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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
September 13, 2006
UC332-333 - 6 p.m.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - September 6, 2006

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Out of town

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Out of town

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT
   STIP - $157,934.25
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $17,201.87
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $131,636.34
   a. Confirmation of new Senators - Erica Henderson, Bill Oram
   b. Swearing-in of new Senators
   c. Committee Removals
   d. Committee Appointments
   e. KBGA @ 8:30 a.m. Thursday
   f. ASUM Administration Special Allocation request - $2,500/$2,500 (4-0)
   g. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB02-06/07 Resolution Regarding Bond Funds
   b. SB-3-06/07 Resolution amending House Rules Section 2 - in committee

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET

SENATE MEMBERS
LAURA ARVIDSON
BRYCE BENNETT
JOSE DIAZ
RYAN FRIES
SCOTT GAUTHIER
JAMES GREER
RIKKI GREGORY
LUCAS HAMILTON
ALLIE HARRISON
ERICA HENDERSON
JORDAN HESS
TREVOR HUNTER
DUSTIN LEFTRIDGE
RYAN NALTY
TARA NESS
SVEIN NEWMAN
BILL ORAM
KIMBERLY PAPPAS
ERIC SCHULTZ
ALI TABIBNEJAD

ASUM OFFICERS
ANDREA HELLING
President
CEDRIC JACOBSON
Vice-President
DEREK DUNCAN
Business Manager

FACULTY ADVISORS
PROFESSOR ANDERSON
PROFESSOR AUSLAND
Acting Chair Duncan called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m. Present were: Business Manager Duncan; Senators Arvidson, Bennett, Diaz, Fries, Gauthier, Greer, Gregory, Hamilton, Harrison, Hess, Hunter, Leftridge, Nalty, Ness, Newman, Pappas, Schultz and Tabibnejad. Excused were President Helling and Vice President Jacobson.

The minutes for September 6, 2006, were approved.

Public Comment - None

President’s Report - Out of town

Vice President’s Report - Out of town

Business Manager’s Report

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a. On a motion by Hunter-Ness and after a previous question call by Bennett, Erica Henderson and Bill Oram were confirmed as new Senators.

b. Dean Couture presided at the swearing-in of Senators Henderson and Oram.

c. The following committee removals were approved: Budget and Finance - Bill Oram; International Committee - Kofi Abaidoo.

d. The following committee appointments were approved with unanimous consent: Relations and Affairs - Josh Buchman, Rebecca Pettit, Erica Henderson; SPA - Josh Buchman, Mike Doggett, Brendon Kerns; Budget and Finance - Rebecca Pettit. The following committee recommendations were approved with unanimous consent: Student Health Advisory - Cedric Jacobson; International Committee - Kiki Renaud.

e. Bill Oram will represent ASUM on KBGA Thursday morning.

f. ASUM Administration’s Special Allocation request for $2,500 was approved 4-0 by Budget and Finance for same. A motion by Nalty-Bennett to change the source of funding to Zero-Base Carryover passed, and the request passed.

g. Cassandra Lundquist from Campus Compact informed Senate of a conference in Helena September 23rd and 24th at a all-inclusive cost of $150 each, which will include preparation for the legislative session, definition of leadership styles and interaction with other campuses.

h. Helling has letters available for Senators to be excused from class for the Board of Regents meeting to be held at the end of the month in Butte, if anyone is interested in attending.

i. Budget and Finance convened to look over a draft of Fiscal Policy changes, which will be forthcoming for Senators to consider.

j. Travel requests were due today, and Senate will be receiving them after recommendations have been determined by Budget and Finance after lobbying.
Committee Reports
a. ASCRC (Duncan) - General Ed revisions are being considered.
b. Relations and Affairs (Bennett) - They lacked quorum to consider SB3.
c. Interview (Hunter) - SPA interviews will be conducted Sunday.

Unfinished Business
To see a list of resolutions in their entirety with the action taken on them, please go to: www.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm.
a. SB2-06/07 Resolution regarding Bond Funds (Exhibit A) was moved by Nalty-Fries. A motion by Gauthier to insert a sunset clause did not receive a second. A motion by Tabibnejad-Fries to table failed 9Y, 11N on a roll call vote after a previous question call by Hunter. Dissenting Senators were Bennett, Gregory, Hamilton, Harrison, Hess, Hunter, Lettridge, Nalty, Newman, Oram and Pappas (see Tally Sheet). After a previous question call by Nalty, the resolution passed 17Y-3N on a roll call vote. Dissenting Senators were Diaz, Fries and Gauthier (see Tally Sheet).

b. SB3-06/07 Resolution amending House Rules Section 2 - in committee.

New Business
a. Resolution regarding tabling at COT
b. Resolution to amend Bylaws
c. Resolution for UM Production’s exception from Personnel Policy for the Rolling Stones concert

Comments
The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
Resolution Regarding Bond Funds

Whereas, The University of Montana took out a bond of $5.75 million, with a fixed annual percentage rate (APR) of 4.14%, to help build a new building for the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education in Helena;

Whereas, this office building was going to be built in conjunction with the Montana Guaranteed Student Loan Program (MGSLP);

Whereas, MGSLP’s funding was cut by the federal government, preventing them from contributing their financial commitment;

Whereas, it is no longer financially feasible for the Commissioner’s Office to build a new building;

Whereas, The University of Montana now has this money available to do on-campus improvements;

Whereas, there are buildings on campus that are in need of renovations to bring them up to code;

Whereas, this money can also be used to supplement funding for on-campus projects being built primarily with private donations;

Whereas, the opportunity to invest this money will benefit students across the university;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) support the Administration’s plan (see Exhibit A) to devote this unforeseen money to improve certain campus facilities.

Let It Be Further Resolved that ASUM support Academic Facility Fee increases of $50/semester for students in the Journalism and Law programs and $1.25 per credit hour to the Academic Facility Fee for all students.

Authored by: President Andrea Helling and Vice President Cedric Jacobson

Passed 17-4-3N
our roll call
vote 9/13/06