the Women's Resource Center. The ad hoc WRC committee shall have all authority over funds raised by the WRC referendum of April 1993. The WRC ad hoc committee shall be responsible for initiating the steps required to have the WRC function by the end of February 1994. The WRC ad hoc committee shall follow all rules and regulations of the UCSU. The UCSU Legislative Council shall have veto power over the decisions of the WRC ad hoc committee. Vetoes must be initiated by Legislative Council, and require a two thirds majority vote of all members of Council. The WRC ad hoc committee shall also be responsible for hiring a WRC director and nominating members of permanent advisory board. The WRC ad hoc committee shall be dissolved (by 28 February 1994)[upon the WRC advisory board's ratification by Legislative Council.] (and its) [At that time all] duties, rights and responsibilities [of the ad hoc committee] shall be assumed by the WRC advisory (committee) [board].

B. The membership of the WRC ad hoc committee shall open to all student groups or individual

students and shall have, at minimum, one voting member from Legislative Council to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore, one member from the Ethnic Women's Alliance and one voting member from the Executive Staff. Each student group can also nominate/appoint one voting member from their respective student groups. All members shall have one vote. In addition, the committee shall have two chairpeople: one from the Executive Branch and one chairperson elected from the co-sponsor, EWA. The committee shall employ Roberts Rules of Order.

C. Membership in the WRC advisory board shall consist of one member from [Representative Council, and one member from the Council of Colleges and Schools] (Legislative Council), one member from the Committee on Diversity, (the Community Relations person from the Executive Staff, and ten) [seven] students-at-large, and two non-students. The Legislative Council member[s] shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of Council, the member from the Committee on Diversity shall be appointed by the Committee on Diversity(, and)[. T](t)he at-large students and the non-students shall be (nominated)[appointed to the advisory board] by the ad hoc committee, and after [the board's](its) establishment by the advisory board. [The WRC director shall be a permanent ex-officio member of the advisory board.] Appointments made by the WRC (committee)[board] shall follow all UCSU hiring policies, and all members appointed by the (committee)[board] must be ratified by the Legislative Council.

D. In addition to the powers of the ad hoc committee, the advisory board shall have the power to add ex-officio members as it deems necessary.[The advisory board shall elect one chair and at least one vice-chair from it's membership. Any officers on the board must be full fee-paying students, neither the WRC director nor any WRC employee can chair the board.] The advisory board shall (continue to have co-chairs, and)follow Roberts Rules of Order. The advisory board shall also have the authority to initiate by-law[s] and standing rules for the committee. [The WRC advisory board shall make policy and budget decisions

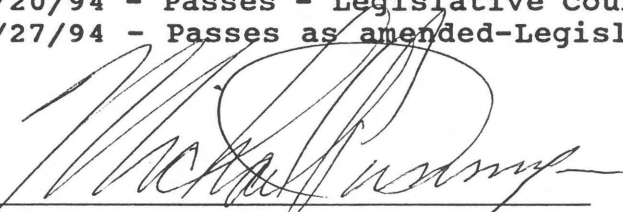
in accordance with priorities set by the
Legislative Council.]

E. The advisory board shall sit for six months
beyond the expiration of the referendum. The
Legislative Council shall consider making WRC
a cost center of the Student Union during the
Fall semester just prior to the expiration of
the referendum. The decision as to whether or
not to make WRC [a cost center] must be made
prior to the beginning of the budget process.
(Should this decision be made, WRC will be
then subject to the supervision of SSSCCC.)
During the time of the referendum the WRC
advisory board shall act as a supervisory
board of the WRC. The WRC advisory board
shall have the authority to direct the
policies and budgets of the center.


(SECTION 3: A written report shall be submitted pursuant to
36LCB#20.)

SECTION 4: This bill shall take effect upon passage.

1/20/94 - Passes - Legislative Council - 1st Reading - Acclamation
1/27/94 - Passes as amended-Legislative Council-2nd Reading-Accl.


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