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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
April 21, 2010
UC 330/331 - 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 14, 2010

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Mountainside Chat:

1. Sharon O'Hare, Interim Executive Director, Provost Office

b. Confirmation of UM Productions 2010/2011 Director

c. Trash Bash Recycled Fashion Show

d. Survey update

e. 2010 Diversity Advisory Council Student Achievement awards, April 27, 3:30 p.m. in the UC Ballroom

f. Event:

1. Walk n Roll Week, April 26 - 30

g. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Committee Appointments/Removals

b. KBGA

c. Hillside Chat:

1. James McKusick, Dean of the Davidson Honors College

d. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$9,133.96

STIP - \$215,011.24

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$806.72

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$164,209.43

a. Woodsman Team S.T.I.P. request - \$500.00/431.00

b. Woodsman Team S.T.I.P. request - \$600.00/600.00

c. Woodsman Team S.T.I.P. request - \$800.00/0

d. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, April 21, 2010
UC 330/331 - 6 p.m.

Chair May called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Present: President Fennell, Vice President May, Business Manager Armstrong; and Senators Barhaugh, Berry, Boeey, Carson, Dusek, Hanson, James, Jokisch, Kilts, Mariani, Rhea, Rose, Selph (8:02), Smartt, Stovall, Summers, Wilke and Williams. Unexcused: Senator Guilhemotonia.

The minutes from the April 14, 2010 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

- o Tyson McLean, Greek Life Program Advisor, and Colleen Hybner, Student Assistant for University Center (UC) Student Involvement, for provided the update of upcoming UC events. The *Band's Visit* will be shown as part of the Multicultural Film Series at 7 p.m. April 21. Open Mic is at 8 p.m. April 22, in the Game Room.
- o John Fletcher, non-student member of the Good Health Whole Food Group, encouraged senators to watch the film *Food Inc.* when it is broadcast on PBS from 8 to 10 p.m., April 21. The film will also be streamed for two weeks on the PBS website.

President's Report

a. Mountainside Chat:

1. Sharon O'Hare, Director of the Office for Student Success, and former Interim Executive Director of the Provost Office, talked about the new system for orientation which will be implemented beginning fall 2010. Previously, there were three orientations during the summer and one just before the start of each semester. In the past, 300 - 400 new students attending the fourth Orientation had difficulty registering for classes. The attrition rate for this group of freshmen was ten percent higher than for the participants in the other three sessions. It is possible that later Orientation participants were not adequately engaged with The UM from early on and possibly being disadvantaged by not being able to enroll in their preferred courses. The new system involves the preregistration of every incoming freshman for courses they need to take. As part of the preregistration process, all incoming freshmen

- will be required to fill out an online Academic Interest Questionnaire as a way to assess which courses new students need.
- b. Becca Seliskar, outgoing Director of UM Productions, introduced Lucas Conder, UM Productions choice to be Director for the 2010 - 2011 academic year. Ms Seliskar described the selection process for the new UM Productions director and Mr. Conder answered questions posed by senators. **Dusek-Hanson's** motion to approve Mr. Conder as the new Director of UM Productions passed unanimously on a motion by **Williams**.
 - c. The ASUM Sustainability Center held its first "Trash Bash Recycled Fashion Show." Students were asked to submit designs for clothing made from recycled materials as part of Earth Week, April 17 - 24, and modeled the designs in the UC Atrium April 19.
 - d. UM Administrators wanted to take a look at the student survey ASUM has been developing prior to its release. The survey is scheduled for distribution April 22. President Fennell asked senators to stay after the Senate meeting to talk about how to do outreach.
 - e. Event:
 - 1. From 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. on April 27, the Diversity Advisory Council Student Achievement Awards Program will be held in the South UC Ballroom. At 6:00 p.m. that same evening, the Outstanding Student Recognition Ceremony will be held in the North Ballroom.
 - 2. ASUM Transportation is sponsoring Walk n Roll Week April 26 - 30.

Vice President's Report

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals - There were three appointments to the Constitutional Review Board (CRB): Ali Tabibnejad, Eric Fulton and John Blake; and one Student At Large removal from the CRB: Colleen Eoff. **Armstrong-Hanson** moved to accept the appointments and removal as a slate. **Boeey** called for unanimous consent but there was objection. The motion passed 11 - 7 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet)
- b. Senator Williams will speak on behalf of ASUM Thursday morning on KBGA student radio.
- c. Hillside Chat:
 - 1. James McKusick spoke as a member of the campus community, and not in his official capacity as Dean of the Davidson Honors College, about an alternative proposal to the four-day work week which is currently

being studied as a university cost-cutting measure. Currently the fall and spring semesters are fifteen weeks long. His proposal is to make the fall and spring semesters 14 weeks long and lengthen the summer semester two weeks. He estimated a seven percent annual savings could result from restructuring the academic year this way.

- d. Vice President May thanked the senators for folding the new Off-Campus Renter Center brochures for first-time renters. (Exhibit A)
- e. Senator Booley volunteered to take over the coordination of Soup Friday, April 23.

Business Manager's Report

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ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$164,209.43

- a. **Berry-Rose** moved to increase the Woodsman Team's S.T.I.P. recommendation of 0.00 for crash pads to \$400.00. **Rose** motioned previous question which was unanimously approved. The amendment passed on a voice vote.
- b. **Hanson-Berry** moved to accept the remaining Woodsman Team S.T.I.P. requests as a slate. **Kilts** called for unanimous consent. There being no objection, the following requests were approved: \$500.00/**431.00** and \$600.00/**600.00**.
- c. **Wilke-Rhea's** motion to suspend House Rules in order to consider the Students for Economic and Social Justice Special Allocation request for \$2,189.00 was approved on a voice vote. **Rose-Summers** moved to amend line 628 by allocating \$161.00. A call of previous question by **Rhea-Rose** was approved by voice vote, as was the amendment. **Summers-Berry** moved to add \$500.00 to line 628/honorarium. **Stovall-Rose** called previous question which passed on a voice vote. The \$500.00 amendment passed 10 - 8 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) **Rose-Rhea** moved to add \$78.00 to line 621. The motion passed on a voice vote following the end of discussion. **Booley-Berry** moved to add \$300.00 to line 628/lodging. This was accepted as a friendly amendment. **Rhea** moved to amend the amendment by reducing the amount to \$150.00. Following the end of discussion, division was called

following the voice vote on the \$150.00 for lodging. The motion passed 11 - 7 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) **Fennell-James** called previous question which passed on a voice vote. The total allocation amount of \$889.00 was approved on a voice vote.

- d. **Fennell-Rose's** motion to reinstate House Rules was approved.
- e. The Business and Finance Committee will be meeting Sunday, April 25.

Committee Reports

- a. Transportation (Rhea) - The Board met and selected Patrick Rhea to be the 2010/2011 chair. Senator James, Wilke and Rhea need to sign up volunteers for two hour time slots for Walk n Roll week. A signup sheet was passed around.
- b. Board on Members (Wilke) - One new student group, UM Students for the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, was recommended for recognition. **Rose-Rhea** moved to approve and the motion passed unanimously on a motion by **Summers**.
- c. Drug and Alcohol Advisory Committee (Fennell) - The committee met April 21, to continue reviewing a ban on alcohol at the Foresters Ball.
- d. Residence Life Director Search Committee (Rose) - The committee has been meeting often. Campus visits by the candidates will be coming shortly but the names of the candidates are not yet available.
- e. Student Health Advisory Committee (Rhea) - The committee mostly discussed the fact that marijuana use on campus is still illegal because The University receives federal funding. Curry Health Center's Health Enhancement Office is revising the tobacco survey. Of the responses received so far, more than half of students support the proposed tobacco ban.
- f. RELF Committee (Rhea) - The committee met April 21, and will be making the final decision regarding four proposals under consideration.

The chair recognized the presence of Senator Selph.

Unfinished Business - none

New Business

- a. Resolution amending Bylaws
- b. Resolution regarding FAFSA.com vs FAFSA.gov
- c. Resolution regarding Dean McKusick's plan

- d. Resolutions amending Elections Bylaws (3)
- e. Resolution regarding gas cards

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

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ASUM Office Manager