**CENTRAL BOARD 1978-1979**

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**ASUM Office 243-2451**

Patricia A. Jackson, Secretary 549-0350

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AGENDA

1. Call the Meeting to Order

2. Last Week's Minutes (March 8, 1978)

3. President's Report
   a. Plans and proposals for the short and long range of Central Board

4. Vice President's Report
   a. Committees

5. Business Manager's Report
   a. Budgeting Schedule
   b. Fiscal Policy 1978-1979 (which was in your box on Monday, April 3)

6. Discussion Period

7. Committee Reports

8. Old Business

9. New Business

10. Adjourn
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS in the past years previous reserve funds to be used for unexpected needs have been used to fund service clubs and programs at ASUM and thereby these reserves are almost nonexistent, and

WHEREAS lawsuits that have occurred will probably come up in this year's budget, and

WHEREAS Legal Services is an essential service provided to the students on par with medical needs, and

WHEREAS student enrollment has been projected to be declining, and

WHEREAS the cost of services, programs and other aspects of the ASUM budget are increasing.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regents of the University of Montana be requested to institute a $1 fee to be paid by students at each registration for the purpose of permanently funding the Student Legal Services Program,

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that should the Central Board no longer be required to fund Legal Services directly, any associated gain in funding should be used to begin a reserve system to provide for future ASUM contingencies,

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that ASUM shall maintain control of Legal Services in the same manner it has at present and that by having earmarked funds for Legal Services no way implies autonomy of the service.
TO: Central Board Members

FROM: Garth Jacobson, ASUM President

RE: ASUM Resolution

I am requesting that Central Board take immediate action on the proposed resolution. I believe that all of you have been briefed on the matter of the lawsuits pending against the ASUM. The insurance carrier for the University of Montana has taken the stand that it does not cover the Student Body, more particularly the Montana Kaimin. It is, therefore, possible that ASUM will be faced with paying damages and attorney’s fees from one or both of the present lawsuits.

It is vital that some preparation be made in the event that these judgments are handed down against us. If the reserve system which had been used by Central Board for years had been maintained, we would be in fairly good shape. However, the past several Central Boards have chosen to abolish the reserve system, and have spent the money which had built up in reserves for years.

I have requested that the ASUM Legal Services Program no longer be funded directly by the Central Board. I feel that Legal Services is a student service directly in line with the medical and dental services which will now be provided. The student legal services program is presently budgeted at about $23,000 per year. It is a valuable service which has more than shown its worth during the past two years. I believe we can now be certain that Legal Services should remain as an ongoing student service. The realities of modern life are such that students need legal services just as they need medical and dental services. For the first time in their lives students are leasing dwellings, entering into contracts, becoming involved in lawsuits over accidents, etc. Students need the valuable protection offered by a Legal Services Program. In addition the program offers valuable services to all organizations of ASUM; and of course, it represents the Central Board as its counsel of record when we become involved in lawsuits.

By instituting a $1.00 per quarter fee, Legal Services can be permanently funded. This will not affect student control or the ultimate right of students to discontinue the program. What it will do is free approximately $23,000 which otherwise would be required to fund the legal program. Assuming we act promptly, we would hopefully have the new fee by next school year. We would therefore have $23,000 more to budget this budgeting session.

A significant portion of the $23,000 savings should be placed in a reserve to be used by ASUM for its future contingencies. We should not turn around and budget the savings to other groups. I think we have all seen the folly of having to build up reserves. By placing this money in reserves we will be able to absorb the loss placed upon us by the possible lawsuit damages. If we suffer liability at all, a reserve of approximately $20,000 to $25,000 should be enough to cover our portion of the judgment. If we are required to pay more, next years reserve should be used in a corresponding manner.

We should always think carefully before requesting that student fees be raised. Students educational costs are high. However, at some point in time we will have to face the fact that lower enrollments, inflation, and unexpected costs are going to require additional revenue. Remember we are asking for the increase to allow students to tax themselves for the purpose of providing themselves a valuable service. Legal services can be permanently funded, and at the same time we can start to build a reserve system for future years, which can be tapped when it becomes necessary.

I would urge any or all of you to see me regarding this proposal. I do feel that if we are to do it we must act promptly. Our course of action should be established before budgeting sessions begin.
The meeting was called to order by ASUM President Garth Jacobson at 7:12 p.m. in the Montana Rooms.

Last Week's Minutes - Stand as approved.

President's Report

Discuss a few projects that we can start kicking around. On the agenda is a discussion period where you don't have to worry about rules and maybe some brainstorms will come about. Hope that we use it for that purpose and not for name calling or out of hand.

The Library got $6,000 from the Friends of the Library.

Still looking into getting the Library named after Mike Mansfield.

Like to see 24 hour library services. If you are interested in working on this project, come into the office.

The Legislative is going to be setting up important programs for the 1979 Legislative Session. You should follow the elections pretty closely and watch the campaigns. Also, be kicking around ideas for the Montana Student Lobby who will be lobbying for the University.

Six Mill Levy is trying to raise some money. I (Jacobson) would like to see everyone on Central Board to donate $5 to this so that we can start getting seed money to raise money. Only raised a small amount of money during registration. We will need help on different projects this spring.

Vice President's Report

Please get your class schedules filled out and turned into the office.

Gray is in the process of interviewing for the committees. Like everyone on the Board to be on two committees. The Board people will be given some preference. Come into my office and see Gray.

The people on Collective Bargaining are Larry Akey, Randy Synder, Shelley Hopkins, Jeff Gray, Mike Dahlem, Bill Lannan, and Bill Bronson. If you have any questions, you can contact us. We have met with Sid Thomas and also with Pettit's office. If you have any ideas, come into the office or call someone on Collective Bargaining Committee. You can get ahold of Larry Akey, who is a graduate student in Economics, at the Econ Department.

Legislative Committee raised $76 during registration for the Six Mill Levy. Programming, Gray thinks, is going to give us their excess cash from the Bill Cosby Show. We are also looking at the Bookstore Trust Fund. If you have any ideas on how to raise money, let us know in the office.

Thursday between 11 am and 3 pm an ASUM table will be in the Mall for UM Days. If you have time to set at the table, please let us know in the office. You will be basically answering any questions the high school students might have. Handing out Six Mill Levy information for their parents. Open house in the ASUM offices on Thursday and Friday.
Business Manager's Report

The following fund balances were approved by Budget and Finance:

- Forestry Student Association: $275.58
- Rugby Club: $260.00
- UM Wildlife Society: $384.66

ACHENBACH moved to SUSPEND the BYLAWS to GIVE HENDERSON A SPECIAL ALLOCATION.
HOLMQUIST second.
PASSED.

Henderson explained about his trip to Washington, D.C. to attend the NSA-NSL conference. It is to discuss the merger between NSA and NSL. Henderson is on the NSL Steering Committee. Will be discussing funding for students in school. It is April 14 through 18. Asking $515 for the trip.

There were questions asked by Dahlem, Waugh, Wicks, Jacobson, Gray, Bulger, Conrad, Doggett, Holmquist, members of the audience, France. Questions were answered by Greg Henderson.

GRAY previous question.
SECOND.
Previous question if passed means no more debate on the motion.
FAILS.

More discussion and questions asked by Doggett, Reichenberg, and Holmquist.

Vote on the special allocation of $515 to give Henderson to go to Washington, DC.
FAILS.

The calendar for ASUM Budgeting will be on the bulletin board in the office.

- April 14: Budget requests due in ASUM office by 4 p.m.
- April 17-21: Executive Central Board will meet.
- April 21: Reports are due.
- April 21: Executive Committee will start and have the budget balanced for Central Board on April 26.
- May 1-4: Organizations will give a ten (10) minute speech on their budget requests.
- May 8: Budgeting will start.

The Fiscal Policy for this year is in front of you.

Jacobson asked for a motion to put the Fiscal Policy on the floor.
HOLMQUIST so moved.
GRAY second

DAHELM AMENDMENT first page under general guidelines to add #10 ASUM WILL ENCOURAGE ALL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH IN ADDITION TO SERVING STUDENTS, ALSO REACH OUT INTO THE LARGER MONTANA COMMUNITIES.
ACHENBACH accepted this as a FRIENDLY MOTION.

DAHELM AMENDMENT to STRIKE FIRST, SECOND, & THIRD FROM THE SECOND PARAGRAPH LAST SENTENCE.
NEWMAN second.
There was discussion on this amendment from Doggett, Waugh, Dahlem, Jacobson, Bulger, Hedegarrd, and France.

DAHLEM PREVIOUS QUESTION
SECOND
PASSED
Vote on the amendment to strike first, second, and third.
PASSED.

WAUGH, FOLLOWING FOUR AMENDMENTS.
1. Strike class A and B as they are discriminatory.

Dahlem explained the reason behind this.

JACOBSON, WILLING TO MAKE THE MOTION AFTER DISCUSSION PERIOD.
WAUGH SO MOVED
SECOND.
Fiscal Policy is now under new business.

Discussion Period

Dahlem, last year for travel CB gave out $48,00 and $3,000 was for Central Board.

Achenbach, this is a fiscal policy, not on how to get people to spend their money. Budget & Finance will check into lodging. We can't have different rules for everybody. This fiscal policy is general.

Waugh, how do you make the distinction between the groups?

Achenbach, student representatives go because they have to; like the Advocates. Participatory groups go because they want to do it; like Rugby Club.

Horton, I would hope that the representative groups would go because they want to.

Jacobson, reminded the audience that they could give ideas during the discussion period.

Waugh, what we are saying then is that we are better than others.

Gray, have receipts turned in for meals. Any member going to Helena will have to have something to do there. The fiscal policy is a basic guideline. Also, have a list of hotels and prices.

Holmquist, ASUM began only about five years ago to fund groups to go anywhere. It enabled people to go to Regent meetings, Student Advisory Council meetings, and Legislative. It is important to enable those people to go. The other group that goes out is participatory in some sort of activity, Rugby, Hockey, or whatever. Recruiting to them is secondary. For example, at the next Regent meeting the students who worked on the dental plan should be able to go without worrying how to go as they are representing ASUN. Central Board has to decide which groups are representative and participatory. That is what the budgetary process is.
Wicks suggested a compromise. To have some rules as to what the distinction is instead of at the time of the motion. Might be possible under class A, make it, necessary officials of ASUM on ASUM business or other activities extraordinary in the interest of the students. With emphasis on necessary.

Dahlem, the Board members and officers take travel requests before Central Board.

Jacobson, the only thing is that it is not always possible, as sometimes meetings come up after or before Wednesday and you can't wait until Central Board approves it.

Dahlem, lower the per diem.

France, would like to see participatory groups raise money outside of ASUM.

Gray, this is taken care of on page one number four of the fiscal policy.

Holmquist, for budgeting organizations they have to write in detail for each line item requested. The executive budgeting committee and Central Board consider each trip separately. For instance, Black Student Union had some trips considered participatory and some recruiting.

Duffy, what about groups who do not know what their travel will be?

Holmquist, we tell them to estimate how much it will be, then take these funds and freeze them until they need to use them.

JACOBSON MOTION TO TAKE A FIFTEEN MINUTE BREAK.
CONRAD SECOND.

Jacobson, we are facing some very drastic problems with our budget. Like to look at the long range for Legal Services; instead of a resolution tonight I would like your comments.

Gray suggested moving out of discussion period into Fiscal Policy. Would like to see it finished this week.

VICARS MOVED TO TAKE FISCAL POLICY OUT OF DISCUSSION PERIOD.
SECOND.

GRAY AMENDMENT CLASS A STRIKE SECTIONS A & B PUT IN DETERMINED BY THE BOARD AS NECESSARY OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES OF ASUM OR THAT THEIR ACTIVITIES ARE DEEMED EXTRAORDINARY OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

Page 2 of the Fiscal Policy under small groups STRIKE $10 AND INSERT $7 after meals INSERT WITH RECEIPTS TURNED INTO THE BUSINESS MANAGER.

Number 3 under small groups also with insert AN ACCEPTABLE LIST OF LODGING, WHEN POSSIBLE, WITH THE CLEARANCE OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER.

DOGGETT SECOND.

Horton, make the small and large groups consistent.

GRAY MOVED TO DO THIS.
Vote on the amendments separately.

First amendment on page one under Class A strike sections A and B. Insert determined by the Board as necessary official representatives of ASUM or that their activities are deemed extraordinary official business.
PASSED.

Second amendment on page two under small groups section one strike $10 and insert $7 and after meals insert with receipts turned into the Business Manager. On section three insert an acceptable list of lodging, when possible, with...
PASSED.

Third amendment on page two under large groups section one strike $5 and insert $7.

There was discussion on this from Stieff, Waugh, and Gray.

HOLMQUIST SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT TO MAKE $5 instead of the $7.
GRAY PREVIOUS QUESTION.
PASSED SUBSTITUTE MOTION OF $5.

Third amendment under large groups section one leave $5 and after meals insert with receipts turned into the Business Manager. On section three insert an acceptable list of lodging, when possible, with...
PASSED.

GRAY MOTION TO MOVE BACK INTO GENERAL DISCUSSION.
SECOND.

Jacobson, would like to see some possible alternatives for funding.

Horton, do the regents have to approve raising the student fees?

Yes.

Jacobson, talked to President Bowers about increasing the student fees by one dollar for Legal Services. President Bowers does not have much opinion on the matter. In order to have increased funding for organizations we would have to take this before the Board of Regents this coming Monday.

Vicars, like to see a survey or something out to the students who elected me before doing this.

Gray, in 1973 or 74 stopped funding the athletics and the money was put into a reserve fund which in the past few years has not been kept up by the past officers of ASUM. Some groups will have to be cut back.

Vicars, it is important that the students get the correct story on the increase in their student fees.

Gray, the students would still have the same control over legal services as they have now.

Gray said that President Bowers stated that perhaps the Dental Program would set a favorable precedent for this.
New Business

Gray talked to Deanna Sheriff and everyone on the Board is cordially invited to the UM Days dance Friday night in the UC Ballroom.

If you can help out tomorrow morning until 3 p.m., call the Alumni Center.

Wicks told the Board members about Cabinet.

GRAY MOVED TO ADJOURN.
SECOND.

Adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

Patricia A. Jackson
ASUM Secretary

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