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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 23, 2015

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Senator La’a
   b. President Engstrom and Cabinet-Mentorship
   c. Lauralea Sanks-ASUM Child Care
   d. Omari Lomiashvili-TEDx
   e. “Policy on Policies”
   f. Department of Justice and Office for Civil Rights visit next week
   g. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committees
   b. Defining a 21st Century Education for a Vibrant Democracy
   c. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT

   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $16,000
   STIP - $116,134.48
   TRAVEL ALLOCATION - $31,184.55
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $131,145.08

   a. Zero Base Request: Sunday Street Sweepers $300/$300
   b. Special Allocation Request: SPA $722.50/$841.50
   c. Special Allocation Request: Ultimate Frisbee (Men’s and Women’s) $659/$659
   d. Fall Travel Requests
      a. Anime 0/2,797.92
      b. Archery Club 130/130
      c. Cave Club 120/180
      d. Cave Club 202.50/337.50
      e. Cave Club 175/212.50
      f. Chi Alpha 795/2,672.50
      g. Criminology 182.86/182.86
      h. Criminology 29.81/29.81
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB10-15/16-Resolution Ammending Office Hour Bylaws
   b. SB11-15/16-Resolution to Reconstitute Columbus Day as Indigenous Peoples’ Day
10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Story called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Present: President Meixner, Vice President Story, Business Manager Smith; and Senators Ammons, Bart, Carlson, Engebretson, Fettig, Folsom, Forstag, Fossen, Frazier, Greenfield, Halvorson, Hannifin, Hopingardner, Keller, Kronenberg, McDermott (8:40), Metz, Morsette, Nelson, O’Malley, Orr (6:06PM), Scott, C. Smith, and W. Smith (6:06PM). Excused: Unexcused:

The minutes from the September 23, 2015 meeting were approved.

Members from the President’s Cabinet re-introduced themselves to the body.

Public Comment
  o Bryce Rowe, David Kelly, Neighborhood Ambassadors-Student mentors received bags with materials to hand out to their neighbors along with information for students on how to be a good neighbor. They are also doing the Sunday Street Sweepers program to help clean up after Griz games. Yard signs were also ordered to display in yards in the University District
  o President Engstrom spoke about the ASUM mentorship program, and the excitement of his cabinet on the participation of Senators. After a question from Senator Forstag, President Engstrom expressed his concern for the cost of the solar panel project supported in SB08-15/16. President Engstrom would like something more solid to take before the Board of Regents (BOR). He is interested in considering a smaller scale project with the same goals. After a question about looking for investors for the solar panel project from Senator Halvorsen, President Engstrom explained that they are keeping their ears open to the pool of donors for interest in the project. He predicted that it would be an investor outside of the typical donor pool.
  o George Price, Professor of Native American Studies, African American Studies, and History- Prof. Price came to support SB11-15/16, proposing to change Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples’ Day. He expressed that while Christopher Columbus may have once been considered worthy of recognition, new knowledge about his behavior has changed that. He also read an excerpt from Columbus’ journal.
  o Ruth A. Swaney-Ms. Swaney expressed her thanks for the Senate’s consideration of SB11-15/16. She also shared that her participation in the UM Allies training was extremely beneficial. Ms. Sweeny expressed her thanks for the existence of ASUM Child Care, and is glad to know that her child is in a safe child care environment. She also spoke of the success of Native American Heritage Day and the participation in the SpectrUM table. Through the College of Forestry and Conservation, Ms. Sweeny has been facilitating Cultural Competency Workshops for faculty in response to surveys where faculty expressed what they would like to know about working with native students.
After a question from Sen. Hannifin directed towards Ms. Sweeny, Lauralea Sanks of ASUM Child Care spoke about the Best Beginning Grant available to help parents afford childcare.

- Bryce Rowe, Longboard Club-The club received corporate sponsorship. Mr. Rowe also thanked the body for recognizing Longboard Club as the ASUM student group of the year. He asked that the Senate please watch a video (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bOnDvtdZDbw) about the club at a later time during the meeting.

- Carol Bellin, Missoula County Elections-Ms. Bellin is a part time worker at Missoula County Elections. She passed around clip boards with voter registration forms and a signup sheet for becoming an election judge. City elections in Missoula will be November 3rd for City Council and a public school bond and will be conducted by mail. The deadline for early registration is Monday, October 5th. After that date, any changes to registration need to be made in person. Many ballots are returned because students’ addresses are wrong. Ballots will be mailed out on October 9th, 2015. People can visit the My Voter Page (https://app.mt.gov/voterinfo/) to check their registration status. The Elections Office will be setting up a satellite office in the University Center (UC) that will provide any service that the Missoula County Fairgrounds Office can provide.

President’s Report

a. Lauralea Sanks, Director of ASUM Child Care- ASUM now has two sites for child care: one in the basement of McGill for toddlers through two year olds and one in the Craighead Apartments in the University Villages for infants. The new infant care center has twenty-eight (28) people on the waiting list, and has received great feedback. ASUM Child Care is also running a babysitting exchange where students can sign up to be on a list accessible to parents. Other family resources include information on the Best Beginnings Grant for child care funding. They employ two (2) site coordinators, a lead and assistant teacher at each site with an extra assistant at the infant care center, and approximately fifty (50) student staff. They serve breakfast, lunch, and snacks to children that meet specific health requirements. They do receive reimbursements for meals offered, however, food expenses outpace the reimbursements. Ms. Sanks outlined some specific figures of the meal program and the projected budget for ASUM Child Care.

b. A motion was made by Halvorsen-W. Smith to seat Isaac La’a to the Senate. Unanimous Consent (UC) was called by Business Manager (BM) Smith. With no objections, Senator La’a was seated by Professor Stark.

c. Omari Lomiashvili, TEDx-Omari is an exchange student from Georgia and was impressed by the TEDx event at UM. There were no current plans to have a TEDx event this year, and he would like to organize one. TEDx are independently organized events where people can give talks on things that inspire them. Omari would like Senators to be involved in the planning and also attend the event. They would like to bring twelve speakers, with half of them being from inside the university (students and staff). Planning meetings will be on Wednesdays at 5:00PM. Omari expects that the event will take place in the spring of 2016.
d. A motion was made by W. Smith-Engebretston to pass the Policy on Policies. The motion passed by placard vote.
e. The Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Office for Civil Rights will be visiting the Senate next week and would like feedback on campus safety, the Title IX office, and sexual assault on campus. The meeting will be on the record.
f. The ASUM Web Developer position application closed on Friday. President Meixner would like help choosing one of two applications.

Vice President’s Report
a. A motion was made by Greenfield-Nelson, to approve Students at Large (SALs) as a slate Unanimous Consent (UC) was called by Metz, and with no objections the motion passed.
b. Vice President (VP) Story told the body that committees shouldn’t set the precedent of meeting on weekends, and meetings should be held in the ASUM offices.
c. The Defining a 21st Century Education for a Vibrant Democracy Conference will take place October 26th-27th. While it is geared towards faculty and administration, they would like students to attend. All Senators will be required to attend some part of the conference. Students don’t need to register beforehand, but can do so online.
d. Thank you to Senators who participated in the Hello Walk.
e. VP Story passed around copies of a children’s book about Monte that was written by an alumni.

Business Manager’s Report
a. A motion was made by W. Smith-Greenfield, to approve the Sunday Street Sweepers zero base request in the board recommended amount of $300. UC was called by Forstag, and with no objections the motion passed.
b. A motion was made by W. Smith-Ammons to approve the Student Political Action (SPA) Committee’s special allocation request in the amount of $841.50. This motion failed by placard vote.
c. A motion was made by Meixner-Halvorsen to approve the SPA Committee’s special allocation request in the board recommended amount of $722.50. This motion was passed by placard vote.
d. A motion was made by Morsette-Hopingardner to approve the Ultimate Frisbee Team’s special allocation request in the board recommended amount of $659. UC was called by Forstag, and with no objections the motion was passed.
e. A motion was made by Nelson-Forstag to approve the fall travel requests as a slate in the board recommended amounts. UC was called by Hopingardner, and with no objections, the motion was passed.

Committee Reports
- Budget and Finance (B&F) (BM Smith)-B&F met on Sunday, September 27th for six (6) hours to approve travel requests.
- Pub Board (BM Smith)-The board discussed the established sales commission which needs to be added to the Personnel Policy. They are also changing commission amount
from column inches to a percentage of total sales. The Kaimin is also interested in lowering wages to help with budget hours.

- BM Smith is also sitting on the search committee for the Director of Academic and Fiscal Affairs.
- Student Political Action (Folsom)-A motion was made by Folsom-Nelson to approve Sen. Forstag as the city council liaison for the month of October. UC was called by Metz, and with no objections the motion was passed.
- Legal Board (Nelson)-Sen. Nelson has sent around a Doodle poll to schedule the Legal Board meeting.
- Americans with Disabilities (Orr)-The committee reviewed ADA services.
- Marketing and Outreach (Kronenberg)-The committee meets on Thursdays at 5:15PM. They are currently connecting with the marketing department for ideas. Sen. Kronenberg requested that all Senators share the ASUM Facebook page.
- Housing Board (Fossen)-The board discussed Bear Dens.
- International (Fossen)-Approved a new partnership between a Romanian University and UM.
- Library (Halvorsen)-The library budget has no new cuts this year. There is also new video technology in the basement of the library.
- Sustainability (Halvorsen)-Meredith Repke conducted a survey about student sustainability knowledge and data will be available soon.
- Board on Members (BOM) (Bundy)-A motion by Nelson-Greenfield to approve student groups as a slate. UC was called by O’Malley, and with no objections the motion passed.
- Academic Standards and Curriculum Review Committee (ASCRC) (Bundy)-The committee worked on removing inactive classes from the Geography department. They are also considering the $60,000 proposal for purchasing the TurnItIn.com anti-plagiarism software.
- Graduate Student Outreach (O’Malley)-The committee will meet Fridays at 9:00AM.
- Relations and Affairs (R&A) (Hopingardner)-R&A gave do pass recommendations on SB10-15/16 and SB11-15/16. They meet Mondays from 3:00PM-4:00PM in the ASUM Office.
- ASCRC (Engebretson)-The committee is encouraging student to download the Flow software to prevent plagiarism. Students can find out more at the library.
- Missoula College (Carlson)-The committee met Thursday, September 24th. They have two (2) SALs but will need more. They will be meeting every other Friday starting on October 9th.
- Parking and Transportation (Carlson)-The meeting was very informational.

Unfinished Business

a. After authorships from Senators Greenfield, Morsette, and Hannifin, a motion to end debate on SB10-15/16 was made by Nelson-Frazier. This motion passed by placard vote. The resolution failed 6Y-18N-2A by roll call vote (RCV) (See Tally Sheet #1).

b. After an authorship by Senator Bundy, a motion was made by Bart-BM Smith to amend line 56 of SB11-15/16 to include Governor Steve Bullock to the recipients. UC was called by W. Smith, and with no objections, the motion passed.
c. A motion was made by Hopingardner-Fossen to amend lines 30 and 34 of SB11-15/16 to change “People’s” to “Peoples’” and to amend line 51 to add a comma in between “Chippewa Cree” was made. UC was called by Meixner, and with no objections, the motion passed.

d. A motion was made by Engebretson-Greenfield was made to amend line 38 of SB11-15/16 to change “encourages” to “implores.” UC was called by O’Malley and with no objections, the motion passed.

e. A motion was made by W. Smith-Halvorsen to approve SB11-15/16. This motion was passed 23Y-2N-3A by RCV (See Tally Sheet #2).

A motion was made by W. Smith-Meixner to reconsider the SPA Committee’s special allocation request. This motion passed by placard vote.

A motion was made by W. Smith-Frazier to approve the SPA’s request in the amount requested of $841.50. This motion failed by placard vote.

A motion was made by Fossen-Carlson to approve the SPA’s request in the board recommended amount of $722.50. This motion passed by placard vote.

**New Business**

- Resolutions Amending Bylaws (12)
- Resolutions Amending Fiscal Policy (3)
- Resolution Regarding Labeling
- Resolutions Regarding Sprinklers (2)
- Resolution Regarding Parking
- Resolution Regarding the University Center Commons
- Resolution Regarding Proper Protective Equipment in the Chemistry Department
- Resolution Regarding Recycling
- Resolution Regarding the Student Resolution Office (SRO)
- Resolution Regarding the ASUM Website
- Resolution Regarding Comment Boxes in Griz Central
- Resolution Amending the Constitution

**Comments**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

Mackenzie Lombardi
ASUM Senate Secretary
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