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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 8, 2008
4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Mountainside Chat with Dr. Teresa Branch, Vice President for Student Affairs
   b. Lobbyist Interviews, October 27th
   c. Launch of New UM Homepage
   d. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. KGBA
   c. Family Weekend
   d. Student Groups
   e. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION – $15,775.00
   STIP – $171,764.94
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION – $15,862.94
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER – $151,960.45
   a. SB20-08/09 Resolution amending Fiscal Policy
   b. Montana Anthropological Student Association’s Special Allocation Request – $2,567/$650
   c. University of Montana Fencing Club’s STIP Requests
      $5,000/$0
      $2,519.88/$536
      $95,000/$1,523
   d. Le Cercle Francophone (French Club) STIP request – $315/$225
   e. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. Resolution Regarding Russell Street Renovation SB18-08/09
   b. Resolution Regarding Course Repeat Structure SB19-08/09

10. NEW BUSINESS
11. COMMENTS
12. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Smillie called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Present: President Hunter, Vice President Smillie, Business Manager Gosline; Senators Brockman (6:06), Cheung, Dempersmier, Hamilton, Haupt, Kaliyeva, Kettering (6:09), Leftridge, Martin, Singer, Sjostrom, Spear, Stusek, Wilke and Zolnikov. Excused were Senators Dusek, May, Newman, Tangjaipak, Unexcused was Senator Fennell.

The minutes for the October 8, 2008 meeting were approved.

Public Comment
Jordan Hess – Wanted to inform everyone that the Russell Street renovation will be open for Public comment until October 20th. Please comment if possible, the renovation proposed by the city would make Russell Street like Reserve Street and would separate two neighborhoods and increase traffic accidents.

Scott Gauthier expressed his support for SB19.

Chris Clair representing the Fencing Club wanted everyone to know how much they appreciate the Senate considering funding their Special Allocation. The Fencing Club has grown in the last couple of years and their equipment is old and they need smaller sizes to accommodate the new members. Six other members of the Fencing Team were there to support the funding.

President’s Report
a. Mountainside Chat with Dr. Teresa Branch, Vice President for Student Affairs – Dr. Branch oversees 11 departments including Enrollment Services, Student Life and other focused services. On the horizon is looking at different options for the interim student housing issue. As building a new building for housing is not an option at this point as student enrollment is expected to decline. Students should be aware of possible upcoming fee increases. Before an increase is made the Student Affairs committee will meet with ASUM Executives, the Senators and then with the Student Body. With automatic indexing the increase would be between 1 and 5%, going by indicators of inflation, such as the minimum wage increase, utility costs (which is already negotiated) and food is already 10% higher than last year.

b. Lobbyist Interviews, October 27th – Applications are due October 24th. Lobbyists will be hired and begin the week of November 12th.

c. Launch of New UM Homepage – Check out the new web page, more user friendly.

d. Other – A tour of the Campus Recreation center next week will be the last scheduled tour.
The President distributed copies of updated Bylaws for the Senators to update their individual binders.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senators Kettering and Brockman.
Vice President’s Report
a. A motion by Leftridge-Martin to approve committee appointments as a slate (Exhibit A) passed.
b. Senator Dempersmier will represent ASUM on KBGA Thursday morning at 8:45 a.m.
c. Family Weekend – There will be fun events for families including a star gazing event on the roof of the Skaggs building.
d. Student Groups – Asked Senators to please make sure you are contacting your Student Groups and make sure they know who you are and that you are here to represent them.

BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $15,775.00
STIP - $171,764.94
TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $15,862.94
ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $151,960.45
A. SB20-08/09 Resolution amending Fiscal Policy – adding 20.11 passed with unanimous consent (Exhibit B)
B. Montana Anthropological Student Association’s Special Allocation Request - $2,567/$650 - Passed with unanimous consent
C. University of Montana Fencing Club’s STIP Requests
   - $5,000/$0
   - $2,519.88/$536
   - $9,500/$1,523 - Moved to vote as slate Smiley-Spear. Any equipment purchased will need to remain on campus and cannot be lent to the Fencing Class.
d. Le Cercle Francophone (French Club) STIP request - $315/$225 Passed by unanimous consent
e. Other - It is Senator Singer’s Birthday on Thursday, which was celebrated with brownies.

Committee Reports
a. Board on Member - moved by Spear-Hunter called by Hunter.
b. SBA - (Hamilton) Finance panel, more prep work for meet and greet debate.
c. ASCRC - (Dempersmier) discussed retake policy.
d. International Students - (Cheung) The International Committee met on October 9th and we were looking at the possibility of doing a partnership with the University of Florence in Italy and the University of Tasmania in Australia.

Unfinished Business
a. Resolution Regarding Russell Street Renovation SB18-08/09 Hunter-Martin passed unanimously. (Exhibit C)
b. Resolution Regarding Course Repeat Structure SB19-08/09 - Hamilton-Spear roll call 17-0. (Exhibits D and E)

New Business
a. Resolution amending fiscal policy.
b. Resolution for possible solution for Professors buying books late.
c. Resolution for 5th Street and Arthur.

Comments
The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Diana Madison
ASUM Office Manager
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Committee Removals submitted for approval 10-15-08
ASCRC
SAL: Alex Thieme

Committee Appointments submitted for approval 10-15-08

ASCRC
ASUM: Trevor Hunter
       Mary Martin

Writing Committee
ASUM: Siri Smillie
October 15, 2008
Board on Member Organization

American Indian Business Leaders
Beta Phi Alpha
Cutbank Literary Magazine
International Student Association
Kyi-Yo Native American Students Association
Mount of Olive: Arabic Language and Culture Club
Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA)
Student Dance Club
Taiwanese Student Association
The Women’s Resource Center
UM Advocates
UM Student Chapter of Missoula Folklore Society
University of Montana Athletic Training Student’s Association