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Woman's Handbook

Prepared by the
Woman’s Self-Government Association

at the
University of Montana

Missoula, Montana
1921-1922
To Every University of Montana Girl:

The Women's Self-Government Association is the organization of which you and every other University girl is a member, an organization to regulate the social life of its members and to further everywhere the true Montana feeling. During the few years of its existence here self-government has proved a very great success. Won't each one of you co-operate to make the organization this year the greatest success ever?

LILLIAN CHRISTENSEN, President.
The women of the University are incorporated under the name of the Woman's Self-Government Association. Through this organization they conduct the University life of the women students. This hand-book has been prepared for use of the old and new students so that they may familiarize themselves with the constitution of the association, and the activities, clubs and all matters of interest to the women students. The organization will have an office which will be open at regular hours and the executive committee asks the women to come there whenever they desire information about anything pertaining to the University.

Officers of the Woman's Self-Government Association:

Lillian Christensen  -  -  -  President  
Ann Skylstead  -  -  -  Vice-President  
Dorothy Dean Moore  -  -  -  Secretary  
Irma Stark  -  -  -  -  Treasurer  
Marie Hennigan (temporarily)  -  -  -  Exchange Bureau Representative
WOMAN'S SELF-GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.
Name
The name of this association shall be the Woman's Self-Government Association.

ARTICLE II
Object
The object of this association shall be to regulate all matters pertaining to the student life of its members, to further in every way the spirit of the women of the University, and to be a medium by which the social standard of the University can be made and kept high.

ARTICLE III
Membership
All women students of the University shall be ipso facto members of this association.

ARTICLE IV
Officers
Section 1. The officers of the association shall be a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer, and a proctor from each house where a University woman lives.

Sec. 2. The duties of the officers shall be as follows:
(a) The president shall call and preside over
mass meetings and meetings of the executive board and shall perform the general duties of an executive.

(b) The vice-president shall officiate in the absence of the president, shall be in charge of arrangements for meetings and publication of the Hand Book.

(c) The secretary shall record all minutes of mass and executive meetings.

(d) The treasurer shall keep and disburse all moneys of the association upon the order of the president and secretary, and shall present monthly and annual reports to the board.

(e) The duties of the proctors shall be:

(1) To hand in weekly house reports not later than 5 o'clock Monday.

(2) To report any infringement of customs.

(3) To grant late permission.

In residence halls all permissions shall be granted by the director.

ARTICLE V

Executive Board

Section 1. Judicial powers shall be vested in the executive board who shall have original jurisdiction in all cases of discipline of women of the University.

Sec, 2. The four officers together with two representatives from out of town women living in town, one representative from each fraternity house, two representatives from Craig Hall, one representative from Eloise Knowles Cottage and two representatives from the Town Girls' League shall constitute the executive board of which the president of the association shall be the chairman. A committee of three from the executive board appointed by the president shall collect and place on file in the office of Dean of Women the weekly reports of the proctors.
Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the board to carry out the resolutions passed by the whole association; to be immediately responsible for all matters which come under the jurisdiction of the association; to be directly responsible for all matters pertaining to the social life of the women; to constitute a board of appeal.

Sec. 4. All questions of interpretation of this constitution shall be referred to the executive board, whose decision shall be final.

ARTICLE VI

Elections

Section 1. The officers and members of the board shall be elected within the second week of the third quarter each year and shall hold office for one year with the exception of the proctor who shall be elected at the beginning of each quarter and hold office one quarter.

Sec. 2. The president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer shall be elected by ballot of the whole association. The president and vice-president must have served on the executive board two quarters.

ARTICLE VII

Meetings

Section 1. Mass meetings of the association shall be held at the discretion of the president, or the executive board, or at the request of twenty-five members of the association.

Sec. 2. Regular meetings of the executive board shall be held once every week and additional meetings may be held upon request of three members of the board.

Sec. 3. Robert’s Rules of Order shall be the standard of parliamentary usage for the association.

Sec. 4. Meetings shall be considered properly
advertised if the notices of such meetings appear in The Kaimin, and are posted on two conspicuous bulletin boards, two days before the meetings.

ARTICLE VIII

Finances

Section 1. The necessary funds for association purposes shall be supplied from an annual fee of one dollar collected at the time of matriculation.

Sec. 2. The disbursement of the funds shall be left to the discretion of the executive board.

Sec. 3. On the first of December and the first of May the president shall appoint two competent members of the association and a faculty member to audit the books of the treasurer and to issue a statement of the finances.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments

Section 1. A three-fifths vote of the members of the association at a properly advertised meeting shall be recorded for an amendment of the constitution.
W. S. G. A. CUSTOMS

1. Members of W. S. G. A. will be in their homes at the following hours:

(a) On Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, not later than ....................................... 10:30

(b) On Friday, Saturday and nights preceding University holidays and for scheduled University functions, not later than ....................................... 12:15

(c) Seniors have 12:15 permission every night with the privilege of eating in public houses.

2. In cases of late permission granted on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights members may not be seen in public eating houses after 10:30. Any members taking advantage of late permission (that is, away from their homes after 10:30 p.m.) shall register their whereabouts in the house book.

3. Members going on hikes shall leave word with the proctor. Members going on unchaperoned hikes shall report to their respective houses by dark.

POINT SYSTEM

In order to limit the time spent in extra-curricular activities and also to divide the honors resulting from them the following values have been assigned to the various offices open to women. No woman shall be permitted to carry more than 15 points:

President of W. S. G. A. ....................................... 15
Vice-President of W. S. G. A. .............................. 5
Secretary of W. S. G. A. ...................................... 8
Treasurer of W. S. G. A. ...................................... 8
A. S. U. M. Vice-President ................................ 10
A. S. U. M. Secretary ............................................. 12
Executive Committee of W. S. G. A. ......................... 4
Y. W. C. A. .................................................................. 8
Y. W. C. A. Treasurer .............................................. 5
Y. W. C. A. Cabinet ................................................... 2
Y. W. C. A. Secretary .............................................. 5
President of C. S. A. .................................................. 8
Secretary of C. S. A. .................................................. 6
Treasurer of C. S. A. .................................................. 5
Executive Board of C. S. A. ......................................... 5
Dormitory President ................................................... 5
Dormitory Secretary ................................................... 3
Executive Board of Dormitory ...................................... 1
President of Town Girls' League ................................... 8
Vice-President of Town Girls' League ......................... 5
Secretary of Town Girls' League .................................. 4
Treasurer of Town Girls' League .................................. 4
Members of Executive Board of Town Girls' League ....... 2
Class Vice-President .................................................. 2
Class Secretary ....................................................... 3
Class Treasurer ....................................................... 3
Sentinel Editor ......................................................... 15
Sentinel Manager ...................................................... 15
Sentinel Staff ........................................................... 8
Pan Helenic President ............................................... 5
Penetralia ................................................................. 5
Dramatic Club "Masquers" ........................................... 4
Dramatic Club Secretary and Treasurer ....................... 2
President of Art League .............................................. 4
Basketball Captain ................................................... 4
Basketball Manager ................................................... 6
Captain of Other Teams ............................................. 2
Theta Sigma Phi President ......................................... 8
Theta Sigma Phi Secretary ......................................... 4
Theta Sigma Phi Vice-President ................................. 2
Theta Sigma Phi Treasurer ......................................... 2
Kappa Tau President .................................................. 3
Kappa Tau Officers ................................................... 2
Kaimin Staff ............................................................ 6
Theta Alpha Phi .......................................................... 8
CO-ED PROM

The Co-ed Prom is the annual get-together party for the women of the University. It is a costume party and is given in the University gymnasium. The various groups in school put on "stunts" and the last part of the evening is given over to dancing. An admission fee of 25 cents is charged, and the proceeds go to the Scholarship Fund.

CO-ED FORMAL

Each year the University girls give a formal dance for the University men. All the expense of the dance is taken care of by the girls and they invite the men to be their guests. The proceeds of this dance are also turned over to the Scholarship fund.

MAY FETE

On May Day the University holds its annual Carnival and May Fete. In the morning a parade is held in the city with floats representing all the University activities, schools, and departments. In the evening the girls crown the May Queen whom they have chosen from among them and hold their May dances on the oval. The carnival itself is held that night in the gymnasium.

WOMEN'S CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

There are many clubs and societies organized for the University women. The Y. W. C. A. is a strong organization as is the Catholic Students' Association also, which take care of the religious life of the University.

For those students interested in music there is the Girls' Glee Club and the Music Club.

The P. E. P. Club is for those especially in-
interested in the physical education department. The Mathematics Club, the Press Club, the Pharmacy Club, the Law Club, and the Home Economics Club are clubs organized for those students who major in these departments.

Kappa Tau is a local fraternity whose standard for eligibility to membership is scholarship, while Penetralia is an honor society for the women who work for their Alma Mater.

The Masquers Club is the dramatic society and membership is based upon dramatic ability.

Theta Sigma Phi is a national journalism fraternity for women who are majors in the school of journalism.

Delta Psi Kappa is the national Physical Education fraternity for women.