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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 2, 2012

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Mountainside Chat - Jeff Renz, Chair of Faculty Senate
   b. Aaron Curtis, Student Political Action Director
   c. Katherine Brady, Renter Center Coordinator
   d. Eva Rocke, Sustainability Coordinator
   e. Executive Goals
   f. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Garon Smith, Senate Faculty Advisor
   b. Committee Appointments/Removals
   c. Office Hours
   d. Senate Goals and Vision
   e. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   a. Student Group Resource Guide
   b. Student Group Visitors - Archery Club
   c. Other

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB1-12/13 – Resolution Amending Bylaws
   b. SB2-12/13 – Resolution Amending Student Group Bylaws
   c. SB3-12/13 – Resolution Amending Bylaws
9. NEW BUSINESS

10. COMMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Hagfors called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. Present: President Brown, Vice President Hagfors, Business Manager Nielsen, Professor Smith; and Senators Bird, Brown, Coon, Dolezal, Faircloth, Ferrara, Freund, Gordon, Hazen, Hopkins, LeCoultre, Oliver, Ormseth, Rich, Simpson, B., Simpson, D., Watkins, and Williams. Excused: Senators Boslough and Sather.

The minutes from the May 2, 2012 were approved.

Public Comment

o Sean Schilke suggested that SB01 and SB02 be combined into a single bill to make more sense. He also asked the Senate to reconsider the timing of the leadership program mentioned in SB02 to accommodate the deadline for travel allocations.

o Travis Suzuki, co-president of Pi Sigma Alpha, asked the Senate to consider the issue of the lack of forewarning given by the Financial Aid office to those students who lost their federal aid due to federal definition shifts.

o Julie DeSoto, Student Coordinator for the Student Involvement Network (SIN), distributed a handout (Exhibit A) regarding the new program, Griz Lead, as well as answered questions from the senators about the related senate bills.

o Bryce Bennett, Director of Civic Engagement for Forward Montana, came to promote the Griz Nation Votes event, taking place on September 15.

o Donna Bauck, Associate Director for Retail Operations for Dining Services, came to promote the newest programs for Dining Services, as well as ask the Senate to inform ASUM student groups of the opportunity to raise group funds by doing concessions at sporting games.

o Taylor Romack, Kaimin photographer, introduced himself to the Senate.

o Alina Calianu, Vice President of the Muslim Student Association, questioned the requirement of student groups to go to a leadership program in order to receive funding.

o Heather Jurva, Kaimin reporter, introduced herself as the new reporter to cover ASUM meetings and events and gave the Senate her contact information.

President’s Report

a. Jeff Renz, Faculty Senate Chair, was unable to make it to the meeting.
b. Aaron Curtis, the new Student Political Action Director, introduced himself to the Senate and asked the Senate to meet with him if they had any suggestions or ideas.
c. Katherine Brady, the new Renter Center Director, introduced herself to the Senate, handed out her contact information, and gave a brief description of what the Renter Center was created for and how they plan on reaching those goals.
d. Eva Rocke, the new Sustainability Coordinator, introduced herself and promoted many of the events that the Sustainability Center has planned for the year, including a Green Griz Game (September 14), Campus Sustainability Day (October 24), and Earth Day.
e. President Brown led the Senate through a handout of Executive Goals (Exhibit B) set forth at the Senate retreat.
f. President Brown acknowledged the presence of Dean Voorhees, the Dean of Students, who had come to observe the meeting.

Vice President’s Report

a. Garon Smith, Senate Faculty Advisor, had the Senate participate in a team-building exercise.
b. Committee Appointments (Exhibit C) - A motion by Nielsen-Gordon to approve the committee appointments as a slate passed, with unanimous consent (UC) called by Simpson.

A motion by Williams-Bird to reopen committee appointments passed by voice vote (VV).

A motion by Williams-Gordon to add Larkin Lane to the Transportation Committee passed, with UC called by Simpson.

A motion by Nielsen-Williams to close committee appointments passed, with UC called by Coon.

c. Vice President (VP) Hagfors informed the Senate that he had created a master list for senators to sign up for office hours and also explained to the Senate that failure to complete office hours each week rendered them ineligible to compete in the Mario Kart tournament.
d. VP Hagfors told the Senate that the “Goals and Vision” will be put online for easier access.
e. VP Hagfors asked if any senators had objections or input for information printed in the Kaimin, that they act in a professional manner to foster a good relationship between both parties.
f. VP Hagfors asked for a volunteer to be a judge of the student group decorating contest at Welcome Feast on Friday.
g. A reminder was issued that the Ice Cream Social will be taking place on the 400 block of University Ave on Sunday, September 9, from 4-6 p.m.
h. Student-at-Large pamphlets (Exhibit D) were passed around and senators were offered an incentive for passing out as many pamphlets as possible.
i. VP Hagfors reminded the Senate that immediately following the meeting, a news team was on campus to chronicle their participation in the PETSA education.

Business Manager’s Report

a. The full Student Group Resource Guide is available to student groups online, but Officer Manager Phoebe Hunter and Business Manager Nielsen created an abridged version to help student groups acclimate quicker to their responsibilities.
b. Ellie Cosgrove, president of the UM Archery Club, explained the group’s activities and gave their contact information if any senators were interested in joining. She also
asked the Senate if they would all be willing to stop by to participate in a practice, held
Thursdays and Fridays from 4-6 p.m. at the Missoula Archery Center.
c. Business Manager Nielsen thanked several senators for help moving during the
remodel of the ASUM offices.
d. Business Manager Nielsen asked senators interested in joining her for conversations
regarding integrated communications, Higher One, or the financial aid issues brought
forth by Travis Suzuki, to contact her as soon as possible.
e. Business Manager Nielsen reminded senators that they should refrain from voting on
funding issues for student groups they are acquainted with.

Unfinished Business

A motion by Brown-Nielsen to take up SB01-03 as slate passed (Exhibit E), with UC called by
Williams.

A motion by Nielsen-Coon to table SB01-03 as a slate passed by VV.

New Business

Resolutions regarding fiscal policy (10)
Resolution regarding Higher One
Resolution regarding Election Bylaws
Resolution regarding anti-discrimination policy

Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Julia Evans
ASUM Senate Secretary