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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - January 24, 2007

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT - None (out-of-town)

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. KBGA @ 8:30 a.m. Thursday
   c. “Day at the Statehouse” Sign-up
   d. Leadership Mix & Mingle
   e. Open Senate Seats & Appointment Process Review
   f. Special Allocation Request
   g. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT - None (out-of-town)
   STIP
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB19-06/07 Resolution regarding Internet Routing Policy - tabled
   b. SB21-06/07 Resolution supporting Fee Increase for ASUM Office of Transportation and UDash
   c. SB22-06/07 Resolution supporting Revised Plan for Arthur/5th/6th Project

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
### Senate Members
- Jose Diaz
- Scott Gauthier
- James Greer
- Rikki Gregory
- Lucas Hamilton
- Allie Harrison
- Erica Henderson
- Jordan Hess
- Trevor Hunter
- Dustin Leftridge
- Ryan Nalty
- Tara Ness
- Svein Newman
- Kimberly Pappas
- Eric Schultz
- Ali Tabibnejad

### ASUM Officers
- Andrea Helling  
  President
- Cedric Jacobson  
  Vice-President
- Bryce Bennett  
  Business Manager

### Faculty Advisors
- Professor Anderson
- Professor Ausland
Chair Jacobson called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Present: Vice President Jacobson; Senators Diaz, Gauthier, Greer, Gregory, Hamilton, Harrison, Henderson, Hess, Hunter, Leftridge, Nalty, Ness, Newman, Pappas, Schultz and Tabibnejad. Excused were President Helling and Business Manager Bennett.

The minutes for January 24, 2007, were approved.

Public Comment
*Katie Pritchard talked about the Special Allocation request she hoped would be considered during the meeting.

President's Report - None (out-of-town)
Vice-President Jacobson noted that President Helling is in Washington, DC as part of her internship. Questions can be emailed to her, or he would be happy to help with concerns.

Vice President's Report
a. The following committee removals were approved with unanimous consent:
   Budget and Finance - Rebecca Pettit, Kiki Renaud, Riley Workman. The following committee appointments were approved with unanimous consent:
   Budget and Finance - Leslie Venetz, Kip Rand.
b. Senator Hess will represent ASUM on KBGA Thursday at 8:30 a.m.
c. A sign-up sheet for the “Day at the Statehouse” trip on Monday, February 12, was circulated. Some will be leaving on Sunday.
d. Senators were encouraged to attend the Mix 'n Mingle event on Wednesday, February 7, at 5 p.m. in the UC Ballroom. They were asked to RSVP so there would be an idea of expected attendance.
e. Senate applications are due at noon Friday, February 2nd. Senators were asked to encourage any students interested in serving on Senate to apply. Interviews will be held on Monday, with appointments to be made the following Wednesday evening at the Senate meeting.
f. Membership is not complete on Budget and Finance, so there was no quorum for a meeting. A group with time constraints submitted a request. A motion by Newman-Greer to suspend House Rules to consider the request was approved with unanimous consent on a motion by Schultz. A motion by Greer-Pappas to approve Students for Economic and Social Justice’s Special Allocation request for $390 was approved with unanimous consent on a motion by Greer. A motion by Tabibnejad-Schultz to reinstate House Rules was approved with unanimous consent on a motion by Gauthier.
g. Final budgeting has been moved to Friday, March 16.

Business Manager’s Report - None (out-of-town)

Committee Reports
a. Relations and Affairs (Schultz) - SB19 remains tabled. SB21 received a do pass recommendation on a vote of 5-1. Sports Union President Travis McCarthy reported on their meeting. They met to talk about the budget request for next year’s funds, a web page and a resolution that Schultz will be submitting.
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b. UC Board (Hunter) - UC Director Holt will report to Senate on the budget.

c. Transportation Board (Hess) - They talked about SB21 and 22 plus Earth Week.

d. Sustainable Campus Subcommittee (Leftridge) - They talked to Printing and Graphics about obtaining cheap, recyclable paper and being the source for campus paper needs.

e. ADA Team (Greer) - They discussed ASUM Transportation's role in providing rider access.

f. BOM (Ness) - The following groups were approved for recognition on a motion by Greer-Pappas and with unanimous consent on a motion by Schultz: Military Law Society, UM Club Baseball, Kappa Sigma Fraternity, UM Triathlon Club.

g. Enrollment Management (Jacobson) - FTE is now over the projected number, with more of them fully paid than at this time last year.

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. SB19-06/07 Resolution regarding Internet Routing Policy - tabled

b. SB21-06/07 Resolution supporting Fee Increase for ASUM Office of Transportation and UDash (Exhibit A) was moved by Tabibnejad-Diaz to uphold the recommendation and passed 16-0 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

c. SB22-06/07 Resolution supporting Revised Plan for Arthur/5th/6th Project (Exhibit B) was moved by Schultz-Pappas to uphold the recommendation and passed 13-3 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

New Business

a. Resolution on Internet Routing

b. Resolution to amend Bylaws Article IV, Section 15

c. Resolution opposing draft bill 1477

d. Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy 14.0

e. Resolution to amend Personnel Policy 3.0

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
Resolution Supporting Fee Increase for ASUM Office of Transportation and UDASH

WHEREAS, ASUM Transportation started as a demonstration project to introduce and promote transportation options to the campus community and has been considerably successful at that goal;

WHEREAS, ridership has increased on the ASUM Office of Transportation (ASUMOT) Park-N-Ride service from 3,860 riders during the 1999-2000 school year to a projected 260,000 during the 2006-2007 school year;

WHEREAS, ASUMOT expanded in Spring of 2003 to include a late-night shuttle service called UDASH, which provides over 15,700 rides per academic year;

WHEREAS, in 2005 ASUMOT added a second Park-N-Ride route to East Broadway, on which ridership has tripled in the last year;

WHEREAS, the cost per ride on ASUMOT’s Park-N-Ride is $0.53, which is far less than 25% of the national average of $2.19 per ride;

WHEREAS, ASUMOT promotes bicycling, works on infrastructure projects to make sure that bicyclists are considered and prioritized, develops bike maps, works to improve parking for cyclists, and developed the new Bike Ambassador Program which teaches and promotes safe and responsible bicycling habits;

WHEREAS, promoting and providing transportation options saves students money that directly helps them stay in school and invest in the local economy;

WHEREAS, the cost of operating ASUMOT services is steadily increasing with the cost of fuel, equipment maintenance and labor;

WHEREAS, ASUMOT is currently funded as if it were still a demonstration project, even though the services it provides have expanded greatly since its inception;

WHEREAS, to continue to operate and provide a safe and sustainable service, ASUMOT funding must increase;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED that the Senate of The Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) supports an eight dollar ($8) fee increase for ASUM Transportation and a two dollar ($2) increase for UDASH to fund these services properly.

LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that ASUMOT will then allocate a substantial portion of their budget to upgrading equipment with better access, hiring a Park-N-Ride Road supervisor, and adding a COT shuttle route. ASUMOT will also allocate a substantive increase to bike facility/parking funds and bus fuel funds to continue to provide quality service at the lowest possible cost to students.

LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the ASUM Senate will submit this proposal to a student referendum in April 2007.

Authored by: Senator W. Jordan Hess
Resolution Supporting Revised Plan for Arthur/5th/6th Project

Whereas, the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT), in partnership with The University of Montana and the City of Missoula, has been working on a reconstruction project for the intersections of Arthur and 5th and 6th streets;

Whereas, the original plans put forward by MDT would have turned the intersection at Arthur and 5th Street into a Reserve Street-size intersection by making it 100 feet wide;

Whereas, MDT’s original plans met with strong student and community opposition for its public process, size, lack of safety for pedestrians and bicyclists, and amount of land taken to build the project;

Whereas, in April of 2006, the Associated Students of The University of Montana opposed MDT’s preferred alternative construction plans (SB 54, 05-06), citing specifically the lack of pedestrian and bicyclist safety and the large nature of the project;

Whereas, MDT’s environmental assessment received much opposition from the community and students;

Whereas, The University of Montana has altered MDT’s plan to address student and community concerns;

Whereas, the revised plan reduces the project by 20 feet, removes one north-bound lane of traffic, and one turning lane between 5th and 6th streets, and adds additional lighting and pedestrian amenities;

Whereas, the revised plan also makes Madison a two-way street at the end of lot P, which will reduce confusion for visitors traveling to campus;

Whereas, the revised plan also saves land in Rankin Park;

Whereas, the University’s revised plan is endorsed by the ASUM Transportation Board;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana support the University’s revised plan.

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that ASUM requests that UM and the ASUM Office of Transportation work with community members to explain the benefits of the revised project.

Authored by: ASUM President Andrea Helling