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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - September 10, 2008

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. Mountainside Chat with Dean of Students Charles Couture
   b. ASUM SPA Director Sean Morrison
   c. Gubernatorial Debate Thank You
   d. Homecoming Parade
   e. Singing on the Steps/Yell Night
   f. September 24 Senate Meeting - CANCELLED
   g. GHG Inventory Release
   h. Personnel Policy Update
   i. ASUM Transportation Press
   j. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. KBGA
   c. Float Decorating Reminder
   d. Board of Regents Excuse Letters
   e. Student Group Liaisons
   f. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $17,550.00
   STIP - $171,894.93
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $25,584.94
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $152,395.45
   a. SB10-08/09 Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy Sections 12 & 24
   b. SB11-08/09 Resolution regarding ASUM Office Manager’s Pay
   c. Honor Students Association Special Allocation Request - $800/$400
   d. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB8-08/09 Resolution amending Bylaws Section 4
   b. SB9-08/09 Resolution regarding Full Disclosure of Contact Information
10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Smillie called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Present: President Hunter, Vice President Smillie, Business Manager Gosline; Senators Brockman, Cheung, Dempersmier, Dusek, Fennell (6:22), Hamilton, Haupt, Kaliyeva, Kettering, Leftridge, Martin, May, Newman, Singer, Sjostrom, Spear, Stusek, Tangjaipak, Wilke and Zolnikov.

The September 10, 2008, meeting minutes were approved.

Public Comment
* Matt Fennell invited Senate to come to an art show to see his work.
* Adina Kaliyeva encouraged Senators to come to Day of Dialogue on Thursday, October 23rd. Chuck D., founding member of Public Enemy, will speak on “Race, Rap, and Reality” at 7 p.m. in the University Theater.
* A representative from the Honor Students Association offered additional information on their Special Allocation request for the dance this Saturday. President Dennison will match any funds awarded by ASUM.
* A representative from lambda Alliance encouraged Senate to pass SB9.

President’s Report
a. This week’s fireside chat was with Dean of Students Charles Couture. He explained what his position entails and the interaction he has with students. He said that he takes great pleasure from his work and learns a lot from students. He mentioned that Office Manager Hayes said she has the best job on campus, but he would beg to differ - he thinks he has. He distributed some information about who students should see if they have a complaint (Exhibit A).

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Fennell.

b. SPA Director Sean Morrison and volunteers will be visiting the dorms as “Dorm Troopers” tomorrow from 5-7 p.m. to help students register to vote. Anyone willing to help should meet at ASUM at 4:30 p.m. He said that 6 mil levy rally was successful and received media attention. Gubernatorial candidates are all supportive of the levy.

c. Hunter thanked Senators who attended the gubernatorial debate.

d. The homecoming parade starts at 10 a.m. Saturday.

e. Singing on the steps, one of the traditional homecoming activities, is tonight at 8.

f. Next week’s September 24 Senate meeting has been cancelled due to Senate attendance at the MAS and Board of Regents meetings.

g. The Greenhouse Gas Inventory report is available in the ASUM office.

h. The relevant pages updating ASUM Personnel Policy were distributed to Senators for their notebooks.

i. An article in “Sustainability – The Journal of Record” (Exhibit B) that mentioned UM’s bike program was distributed.
j. Hunter announced that the Search Committee for Office Manager Hayes’ successor has hired Diana Madison, who will begin working next Monday.

Vice President’s Report
a. Senator Stusek will represent ASUM on KBGA Thursday morning at 8:45 a.m.
b. Senators who volunteered to work on the University community float were reminded to go to Facility Services Thursday.
c. Senators needing to be excused from class to attend the Board of Regents meeting should meet with Smillie.

Business Manager’s Report
SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $18,000.00
STIP - $180,356.53
TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $25,584.94
ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $153,395.45
(The agenda order was altered to accommodate visitors.)
a. Honor Students Association’s Special Allocation request for $800 was recommended by Budget and Finance for $400 and passed for same with unanimous consent on a motion by Hunter.
b. SB10-08/09 Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy Sections 12 & 24 (Exhibit C) was amended in Committee. Hunter-Smellie moved to amend the resolution by reinstating the following deletions made in Committee: lines 15 and 16 - “Whereas, ASUM money should not go to the purchases of clothing for student groups, as it is not a permanent investment of ASUM funds”; line 18 - “and 24.4”; line 42 - “24.3 ASUM will not purchase clothing.” The amendments passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Hunter. The resolution as amended passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Hunter after a previous question call by Hunter-Singer.

Vice President’s Report
d. A motion by Hunter-Dempersmier to pass committee appointments and removals (Exhibit E) as a slate passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Dempersmier.

Committee Reports
a. Housing (Fennell) - Several issues were discussed, including the voluntary inspections.
b. Budget and Finance (Gosline) - Travel Special Allocation lobbying will be Sunday from 4-6 p.m. in UC330. Gosline asked that group liaisons inform participating groups of the time and place. Groups requesting funds must sign up for a lobbying time in the ASUM office.

c. Board on Membership (Singer) - A slate of groups (Exhibit F) was presented for ASUM recognition. Hunter-Gosline’s motion to approve the slate passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Martin.

d. Library (Sjostrom) - They discussed various topics relating to the library.

e. ASCRC (Dempersmier) - A proposal has been discussed to keep the original grade for a course on the transcript along with the grade earned when the course was retaken.

f. Parking (Cheung) - They considered an appeal regarding car pooling, where a person registered three vehicles.

g. Faculty Library (Haupt) - They discussed budgeting matters and reached no decision.

h. Relations and Affairs (Dusek) - SB8 and SB9 were given do pass recommendations.

Unfinished Business

a. Gosline-Hunter moved SB8-08/09 Resolution amending Bylaws Section 4 (Exhibit G). An amendment by Gosline-Hunter to delete “with the Registrar” in line 31 passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Newman. The resolution as amended passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Hunter.

b. SB9-08/09 Resolution regarding Full Disclosure of Contact Information (Exhibit H) as amended in Committee was moved by Gosline-Hunter. Hunter-Gosline moved to amend line 31 by reinstating “will be required” and deleting “are encouraged” passed after a previous question call by Fennell-Zolnikov. A motion by Gosline-Hamilton to add “IV. Exceptions may be granted by ASUM Executives” passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Gosline. A motion by Haupt-Martin to amend Section I failed. The resolution as amended passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Hamilton.

New Business

a. Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy (3)

b. Resolution regarding the retake fee

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager