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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
April 27, 2005
UC330-331 - 6 p.m.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 20, 2005
4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Barbara Hollmann Administrator of the Year Award
   b. President Dennison’s Pizza Party
   c. Leadership Banquet
   d. Swearing-In Ceremony of New Executives/Senators
   e. Binder Turn-in
   f. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. KBGA - Thursday at 8:30 a.m.
   c. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   Special Allocation - $2,734.93
   Travel Special Allocation - $0
   STIP - $99,013.89
   Zero-Base Carryover - $53,197.99
   a. Governor’s visit Zero-Base request for $190/$190 (5-0)
   b. Center for Leadership Development Event Zero-Base request for $1,950/$700 (5-0)
   c. Travel Special Allocation Emergency Travel Zero-Base request for $565 (5-0)
   d. UM Cycling Travel Special Allocation Emergency Travel request for $1,030/$565 (5-0)
   e. UM Fencing Club STIP request for $1,500/$1,500 (5-0)
   f. Alpine Ski Team STIP request for $3,709/$2,159 (5-0)
   g. ASUM Administration STIP request for $478.40/$478.40 (5-0)
   h. ISA Special Allocation request for $115.98/$115.98 (5-0)
   i. Russian Club Special Allocation request for $200/$195 (5-0)
   j. SB67-04/05 Resolution to establish an ASUM Student Group Equipment Inventory
   k. SB70-04/05 Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy 11.0 Special Allocation (5-0)
   l. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
To see a list of resolutions in their entirety with the action taken on them, please go to http://www.umt.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm
a. SB61-04/05 Resolution to Amend Article III of ASUM By-Laws
b. SB62a-04/05 Resolution reprimanding the Administrators of The University of Montana-Missoula for Lack of Student Participation in Planning of the South Campus Residential Community
c. SB62b-04/05 Resolution opposing a Residential Development at the South Campus Area of The University of Montana-Missoula
d. SB68-04/05 Resolution in Support of Increasing the Recycling Fee

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
**ASUM Senate Tally Sheet**

**Senate Members**
- Bryce Bennett
- Andrew Bissell
- Tyler Clairmont
- John Dawson
- Derek Duncan
- Nezha Haddouch
- Chris Healow
- Andrea Helling
- Casey Hogue
- Derf Johnson
- Britta Padgham
- Kim Pappas
- Josh Peters
- Rebecca Petit
- Jake Pipinich
- Ross Prosperi
- Jon Snodgrass
- Leslie Venetz
- Rob Welsh
- Nathan Ziegler

**ASUM Officers**
- Gale Price, President
- Vinnie Pavlish, Vice-President
- Cassie Morton, Business Manager

**Faculty Advisors**
- Professor Anderson
- Professor Ausland

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**Comments:**
Chair Pavlish called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Present: Price, Pavlish, Morton, Bennett, Bissell, Clairmont, Dawson, Duncan, Haddouch, Healow, Helling, Hogue (6:12), Johnson, Padgham, Pappas, Pettit, Pipinich, Prosperi, Venetz, Welsh and Ziegler. Unexcused was Peters.

The minutes for the April 20, 2005, meeting were approved on a motion by Bennett-Duncan.

Public Comment
*A Cycling Team representative spoke on their travel request.
*A Hanggliding Club member gave his personal views on the South Campus project.

President’s Report
a. Price awarded the Barbara Hollmann Administrator of the Year Award to Dean Charles Couture and thanked him for his continuing service to students and his dedication to ASUM Senate.

b. A pizza party at President Dennison’s house is being planned for the outgoing and incoming Senate on Thursday, May 12. Invitations will be forthcoming.

c. There will be a short meeting next week before swearing-in the new Senate.

d. Senators were asked to attend the 2005 Student Leadership Recognition Ceremony on May 5th. RSVPs are requested by calling 243-4795.

e. Binders should be turned in to the office.

Vice President’s Report
a. Senator Bennett will represent ASUM on KBGA Thursday morning.

b. Pavlish spoke about committee chairs.

Business Manager’s Report
Special Allocation - $2,734.93
Travel Special Allocation - $0
STIP - $99,013.89
Zero-Base Carryover - $53,197.99

Senators were asked to be at next week’s meeting in case there were money requests to be voted upon.

a. SPA’s Zero-Base request for $190 (and recommended by Budget and Finance for same) for the Governor’s visit was amended to come from Special Allocation funds on a motion by Price-Hogue. The allocation passed as amended.

b. A motion by Healow objecting to consideration of the request to support the Center for Leadership Development’s event for $1,950 and recommended by Budget and Finance for $700 failed. The request was amended to come from Special Allocation funds on a motion by Price-Bennett. The request passed as amended for $700.
c. The Travel Special Allocation Emergency Travel Zero-Base request for $565 was withdrawn.
d. UM Cycling Team’s Travel Special Allocation Emergency request for $1,030 and recommended by Budget and Finance for $565 was amended to come from Special Allocation funds on a motion by Helling-Morton. The request passed as amended for $565 after a previous question call by Bennett.
e. UM Fencing Club’s STIP request for $1,500 was recommended by Budget and Finance for same. A motion by Bennett approve with unanimous consent was objected to by Healow. A motion by Healow-Padgham to table for one week passed.
f. Alpine Ski Team’s STIP request for $3,709 was recommended by Budget and Finance for $2,159 and passed for same.
g. ASUM Administration’s STIP request for $478.40 and recommended by Budget and Finance for same passed with unanimous consent. Price noted that a reimbursement from the student computing fee funds may be possible.
h. ISA’s Special Allocation request for $115.98 and recommended by Budget and Finance for same passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Helling.
i. Russian Club’s Special Allocation request for $200 and recommended by Budget and Finance for same passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Bissell.
j. SB67-04/05 Resolution to establish an ASUM Student Group Equipment Inventory - tabled.
k. SB70-04/04 Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy 11.0 Special Allocation (Exhibit A) failed.
l. Morton requested that Senators attend next week so there will be quorum in case there are additional requests for money.

Committee Reports
a. Ad Hoc (Helling) - Testimonies regarding the ASUM Office Campus Renter Center have been requested.
b. Relations and Affairs (Healow) - SB61 was tabled, and SB62 received a “do pass” recommendation.
c. ASUM Transportation (Pappas) - Volunteers are needed for the 11 a.m. slot this Friday for Walk and Roll Week.
d. Election (Healow) - A grievance was dismissed.

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. Helling-Hogue moved to rescind SB47-04/05 Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 14.0 Travel (Exhibit B) which passed 03/09/05. A motion by Bissell to pass with unanimous consent was objected to by Morton. The motion to rescind passed.
b. SB61-04/05 Resolution to Amend Article III of ASUM By-Laws - in committee.
c. SB62a-04/05 Resolution Reprimanding the Administrators of The University of Montana-Missoula for Lack of Student Participation in Planning of the South Campus Residential Community (Exhibit C). A motion by Welsh-Clairmont to table for one week failed after a previous question call by Healow. A motion by Price-Bissell to delete paragraph 7 and 8 was divided into two parts for discussion and voting by the Chair. After a previous question call by Welsh, paragraph 7 was deleted. A motion by Price-Helling to amend paragraph 9 to read: “Whereas, the April 6, 2005, meeting was held off campus at the Double Tree Inn during an ASUM Senate meeting despite adequate meeting facilities on campus;” failed after a previous question call by Bennett. A motion by Healow-Venetz to insert “Senate” after “ASUM” in paragraph 8 passed. After a previous question call by Bissell, the motion to delete paragraph 8 as amended passed. A motion by Bissell-Bennett to delete paragraph 9 (now 7) failed after previous question calls by Hogue (failed) and Welsh. Healow-Bennett moved to amend paragraph 9 (now 7) by deleting “this” and inserting “the meeting on April 6, 2005” after “whereas”. A motion by Bissell to pass with unanimous consent was objected to. The motion to amend passed after a previous question call by Healow. After a previous question call by Clairmont, the resolution as amended passed 13Y, 6N, 1A on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

d. SB62b-04/05 Resolution Opposing a Residential Development at the South Campus Area of The University of Montana-Missoula (Exhibit D) was moved by Healow-Venetz. A motion by Welsh-Pappas to postpone for one week failed after a previous question call by Helling. The following amendment was made in committee: replace “0.3%” with “0.4%” in paragraph seven. Bryce-Healow moved to replace “following” with “attached” in the third paragraph. A motion by Healow-Dawson moved to replace paragraph three with the following paragraphs: “Whereas, the ASUM Senate’s concerns were sent to Vice President Bob Duringer and President George Dennison;” “Whereas, the Senate’s concerns were not addressed by Vice President Bob Duringer in his response to ASUM President Gale Price (see attachment);” passed, and the amendment passed as further amended. A motion by Price-Helling 1) to strike “President of” before “Alumni” and insert “Director” after “Association” and 2) strike everything after “Johnson” in the last paragraph was split into two votes. Part 1) passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Helling. After a previous question call by Padgham, part 2) failed. After a previous question call by Helling, the amended resolution passed 13Y, 4N, 1A on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

e. SB68-04/05 Resolution in Support of Increasing the Recycling Fee (Exhibit E) was moved by Johnson-Price. A motion by Ziegler-Hogue to insert a paragraph at the beginning to read “Whereas, students overwhelmingly voted to support a referendum supporting an increase in the recycling fee” passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Helling after a previous question call by Hogue. A motion by Clairmont-Hogue to postpone SB68 for one week failed. The amended resolution passed.
New Business
a. Resolution reprimanding Board of Regents for finals week meeting
b. Resolution congratulating the Democratic Party
c. Resolution thanking Forward Montana for service to Montana and the Missoula community
d. Resolution congratulating ASUM for the Flint v Dennison decision
e. Resolution for ASUM to establish a House of Representatives
f. Resolution supporting changes to athletic deficit reduction plan

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 14.0 Travel – passed 3/09/05

Whereas, the Sports Organization Union and the Music Organization Union encounter a need for unforeseen and emergency travel funds when qualifying for regional and national performances;

Whereas, allowing the Board on Budget and Finance to supplement the Special Allocation – Emergency Travel with the Zero-Base Carryover account provides the necessary funds for the Board to unanimously support this kind of infrequent request;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved That Section 14.0 of the Fiscal Policy Associated Students of The University of Montana shall read:

14.0 TRAVEL.

14.0.2.3 ASUM Agencies, the Sports Organization Union, and the Music Organization Union will be funded travel accordingly during the budgeting process. The Sports Organization Union and Music Organization Union may be eligible for funds from the Special Allocation – Emergency Travel account as outlined in 14.5.2.1-3.

14.0.3 ASUM rates are:
A. Private Vehicle $.15/mile
B. Lodging (4 persons per room) $80.00 max. ($20.00/person)
C. A "waiver of additional reimbursement" shall be required for travel not covered under State policy.

14.0.4.1 Organizations applying for funding that did not participate in the budgeting process or on a case-by-case basis with unanimous support of the Board.

14.0.5.1 The Special Allocation – Emergency Travel account may be supplemented by the Zero-Base Carryover account through unanimous support of the Board and two-thirds vote of the Senate.

14.0.6.1 As with other benefits provided by the ASUM, travel participation approved and obtained through the ASUM shall be limited to activity fee paying members of the ASUM. Representatives of the ASUM organizations as stated on the registration form must verify the status of each applicant described in the travel request documents filed with the ASUM.

14.0.7 Travel allocation appropriations over $500 will require the group, within two weeks from the completion of travel, to give a brief oral synopsis of the event to the Senate.

At the end of each Fiscal Year, any funds left over in the Special Allocations – Travel account shall roll over.

Endorsed by Cassie Morton, ASUM Business Manager

Endorsed by Senator Josh Peters-McBride, Senator Nezha Haddouch, SAL Katie Sportsman, SAL Katie Alford, and

Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 11.0 Special Allocation

Whereas, SB47-04/05 passed the ASUM Senate on March 9th, 2005 but conflicts with Fiscal Policy 11.5 of Special Allocation;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved That Section 11.5 of the Fiscal Policy Associated Students of The University of Montana shall read:

11.0 SPECIAL ALLOCATION.

11.0.4 Only those organizations that went through the budgeting process for the current fiscal year shall be eligible for a special allocation. Exceptions can be made for organizations that did not exist at the time of the budgeting process or on a case-by-case basis with unanimous support of the Board.

11.0.4.1 Organizations applying for funding that did not participate in the budgeting process shall only be granted expenditure requests for specific projects occurring in the same academic semester as the request.

11.0.4.2 Allocation requests for projects in specific line items refused in the prior year’s budgeting process shall only be approved through special allocation by unanimous support of the Board.

11.0.5 The Special Allocation Fund shall not be supplemented by the General Fund or by Zero-Based Carryover for emergency conditions: except for the Special Allocation – Emergency Travel account as per 14.2.3 and as outlined in 14.5.2.1-3.

Authored by Cassie Morton, ASUM Business Manager

Endorsed by Senator Josh Peters-McBride, Senator Nezha Haddouch, SAL Katie Sportsman, SAL Katie Alford, and

SB47/04/05
Resolution Reprimanding the Administrators of The University of Montana-Missoula for Lack of Student Participation in Planning of the South Campus Residential Community

Whereas, without students there is not a University of Montana;

Whereas, students were not invited, considered, or encouraged to take part in the preliminary discussions relating to the South Campus Housing project;

Whereas, the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) is greatly dismayed that we were not approached by the administration during the early stages of this potential project;

Whereas, administrators have provided conflicting and vague answers to students during this process;

Whereas, the administration's decision to circumvent student opinion (i.e. ASUM) indicates an apathetic and condescending attitude towards students and student opinion;

Whereas, this attitude was demonstrated in Vice President Bob Duringer's statements at the ASUM Housing Board meeting on February 28th, 2005 (a meeting which we requested) when he stated that there is no reason to include students in the South Campus Housing Project discussion because the project does not affect students;

Whereas, Judy Spannagel, the director of the ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center, had to request the meeting with Vice President Bob Duringer and the ASUM Housing Board;

Whereas, the first public meeting the ASUM Senate was informed/invited to was the unveiling of the South Campus Housing project plans on April 6th, 2005 at the Double Tree Inn;

Whereas, this meeting on April 6, 2005, was held off campus during an ASUM senate meeting despite adequate meeting facilities on campus;

Whereas, the public meetings on January 31st, 2005, February 28th, 2005, and April 6th, 2005 focused on benefits and appearance of the project rather than the question of whether the project should be built;

Whereas, ASUM has many concerns which have thus far not been addressed;

Whereas, these concerns should be addressed before this project is approved by the Board of Regents;

Whereas, the mission statement of The University of Montana explains that it "makes its decisions through a governance process involving all groups and constituencies on and off the campus;"
Whereas, the University of Montana mission statement concedes that, "Only through the willingness to consider all perspectives can the University arrive at the most appropriate and well-grounded decisions about policy, process, and procedure;"

Whereas, The University of Montana administration has violated this mission statement by excluding students of the University from the process and ignoring the concerns and wants of the off campus community;

Whereas, the administration owes it to the students of The University of Montana and ASUM to be forthcoming about the specific plans to build a retirement community on University land because students are an essential part of this University;

Whereas, students should have been involved in the planning process for the South Campus Housing project from the start;
Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana reprimands the administration for excluding students from the process of planning the South Campus Housing community and for failing to abide by the University of Montana mission statement;

Let It Be Further Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to each member of the Board of Regents, President George Dennison, Vice President of Finance and Administration Bob Duringer, Vice President of Student Affairs Teresa Branch, Walt Brett, Alumni Association Director Bill Johnston, the Montana Kaimin, the Missoulian, the Independent, and KBGA.

Author by Senator Chris Healow
Resolution Opposing a Residential Development at the South Campus Area of The University of Montana-Missoula

Whereas, students were not invited, considered, or encouraged to take part in the preliminary discussions relating to the South Campus Housing project;

Whereas, the process of the South Campus Housing project and the administration’s decision to exclude students from the preliminary discussions is one reason for students to oppose the project;

Whereas, the ASUM Senate’s concerns were sent to Vice President Bob Duringer and President George Dennison;

Whereas, the Senate’s concerns were not addressed by Vice President Bob Duringer in his response to ASUM President Gale Price (see attachment);

Whereas, the following attached concerns were sent to Vice President Bob Duringer and President Dennison and were met with the attached response;

Whereas, developers who may see substantial financial gain from the South Campus Housing Project should not be the principle authors of a South Campus Master Plan;

Whereas, alternative uses for South Campus have never been discussed as a part of this process;

Whereas, the loss of a significant amount of public-use, open space will be detrimental to The University of Montana and the Missoula community;

Whereas, a monetary gain of roughly $1 million dollars is less than 0.4% 0.3% of The University of Montana’s $274 million operating budget;

Whereas, the administration has subverted the regular mandatory bidding process that should take place by leasing the land;

Whereas, the mission statement of The University of Montana explains that it "makes its decisions through a governance process involving all groups and constituencies on and off the campus;"

Whereas, the University of Montana mission statement concedes that, "Only through the willingness to consider all perspectives can the University arrive at the most appropriate and well-grounded decisions about policy, process, and procedure;"

Whereas, The University of Montana administration has violated this mission statement by excluding students of the University from the process and ignoring the concerns and wants of the off campus community;
Whereas, the mission of the Montana University System is to “serve students through the delivery of high quality, accessible postsecondary educational opportunities, while actively participating in the preservation and advancement of Montana’s economy and society;”

Whereas, we believe that this project is not consistent with the Montana University System mission statement;

Whereas, students may be forced to bear unforeseen financial burdens as a result of this development;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana are currently opposed to the prospect of developing non-student housing on the South Campus;

Let It Be Further Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to each member of the Board of Regents, President George Dennison, Vice President of Finance and Administration Bob Duringer, Vice President of Student Affairs Teresa Branch, Walt Brett, President of Alumni Association Director Bill Johnston, the Montana Kaimin, the Missoulian, the Independent, and KBGA.

Authored by Senator Chris Healow

Amended by President Gale Price and the ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee
Dear Vice President Duringer and President Dennison,

As you both know, ASUM discussed a resolution opposing the South Campus Residential Development last night. Although we recommitted the resolution, Senator Chris Healow, who had authored a new version of the resolution, had included some concerns that he would like to see addressed. I agreed that if he wanted those concerns addressed, they should be conveyed to you, and that you should have the chance to respond. The concerns (which are in Senator Healow's words, and not my own), are listed below. I hope you have a chance to examine these questions and respond before next week, when the Senate will discuss an amended version of Senator Healow's resolution.

Thanks,
Gale Price, ASUM President

Concerns
1. The community has voiced overwhelming opposition to this project at public meetings for a variety of reasons. If it is in fact the University's intention to ignore the sentiments of the Missoula community, then why did they have public meetings in the first place?

2. How does the University plan to placate and/or compensate the community and the students for the removal of the golf course and the compromising of open space?