



**Colorado Chapter of ASPIRE
Board Meeting Agenda
Wednesday December 4th, 2024
Virtual via Teams**

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PRESIDENT
Adrienne Shabandarian

PRESIDENT-ELECT
Vacant

PAST PRESIDENT
Rafael Orozco

SECRETARY
Shelby Burroughs Pryzgod

TREASURER
April Cano-Garcia

SUPPORT STAFF
Miranda Ochoa

**REPRESENTATIVES AT
LARGE**
Jenny Keller
Kyle McAllister
Alicia Nava Ortiz
Edith Gonzalez

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- I. Call to Order**
 - II. Appoint Parliamentarian**
 - III. Roll Call/Establish Quorum**
 - IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**
 - a. Motion: Shelby
 - b. Second: Edith
 - c. Voting:
 - V. Approval of Agenda**
 - a. Motion: Edith
 - b. Second: Miranda
 - c. Voting:
 - VI. Old Business**
 - a. Treasurer
 - i. Executive board-appoint via email
 - ii. Vote: unanimous
 - iii. April Cano- Garcia - elected new Treasurer on 10/11/2024
 - b. TRIO day
 - i. Will be scheduled end of February 2025
 - ii. Morning and afternoon sessions
 - iii. Capitol Visit
 - c. Policy Seminar (March 16 - 19. 2025)
 - i. Policy 2024 met with 6/8 legislators
 - ii. Looking for team leads: 4 or 5
 1. Work with the Colorado board and COE to set up legislative meetings
 - iii. Participants - advocate for students on the Hill
 - iv. data/Factbook
 1. Juan Valdez would like to be a part of the committee
 - d. Constitution and Operating Guidelines
 - i. New updated [constitution](#) is on the website under “About”
 - e. National and Regional Conference
 - i. COE – Chicago, Sept 7-10, 2025
 - ii. ASPIRE – September 30-October 2, 2025 at Hotel Westin, Westminster, Colorado



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1. Rafael Orozco and Susana Ruvalcaba will be conference co-chairs
 - a. Committee emails to be sent out soon
- f. CD's- (certificate of deposit) Colorado looking into a 4-month CD at 4.25%
 - i. Move \$20,000 to gain money for CO ASPIRE
 - ii. Wells Fargo
- g. State Conference (WYCO)
 - i. April 7th-9th, 2025
 - ii. University of Wyoming in Laramie, WY
- h. Upcoming elections in WYCO
 - i. President-elect
 - ii. Reps-at-large

VII. New Business

- a. Rep at Large Caseloads
 - i. Jenny Keller - 2 districts
 - ii. Kyle McAllister - 2 districts
 - iii. Alicia Nava Ortiz - 2 districts
 - iv. Edith Gonzalez - same 2 districts
- b. Spraggins Grant
 - i. Adrienne submitted on 11/30 for full amount of \$500
 - ii. Focus on TRIO Day and advocacy
- c. 10 for 10
 - i. Colorado has met 9 out of the 14 goals
 1. There are 4 folks who donated \$60 and if they donate the remaining \$40 we can add 4 more to the total
 - a. 2/4 completed the remaining \$40 pledge
 - i. April & Miranda pledged - Adrienne will send the link
- d. Committees
 - i. State Conference
 1. Chairs: Adrienne, Rafael, Christina (WY)
 2. Need a CO co-chair for each of these committees
 - a. Agenda/Call for Proposals/Logistics - Edith & Alicia
 - b. Silent Auction/Fundraising/Theme - Kyle
 - c. Entertainment/Conference Swag/Registration/Shirts??? - Shelby & Alicia
 - d. TRIO Achievers/Other Awards - Edith
 - ii. State Initiatives
 1. Chairs: Adrienne & Rafael
 - a. Focus on new administration, developing relationships with CDHE, CDE, c(3)s, etc. in the state
 - iii. Governmental Relations
 1. Chairs: Adrienne & Shelby
 - a. Committee Members: Miranda
 2. three freshman Members of Congress in your state. They will be sworn in on January 3rd, 2025, and present a unique opportunity for TRIO advocacy. The freshmen in your state are Representatives Jeff Hurd (R-CO-03), Jeff Crank (R-CO-05), and Gabe Evans (R-CO-08).
 - a. You can find our Fall Action Packet here, a template letter you can send to the incoming Members here, and TRIO slates by state and district here. Additionally, we may be able to help find the contact information for individual staff, such as the new Chief of Staff, so you can reach out to them directly at the start of the new term in January.
 - iv. Alumni



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1. Chairs: Adrienne & Edith
- v. TRIO Day
 1. Chairs: Miranda
- vi. Membership Development & Elections
 1. Chairs: Shelby &
- vii. Public Relations
 1. Chairs: Alicia & Shelby
 - a. Social Media, Website, etc.
- e. TRIO Day
 - i. Date: February 21
 - ii. Location: Denver
- f. State Conference
 - i. Chair Committee Meeting will occur before winter break
- g. Policy Seminar
 - i. Attending: Kyle, Edith, Adrienne,
 - ii. Maybes: Shelby, Alicia, 2 Greeley DT
 - iii. 4 scholarships to cover the cost that grants cannot cover
- h. UB Olympics
 - i. Friday, July 11 at Colorado Mesa University
 - ii. CMU may host this upcoming summer

VIII. Officer Reports

- a. President
 - i. N/A
- b. President-Elect - vacant
- c. Past President
 - i. Traveling to PR for Alumni and State Initiatives committees (ELI, Spraggins) at COE board meeting
- d. Secretary
 - i. 68 members
- e. Treasurer
 - i. Met with Lori, ASPIRE Treasurer, working to establish Colorado budget for 24-25
- f. Support Staff
 - i. Any ideas about what support staff in program organizations, send them to Miranda!
- g. Representatives at Large
 - i. Alicia - N/A
 - ii. Kyle - N/A
 - iii. Edith - tips or tricks on supporting students and staff following election season
 - iv. Jenny - absent

IX. Good of the Order

X. Adjourn

- a. Motion: Rafael 2:00PM
- b. Second: Edith
- c. Voting: 8/8