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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
February 28, 2007
UC326-327 - 6 p.m.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 21, 2007
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT - None (Board of Regents)

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. SPA Director Appointment
   b. New Senator Appointment/Swearing-in
   c. City Council Ward Discussion with John Torma
   d. Legislative Update from Denver Henderson
   e. Tickets for CLD Leadership Conference
   f. Formal Lobbying - March 5-9
   g. Committee Appointments/Removals
   h. KBGA @ 8:30 a.m. Thursday
   i. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $10,683.04
   S.T.I.P. - $103,281.59
   ZERO BASE CARRYOVER - $93,045.23
   a. Students for Economic & Social Justice Special Allocation Request - $227.57/$168.38 (6-0)
   b. Student Social Work Association Special Allocation Request - $250/$150 (5-0)
   c. UM Outdoors Club Special Allocation Request - $3,235/$0 (5-0)
   d. Student Dance Club Special Allocation Request - $625/$500 (5-0)
   e. UM Folklore Society Special Allocation Request - in committee
   f. Formal/Informal Lobbying - Contact Student Groups
   g. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB28-06/07 Resolution amending Personnel Policy, Item 3.0
   b. SB31-06/07 Resolution to amend ASUM Bylaws Article V, Sections I and II - died in committee

10. NEW BUSINESS
    a. SB32-06/07 Resolution Supporting Fee Increase for KBGA Student Radio and Sending Proposed Fee Increase to Student Referendum

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
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Resigned to become SPS Dir.

The document includes a list of ASUM Senate Members and ASUM Officers, as well as faculty advisors.
Chair Jacobson called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. Present: Vice President Jacobson, Business Manager Bennett; Senators Childers, Diaz, Gauthier, Greer, Gregory, Hamilton, Harrison, Leftridge, Morrison, K. Nalty, Ness, Pappas, Schultz and Tolton. Excused were President Helling, Senators Henderson, Hunter, R. Nalty and Newman. Unexcused were Senators Hess and Tabibnejad.

The minutes for February 21, 2007, were approved.

Public Comment
*A representative of Students for Economic and social Justice asked Senate to support their travel request.

President’s Report - None (Board of Regents)

Vice President’s Report
a. A motion by Pappas-Schultz to appoint Rikki Gregory as SPA Director passed. Gregory tendered her resignation as Senator.
b. A motion by Bennett-Pappas to appoint Eric Fulton to Senate to fill the vacancy created by Gregory’s resignation passed. Dean Couture presided at his swearing-in.
c. John Torma fielded questions and spoke about the ward make-ups and his opinion that the University should be in Ward 3 and not Ward 2.
d. ASUM Lobbyist Henderson reported on various bills (Exhibit A). He urged Senators to write letters, email or call legislators. Student visits to Helena at appropriate times are also effective.
e. Three tickets for the Center for Leadership Development conference this Saturday from 9-3 are available to Senators.
f. Senators were reminded that formal lobbying will be held Monday through Friday of next week. Attendance is mandatory.
g. The following committee removals were approved with unanimous consent: SPA - Chair Rikki Gregory; Budget and Finance - Eric Fulton. The following committee appointments were approved with unanimous consent: SPA - Lucas Hamilton as Chair; Budget and Finance - Alexander Gosline.
h. Lobbyist Henderson will represent ASUM on KBGA Thursday at 8:30 a.m.
i. Senator Hess arranged a UC building tour for 9:30 Thursday morning. Email him if you’re interested.
j. Notebooks are ready for lobbying/final budgeting. Senators were asked to find a partner to share a notebook.
k. Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks will be provided for Final Budgeting. Senators were asked to note preferences for beverages.

Business Manager’s Report
SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $10,683.04
S.T.I.P. - $103,281.59
ZERO BASE CARRYOVER - $93,045.23
a. Senate agreed to consider UM Outdoors Club request first, since a club member has been present since the beginning of the meeting. Their Special Allocation request for $3,235 was recommended for $0, since there wasn’t
adequate information available. A motion by Morrison-Pappas to amend the amount to $1,863.75 passed after a previous question call by Jacobson. The amended amount passed 10-5-1 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

b. Students for Economic and Social Justice's Special Allocation Request for $227.57 was recommended for $168.38 by Budget and Finance. A motion by Leftridge-Greer to amend the recommendation to $227.57 passed after previous question calls by Diaz (failed) and Jacobson. The recommendation as amended passed, with group members abstaining.

c. Student Social Work Association's Special Allocation request for $250 and recommended by Budget and Finance for $150 was approved with unanimous consent on a call by Jacobson for the recommended amount.

d. Student Dance Club's Special Allocation request for $625 and recommended by Budget and Finance for $500 passed as recommended.

e. Um Folklore Society's Special Allocation request was tabled.

f. Senators were asked to contact their groups to remind them about lobbying and informal lobbying next week.

g. Late budget requests will be included in the notebooks but not included in the recommendation.

Committee Reports
a. Board on Membership (Ness) - The following groups recognitions were approved with unanimous consent on a call by Schultz after a motion by Bennett-Pappas: Missoula Folklore Society Student Chapter, Students at The University of Montana for Barack Obama.

b. ASCRC (Ness) - They talked about eliminating the fee of $100 for repeating a course. They’re discussing the foreign language requirement in General Ed.

c. Relations and Affairs (Schultz) - SB28 is in committee. SB31 was killed in committee. The Sports Union Chair reported that the Union talked about their budget request.

d. Sustainability Conference (Leftridge) - He and Hess will be reporting to Senate on the conference.

e. Writing (Jacobson) - A writing course outline proposal has been sent to ASCRC. They talked about how "W" courses are approved.

f. Education Dean Search (Jacobson) - The field is being narrowed.

g. Student Computer Fee (Jacobson) - Allocations were made after considering requests.

h. Transportation Work Group (Jacobson) - They are discussions as to how ASUM can work with campus-wide transportation issues.

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. SB28-06/07 Resolution amending Personnel Policy Item 3.0 is in committee.

b. SB31-06/07 Resolution to amend ASUM Bylaws Article V, Sections I and II - died in committee
New Business

a. SB32-06/07 Resolution supporting Fee Increase for KBGA Student Radio and Sending Proposed Fee Increase to Student Referendum
b. Resolution on UM Dining Services
c. Resolution on UM professors' accommodations
d. Resolution on Interview Committee
e. Resolution to amend Bylaws Article 5, section 2
f. Resolution on sending an ASUM Activity Fee increase to referendum
g. Resolution to support green credit voluntary fee
h. Resolution on a KBGA fee increase

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
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* The fiscal impact is typically calculated over 4 years; in this document it is represented for the biennium.

** The fiscal impact has not been calculated by LSFD; the appropriated amount changes throughout the session.

*** Bills are still in committee, as an appropriation bill may have a different transmittal deadline.

**** Our position on the bill will depend on its content which can change throughout the session.

***** Prediction on the bill is evident and unnecessary by the bills status.