ASUM SENATE AGENDA
October 28, 1998
Mt. Sentinel Room - 6 p.m.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 21, 1998
   (Amended to include list of recognized groups under Committee Report
   by Sutherland for Board on Membership)
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. Vice President Cole and Vice President Hollmann - Mandatory Fees
   b. Dr. Nancy Fitch, Director, Student Health Services
   c. Lobbyist Report
   d. Other
6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. Committees
      *Appointments
      *Information Technology
   b. Ken Arledge - pizza
   c. Senate Class
   d. Senate Meetings for November
   e. Other
7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT
   a. Travel Special Allocations
      *UM Jazz Band $2275/$1500
   b. Other
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB18-98/99 Resolution to Oppose Priority Registration for
      Student Athletes
   b. SB19-98/99 Resolution to Support The University of
      Montana Student Athletes
   c. SB22-98/99 Resolution to Amend the ASUM Bylaws Section
      15A, Article IV
   d. SB23-98/99 Resolution to Increase the Number of Senators
      on the Graduate Student Affairs Committee
   e. SB24-98/99 Resolution to Oppose Graduate Student
      Differentiated Tuition
   f. SB25-98/99 Resolution in Support of I-137
10. NEW BUSINESS
11. COMMENTS
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Chair Llewellyn called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Present: Kaiser, Llewellyn, McCall, Ballentine, Bekier (6:03), Bell, Brown, Christensen, Connolly, Hopkins, Kosa, Lamb, Lindeman (6:03), Mahan, Murphy, Pressley, Squire (6:07), Struve, Sutherland, Tietz and Woodall. Excused was Driscoll. Unexcused was Myers.

The minutes of the October 21 meeting were approved with one amendment. Under Committee Reports, the approved slate list approved for ASUM Recognition was as follows: Campus Christian Club, Betterside Women’s Rugby, Hockey Club, Native American Law Students Association, Danzan Ryu Jujitsu, College Democrats, Chemistry Club, U of M Opera Theater, Order of Omega, Montana Model United Nations, University Orchestra, Phoenix, Academy of Students of Pharmacy, Bowlin Club, Spanish Club, Big Sky Taekwondo, Amateur Radio Club, Student Social Work Association, Project 2501, Camas, Beta Phi Alpha, University Choir, U of M Men’s Soccer Club, Golden Key Honor Society, Spurs, Alpha Lambda Delta, Chinese Student Association, Percussion Club, People for Peace, Men’s Choir, Phi Alpha Honor Society.

Public Comment
*UM Productions Director McCall distributed complimentary tickets to Senators for next week’s lounge party.
*Woodsmen’s Team Peter Caffrey thanked Senate for travel money and reported they took a first and second in competition.
*Jess Kobos presented information for Jim Driscoll: Butte COT does not receive money directly from mining, but students benefit from internships and hiring opportunities.
*Lobbyist Darrow and Meghan Fay spoke in support of I-137.
*KBGA Reporter Amy Pribyl informed Senators that Kobos and Llewellyn will be on the air Monday after the 5 p.m. news to discuss election issues and answer questions.

President’s Report
b. Vice President for Administration and Finance Cole and Vice-President for Student Affairs Hollmann spoke about tuition and mandatory fees for the next two years and the need to present plans to the Board of Regents at the November meeting for action at the January meeting.
c. Student Health Services Director Dr. Fitch reported that the new no-show fee policy has reduced the percentage dramatically in the medical area, with lesser results in the counseling and dental areas. She will be giving more reports in the future.
d. Lobbyist Darrow traveled to Butte yesterday and now has monetary support from them and Dillon for lobbying. It is imperative for a large student voter turnout. Legislative issues will be forthcoming in the form of resolutions. The Governor’s recommendation for higher education monies will be available the next meeting. Kaiser thanked Darrow for his reports on the Six-Mill Levy and I-137. He also thanked SPA Director Kobos for her work on the press conference with Kadas and CI-75.

Vice-President’s Report
a. The following slate of committee appointments was approved on a motion by Hopkins-Brown: SPA - Maria Calhoun; Student Computer Fee - James McCreight; Radio Board - Aaron Murphy. Senators are needed to serve on the Information Technology and Legal Services committees.
Senators were reminded to be in Copper Commons next Wednesday at 5 p.m. for Ken Arledge’s pizza presentation.

c. Tomorrow’s last Senate class will feature C.B. Pearson and Senate advisor Professor Ausland.

d. Next week’s Senate meeting will be at COT, HB01.

e. Veteran’s Day is on Wednesday the 11th, so Senate will meet the 12th in Gallagher 201. Senators are expected to be at the MAS meeting the 18th at 5 p.m. in the Gallagher Conference Room and encouraged to attend some of the Board of Regents’ meetings the 19th and 20th.

Business Manager’s Report

a. Travel Special Allocation
   Jazz Band request for $2,275, approved by Budget and Finance at $1,500 was approved by Senate.

b. Special Allocation
   ISA request for $330 for phone charges, approved by Budget and Finance at same, was approved by Senate.

c. Senators were encouraged to get signatures on credit cap petitions.

Committee Reports

a. GSA – Woodall reported a “do pass” for SB24.

b. UC Board – Christensen noted that a policy manual is being compiled for review, and she encouraged input.

c. SPA – Struve reported that postcards are being mailed, and volunteers are needed for calling and poll watching. A strong student turnout for the vote is needed.

d. Sports Union – Kosena said they will meet at 8 a.m. Monday.

e. Information Technology Advisory – Lamb said Vice President Cole talked about the shortfall and the possibility of using faculty computer funds.

f. Drug and Alcohol Advisory – Kosena said they are discussing tailgate policy and will do a survey at the Griz-Cat game. The next meeting is the 10th at 8:30 a.m., location to be announced.

g. University Affairs – Bell reported “do pass” recommendations for SB18 and SB19.

h. Board on Membership – Sutherland offered the following slate of groups for recognition, which were approved by Senate on a motion by Hopkins-Connolly: ADSUM, Russian Club, Campus Advent, French Club, Student Dance Company, Student Garden Club, Geology Club.

i. ASUM Affairs – Sutherland reported their meeting was cancelled.

j. Life Science Planning – Sutherland said they are working on a 23 mill addition and expressed her concern over the plans. The monies will be private donations.

Unfinished Business

a. SB18-98/99 Resolution to Oppose Priority Registration for Student Athletes (Exhibit A) passed on a motion by Llewellyn-Connolly after a previous question call by Bekier passed.

Five-minute recess

b. SB19-98/99 Resolution to Support The University of Montana Student Athletes (Exhibit B) passed on a motion by Brown-Murphy after previous question calls by Sutherland and Bell failed and Llewellyn’s passed.
SB22-98/99 Resolution to Amend the ASUM Bylaws Section 15A, Article IV - in committee

d. SB23-98/99 Resolution to Increase the Number of Senators on the Graduate Student Affairs Committee - in committee

e. SB24-98/99 Resolution to Oppose Graduate Student Differentiated Tuition (Exhibit C) passed on a motion by Ballentine-Hopkins after friendly amendments by Sutherland to delete the last two lines and Murphy to delete “mention” from the first line of the last paragraph were accepted.

f. SB25-98/99 Resolution in Support of I-137 (Exhibit D) passed on a motion by Kaiser-Mahan after a friendly amendment by Murphy to insert “in terms of maintaining environmental safety and serenity” after “rate” in the second paragraph was accepted and a previous question call by Sutherland passed. Kaiser called for a roll call vote, which resulted in 18Y, 1N, 1A (see tally sheet).

New Business

a. Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE PRIORITY REGISTRATION FOR STUDENT ATHLETES

WHEREAS, Most students at the University of Montana must deal with scheduling classes around jobs and other campus activities; and,

WHEREAS, The University of Montana has had a shortage of available classes for its students the past few years; and,

WHEREAS, This shortage has caused the registration order for students to become extremely important; and,

WHEREAS, Athletes must attend afternoon practices to be able to stay on University of Montana teams; and,

WHEREAS, UM athletes face many problems with their classes that are unsolved and not addressed by placing athletes as a priority in the Dial Bear registration order, such as single section afternoon classes or labs required for graduation and the demand of absence from both morning and afternoon classes to travel to games, etc; and

WHEREAS, The University of Montana should place priority on the academic education of athletes rather than the athletic aspects.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED: That ASUM oppose prioritizing student athletes in the Dial Bear registration order.

Authored by: Patience Llewellyn, ASUM Vice President
RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA STUDENT ATHLETES

WHEREAS, The University of Montana athletes are encountering many problems that are making it difficult for athletes to succeed academically; and,

WHEREAS, These problems include the difficulty in making up class work, difficulty in finding required-for-graduation science labs that are offered at a time athletes can take them, difficulty with single section classes offered only in the afternoons, and difficulty adding into classes that are full, but are the only ones which fit into the athlete's schedule; and,

WHEREAS, These students must meet academic requirements to be able to continue receiving scholarships; and,

WHEREAS, The University of Montana has had a shortage of class offerings for several years.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED: ASUM supports the student athletes by encouraging that suitable answers be found to solve these growing problems.

THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED: ASUM encourages faculty to support the student athletes by keeping them in consideration when scheduling class times, allowing them the opportunity to make up academic work in a positive and convenient manner, and allowing student athletes to add into closed classes if the class is required for graduation.

THEREFORE, LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED: ASUM encourages the administration to find suitable means of financing classes to meet the recurring shortage of class offerings.

Passed 10/25/98
RESOLUTION TO OPPOSE GRADUATE STUDENT DIFFERENTIATED TUITION

WHEREAS, The differentiated tuition proposal could be applied to graduate students in addition to undergraduate students.

WHEREAS, The differentiated tuition proposal is meant to attract Montana residents to regional schools and COT's instead of attending the University of Montana – Missoula.

WHEREAS, Currently, over 95% of the graduate students within the University of Montana school system attend the University of Montana – Missoula.

WHEREAS, The differentiated tuition proposal will raise tuition on almost all of the graduate students within the University of Montana school system.

WHEREAS, The differentiated tuition proposal is intended to attract more Montana residents to 2 and 4 year university programs and is unfounded in application to graduate students.

WHEREAS, Graduate student tuition rates are already higher than those of undergraduates at the University of Montana.

WHEREAS, The differentiated tuition proposal will further distance the accessibility of graduate education to Montana residents, thus diminishing the very professional development and research the economy of this state relies upon.

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED: That the ASUM oppose the mention, inclusion, or discussion of the differentiated tuition plan being applied to graduate student tuition, and that graduate students oppose the very idea of graduate student tuition being used to subsidize 2 and 4 year programs within the University of Montana school system.

Authored by: Chris Woodall, ASUM Senator

Passed 10/28/98
Resolution in Support of I-137

_Whereas_, On the ballot this fall is Initiative 137 which would prohibit future cyanide heap-leach mining operations in Montana;

_Whereas_, Cyanide heap-leach mining is a technology that has a 100% failure rate; that is, every mine in Montana which uses the cyanide heap-leach process has leaked resulting in damage to the clean water and habitat of the surrounding areas;

_Whereas_, There are alternatives to the cyanide heap-leach process – such as those used at the Diamond Hills Mine and the Montana Tunnels mine – which enable a company to mine gold in a manner which is safer for the environment;

_Whereas_, I-137 will not force currently operating mines to close and will not result in the loss of current mining jobs in Montana;

_Whereas_, private property rights have often been violated by toxic pollution releases from cyanide leach mines in Montana;

_Whereas_, when the pristine Blackfoot flows into the less-than-pristine Clark Fork river it acts as a pre-treatment of the water supply of Missoula County thereby reducing the cost of Missoula taxpayers to treat the water;

_Whereas_, I-137 will prevent the placement of a cyanide heap-leach mine from being built near the Blackfoot River and will therefore protect an ecosystem which is very important to many students and to Montana’s economy;

_Therefore let it be resolved_ that The Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) Senate supports the passage of Initiative 137.

Sponsors:
Barrett Kaiser, ASUM President