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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, October 26, 2011
UC 330/331 – 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 19, 2011

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Agency Report: Andrea Rhoades, ASUM Administrative Associate
   b. Mountainside Chat: Jon Aliri, Director of Operations for the Bookstore at The University of Montana
   c. Women’s Resource Center Take Back the Night, Friday, November 4, at 4:15 p.m. on The Oval
   d. University of Montana unveiling of the Grateful Nation Fallen Soldier Memorial, Friday, November 4, at 5:00 p.m.
   e. Board of Regents, November 17 and 18
   f. Leadership class Wednesday, November 16
   g. Day of Dialogue, October 27
   h. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Knowing Our Community
   b. Committee Appointments and Removals
   c. Goals
   d. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT

   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $16,301.10
   STIP - $157,727.07
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $14,891.18
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $203,091.12
a. ADSUM S.T.I.P. Request - $150.00/45.95  
b. Interfraternity Council Special Allocation Request - $2100.00/539.00  
c. Non Trads Special Allocation Request - $100.00/30.00  
d. ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center S.T.I.P. Request - $4758.86/4758.86  
e. ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center S.T.I.P. Request - $3990.00/3990.00  
f. Other  

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS  

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
   a. SB12-11/12 – Resolution Amending Bylaws  
   b. SB13-11/12 – Resolution Amending Bylaws  
   c. SB14-11/12 - Resolution in Appreciation  
   d. SB15-11/12 – Resolution Regarding Strategic Planning  

10. NEW BUSINESS  

11. COMMENTS  

12. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Edmunds called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Present: President Gursky, Vice President Edmunds, Business Manager Sims; and Senators Bennett, Boslough, Brown, Coon, Ellis, Haefner, Klapmeier, LaFortune, Molgaard, Nielsen, Overturf, Selph, Simpson, Springmeyer (6:04), Summers, Suzuki, Williams, M. and Williams, T. Excused: Senators Dantic and Hohman.

The minutes from the October 19, 2011 meeting were approved.

Public Comment
- Codi Chasse and Daniel Viehland of the Alliance for Disability and Students at The University of Montana (ADSUM), spoke in support of the ADSUM S.T.I.P. request to fund a power wheelchair charger being considered by the Senate later in the evening.
- Ross Miewald of Sigma Phi Epsilon and the Interfraternity Council, encouraged senators to support the Special Allocation Request to partially fund the annual charity relay to Bozeman, a fundraiser this year for the Watson Children’s Shelter.
- Kayla Hannah, Care Coordinator for the Health Enhancement Office of Curry Health Center (CHC), provided an update of the Condom Access for Responsible Encounters (CARE) program. CARE is a free and confidential service providing safer sex supplies on and off campus for UM students. Anyone interested can sign up to be a CARE Rep and CHC will provide a CARE Rep sign and free safer sex supplies to distribute. Currently there are 341 on-campus reps. The off-campus program was started this fall and already has 53 CARE Reps. New this semester is the availability of Sexual Act Kits (SAK). SAKs provide safer sex supplies and sexual education materials. Stephen Seder, also of Curry Health Center, promoted Student Health 101, a monthly online newsletter addressing health related topics and mailed to all students on campus.
- Beki Hartmann, Director of the ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center (OCRC), John Fletcher, UM neighbor, and John Engen, Mayor of the City of Missoula, spoke in support of Senate funding for the Student Neighborhood Ambassadors Program (SNAP) (Exhibit A). The S.T.I.P. Request, if approved by the Senate, would fund a SNAP pilot program for spring 2012. Mayor Engen pledged some city funding.
to supplement ASUM funding in order to help the program continue.

- Beki Hartmann, Director of the ASUM OCRC, spoke in support of Senate support for a second OCRC S.T.I.P Request to cover travel expenses for herself and two senators who are members of the OCRC board to attend a housing conference where they would have the opportunity to learn about cooperative housing.

- Christa Timmerman, Curry Health Center Health Educator, expressed her support for the campus tobacco-free policy. Her department provides Quit Smoking Kits to students.

- Kip Faircloth of Intervarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) thanked the Senate for the previously awarded travel funding support for the group. The trips were successful and IVCF is grateful for the relationship with ASUM.

President’s Report

- President Gursky asked senators to submit votes for best costume, the winner to be announced later in the meeting.

- Agency Report: Andrea Rhoades, ASUM Administrative Associate, provided two handouts, one on ASUM Campaigns (Exhibit B) and one on ASUM statistics (Exhibit C). She talked about three topics. First, was the suggestion for senators to develop their own “elevator talk,” a personalized description of the services, advocacy and interest development ASUM provides. Many students don’t know what ASUM does and senators, as primary ambassadors, can help make ASUM better known. Second, a sense of ASUM’s history is lacking. ASUM was started in the early 1900’s and it is important to bear in mind that what happens now will be historically important as well. Third, as statistics indicate, as marketing efforts have increased, so has interest in ASUM. It is important to maintain the forward movement and not let marketing efforts slide.

- Mountainside Chat: Jon Aliri, Director of Operations for the Bookstore at The University of Montana, provided an update on the Bookstore’s effort to reduce the cost of course materials. Historically, the approach has been to provide used books. A key issue with this approach is that as the price of new textbooks increases, so does the cost of used copies. The Bookstore has initiated a rental program that saved students $34,000.00 on 1100 units this semester. The program could be improved with an increase in the number of titles available. An issue with the rental program is that students can only use credit cards, not debit cards, to pay for textbook rentals. Finally,
there is a pilot program for digital delivery of course materials. An assessment of this program will be available soon. The Bookstore would appreciate ASUM’s help streamlining communication by forming a committee that would meet with Bookstore representatives regarding textbook issues and cost reduction strategies.

d. The Women’s Resource Center, Take Back the Night march to Caras Park will begin at 4:15 p.m., November 4, at the Griz statue on the Oval.

e. Grateful Nation Montana has partnered with The University to erect a Fallen Soldier Memorial on campus in honor of the forty Montana soldiers who have died in the Iraq and Afghanistan wars. The dedication will be at 5 p.m., November 5.

f. So far there is one senator interested in attending the Board of Regents (BOR) meeting, November 17 and 18. President Gursky needs to know how many senators are interested in attending the Griz-Cat football game.

g. Starting at 6 p.m., November 16, during the time slot normally reserved for Senate meetings, all senators not attending the BOR will participate in a leadership class facilitated by the University Center Diversity Director.

h. President Gursky hopes each senator will be able to attend at least one workshop during the Day of Dialogue, October 27.

**Vice President’s Report**

a. **Know Our Community** – Kelli Roemer, Dave Wise, Dylan DesRosier and Krista Kaarre appeared as representatives of 1000 New Gardens. The program was founded a couple of years ago with the goal of reigniting the Victory Garden concept and creating 1000 new gardens in Missoula. The group schedules two to three “dig days” a semester and builds gardens at the request of local members of the community. This fall volunteers have donated materials and labor to build 115 new gardens. Another dig day is scheduled for October 30, and those interested in participating are to meet at noon in Kiwanis Park.

b. **Committee Appointments and Removals** – A motion by **Overturf-Suzuki** to approve the slate of committee appointments and removals (Exhibit D) passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Sims**.

c. Vice President Edmunds asked those senators who had not already written their three goals for the semester to take one minute to do so and hand them in. He reminded the Senate of the three goals: one that is personal, one committee goal, and one ASUM goal.
d. Vice President Edmund’s question for senators to answer this week: How can the Senate partner with the Administration to help meet their 2020 goals with regard to student success?

e. Senator Hohman will be speaking on behalf of ASUM during the KBGA “Cuppa News” program, November 1. Vice President Edmunds thanked Senator Dantic for speaking for the October 25 program, even though she was sick.

f. Yet again, not all senators are signing in and out for their office hours. Vice President Edmunds reminded senators that time spent in committee meetings does not count toward office hours. Senators are to check the clipboard in the office for a list of projects.

g. Vice President Edmunds needs to know from senators by noon Wednesdays what their committees need. Senators are to let the Vice President know if they are not being contacted by University Committees they’ve been assigned to.

Business Manager’s Report

a. A motion by Suzuki-Williams, M. to approve $45.95 for the ADSUM S.T.I.P. Request of $150.00 passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Suzuki.

b. The Senate approved $539.00 for the Interfraternity Council Special Allocation Request of $2100.00 by voice vote.

c. A motion by Williams, M.-Suzuki to approve $30.00 for the Non-Trads Special Allocation Request of $100.00 passed with unanimous consent by voice vote.

d. A motion by Edmunds-Molgaard to approve the ASUM OCRC S.T.I.P. Request of $4758.86, and recommended by Budget and Finance (B&F) for same, passed by voice vote.

e. A motion by Nielsen-Molgaard to approve the $3990.00 ASUM OCRC S.T.I.P. Request, and recommended by B&F for same, passed with unanimous consent by voice vote.

Committee and Board Reports

a. Transportation (Williams, T.) - The board met October 25, at 2:30 p.m. The board has identified three locations on campus needing additional parking for bicycles: Campus Recreation, the Native American Center and the University Center. Mountain Line is holding a public forum, October 27, at the Holiday Inn.

b. Recycling (Williams, T.) - The committee did not meet
over the past week but there is currently a display of recycled materials and recycling information on The Oval.

c. Student Political Action – (Nielsen) – The committee met October 27, and outlined some goals. Senators can let Senator Nielsen know if they are interested in volunteering for either Trick or Vote on October 31, or the ASUM portion of the Day of Dialogue on October 27.

d. Sustainability (Springmeyer) – The committee met on October 21, to discuss a sustainability conference taking place this week for people from the northwest region. Cherie Peacock, Sustainability Coordinator for The University, is the organizer of the conference, the focus of which is leadership training and sustainability discussions. The committee is working with a class to establish an Eco Rep internship.

e. Board on Members (Overturf) – A motion by Sims-Molgaard to approve the slate of groups to be approved (Exhibit E) was approved with unanimous consent on a motion by Suzuki.

f. Child Care (CC) (Coon) – Children from the McGill Hall center will be trick-or-treating at 10 a.m. in the University Center and Lommasson Center on Halloween.

g. Housing (Williams, M.) – Chair Williams thanked the Senate for its support of the OCRC by approving the two S.T.I.P. Requests.

h. Music (Williams, M.) – A Fundraising Board was formed October 25.

i. Relations and Affairs (Suzuki) – The committee considered four resolutions at its last meeting. SB12 was approved with no recommendation, SB 13 was approved with no recommendation, SB14 was approved with a do-pass recommendation and SB15 was approved with no recommendation.

j. Strategic Planning (Gursky) – The committee will be meeting October 27, at 10 a.m.

k. College of Technology (COT) (LaFortune) – There is a COT professor who has expressed interest in being the second ASUM Senate faculty advisor.

l. Wizarding (Sir Hilary Edmunds) – Sir Edmunds gave a chilling report related to the problem of providing snacks under the conditions of high altitude mountaineering. He simulated the situation by immersing Pirates Booty into a pool of liquid nitrogen. The tasty morsels became downright frosty! Student groups petitioning for funds to host fund-raisers under such circumstances would be well advised to add in a line item for protective clothing!
Unfinished Business
   a. SB12-11/12 – (Exhibit F) – A motion by Molgaard-Haefner to approve the resolution passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Williams, M.
   b. SB13-11/12 – (Exhibit G) – A motion by Suzuki-Nielsen to approve the resolution passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Bennett.
   c. SB14-11/12 – (Exhibit H) – A motion by Molgaard-Williams, M. to approve the resolution passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Suzuki.
   d. SB15-11/12 – (Exhibit I) – A motion by Gursky-Sims to amend lines 30 – 31 by replacing the term, “ASUM President” with “IT Committee Chair” was approved by voice vote. A motion by Overturf to amend line 23 by replacing the term, “an internship” with “a student internship position,” was accepted as friendly. A motion by Suzuki-Molgaard to approve the resolution as amended passed with unanimous consent by voice vote.

New Business
   a. Resolution regarding strategic planning
   b. Resolutions regarding ASUM (3)
   c. Resolution regarding Alta Gracia Apparel in the Bookstore
   d. Resolutions amending Elections Bylaws (2)
   e. Resolution of endorsement regarding leadership
   f. Resolution regarding training conference
   g. Resolutions of appreciation (2)
   h. Resolution regarding parking
   i. Resolution regarding Adams Center
   j. Resolution regarding ASUM Transportation
   k. Resolutions amending Bylaws (2)
   l. Resolution regarding committees

President Gursky announced the winner of the best costume award: Captain Morgan (aka Senator Klapmeier).

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

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