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Associated Students
The University of Montana

ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, December 3, 2008
COT Room 1 - 6 P.M.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - November 12, 2008
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
5. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
 - a. Mountainside chat with Mick Hanson, UM Financial Aid Director
 - b. Sonny Kless, UM Revolving Loan Fund Proposal
 - c. Board of Regents Re-Cap
 - d. MAS Thank You
 - e. ASUM Press
 - f. The Carnegie Foundations Professor of the Year, Garon Smith
 - g. Retiring Senator's
 - h. Creation of ASUM Governing Document Revision ad-hoc Committee
 - i. Legislative Swearing In - January 5th, 2009
 - j. Next ASUM Meeting - January 28th, 2009
 - k. Other

6. **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
 - a. Committee Appointments/Removals
 - b. KBGA
 - c. Adopt-a-family
 - d. Renter's rights Panel
 - e. Board of Regents meeting - Helena, January 7
 - f. MUS Legislative Budget presentation - Helena January 21-23
 - g. Other

7. **BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT**

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$15,914.84
STIP - \$185,273.14
TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$21,920.29
ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$152,712.76

S.T.I.P Requests

Women's Resource Center

- 1) Purchase of Ram \$26.99/\$26.99 on 4-0-1
- 2) Network Coverage \$162/\$162 on 4-0-1

ASUM Legal Services

- 1) Scanner \$395.99/\$395.99 (unanimous)
- 2) Computer Networking \$315/\$315 (unanimous)
- 3) Printer \$105/\$105 (Unanimous)
- 4) Software Upgrade \$97.97/\$97.97 (unanimous)
- 5) Staff Education \$125/\$125 (unanimous)

- 6) Digital Voice Recorder \$39.99/\$39.99 (unanimous)
- ASUM Childcare
- 1) Replacement Blinds \$350/\$350 (unanimous)

Emergency Travel Requests (\$511.70 available)

- UM Geology Club
- 1) National Monument trip \$432/\$350 (unanimous)

Other

- a) Budgeting Schedule Updates
- b) Fiscal Policy Revisions
- c) Travel Allocations due February 4th. (Update groups)
- d) B&F vacancy
- e) Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB28 08/09 Resolution Regarding Faculty Ordering Textbooks Early
- b. SB29 08/09 Resolution Regarding Classified Staff Wages
- c. SB30 08/09 Resolution Regarding Russell's Supply

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM Senate Minutes
Wednesday, December 3, 2008
College of Technology Room 1 – 6 p.m.

Chair Smillie called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Present: President Hunter, Vice President Smillie, Business Manager Gosline, Professor Smith; and Senators Brockman, Cheung (7:15), Dempersmier, Dusek, Fennell, Hamilton (7:00), Haupt, Kaliyeva, Kettering (6:23), Leftridge, Martin, May, Newman, Singer, Spear, Stusek, Tangjaipak (7:15), Wilke, and Zolnikov. Excused: Senator Sjostrom.

The minutes for the November 12, 2008 meeting were approved.

Public Comment – none

President's Report

- a. Mountainside Chat – Mick Hanson, UM Financial Aid Director
- b. Sonny Kless discussed the UM Revolving Loan Fund proposal.
- c. Board of Regents will be reconvening via conference call December 4 from 1:30-2:30 in President Dennison's office.
- d. President Hunter extended thanks to MAS for their hard work.
- e. ASUM Press
- f. Professor Garon Smith was awarded the Carnegie Foundation's Professor of the Year award.
- g. President Hunter thanked the retiring senators for their service.
- h. A motion by **Hunter/Brockman** to create an ASUM Governing Document Revision ad-hoc Committee over Christmas break passed with unanimous consent.
- i. Swearing in of the new legislature will take place on January 5, 2009.
- j. The next ASUM meeting will be January 28, 2009.

A motion by **Sjostrom** to go to Committee Appointments and Removals passed unanimously.

Vice President's Report

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals – There will be a shifting of committees with the change of semesters. VP Smillie requested senators contact her if there are certain committees they wish to be on.
- b. Senator Fennell will be speaking on KBGA at 8:40 a.m. on December 4.
- c. Adopt-a-Family
- d. There will be a renter's rights panel at 4 p.m. at the UC Theater and senators' participation is requested.
- e. The next Board of Regents meeting will be January 7 in Helena.
- f. The MUS Legislative Budget presentation will take place in Helena on January 21-23. ASUM might take a bus if enough senators express interest in going. The University of Montana presents on January 22.

Business Manager's Report

- a. S.T.I.P. Requests

1. Women's Resource Center (WRC)
 - A motion to approve WRC's request for \$26.99 passed by Voice Vote (VV).
 - A motion to approve WRC's request for \$162 passed by VV.
2. ASUM Legal Services
 - A motion to approve Legal Services' request for \$395.99 for a scanner passed by VV.
 - A motion to approve Legal Services' request for \$315 for computer networking passed by VV.
 - A motion to approve Legal Services' request for \$105 for a printer passed by VV.
 - A motion by **Brockman/Kaliyeva** to table Legal Services' request for \$97.97 for software upgrades passed by VV.
 - A motion by **Dempersmier-Martin** to table Legal Services' request for \$125 for staff education passed by VV.
 - A motion to approve Legal Services' request for \$39.99 for a digital voice recorder passed by VV.
3. ASUM Childcare
 - A motion to approve Childcare's request for \$250 for replacement blinds was approved by VV.
- b. Emergency Travel Request
 1. UM Geology Club
 - A motion to approve the Geology Club's request for \$350 for a National Monument trip passed with unanimous consent by VV.
- c. All senators must attend lobbying on March 1, 2009 from 5-10 p.m. Budgeting will take place March 23-26.
- d. Business Manager Gosline is working on amendments to the Fiscal Policy. If any senators want to add any amendments, they are asked to contact BM Gosline.
- e. Travel Allocations are due by February 4, and Business Manager Gosline requests that all senators inform their student groups.

Committee Reports

- a. Student Employment (Smillie) – The senators were asked to contact VP Smillie if they had any ideas to help the committee.
- b. Tobacco Task Force – The committee will be convening October 2009 to discuss the issues of drugs, alcohol, and indoor smoking.
- c. Transportation (Tangjaipak) – The committee met December 2. A fundraiser will be taking place where, for every 2 bikes bought on campus, 1 bike is sent to Africa. There will also be a six-hour shadow bus in the spring.

Chair Smillie recognized the presence of Senators Cheung, Hamilton, Kettering, and Tangjaipak.

- d. Bitterroot Junior College – General auxiliaries will be paid for with the student fee through Sonny's program.
- e. College of Technology – Governor's budget is \$24 million for building. Regent Professor Distinction.

- f. Faculty Senate – Committee will be meeting December 4 to take up two of ASUM’s issues: (1) the removal of averaging grades and (2) amending the add/drop deadline. A motion by **Dempersmier-Kaliyeva** to approve as a slate passed by VV.
- g. Relations and Affairs (Fennell) – The committee gave a do-pass recommendation to SB28, SB29, and SB30. A motion by **Smillie-Dempersmier** to approve all amendments to the senate bills as a slate passed with unanimous consent called by **Dusek**.
- h. University Center (May) – The UC Board met on December 1 to discuss and make changes to the budget.
- i. Academic Standards and Curriculum Review Committee (ASCRC) (Hunter) – The committee met just prior to Senate to discuss enrollment management. They discussed the possibility of increasing retention rates by increasing enrollment GPA from 2.5 to 2.7. A subcommittee is working on the issue.
- j. (Zolnikov) – An intern is needed in Helena or at the University of Montana to go see legislation and meet with the senators and representative of Montana.

Unfinished Business

- a. A motion by **Gosline-Leftridge** to approve SB28 passed with unanimous consent called by **Gosline**.
- b. A motion by **Hunter/Dempersmier** to approve SB29 passed with unanimous consent.
- c. A motion to approve SB30 passed 14-6 by Roll Call Vote (RCV). (see Tally Sheet)

New Business

- 1. Resolution amending Fiscal Policy
- 2. Resolution regarding Dead Week
- 3. Resolution regarding IGBQ legislation
- 4. Resolution regarding online graduation application process
- 5. Resolution regarding online major-change form
- 6. Resolution regarding ASUM marketing and public relations

Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

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