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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
April 14, 2010
UC 326/327 - 6 P.M.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - April 7, 2010
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
5. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
 - a. Mountainside Chat:
 1. Jim Foley, University of Montana Executive Vice President, and Patrick Barkey, Director of the Bureau of Business and Economic Research
 2. Bob Tutskey, Marlene Hutchins, and K. C. Hayes, Tutskey Marketing Group
 - b. MAS survey
 - c. Event:
 1. "Existing in the 21st Century," 42nd annual Kyi-Yo Celebration and Conference - April 16 and 17, in the Adams Center
 - d. Other
6. **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
 - a. Committee Appointments/Removals
 - b. KBGA
 - c. Other
7. **BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT**

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$9,945.60
STIP - \$215,011.24
TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$806.72
ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$164,209.43

 - a. 2010/2011 Kaimin Editor and Business Manager
 - b. ADSUM Special Allocation request - \$170.00/20.00
 - c. ASUM Legal Travel Allocation request - \$2832.00/2832.00
 - d. Forensics Special Allocation request - \$130.00/65.00
 - e. Global Grizzlies Special Allocation request - \$1329.00/250.00
 - f. Mortar Board Special Allocation request - 1066.43/106.64
 - g. 1000 New Gardens Special Allocation request - 230.00/120.00
 - h. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, April 14, 2010
UC 326/327 - 6 p.m.

Chair May called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Present: President Fennell, Vice President May, Business Manager Armstrong; and Senators Barhaugh, Berry, Boeey, Carson, Davis, Hanson, James, Jokisch, Kilts, Mariani, Rhea, Rose, Selph, Smartt, Stovall, Summers (6:18), Wilke and Williams. Excused: Senator Dusek. Unexcused: Senator Guilhemotonia.

The minutes from the April 7, 2010 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

- o Bob Durringer, Vice President of Administration and Finance, spoke in support of the resolution for an athletic fee increase. The fee is needed to maintain and improve facilities for both athletic and art students. The current facilities for both populations have space and safety issues. The fee increase would make a three way deal possible: a private donation would go to converting the current Art Annex into a weight room; half of the student athletic fee increase would go to the creation of a new Art Annex; and the other half would be used to address athletic facilities issues.
- o Charles Burton, UM student, showed photos of the crowding, mold and ceiling leakage problems currently plaguing the weight room. (Exhibit A)
- o Sarah Horvath, UM student, pointed out the plan to build the new Art Annex on the other side of the river removes art students from the campus experience and suggested that the weight room could go there instead.
- o Jared Trilling, Board Chair of Students for MontPIRG, explained that the resolution in support of a MontPIRG fee was not being brought forward during the current meeting because the language needs to be revised.
- o Vicki Watson, Professor of Environmental Studies, announced the start of Earth Week activities April 17, including an EcoPentathlon. She also spoke to the outstanding internship experiences that MontPIRG provides.
- o Denver Henderson, former ASUM Senator and ASUM Lobbyist, elaborated on the importance of MontPIRG as an excellent training ground for future leaders of The University and state.

- Eric Fulton, former ASUM Senator, claimed that MontPIRG does not need over \$100,000 for its programming. There are alternative opportunities for students to learn about the kind of campaigning MontPIRG does, such as Forward Montana. He expressed concern that ASUM would not control MontPIRG.
- Beki Hartmann, UM alumna, passed around a summary of ten points explaining why the MontPIRG fee referendum should not be passed. (Exhibit B)

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Summers.

- Brad Dusenberry, former member of MontPIRG, spent the last two years working with MontPIRG learning campaigning skills. Although MontPIRG has a reputation for being left-leaning, Dusenberry is a registered Republican.
- Zack Porter, President of UM CAN!, spoke on behalf of MontPIRG, pointing out that no other student group does what MontPIRG does, such as working to keep tuition low.
- Bryce Burke, UM student, would prefer an opt-in MontPIRG fee.
- Carli Amatuzio, UM student, disagreed that MontPIRG is the only student group that provides students opportunities that other groups don't offer.
- Mary Kettering, former ASUM Senator, expressed opposition to putting the increased athletic fee to a vote of the student body. She felt that this was an extra and unnecessary step given senators are well informed and serve as representatives of the student body.
- Ryan Fetherston, member of the UM football team, described his experiences in the weight room, such as ceiling collapses, gushing water, loose light fixtures on the verge of dropping and the explosive growth of what is believed to be mold.
- Neil Bennett, MontPIRG intern, described how meaningful it is to work for an organization (MontPIRG) that is truly unique and provides her with the feeling she is actually making a difference. By not supporting MontPIRG, the Senate would eliminate a huge opportunity for students to apply leadership skills in a way that is unavailable in other organizations.
- Spencer Veysey, sophomore in Journalism, wants a student referendum on the athletic increase and does not want the decision left up to just senators and representatives of the Athletic Department. He added, more and more it feels like The UM is becoming less affordable.

- Jen McBride, undergrad in Forestry and volunteer for MontPIRG, has found working on consumer rights issues with USPIRG a very empowering experience. The organization encouraged her to be a critical thinker and to be more engaged. Students have an important role to play in the broader community and MontPIRG provides the opportunity for students to do this in a non-partisan way.
- Meghan Baker, UM sophomore, spoke in opposition to the MontPIRG fee, suggesting that the group should get money by doing their own fundraising like other groups.
- Matt Loewi, former MontPIRG lobbyist, is proud of his past accomplishments while serving as MontPIRG lobbyist for seven years. He worked with two to three hundred interns during that time and is proud of the future leaders these students will be. Only adequate funding makes these internships possible.
- Alex Shaw, sophomore on the UM football team, emphasized the athletic fee increase is necessary, not only because the facilities are inadequate, but because they are unsafe. This is negatively affecting recruiting and The UM will lose its competitive edge as a result.
- Mike Naperalsky, Assistant Director of Strength and Conditioning for UM Intercollegiate Athletics, pointed out that now is a good time to pass an athletic fee increase because UM teams are winning and getting national attention.
- Steven Gimpel, member of the UM cross-country team, spoke in support of the athletic fee increase.
- Justin Roper, UM football and basketball team member, wants to be able to proudly show recruits UM athletic facilities.
- Mike McDonald, UM student, talked about his support of MontPIRG and the good work that has been done, not with politics, but rather, universal issues, in mind.
- Kara DeWalt, UM student, feels that the athletic fee increase would serve to put The UM on an even par with Montana State University (MSU). UM indoor athletic facilities, especially, are inadequate.
- Sarah Ena, member of The UM women's basketball team, also addressed athletic fee parity with MSU and spoke in support of an increase in the UM fee.
- Charles Couture, Dean of Students, handed out posters for the Kyi-Yo Celebration and Conference April 16 and 17, and encouraged everyone to attend.

President's Report

a. Mountainside Chat:

1. Jim Foley, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Patrick Barkey, Director of the Bureau of Business and Economic Research, provided copies of a booklet, *The University of Montana: Growing Montana's Economy* (Exhibit C), and a Powerpoint presentation on The UM's economic contribution to the state of Montana. This is the first statewide study to assess what the economic impacts would be if The UM did not exist. These impacts were examined as the sum of three pieces: direct impacts; indirect impacts; and induced impacts. Direct impacts have to do with the operations of The UM itself, such as paying employees and vendors, attracting research dollars and increasing the earning of students when they graduate. Indirect impacts are the activities that occur in Montana because of UM, but are not part of The UM itself, such as companies that locate in Montana because the University is here, visitors, tourists, technology companies with links to The UM, and highly educated workers who move here because their spouses are employed at UM. Induced impacts result when businesses and employees are economically enriched through The UM's activities, further stimulating the economy through increased spending. Thirty-five thousand UM alums live in Montana and earn more money because they have college degrees.
2. Bob Tutskey, Marlene Hutchins and K.C. Hayes, of the Tutskey Marketing Group, asked senators for their feedback on three proposals for a behavioral change campaign theme to encourage students, faculty and staff to reduce their energy consumption and carbon footprint. The three proposals were, "Use Your Power Wisely," "Thanks A Ton," and "U WIN" (Using What I Need). Three student groups are working with the Tutskey Group to develop the campaign: the Sustainable Campus Committee; the Social Marketing Group; and UM CAN!

- b. President Fennell handed out copies of a revised version of the survey to assess UM students' higher education priorities. (Exhibit D) A signup sheet was passed around for those senators interested in helping with the survey.

c. Event:

1. As previously mentioned, the Kyi-Yo Pow-Wow will take place at the Adams Center April 16 and 17. The Grand

Entries are scheduled for 7 p.m. April 16, and for noon and 6 p.m., April 17. Entry is \$5 at the door.

Vice President's Report

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals - none
- b. Senator Boeey will speak on behalf of ASUM during the KBGA radio Thursday morning program.
- c. Vice President May reminded the Senate that Soup Friday with American Indian Student Services is scheduled for Friday, April 23.

Business Manager's Report

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STIP - \$215,711.24

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$806.72

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- a. Roman Stubbs has been recommended by the Publications Board to be Editor of the Kaimin for the next academic year. He introduced himself and shared his goals for the Kaimin. Mr. Stubbs was unanimously approved as the new Kaimin Editor following the end of discussion on a motion by **Selph**.
Stephan Gladbach was recommended by the Publications Board to be the new Kaimin Business Manager. He also introduced himself and answered questions posed by the Senate. Following the end of discussion, **Selph** motioned for unanimous consent, to which there was an objection. Mr. Gladbach was approved as the new Kaimin Business Manager 19 - 1 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet)
- b. **Williams-Selph** moved that the ASUM Legal S.T.I.P request for \$2832.00, and recommended by Budget and Finance for the same, be approved. The motion passed unanimously on a motion by **Rhea**.
- c. **May-Williams** moved to accept the remaining allocation requests as a slate. **Summers** called for unanimous consent but there was objection. The motion passed 12 - 8 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) These are the Special Allocations awards: ADSUM - \$170.00/**20.00**; Forensics - \$130.00/**65.00**; Global Grizzlies - \$1329.00/**250.00**; Mortar Board - \$1066.43/**106.64**; 1000 New Gardens - \$230.00/**120.00**.
- d. **Rhea-Davis** moved to suspend House Rules in order to consider the UM FLAT Special Allocation request for \$300.00. The motion was approved on a voice vote.

Barhaugh-Mariani moved to approve \$50.00 for line 622/623. The motion was approved unanimously following the end of discussion. **Booey-Davis** moved to approve \$200.00 for line 628. **Selph** called for unanimous consent following the end of discussion but there was objection. The motion passed 14 - 5 with one abstention on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

- e. **Williams-May** moved to reinstate House Rules which passed on a voice vote.

Committee Reports

- a. Elections (Selph) - Five percent of the student body has signed the petition calling for the reinstatement of a MontPIRG fee making it possible for the referendum to appear on the election ballot. A complaint has been filed against one of the Senate candidates and he will be given a three-day campaigning suspension. Potentially four candidates might need to be removed from the ballot. They have each been notified of the reason, or the issue that needs to be addressed.
- b. Relations and Affairs (Williams) - The committee met via email. It was moved and seconded that SB27 be untabled.
- c. Child Care (Booey) - The board met recently and talked about playground maintenance. A S.T.I.P request for travel will be forthcoming.
- d. Transportation (Rhea) - Senator Rhea accompanied Nancy Wilson and Ryan Loomis on a trip to Atlanta to attend a conference on public transportation for universities. They came back with some good ideas for ASUM Transportation.
- e. Sports Union (Mariani) - The Sports Union is pleased with the ASUM funds that were allocated for next year. The groups had no problems dividing up the allocation.

Unfinished Business

- a. **Armstrong-Fennell** moved to suspend House Rules in order to take up SB27-09/10 and was approved.
- b. SB27-09/10 - Resolution Regarding Athletic Fee Increase (Exhibit E) A **Selph-Rhea** motion to recess for 15 minutes in order to caucus was approved on a voice vote. **Hanson-Berry** moved to amend the resolution by adding to line 32: "Let It Be Further Resolved that the increased fee will be used only for facilities costs." The motion was accepted as a friendly amendment. **Armstrong-Rose** moved to amend lines 34 and 38 by adding: "Let It Be Further Resolved that 50% of the increased portion of the fee go towards the costs of building and maintaining the Art

- Annex, until its completion. Let It Be Further Resolved that the Athletic Department annually presents an itemized budget breakdown of this fee to ASUM to ensure that the fee does in fact go to facilities cost." This motion was also accepted as a friendly amendment. A call for previous question by **Armstrong-Hanson** passed on a voice vote. The resolution passed 15 - 5 with one abstention on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet)
- c. SB28-09/10 - Resolution Regarding MontPIRG (Exhibit F)
Rose-May moved to amend line 24 to strike the phrase "non-partisan." **Davis-Rose** called previous question which passed on a voice vote. Division was called on the voice vote and the amendment failed 7 - 13 on a roll call vote. (See Tally Sheet) **May-Rose** moved to amend lines 29 - 31 (see Exhibit F). Previous question was called by **Carson-Rose** which passed on a voice vote, as did the amendment. **Williams** moved to amend line 18 by striking "and 2011 - 2012" which was accepted as a friendly amendment. **Davis** moved to strike lines 37 - 40 (see Exhibit F) which was accepted as a friendly amendment. **May-Rose** moved to reword the answer section (see lines 57 - 61 of Exhibit F). **Summers-Berry** moved to amend the amendment and replace the word "establishment" in both the yes and no answer sections with the word "reestablishment" (see lines 50 and 53 of Exhibit F). **Rose-William's** call for previous question was approved on a voice vote. Division was called following the voice vote on **Rose-Rhea's** call of previous question, but the motion passed unanimously anyway on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) The original amendment failed 9 - 11 on a roll call vote when division was called following the voice vote. (see Tally Sheet) **Rhea-Boeey** moved for previous question which was unanimously approved. **Williams** called for unanimous consent but there was objection. SB28-09/10 passed 17 - 4 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet)
- d. **Selph-Rose** moved to take up SB29-09/10 but this was ruled dilatory by the Chair.
- e. **Rose-Armstrong's** motion to reinstate House Rules passed on a voice vote.

New Business

- a. Resolution amending constitutional referendum
- b. Resolutions amending Elections Bylaws (3)
- c. Resolution regarding President Dennison's raise
- d. Resolution regarding a fountain
- e. Resolution amending Bylaws

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 12:38 a.m.

Phoebe Hunter
ASUM Office Manager