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Associated Students
The University of Montana

ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, October 8, 2008
UC330-331 - 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 29, 2008 and October 1, 2008
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - a. Mountainside Chat with Residence Life Director Ron Brunell
 - b. Special Guest - Student Regent Mitch Jessen
 - c. Update on the Repeat Fee
 - d. ASUM Website Profile Update
 - e. UM Heart walk - Saturday, October 11
 - f. Attendance Policy
 - g. Other
6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - a. Committee Appointments/Removals
 - b. KBGA
 - c. Other
7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$16,300.00
STIP - \$171,764.94
TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$15,862.94
ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$151,995.45
 - a. Le Cercle Francophone (French Club) STIP request - \$315/\$225
 - b. Women's Resource Center Special Allocation request - \$284.75/\$125
 - c. Students for Real Food Special Allocation request - \$500/\$400
 - d. Other
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - a. SB15-08/09 Resolution regarding Service Learning at The University of Montana
 - b. SB16-08/09 Resolution regarding Residence Life Policy
 - c. SB17-08/09 Resolution regarding Carol Hayes' Service to ASUM
10. NEW BUSINESS
11. COMMENTS
12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, October 8, 2008
UC330-331 - 6 p.m.

Chair Smillie called the meeting to order at 6:03. Present: President Hunter, Vice President Smillie, Business Manager Gosline; Senators Brockman, Cheung, Dempersmier, Dusek, Fennel, Hamilton, Haupt, Kaliyeva, Kettering (6:09), Leftridge, Martin, May, Newman, Singer, Sjostrom, Spear, Stusek, Tangjaipak, Wilke and Zolnikov.

The minutes for the, February 29, 2008 and October 1, 2008 meetings were approved.

Public Comment

*Shannon Schreiner from the French Club thanked Senate for the money allocated to the French Club for the 18th Century Revisited event. The event was so successful that President Dennison would like to make it an annual event.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Kettering

*Emily Hoover from Student Involvement and Leadership Development announced several upcoming events for October and November.

*Andrea Vernon from the Office of Civic Engagement talked about the new Learn and Serve Community Service curriculum and said one of the benefits is that future employers will be able to see students' community involvement efforts.

*Rachel Wanderscheid of Women's Resource Center announced an upcoming event that addresses the issue of violence against women. Take Back the Night will be October 24th. Individuals who would like to attend should meet at the Griz statue at 6:00 p.m. Friday, October 24th, and will then march downtown to Dauphine's.

*SPA Director Sean Morrison asked the Senate to write a resolution addressing the issue of professors ordering text books late. Visually-impaired students must have their books scanned. This process takes two to three weeks to complete, so the students do not have their books when classes start.

President's Report

a. During the Mountainside Chat with Residence Life Director Ron Brunell, he spoke about the issue of temporary housing and the number of students applying for housing late, resulting in not having enough housing. This semester there were 151 students displaced, and we now have 51 people in temporary housing. Mr. Brunnell talked about possibly re-claiming Corbin Hall and renovating it. The cost would be approximately \$700,000, which would be less expensive than a new building and would be timelier in addressing immediate needs. It is critical to the University that we have housing for foreign students. With the economy the way it is, people have gone back to campus living. UM encourages campus living, as national studies show that students are more engaged and do better in school. Last year Resident Life tried calling college freshman that live in the

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Missoula area to see if they would be willing to continue to live at home. This was not well-received, and only one freshman agreed.

b. Special Guest Student Regent Mitch Jessen asked the Senators to keep abreast of problems students are having and encouraged them to send any ideas or thoughts to him frequently.

c. The Repeat Fee is now two separate issues. The structuring will be handled by ASCRC, and the fee will be up to the Senate.

d. Trevor finished updating the Senators' bios, and if he did not hear back from a Senator he went ahead and wrote what he wanted.

e. The Heartwalk will be Saturday, October 11, and is mandatory for Senators. Please meet at the ASUM office at 9:45 a.m. Saturday morning.

Vice President's Report

a. A motion by **Hunter-Martin** to approve committee appointments as a slate (Exhibit A) passed.

b. Senator Kettering will represent ASUM on KBGA Thursday morning at 8:45 a.m.

c. The "How to Lobby" session was very successful, with 41 students attending, including Senators.

d. Smillie asked that each Senator sign up for 5 or 6 student groups to act as Student Liaisons for the groups. Senators were asked to email each contact and introduce themselves and attend some of the group meetings.

We want to encourage better communication with the Student Groups.

BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$16,300.00

STIP - \$171,764.94

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$15,862.94

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$151,995.45

a. Le Cercle Francophone's (French Club) STIP request was tabled until next week on a motion by **Newman-Hamilton**.

b. Women's Resource Center's Special Allocation request for \$284.75 passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Hunter** for Budget and Finance's recommendation of \$125.

c. Students for Real Food's Special Allocation request for \$500 passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Hunter** for Budget and Finance's recommendation of \$400.

Committee Reports

a. Relations and Affairs (Dusek) - SB15, SB16 and SB17 received do pass recommendations - 7-0 each.

b. SPA (Hamilton) - Budget Planning will be on October 16, and a Candidate Forum on October 23.

c. Transportation (Tangjaipak) - Transportation is discussing increasing fees.

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u. Board on Membership (Singer) - The slate of groups presented for ASUM recognition (Exhibit B) passed on a motion by **Hunter-Martin**.

Unfinished Business

a. SB15-08/09 Resolution regarding Service Learning at The University of Montana (Exhibit C) passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Newman-Hunter**.

b. SB16-08/09 Resolution regarding Residence Life Policy (Exhibit D) passed 22-0 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

c. SB17-08/09 Resolution regarding Carol Hayes' Service to ASUM (Exhibit E) was moved by **Gosline-Hunter** and passed 22-0 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

New Business

a. Resolution regarding Russell Street Renovation

b. Resolution for Healthy Montana Kids

c. Resolution regarding timely ordering of text books

d. Resolution regarding repeat fee structure.

e. Resolution amending Fiscal Policy

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.



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