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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
September 2, 2009
UC330-331 - 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 1, 2009 and May 6, 2009

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Welcome
- b. Summer Update
- c. Introduce Phoebe
- d. Mountain-side Chat(s)
 - Charles Couture, Dean of Students
 - Marlene Hendrickson, UMP Advisor, ASUM Accountant
 - Annie Hamilton, Director of ASUM Legal Services
- e. Approval of Garron Smith, Senate Advisor
- f. Introduce Jayme Fraser, Kaimin reporter 307-250-1054
- g. Introduction and approval of Olivia Riutta, Off-Campus Renter Center Director
- h. Memorandum of Understanding for course repeat fee in effect
- i. Student Political Action Director job posting
- j. Agency update: Transportation
- k. ASUM website
- l. KBGA applied for grant
- m. BOR/MAS meeting in Billings September 23rd-25th
- n. President's Lecture Series September 3rd, Michel du Cille
- o. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- e. Committee Appointments/Removals
- f. Retreat
- g. Student Groups
- h. Welcome Feast
- i. Ice Cream Social
- j. HeartWalk!
- k. Mail
- l. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

- SPECIAL ALLOCATION** - \$18,000.00
- STIP** - \$208,139.17
- TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION** - \$18,000.00
- ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER** - \$166.461.24

- a. Board on Budget and Finance meeting
- b. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, September 2, 2009
UC 330-331 - 6 p.m.

Chair May called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Present: President Fennell, Vice President May, Business Manager Armstrong; Senators Barhaugh, Carson, Chuang, Davis, Dusek, Engum, Guilhemotnia, K. Kettering, M.Kettering (6:07), Kilts, Mariani, Rhea, Rose, Smartt, Summers (6:07), Torti, Wilke and Williams. Senator Brewer was excused.

The minutes from the March 1, 2009 and May 6, 2009 meetings were approved.

Public Comment

*Mark LoParco, Director of University Dining Services, provided handouts to the Senators and invited groups to participate in the Washington Grizzly Stadium Concessions Program as a fundraising opportunity for student groups. It was further explained by Adelle Watts, Assistant Director of UM Concessions, that by working concession stands during events, groups can earn 10% of the proceeds from sales.

*Molly Collins, Assistant Director for Student Involvement and Leadership Development, announced SILD activities for the week, notably Welcome Feast, to take place on the Oval Friday, 9/4/09, and including lunch, activities, live music from 11:30 - 1 p.m. Later in the day there will be a free concert by Cracker and a free showing of the movie, Land of the Lost. She also handed out candy-filled water bottles for each of the Senators.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senators M. Kettering and Summers.

President's Report

- a. President Fennel welcomed the Senators back following the summer hiatus and provided a summer update of ASUM-related activities. President Fennel and Vice President May participated in Orientations, booths, workshops, COT outreach, and recruiting new students-at-large. At the May Board of Regents meeting, the discussion regarding whether to raise tuition resulted in a raise lower than what President Fennell promoted, feeling that a higher raise of tuition was important as a means of ensuring a higher quality of education. At the BOR meeting there was also the opportunity to develop relationships with representatives of other MAS institutions. The Students First campaign is being resurrected with a new aesthetic as a way to get the word

- out to students and the larger community about what ASUM does.
- b. Phoebe Hunter, the new Office Manager for ASUM, was introduced.
 - c. Mountain-side Chats
 - 1. Charles Couture, Dean of Students, encouraged the Senators to review their oaths of office and complete their terms. He provided several handouts regarding the UM Student Code of Conduct, UM Alcohol and Drug Policy and other topics of interest to new Senators.
 - 2. Marlene Hendrickson, UMP Advisor and ASUM Accountant, introduced herself and talked briefly about the various hats she wears on campus. UM Productions is celebrating its 40th anniversary Friday, September 4, with a free concert by Cracker.
 - 3. Annie Hamilton, Director of ASUM Legal Services, described the kinds of services provided by the three lawyers and eight Law School interns who work in her department.
 - d. Introduction of Jayme Fraser, Kaimin reporter, who will be covering ASUM Senate meetings this semester.
 - e. Memorandum of Understanding for course repeat fee is in effect
With a three-tiered system of fees from \$25 to \$50, instead of the previous \$100 fee for each retake. Those students who were mistakenly charged the \$100 fee over the summer can have that amount adjusted to the appropriate fee from the tier system.
 - f. The position of ASUM Student Political Action Director will be posted Friday, 9/4/09. The decision on whom to hire will come before the Senate during the 9/16/09 meeting.
 - g. Agency update: Transportation - the numbers of riders on buses so far this week has increased by 447, or 17%. Buses are coming more frequently and are not as crowded. Vice President Durringer donated \$500 for bicycle bells. Pedal Fest, an event being co-sponsored with other community transportation organizations, is scheduled for September 19, 2009 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The location has yet to be determined.

- h. Olivia Riutta, the new Off-Campus Renter Center Director hired in May, was introduced and explained the numerous advocacy programs her department is participating in and developing, including Missoula's zoning rewrite. A motion by **Fennell-Wilke** to approve Olivia's appointment passed unanimously.
- i. The new ASUM website launched today, and Senators were reminded to provide photographs and their bios.
- j. KBGA has a good chance of receiving a \$47,730 National Endowment of the Arts grant, which will enable the ASUM radio station to broadcast nationally. The revamp of the station's studio is due to be completed in October.
- k. The next Board of Regents meeting will take place in Billings September 24-25, 2009. Senators interested in a MAS meeting September 23 to prepare for the BOR are encouraged to sign up.
- l. The President's Lecture Series on September 3rd features Michel du Cille, Pulitzer-prize winning photographer, in conjunction with the current exhibit of Pulitzer-prize winning photographs on campus.

Vice President's Report

- a. On a motion by **Fennel-Dusek**, ASUM and University Committee appointments were moved and approved by unanimous consent (Exhibits A and B).
- b. The Senate retreat will be taking place at Yellow Bay on September 12-13.
- c. Each Senator is to sign up to be a liaison for 6 to 7 student groups to help with recognition, budgeting, etc.
- d. Senators signed up to serve as ambassadors and to secure tables for Friday's Welcome Feast.
- e. Senators signed up to distribute flyers for the Ice Cream Social to be held Sunday, September 13, 2009.
- f. The Executives are committed to forming a team to participate in the Saturday, October 3, 2009 HeartWalk on the Oval.
- g. Senators were reminded of their mailboxes in the ASUM office suite and that they need to provide their University email addresses for the purposes of Senate communication.

Business Manager's Report

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- a. Applications for returning groups seeking recognition and Travel Allocation funds are due September 16, 2009.
- b. The meeting time for the Budget and Finance committee is yet to be scheduled.

Committee Reports

- a. The Interview Committee met September 1, 2009 to discuss the Senate position vacated by Jeff Verlanic. Kaimin ads are scheduled for September 2-4. Applications are due by the end of the day Friday, September 4, and the committee will meet again at 5:30 to review applications and set up interviews.
- b. The Transportation Board met Sunday, August 30, 2009 to discuss a 5-year plan for Mountain Line. A new bus is being purchased, and a new bus garage is being built within the Facilities Services complex.

Unfinished Business - none

New Business

- a. Resolution to amend Bylaws (2)
- b. Resolution regarding Transportation Bylaws
- c. Resolution regarding Mountain Line bus service (3)

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Phoebe Hunter
ASUM Office Manager