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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, February 2, 2011
UC 326/327 - 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - January 26, 2011

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Mountainside Chats:

1. Laure Pengelly Drake, Director of External Scholarships and Advising

2. Higher One representatives

b. March 3 - 4 Board of Regents Meeting in Helena and Student Regent position

c. Event - President's Lecture Series: Anna Roosevelt, "Human Rights and the CIA: The Case of the Assassination of Patrice Lumumba"

d. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Committee Appointments/Removals

b. KBGA

c. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT - none

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$15,971.26

STIP - \$137,772.44

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$11,539.63

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$184,950.30

a. Deadlines

b. Mortar Board Travel Allocation Request - \$142.30/142.30

c. Mortar Board Special Allocation Request - \$380.00/340.00

d. A Single Suit Special Allocation Request - \$255.00/143.00

e. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB9-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Course Repeat Fee
- b. SB10-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Legislative Session
- c. SB11-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Higher One
- d. SB12 10/11 - Resolution Regarding Legislative Session
- e. SB13-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Legislative Session

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
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Chair Stovall called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: President Williams; Vice President Stovall, Business Manager Hanson; and Senators Amatuzio, Baker, Berry, Carson, Cochran, DeSoto (6:03), Gustin, Hoggatt, James, Klapmeier, Mackey, Mariani, Rhea, Sanders, Sims, Spika, Suzuki, Wren and Yerger.

The minutes from the January 26, 2011 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

- o Kate Lufkin and Natasha Schottland of the UM Equestrian Team (UMET) thanked the Senate for the \$1815.00 Union Emergency Travel Allocation approved last semester. The allocation made it possible for the team to participate in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association and win reserve championship in two shows. The UMET is the current lead Hunt Seat Team in the region.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator DeSoto.

- o Kathrine Herrera, of the University Center (UC) Office for Student Involvement, provided the update of UC events: Open Mic Night, February 3 and 17, in the UC Game Room; "Run This Town: Practical Skills for Taking Charge", February 3, in the UC Student Organization Suite from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.; "Some Assembly Required" - UM Artist Collective, opening February 3, in the UC Gallery starting at 5:00 p.m.; "Making Relationships Matter", a lecture by the date Doctor, David Coleman, February 8, in the UC Ballroom from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- o Bridger Bukantis, speaking on his own behalf, asked the Senate to draft a resolution addressing the plight of penguins whose wings are tagged for tracking purposes. Research indicates that tagging penguins causes negative health effects and increased mortality.
- o Steven Mumblo provided a MontPIRG update. Fee refunds are still available and being advertised in the Kaimin. MontPIRG's lobbyists are working with the ASUM lobbyist, Jen Gursky, on issues such as the Renewable Energy Standard. The number one priority on campus is to build a strong and stable MontPIRG Board of Directors.

- o Alex Johnson and M Jackson of Camas thanked the Senate for its support and passed around copies of the new issue. The deadline for submissions for the next issue is March 15.

President's Report

- a. Mountainside Chats:
 - 1. Laure Pengelly Drake, Director of External Scholarships and Advising, assists students who want to apply for scholarships such as the Fulbright, Rhodes or Truman. As part of the process, she helps students develop their résumés and explore on a deeper level the direction they want to go and what it is they want to accomplish.
 - 2. Aaron Poach, Higher One Campus Relations Coordinator, explained the three options students have for accessing their university refunds using the new UM debit card: open a checking account with Higher One; have the refund direct deposited into an already established bank account; or have a check mailed (it is only possible to select this option until June 1, 2011).
- b. The next Board of Regents (BOR) meeting is March 3 - 4, in Helena. The focus of this meeting will be the current legislative session. In May the BOR meeting will take up the issue of tuition. Each senator should have the experience of attending a BOR meeting and a signup sheet for the March meeting was passed around. ASUM needs to put forward up to three candidates for Student Regent before February 18. Sometime prior to the deadline a special Senate meeting will be called to interview candidates and select one to represent UM in the final selection process conducted by the Montana Associated Students.
- c. Event: President's Lecture Series - Anna Roosevelt, "Human Rights and the CIA: The Case of the Assassination of Patrice Lumumba," February 7, in the University Theatre at 8 p.m.
- d. Jen Gursky, ASUM lobbyist, spoke to the Senate by speaker phone from Helena about several items pending in the Montana Legislature and how they might affect students.
 - 1. House Bill 330 is a bill that has the potential to increase voter participation by standardizing voter registration across the state. It calls for the addition of a box to check if a voter would like to be placed on the permanent absentee ballot list.

2. House Bill 180 would change late voter registration to eliminate same-day voter registration. This is a problem for students because 42% of late-registered voters in 2008, and 38% in 2010, were in the 18-29 year old voter category. Since 2006, 47% of 18 - 29 year old late-registration voters registered the same day. Students are highly mobile and half of those voters who registered late did so because of a move between districts and/or precincts.
3. House Bill 152 passed 62 - 37 on February 2. This bill would modify which documents voters must provide to prove Montana residency in order to be able to vote. Montana driver's licenses and ID cards or tribal ID cards would be the only acceptable proof of residency in combination with the last four digits of a voter's social security number.
4. A proposed general obligations bond would provide \$29 million for construction of a new facility for the UM College of Technology.
- e. UM President Engstrom sent out a campus-wide email recently about an incident of racially derogatory speech in the Music Building. ASUM President Williams encouraged senators to stop this kind of behavior if they ever encounter it.

Vice President's Report

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals - A motion by **Cochran-Sanders** to approve the slate of appointments and removals passed unanimously on a motion by **Williams** (Exhibit A).
- b. Senator Suzuki will appear on the KBGA program, ASUM Live, Thursday, February 3. Senator Yerger volunteered for the February 10 program.
- c. Senators need to make themselves available to assist the student groups they have been assigned to as liaisons. It is especially important to do so soon as Final Budgeting is coming up. Senators are to let groups know about the "Run This Town" informational session to help groups prepare budgets taking place February 3, in the Student Organizational Suite.

Business Manager's Report

- a. A motion by **Suzuki-Amatuzio** to reduce the Budget and Finance committee (B&F) Mortar Board Travel Allocation Request recommendation from \$142.30 to \$135.00 passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Berry. Yerger-**

Berry moved to approve the allocation of \$135.00 and the motion passed unanimously on a motion by **Sims**.

- b. A motion by **Carson-Suzuki** to approve the Mortar Board Special Allocation Request for \$380.00, and recommended by B&F for \$340.00, passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Gustin**.
- c. A motion by **Sims-Berry** to approve the A Single Suit Special Allocation Request of \$255.00, and recommended by B&F for \$143.00, passed unanimously on a motion by **Suzuki**.
- d. Business Manager Hanson reviewed the schedule for Final Budgeting.

Committee Reports

- a. Board on Members (Gustin) - A motion by **Berry-Sanders** to approve the list of student groups recommended for recognition as a slate passed unanimously on a motion by **Sims**.
- b. Student Political Action (SPA) (Wren) - The committee met February 1. SPA is looking for people to do class raps, short presentations about various issues in front of classes around campus. Urgent help is also needed to help with database entry. Jeffrey Edmunds, ASUM Legislative Intern, explained that the purpose of the database is to better inform and mobilize as many students as possible. The SPA keeps a board in the back room of the ASUM office suite with up-to-date developments of the Legislature in Helena.
- c. Transportation (Rhea) - The committee meets Thursdays at 4:00 p.m. A resolution regarding a proposed transportation fee increase will be introduced next week.
- d. Elections (Berry) - Members of the committee are to meet with the chair following the Senate meeting.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB11-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Higher One - A motion by **Suzuki** to accept amendments to lines 12, 25 and 26 was accepted as friendly. A motion by **Suzuki-Amatuzio** to approve the resolution passed unanimously on a motion by **Williams**. (Exhibit C)
- b. SB9-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Course Repeat Fee - A motion by **James-Berry** to approve the resolution passed unanimously on a motion by **Hanson**. (Exhibit D)

- c. SB10-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Course Repeat Fee -
There was objection to a motion by **Gustin-Rhea** to approve SB10-10/11. The motion passed 17 - 4 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) (Exhibit E)
- d. SB12-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Legislative Session -
Division was called following a previous question call by **James** and voice vote. The resolution failed to pass 9 - 12 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) (Exhibit F)
- e. SB13-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Legislative Session -
The resolution passed unanimously following a previous question call by **Rhea**. (Exhibit G)

New Business

- a. Resolution regarding legislative session
- b. Resolution regarding penguin research
- c. Resolution regarding ASUM Transportation Fee
- d. Resolution regarding activity fee
- e. Resolution regarding hate speech

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Phoebe Hunter
ASUM Office Manager