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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 10, 2004

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   b. Kaimin Fee
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   d. Curry Health Center Open Forum
   e. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
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   b. KBGA – Thursday at 8:30 a.m.
   c. Other

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   Travel Special Allocation – $11,106.06
   STIP – $98,640.80
   Zero-Base Carryover – $60,466.64
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      $128.37/$128.37 (4-1)
   b. Other

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DATE: December 1, 2004
Chair Pavlish called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. Present: Price, Pavlish, Morton, Bennett, Bissell, Cederberg, Clairmont, Haddouch, Hagen, Healow, Helling, Hogue, Johnson (6:07), Padgham, Pappas, Peters, Pettit, Pipinich, Prosperi, Snodgrass, Venetz, Welsh and Ziegler.

The meeting minutes for November 17, 2004, were approved as written.

The Chair recognized the presence of Johnson.

Public Comment
*Sarah Shelley, Curry Health Center Health Enhancement Interim Director, commented on SB30 promoting the possible sale and advertisement of beer at football games. She expressed concerns and commented on nationwide reports citing problems associated with this idea. *Ben Vandeven of IFC spoke in favor of SB30 as a good revenue stream. He feels the implemented ticket charge has had an adverse affect on attendance at the football games. *Representatives of the Woodsmen’s Team thanked Senate for the money they received for travel to the Logger Sport Show. They placed in competition. *John Fletcher of the Good Health Whole Foods Group invited Senate to view a film on “Future of Food” at the Skaggs Building tomorrow at 5 and 7 p.m. He offered to loan out the film to interested persons who can’t attend.

President’s Report
a. Price distributed copies of the ASUM Annual Report that she presented to the Regents at the recent meeting in Missoula. Tuition fee increases are anticipated to match appropriation funds proposed by Governor Martz. See Price for more details. She suggested that interested Senators attend the Strategic Budget and Planning meeting from 3-5 p.m. on December 14. The Kaimin Fee which was voted in by students at the spring ASUM General Election was overlooked for Regent approval last May, but it was approved at this Board of Regents meeting. The administration will cover this semester’s loss, as the fee should have taken effect this Fall Semester. b. A drawing was held for Secret Santas, gifts to be exchanged at next week’s meeting. A Christmas party was discussed. Suggestions are to be emailed to Price or Pavlish. c. Representatives from Curry Health Center will present their annual fee increase proposal ($8.85 this year) next week at Senate. A forum will be held Monday at noon in UC329 to answer questions and for discussion. d. The tongs from the last executive breakfast meeting are missing. Anyone with information should contact Price.

Vice President’s Report
a. The following committee removals/appointments were passed: removal of Shawna Hagen from ASCRC and University Court - moved by Heallow-Price; appointment of Casey Lalonde to SPA - moved by Peters-Bennett. b. Price will represent ASUM on KGBA tomorrow. Pavlish urged Senators to Read Venetz’s email about ASUM’s participation.
Business Manager’s Report
Special Allocation - $13,373.10
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a. A motion by Hagen to approve Good Health Whole Foods Group’s Special Allocation request for $128.37 and approved by Budget and Finance for same was objected to by Peters. After a previous question call by Bennett, the allocation request failed. Welsh moved to reconsider. An objection to consideration by Bennett-Peters failed. The motion to reconsider failed.

Committee Reports
a. ASCRC needs student members. See Pavlish for details.
b. Library (Healow) - A budget report is being sent to Faculty Senate. Comments and ideas about the Library should be sent to Healow so he can present them at committee meetings.
c. Relations and Affairs (Healow) - SB28 received no recommendation. SB30 was given a do pass recommendation.
d. Martin Luther King Day (Hagen) - Medgar Evers’ son will be coming to UM to speak.
e. Music Union (Peters) - Meetings are at 6 p.m. Mondays, and he encouraged Senators to attend. Symphonic Winds was invited to perform at the CMENC conference in Bellingham, WA. CMENC held a dinner Tuesday evening.
f. Drug and Alcohol Advisory (Helling) - They talked about the Greek alcohol policy, which is being revised. See Helling for details. She expressed concern over SB30 but didn’t say she opposed it.
g. ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center (Pettit) - The winner of the Housing Fair drawing was Dacia Closson, who will receive $400 toward one month’s rent. A second fair is being planned for March 30, 2005.
h. ASUM Transportation (Pappas) - A new record was set for shuttle ridership on Monday, with over 1,400 riders using the service.
i. Board on Membership (Cederberg) - The following slate of groups were approved for ASUM recognition on a motion by Cederberg-Bennett: Chinese Interest Group, Interfraternity Council, Montana Druids, UM Alpine Ski Team, WEEL, UM Rodeo Team, Native American Graduate Students Association.

Unfinished Business
To see a list of resolutions with the action taken on them noted and the resolutions currently being considered in their entirety, please go to: http://www2.umt.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm.

a. SB28-04/05 Resolution regarding Student Government Legitimacy and Free Speech on Campus (Exhibit A) was moved by Pipinich-Cederberg. Bennett-Healow moved to postpone consideration of SB28 until after a decision was rendered on the court case. Previous question calls by Ziegler and Welsh were objected to and failed. An amendment by Price-Prosperi to postpone consideration until after a ruling by Judge Molloy passed. A previous question call by Welsh passed, and the amended motion to postpone failed.
A motion by Healow-Pappas to amend the original motion by deleting all the "whereas" paragraphs and the last paragraph (Let It Further...) and changing the remaining paragraph to read "Let It Be Resolved that The Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) understand student government has a tremendous educational benefit and is a legitimate entity for student representation." Cederberg-Hagen moved to amend it by inserting "first and foremost" between "is" and "a". A motion by Hagen to adopt it with unanimous consent was objected to. The amendment passed 15-5. A motion by Prosperi-Cederberg to amend the amended motion by reinstating the last paragraph failed after a previous question call by Helling. After previous question calls by Clairmont (failed) and Helling (passed), the motion as amended passed 12-7-1.

b. SB29-04/05 Resolution Congratulating and Thanking Governor-Elect Brian Schweitzer and Lieutenant Governor-Elect John Bohlinger (Exhibit B) was moved by Bennett-Helling. Healow’s motion to adopt with unanimous consent was objected to. A motion by Hagen-Welsh to delete “and Thanking” from the title and delete the last paragraph failed after a previous question call by Healow. The resolution passed after a previous question call by Helling.

Five-minute recess

c. SB30-04/05 Resolution for Increased Revenue and Social Lubrication was moved by Cederberg-Bennett. Cederberg noted amendments made in committee. A motion by Price-Helling to postpone for one week failed after a previous question call by Bissell. A motion by Helling-Price to recommit passed after a previous question call by Johnson.

New Business
a. Resolution to amend Personnel Policy 4.72
b. Resolution to endorse diversity in UM holiday displays
c. Resolution regarding use of ASUM Senate name
d. Resolution to support Curry Health Center’s FY06 proposal
e. Resolution regarding UM’s Coke contract
f. Resolution in support of Vice-President Duringer
g. Resolution condemning the Board of Regents decision to postpone the natural resources conflict resolution certificate

The meeting adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
Resolution Regarding Student Government Legitimacy and Free Speech on Campus

Whereas, the primary purpose of student government is to represent students on important issues to university administrators, Montana citizens, the Board of Regents and other state officials;

Whereas, the Board of Regents has the right to hear from an independent and elected student voice on issues that relate to the Montana University System;

Whereas, administrators at The University of Montana are arguing in Federal court that student government is first and foremost an educational opportunity and therefore subject to control by administrators;

Whereas, administrators at The University of Montana are arguing that they can control student government even if that means excluding First Amendment activities;

Whereas, Section 4 of the Constitution of the Associated Students of The University of Montana mandates that "The ASUM government and activities must comply with Montana State law and the policies of the Montana Board of Regents on Higher Education";

Whereas, Section 3 of ASUM's Bylaws state, "In the event that these Bylaws or any ASUM operation or procedure conflicts with Montana or U.S. law, they shall be deemed null and void";

Whereas, Section 506.2.3 of the Board of Regents Policy and Procedures Manual states: "Applicable state and federal laws and regulations, Regents' policies, and campus policies shall be followed in the operation of the associated students organizations";

Whereas, arguments put forth by UM administrators in Flint v. Dennison would severely undermine the legitimacy of university student governments and newspapers;

Therefore- Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) understand believe that student government has is a tremendous educational benefit and is first and foremost a legitimate entity for student representation, charged first and foremost with representing students on important issues;

Let It Further Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana calls on the Board of Regents of the Montana University System to stand by the legitimacy of student governments and First Amendment rights for students in the Montana University System:

Authored by: Aaron Flint, former ASUM President

Sponsored by: Jake Pipinich, ASUM Senator
Resolution Congratulating and Thanking Governor-Elect Brian Schweitzer and Lieutenant Governor-Elect John Bohlinger

Whereas, Brian Schweitzer and John Bohlinger were elected to the offices of Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Montana on November 2, 2004;

Whereas, Brian Schweitzer and John Bohlinger have campaigned consistently for more funding for the higher education system;

Whereas, Brian Schweitzer and John Bohlinger have stated that they will fight to ensure that young people in Montana “will have the opportunity to receive higher education and to work in their home state”;

Whereas, Brian Schweitzer and John Bohlinger have made multiple campaign stops at The University of Montana, furthering their interest in the issues facing the university and its students;

Whereas, Brian Schweitzer has unveiled a plan to help students with the loans and debt they accrue during their time in college;

Whereas, the Associated Students of The University of Montana have consistently taken stances in favor of low tuition costs, student benefits, political involvement, lowering student debt, and maintaining good relations with those who directly affect the Montana University System;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana congratulate Brian Schweitzer and John Bohlinger on being elected to the offices of governor and lieutenant governor.

Therefore Let It Further Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana thank Governor-Elect Brian Schweitzer and Lieutenant Governor-Elect John Bohlinger for their commitment to work with students in the Montana University System and their expressed interest in supporting higher education.

Authored by Bryce Bennett, ASUM Senator