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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 27, 2010

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) Policy Conference March 21 - 23
   b. Annie Hamilton, Director of ASUM Legal Services, wins award
   c. Women’s Summit panel February 24 from 4 to 5 p.m.
   d. Event:
      1. Empire State of Mind – Civil Rights Politics in the Age of Black Presidents and Hip Hop Aesthetics, Thursday, February 4 – 7:30 to 9 p.m. in Gallagher Business Building 123
   e. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. KGBA
   c. Senate calendar
   d. Soup Friday with AISS postponed
   e. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT

   SPECIAL ALLOCATION – $15,125.00
   STIP – $212,920.92
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION – $12,535.08
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER – $164,209.43

   a. Budgeting Informational Sessions review
   b. Business & Finance committee meeting February 4 to review Travel Allocation requests
   c. Other
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB19-09/10 Resolution Regarding Amtrak Service in Montana

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
Chair May called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Present: President Fennell, Vice President May, Business Manager Armstrong; and Senators Barhaugh, Brewer, Carson, Davis, Dusek, Kilts, Mariani, Rhea, Rose, Smartt, Stovall, Summers, Wilke (6:05) and Williams. Excused: Senators Chuang and Guilhemotonia.

The minutes from the January 27, 2009 meeting were approved.

Public Comment
- Jared Trilling of MontPIRG reported that the group is continuing its recruitment efforts and has signed up 300 new members so far.
- Molly Collins, Assistant Director for Student Involvement and Leadership Development, provided the University Center (UC) update, including the following events: Open Mic Night on February 4, Prose and Poems in the Art Gallery on February 9, and the 12th Annual Student Leadership Conference on February 20. Last semester the UC sponsored 90 to 100 activities which were attended by approximately 17,500 participants.

President’s Report
- President Fennell received an invitation to attend the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) Policy Conference March 21 – 23, in Washington D.C., at no cost to ASUM. AIPAC works to develop friendly relationships between Israel and the United States. Attending the conference will be the largest gathering of U.S. legislators outside of Congress, as well as student leaders from around the country.
- President Fennell proudly announced that Annie Hamilton, Director of ASUM Legal Services, received the Long Term Commitment Award from the Community Dispute Resolution Center of Missoula County.
- The Student Assault Resource Center is hosting a “Women’s Summit 2010” February 24, on the 3rd floor of the UC. President Fennell will be speaking on a panel addressing gender equality and feminism in the 21st century from 4 to 5 p.m.
d. Event:
   1. February 4, there will be a lecture titled, “Empire State of Mind – Civil Rights Politics in the Age of Black Presidents and Hip Hop Aesthetics,” at 7:30 p.m. in the North Underground Lecture Hall. The event is in commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Vice President’s Report
   a. Two more senators, K. Kettering and Torti, have resigned and more applications for the four vacancies are needed.
   b. Committee Appointments/Removals – Rhea-Davis moved to approve all the committee appointments and removals as a slate. (Exhibit A) The motion passed unanimously.
   c. Senator Rhea will speak on behalf of ASUM during the KBGA radio Thursday morning program.
   d. Vice President May passed out copies of a calendar showing senate-related events for February.
   e. Soup Friday with American Indian Student Services has been postponed because the date was moved to February 19 which conflicts with the special senate meeting that has been called for conducting Student Regent interviews.
   f. Senator Stovall recently attended a Women’s Policy Leadership Institute in Helena sponsored by Montana Women Vote and has folders and handouts for anyone who would be interested in seeing materials from the conference.
   g. Vice President May passed around a list of committees with vacancies so that interested senators could sign up.
   h. Interviews of candidates for the four Senate vacancies will be held Sunday, February 7, and all senators are welcome to attend.

Business Manager’s Report

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a. Senators are welcome to ask Business Manager Armstrong any questions related to the February 1, and 2, Budgeting Informational Sessions and anything else having to do with Spring Budgeting.

b. The next Budget and Finance committee meeting will take place Thursday, February 4, during which the 40 Travel Allocation requests which have been submitted will be reviewed.
Committee Reports

a. SPA (Williams) - Recommendations are needed for the Student Political Action Director vacancy. Senators are encouraged to take suggestions to either President Fennell or Vice president May.

b. Board on Members (Wilke) - A motion by Rhea-Davis to accept the list of groups to be recognized as a slate was approved unanimously. (Exhibit B)

c. Interview (Barhaugh) - The committee will be meeting Sunday to select new senators.

d. UC Board (Carson) - The board met February 1 and is seeking opinions from senators about what they do like and do not like about the UC.

e. Childcare (Rhea) - The committee will meet for the first time this year February 5. An additional senator is needed to join the committee.

Unfinished Business

a. An amended version of SB19-09/10 - Resolution Regarding Amtrak Service in Montana - was presented to the Senate. A motion by Kilts-Davis to accept the amendments as a slate passed unanimously. Following the end of discussion the resolution passed unanimously on a motion by Fennell-Rhea.

New Business

a. Resolution regarding veterans’ issues
b. Resolution regarding city-wide non-discrimination
c. Resolution amending By-laws
d. Resolution regarding Fiscal Policy

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

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