1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   a. Amendment to March 9, 2005, minutes: Prosperi WAS present. Snodgrass was NOT present. Unexcused were Pettit and SNODGRASS, NOT Prosperi.
   b. March 16, 2005, minutes

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Impeachment of Senator Snodgrass
   b. MAS/Board of Regents meetings
   c. Student Resolution Officer search
   d. Neighborhood Social
   e. Student Organization Suite Policy
   f. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. KBGA - Thursday at 8:30 a.m.
   c. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   Special Allocation - $11,816.75
   Travel Special Allocation - $3,712.38
   STIP - $105,630.24
   Zero-Base Carryover - $53,557.99
   a. STIP request for American Fisheries Society $5,150/$5,150 (3-1) - tabled
   b. SB51-04/05 Resolution to create Fiscal Policy 25.0 Community Equipment Pool - tabled
   c. Model Arab League Special Allocation Request - $6,710.16/$3,000 (4-0)
   d. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
To see a list of resolutions in their entirety with the action taken on them, please go to
http://www.umt.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm
a. SB54-04/05 Resolution to Congratulate The University of Montana Lady Griz Basketball Team
b. SB55-04/05 Resolution Regarding Seating Options
c. SB56-04/05 Resolution to Include Office Hours in Attendance-based Honorarium Policy
d. SB57-04/05 Resolution to Amend House Rules, Section 3

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Pavlish called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Present: Price, Pavlish, Morton, Bennett, Bissell, Clairmont, Dawson, Duncan (6:07), Healow, Helling, Hogue, Johnson, Padgham (6:14), Pappas (6:07), Pettit, Pipinich, Prosperi (6:40), Venetz, Welsh and Ziegler (6:07). Excused were Haddouch and Peters. Unexcused was Snodgrass.

The amendments to the minutes for March 9, 2005, were approved on a motion by Bennett-Morton. The minutes for March 16, 2005, were approved on a motion by Clairmont-Hogue.

Public Comment
*Ben Corteau of ASUM Transportation thanked Senate for the bus loan. The bus is here and will be ready for service in the next week or so. The Department of Transportation will hold a forum on Monday from 10-noon in UC326-327 on the 5th and 6th street project. Ben encouraged Senate to support the Model Arab League’s request for funds.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senators Pappas and Duncan.
*Kristin Sheehy was happy with Budget and Finance’s recommendation for Model Arab League’s request and expressed hope that Senate would concur.
*Jesse Piedfort encouraged Senate to support SB56.
*Senators Bennett and Clairmont invited Senate and all students to attend the legislative reception in Helena on Monday. A sign-up sheet was circulated. Transportation will leave for the Myrna Loy Center at 3:30 on Monday and will return to Missoula later in the evening.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Ziegler.
*Dean Couture asked Senate to attend the Diversity Advisory Council achievement award reception on Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in the UC north ballroom to participate in the honoring of 22 students.

President’s Report
The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Padgham.
a. A motion by Healow-Pipinich to remove Senator Snodgrass from Senate passed (Exhibit A).
b. Information about a credit transfer proposal is available at ASUM. Plus/minus grading at UM and MSU makes it more complicated. The Board of Regents passed a policy allowing one unrelated adult dependent to be added onto an employee’s health insurance.
c. Ads will be placed in the Montana Kaimin for the ASUM Resolution Officer position.
d. A University district potluck social will be held at the University Congregational Church, 405 University Avenue, from 5-8 p.m. this Sunday. Price will give RSVP information to interested persons.
e. Inappropriate loud discussions have caused concern in the area of the student organizational suites. Senators were encouraged to speak up about the inappropriateness if they are in the area and hear it.
f. The legislature is considering $10 million in cuts to balance the budget. Some scholarship and grant money may be targeted. Senators were encouraged to attend the reception and speak out in opposition.
g. An editorial was in the Montana Kaimin regarding user fees for federal lands. Anyone interested in a resolution regarding this should see Price.

Vice President’s Report
a. The following committee appointments passed: Campus Safety - Cassidy Gardenier (Helling-Morton); Relations and Affairs - John Dawson (Healow-Pappas).

b. Senator Dawson will represent ASUM on KGBA tomorrow (Thursday).

Business Manager’s Report
Special Allocation - $11,816.75
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a. A STIP request for $5,150 by American Fisheries - tabled
b. SB51-04/05 Resolution to create Fiscal Policy 25.0 Community Equipment Pool - tabled
c. A Model Arab League Special Allocation request for $6,710.16 was recommended for $3,000 by Budget and Finance. A motion by Price-Helling to make it contingent upon their debt being paid off passed, and the request as recommended passed.

Committee Reports
a. KBGA Board (Morton) - General Manager applications will be reviewed at 8 a.m. Friday with interviews at 7:15 p.m.

b. Campus Safety (Morton) - They will meet at 8 p.m. Tuesdays.

c. Relations and Affairs (Healow) - SB54, SB55, SB56 and SB57 received “do pass” recommendations.

d. SPA (Padgham) - Senators were encouraged to come to Monday’s legislative reception in Helena or to at least give testimony opposing higher education cuts.

e. ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center (Pettit) - The Housing Fair held today was very successful and had good participation.

f. Elections (Healow) - They will meet Friday at 3 p.m. There will be a noon forum tomorrow (Thursday) in the UC atrium for president-vice president candidates.

g. Board on Membership (Pappas) - The following group was recognized on a motion by Pappas-Venetz: Water Polo Club.

h. ASUM Transportation (Pappas) - Volunteers are needed for Rock ‘n Roll Week. The new bus has arrived and will be in service soon. A public forum on the 5th/6th street project will be held Monday from 10-noon in UC326-327.

Unfinished Business
To see a list of resolutions with the action taken on them noted and the resolutions currently being considered in their entirety, please go to: http://www2.umt.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm.
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a. SB54-04/05 Resolution to Congratulate The University of Montana Lady Griz Basketball Team (exhibit B) was amended in committee to delete "and wish them luck in the upcoming NCAA Tournament" at the end of the last paragraph. The resolution passed as amended after a previous question call by Welsh.
b. SB55-04/05 Resolution Regarding Seating Options (Exhibit C) passed on a previous question call by Welsh after his first previous question call failed after an objection.
c. SB56-04/05 Resolution to Include Office Hours in Attendance-based Honorarium Policy was moved by Heallow-Duncan. A motion by Heallow-Welsh to recommit passed.
d. SB57-04/05 Resolution to Amend House Rules, Section 3 (Exhibit D) passed on a motion by Helling-Duncan after a previous question call by Heallow.

New Business
a. Resolution to amend Bylaws Article III
b. Resolution to increase the GPA for ASUM involvement
c. Resolution on smoking restrictions
d. Resolution to revise football ticket prices
e. Resolution on dog policy
f. Resolution on campus security cameras
g. Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy 9.14
h. Resolution for Escort Service name change
i. Resolution to oppose federal land use fees
j. Resolution on campus safety
k. Resolution opposing south campus development

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
Motion to Impeach and Remove Senator Jon Snodgrass

Whereas, Article I, Section 3, Point A, subsection 2, of the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) House Rules, states that “failing to attend three or more regularly scheduled Senate meetings (and/or ASUM committee meetings), per semester, without an approved excuse from the chair (Vice President)” is grounds for impeachment and removal from the ASUM senate;

Whereas, all ASUM senators and executives make a commitment to serve the students of The University of Montana in accordance with ASUM policies;

Whereas, violating attendance portions of the ASUM policies, as indicated by the House Rules, is a serious offense;

Whereas, according to official ASUM records, Senator Jon Snodgrass has missed the following meetings during Spring Semester 2005:

Four (4) regularly scheduled senate meetings on February 2nd, February 9th, March 2nd (excused), and March 16th

Final Budgeting on March 12th

Three (3) Relations and Affairs committee meetings on March 1st, March 15th, and March 29th, which is the equivalent to one unexcused senate absence

Every ASUM Transportation Board meeting this semester;

Whereas, it is important that the attendance portions of the ASUM policies be upheld;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the ASUM senate impeaches and removes Senator Jon Snodgrass from the office of Senator of ASUM.

Authored by Senator Christopher Healow

[Passed 3/30/05]
Resolution to Congratulate The University of Montana Lady Griz Basketball Team

Whereas, the Lady Griz Basketball Team represents The University of Montana to the region and the nation;

Whereas, the Lady Griz Basketball Team has excelled under the guidance of head coach Robin Selvig, and assistant coaches Annette Rocheleau, Shannon Cate-Schweyen, Trish Duce, Brooklynn Lorenzen;

Whereas, players have committed themselves to the team's success while maintaining academic progress and making contributions to the UM campus;

Whereas, The University of Montana, students, and Lady Griz fans everywhere benefit from the success of the team;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that Associated Students of The University of Montana congratulate the Lady Griz Basketball Team on winning the Big Sky Conference Title, and wish them luck in the upcoming NCAA Tournament.

Authored by: Senator John Dawson
Senator Bryce Bennett
Senator DeeDee Duncan

Passed 3/30/05
Resolution Regarding Seating Options

Whereas, The University of Montana is home to students of all shapes and sizes;

Whereas, The University of Montana also has a large population of students with various disabilities and movement restrictions;

Whereas, many of the classrooms at The University of Montana are not equipped to handle students with disabilities or larger statures;

Whereas, the small wooden desks on campus (eg. LA337) are not large enough to accommodate UM’s larger students or students with disabilities;

Whereas, the small wooden desks can cause back, neck and circulatory problems for larger occupants;

Whereas, larger students or students with disabilities may find it embarrassing to be singled out by having to request special seating accommodations;

Whereas, the composite top desks with the metal base are much larger, more durable and better suited to fit larger students;

Whereas, a table and an independent chair should also be made available, wherever possible, to be used by either handicapped students or larger than average students;

Therefore Let it be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana request that the UM administration and facility services outfit all classrooms on campus with seating options to better accommodate a wider range of students.

Authored by Senator Jake Pipinich

Passed 3/30/05
Resolution to Amend House Rules, Section 3

Whereas, ASUM Senators and Executives are currently allowed three unexcused absences per semester in addition to an unlimited number of excused absences;

Whereas, missing final budgeting is simply counted as one absence, regardless of its importance;

Whereas, attending Senate meetings, Committee meetings, and final budgeting are essential aspects of being an ASUM Senator or Executive;

Whereas, reducing the number of unexcused absences to two per year still allows Senators and Executives to miss two meetings for reasons that are not approved by the Vice President;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the Senators and Executives of the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) recognize the importance of attending Senate and Committee Meetings and final budgeting and change the following section in House Rules accordingly:

Section 3. Impeachment and Removal:

A. Any officer or member of the Senate may be impeached for:

1. breach of duties as stated in the Constitution or Bylaws;

2. failing to attend three or more regularly scheduled Senate meetings (and/or ASUM committee meetings), per year semester, without an excuse approved by the Chair approved excuse from the Chair (Vice President);

3. missing final budgeting without being excused by the Chair;

4. committing any misdemeanor or felony upon conviction in open court;

5. committing any larceny against the University, ASUM, or any subsidiary thereof.

B. A Senator or Officer may introduce a motion of impeachment at any meeting, but impeachment may not be completed at the same meeting. At least one week must elapse between the introduction of the original motion of impeachment and the vote on that action. This rule may not be suspended.

C. No member of the Senate may vote upon his/her own impeachment.

D. If a motion of impeachment is brought against the chair of the Senate, the President shall preside over the impeachment.

E. Any officer or member of the Senate that may be impeached shall be impeached by a two-thirds (2/3) majority and removed by a majority vote (50% plus one) of 12% of the ASUM membership, as outlined in the Constitution. If a Senator has three unexcused absences from Senate meetings or if a Senator misses final budgeting without being excused by the Chair then three or more unexcused Senate meetings per semester, he or she may be removed simply by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Senate.

Author by Senator Andrea Helling
Endorsed by Senator Andrew Bissell