



Referendum Presentation

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Agenda

What is a Referendum?

What is the current referendum?

Why are we holding one?

What is the current progress?

What is a Referendum?

According to CSU policy, any time a category II fee is adjusted (e.g. ASI and USU fees), a “referendum” must be held.

After being thoroughly informed about the details of the fee adjustment, the students will vote to pass or deny the proposed action.

The results are then presented to the President + Fee Advisory Committee, but is up to their discretion on whether to implement unless specifically required.

Full policies can be found here:

<https://calstate.policystat.com/policy/6590675/latest/>

and here: <https://www2.calstate.edu/csu-system/about-the-csu/budget/tuition-fees/fee-policy/Pages/referendum-and-alternative-consultations-processes.aspx>

What is the Current Referendum?

Every student pays \$53.75 every year.

The proposed referendum would possibly increase that by HEPI (Higher Education Price Index) standards, on average about 1%-4% a year.

- These standards are created by tracking the average costs of higher-ed needs

Over 10 years, assuming an average of 2% a year, the fee will be \$65.52

Assuming 4%, the fee will be \$79.56

More info here: <https://www.commonfund.org/commonfund-institute/higher-education-price-index-hepi-2/>

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ASI is proposing to index their student body fee of \$53.75 to meet the increasing need for student support. This small 1-4% annual increase of the current fee will help ensure that ASI programs and services continue to be fully funded, including but not limited to: Club and Organization Direct Funding, Major Events and College Programs, free Blue Books and Scantrons, and the ASI Book Voucher Program. Would you like to see this proposed index taken to the student body for a vote?

NOTE: This is not a vote for or against an index of the ASI fee. This is merely to gauge student interest in voting on this issue later this semester.

YES

NO

[Vote](#)

Why are we holding one?

ASI has not had an increase in over 20 years

The new circumstances regarding enrollment will reduce our total dollars

Very large events cannot fit into our current budget structure

What is our current progress?

We currently have 1,097 signatures out of the ~2700 we need to collect

Mainly staff will be collecting signatures, but we as student representatives are also welcome to participate if we so choose.

As soon as 10% of the student body signs, we will communicate with ITS to set up the voting portal.

After 30 days of tabling and spreading information, we will hold a vote the same way as elections

Questions?