1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - None

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. Prayers for Christopher Levi
   b. Board of Regents
   c. Budgeting
   d. Senior Recognition
   e. Diversity Advisory Council Award
   f. Provost Search Committee
   g. Faculty Senate
   h. Leadership lecture
   i. Other

6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT - None
   STIP - $34,847.64 available for the year
   Zero-based Carryover - $166,903.60
   Special Allocation - $6,012.75
   a. STIP - Men’s Soccer Club $1,825 - in committee
   b. STIP - SPA $1,677 - in committee
   c. Zero-Based Carryover - Multi-Cultural Alliance $500
   d. Special Allocation - Prayer Breakfast $800
   e. SB48-99/00 Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 10.4
   f. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB37-99/00 Resolution on Proposed Administration Budget Forum
   b. SB47-99/00 Resolution to Change Personnel Policy
   c. SB49-99/00 Resolution in Support of Same-Sex Partner Health Insurance Coverage
   d. SB50-99/00 Resolution to Amend By-Laws Regarding the University Center Budget

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
# Senate Tally Sheet

## Senate Members
- Przemek Bartkiewicz
- Tim Baumgartner
- James Billington
- Seisin Christensen
- Kimberly Eckert
- Reda Haddouch
- Dustin Hankinson
- Chad Herrick
- Ryan Hopkins
- Lisa Hunt
- Andrea Irey
- Brad McCall
- Belinda Jo Munday
- Kerry Murphy
- Molly Moon Neitzel
- Christopher Peterson
- Jon Swan
- Lea Taddonio
- Brad Thomas
- Brandi Weber

## Senate Officers
- Jessica Kobos: President
- Jerry Lamb: Vice-President
- Marcus Kosena: Business Manager

## Faculty Advisors
- Professor Ausland
- Professor Anderson

### Roll Call

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- **Date**: March 8, 2000

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Chair Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Kobos, Lamb, Kosena, Baumgartner, Billington (6:03), Christensen (7:05), Eckert, Haddouch, Hankinson, Herrick, Hopkins (6:02), Hunt, Irey, McCall, Munday, Murphy, Neitzel, Peterson, Swan, Taddonio, Thomas and Weber. Unexcused was Bartkiewicz.

There were no minutes to be approved.

Public Comment

*Transportation Director McKiddy reported that 336 persons rode the free park 'n ride shuttle last week. The Transit Center will have its grand opening April 14 at 3 p.m. Green Griz Week will be May 1-5. Volunteers are needed. See McKiddy if interested in volunteer or committee work. Plans are being made for a bike loan program in the fall with a 48-hour check-out period.

*The Chair recognized Billington and Hopkins.

*Vice President Hollmann expressed the President's disappointment over the Commissioner's decision on same-sex partner health benefits and his support for equity in benefits.

*Casey Charles noted that he was part of the group who put together the proposal on the same-sex partner benefits denied by the Commissioner. The group will continue to pursue the issue and will appeal if necessary.

*John Ondrak reported that 169+ signatures on campus petitions have been collected in support of the benefit issue.

*Bill Teckner, who is traveling across the country in support of same-sex marriage, thanked Senate for considering this benefit equality issue.

*Shannon Connolly and Greg Sundberg spoke in support of the benefit issue.

*Martin Eveland indicated non-support for the benefit issue.

*Jamie Maffit spoke in support of the benefit issue.

*Craig Charlton indicated non-support for the benefit issue. He believes legal guidelines need to be in place before its consideration.

*Catherine Willett spoke in support of the benefit issue.

*Andrew Maier thanked Senate for its consideration and support of the benefit issue. He believes the additional cost will be negligible.

*Jeremy Rauch indicated non-support for the benefit issue.

*Chris Munson spoke in support of the benefit issue and said how support would show a campus tolerant of diversity.

*Matthew Egan spoke in support of the benefit issue.

*Chris Lockeridge spoke in support of the benefit issue and noted its basis in equality.

Julie Pilling spoke on the issue being about equality.

Chair Lamb thanked everyone for their comments.

President's Report

a. Kobos said there was a prayer session from 6-7 in Urey Lecture hall. Senate took a 15-minute break to enable attendance.

b. Resolution Officer Birkeneder thanked Senators for their support of her work. She said there's a need to define COT students ability to receive advocacy, since faculty there are not part of the union that faculty are covered by on this campus.

c. The Board of Regents meeting in Havre over spring break will discuss same-sex insurance coverage. Student regent applicants will be interviewed and rated for a recommendation to the Governor. Kobos asked for topics to be discussed at the luncheon. Senators should see Kobos if interested in attending.

d. Senators were thanked for the good final budgeting session.

e. A t-shirt for Hopkins was circulated for signatures. Tonight is his last meeting, as he will be leaving for Austria the end of the week.

f. Senior recognition nominations are due on the 17th, but they should be turned in to Kobos by the 14th for ASUM's selection.

g. Diversity Advisory Council’s Student Service Award forms are due March 10.

h. Kobos and Christensen are on the provost search committee. If a candidate isn’t selected by May, the search will resume in the fall.
i. Faculty Senate will meet Thursday at 3 in SC131. Ethics requirements will be discussed.

j. Kobos urged Senators to attend a leadership lecture from 7-9 Thursday evening in Urey Lecture Hall. A panel will discuss international leadership.

k. Petitions are being picked up for ASUM positions.

The Chair recognized Christensen.

Vice President’s Report - None

Business Manager's Report

STIP - $35,521.64 available for the year
Travel Special Allocation - $12,851 for year (balance for Spring Semester)
Zero-based Carryover - $167,603.10

Special Allocation - $6,012.75
a. STIP - Men's Soccer Club $1,825 - in committee
b. STIP - SPA $1,677 - in committee
c. Zero-Based Carryover - Multi-cultural Alliance $500 request was approved.
d. Special Allocation - UM Prayer Breakfast $800 request was approved.

Vice President's Report (continued)

a. Julie Pilling reported that 46 took the recent writing proficiency exam, with 5 students failing. The reading used was by Orwell.

Business Manager's Report (continued)

e. SB48-99/00 Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 10.4 (Exhibit A) passed.

Committee Reports

a. Elections (Peterson) - Scanners have been schedule, as well as RSVP workers.
b. Computer Fee (Irey) - A list of requested and funded proposals will be posted.
c. SPA (Neitzel) - SB47 was withdrawn. SB49 received a do-pass recommendation. Director White recounted her discussion with Registrar Bain about various scenarios for improving the grade change (for course re-take).
d. UC Board (Munday) - SB50 is in committee. The Board has written and approved a policy regarding profit-making corporations and their free use of UC rooms.
e. Board on Membership (Weber) - Senate approved recognition of Geology Club on a motion by Kosena-Herrick.
f. Transportation (Taddonio) - Work is being done on the bike loan program for fall. Interested persons are welcome to attend the next meeting in UC114 Tuesday at 2.
g. Student Health Advisory (Munson) - The next meeting will be held April 11 at 5 p.m. in the Health Service conference room. Bid requests for student insurance are out in an attempt to find a better rate for equal or better coverage.
h. ASCRC (Eckert) - The group is discussing grades.

Unfinished Business

a. SB37-99/00 Resolution on Proposed Administration Budget Forum - in committee.
b. SB47-99/00 Resolution to Change Personnel Policy was withdrawn.
c. SB49-99/00 Resolution in Support of Same-Sex partner Health Insurance Coverage (Exhibit B). The committee changed "students" to "student" in the fourth whereas and inserted "partners" after it. A friendly amendment by Neitzel to insert "of Montana University system faculty, staff and students" at the end of the first sentence under Therefore Let it Be Resolved was accepted. A friendly amendment by Kobos, Neitzel, Irey and Taddonio to change the last sentence to read "Furthermore, ASUM opposes the decision made which allows the continuance of discrimination within the Montana University System" was accepted. A friendly amendment by Kobos to eliminate the reference to the Commissioner of Higher Education was not accepted. Lamb-Kobos moved to approve. Previous question calls by Lamb and then Kobos failed on an objection vote. A previous question
a call by Hankinson passed, and the resolution passed on a roll call vote 15-3 with one abstention.

New Business
a. Resolution to support writing standards
b. Resolution on cultural insensitivity
c. Resolution on official transcript fee
d. Resolution in support of ADSUM seeking access dollars
e. Resolution on re-licensing of Clark Fork Milltown Dam

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 8, 2000
4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Board of Regents
   b. Awards
   c. Insurance Resolution
   d. Library
   e. Other

6. VICE-PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments
   b. Diversity Advisory Council Meeting
   c. ASUM Diversity Committee Community Service Day
   d. UC Mural Project
   e. Other - elections - thursdays @ 5

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT - None
   STIP - $34,847.64 available for the year
   Zero-based Carryover - $166,403.60
   Special Allocation - $5,212.75
   a. STIP - Men’s Soccer Club $1,825 ($1,825)
   b. STIP - SPA $1,677 - in committee
   c. STIP - Kaimin (3 requests) - in committee
   d. Special Allocation - Campus Advent $500 ($250)
   e. Special Allocation - Order of Omega $1,400 ($700)
   f. Special Allocation - Table Tennis Club $300 ($300)
   g. Zero-Based Carryover - Multi-Cultural Alliance $750 ($750)
   h. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB37-99/00 Resolution on Proposed Administration Budget Forum
   b. SB50-99/00 Resolution to Amend By-Laws Regarding the University Center Budget
   c. SB51-99/00 Resolution to Support ADSUM’s Crusade for Access Funding
   d. SB52-99/00 Resolution to Alter the Proposed Slogan of the University of Montana
   e. SB53-99/00 Resolution concerning University Catering Services’ First Right of Refusal
   f. SB54-99/00 Resolution to Change the Format of the Student Schedule Bill at The University of Montana

10. NEW BUSINESS
11. COMMENTS
12. ADJOURNMENT
1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 29, 2000
4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Election Results
   b. Montana Kaimin
   c. Recruitment Standards
   d. Accreditation
   e. Diversity Awards Ceremony
   f. Faculty Senate
   g. Other

5. VICE-PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Diversity Advisory Council - April 7, 1-3 p.m.
   b. Diversity Advisory Committee Student Achievement Award Reception - April 12, 3:30-5 p.m., Brantley Hall
   c. ASUM Service Day Recap
   d. Other

6. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT - None
   STIP - $34,847.64 available for the year
   Zero-based Carryover - $166,403.60
   Special Allocation - $5,212.75
   a. Special Allocation - Amnesty International et. al. $1100 ($800)
   b. Other

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB55-99/00 Resolution Opposing the Official Transcript Fee
   b. SB56-99/00 Resolution for a Constitutional Amendment Concerning the Publications Board
   c. SB57-99/00 Resolution to Amend ASUM Bylaws Section 6 Regarding Elections Committee

9. NEW BUSINESS
   a. V.R. cards in schedule bills
   b. Progressive Coalition - priority
   c. Math - not total
   d. We see

10. COMMENTS
11. ADJOURNMENT

* sorry i was gone
* green griz volunteer
* cheer prom

✓ I VOTED TODAY!
Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 10.4

Whereas, each year $8,000 is set aside in a Special Allocation fund for specific activities outside the day-to-day operations of ASUM-recognized organizations,

Whereas, some organizations have work through the year without needing daily access to funds, yet have key annual events as the primary focus of their yearlong operations,

Whereas, it is unnecessary and inefficient for such organizations to submit an entire budget that, in truth, is only needed for these specific events,

Whereas, the transition in leadership within ASUM organizations can result in current financial difficulty for past mistakes (i.e. last year’s officers – being graduating seniors – did not bother to submit a budget for an organization)

Therefore, let it be resolved that ASUM Fiscal Policy be altered to read as follows:

10.4 Only those organizations that went through the budgeting process for the current fiscal year shall be eligible for a special allocation unless that organization did not exist at the time of the budgeting process. Exceptions can be made for organizations that did not exist at the time of the budgeting process or on a case-by-case basis with unanimous support of the Board.

Authored by: Marcus Kosena, ASUM Business Manager

Passed 3/8/00
Resolution In Support of Same-Sex Partner Health Insurance

Whereas, The Montana University System administrators, including the Commissioner of Higher Education, the Board of Regents, and the top officials at the Montana campuses have all pledged support of diversity.

Whereas, diversity encompasses all aspects of people, including race, religion, ethnicity, other cultural attributes, as well as sexual orientation.

Whereas, political pressure should not dictate policy for the Montana University System.

Whereas, the Commissioner of Higher Education’s recent decision denies health coverage to faculty, staff, and student partners in same-sex relationships.

Whereas, this decision by the Commissioner of Higher Education goes against the basic tenets of the mission of the Montana University System.

Therefore Let it Be Resolved, that the Associated Students of The University of Montana support health coverage for same-sex partners of Montana University System faculty, staff, and students. Furthermore, ASUM opposes this decision which allows continued discrimination within the Montana University System.

Passed the ASUM Senate 3-8-2000