1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 29, 2003, and November 5, 2003

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. Board of Regents Meeting
   b. UM-Western Visit
   c. International Student Fee
   d. Financial Aid
   e. Next Two Weeks
   f. Student Regent Position - Post Flyers
   g. Other

6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments
   b. KBGA
   c. Chair Directions
   d. Student Resolution Officer
   e. November 19 Senate Meeting
   f. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT
   Special Allocation - $13,000
   Travel Special Allocation - $12,160
   STIP - $106,895.36
   Zero-Base Carryover - $62,000+ (FY03 amounts not finalized) less $478
   a. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

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c. SB24-03/04 Resolution Protecting Student Consumers from Fee Collection Abuse - Campus Finance Reform II

d. SB27-03/04 Resolution On Behalf of Academic Freedom and Intellectual Diversity at The University of Montana

e. SB28-03/04 Resolution Supporting Tribal College Student Government Representation within The Montana Associated Students (MAS)

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j. SB33-03/04 A Resolution Opposing the Affordability in Higher Education Act

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

11. **COMMENTS**

12. **ADJOURNMENT**
# ASUM Senate Tally Sheet

**Senate Members**

- Sophia Rena Alvarez
- Andrew Bissell
- Travis Cossitt
- Brad Engerbretson
- Kyle Engelson
- Anna Green
- Chris Healow
- Will Holmes
- Emily Jones
- Stephen Kocher
- Ashley Oliver
- Kimberly Pappas
- Vincent Pavlish
- Sage Rafferty
- Eben Reckord
- Patrick Van Orden
- Rob Welsh
- Dan Windmueller
- Christian Winkle
- Nathan Ziegler

**Asum Officers**

- Aaron Flint, President
- Gale Price, Vice-President
- Averiel Wolff, Business Manager

**Faculty Advisors**

- Professor Anderson
- Professor Ausland

### Roll Call

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**Date:** November 12, 2003
Chair Price called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Present: Flint, Price, Wolff, Bissell, Cossitt (6:20), Engebretson, Engelson, Green, Healow, Holmes, Jones, Oliver, Pappas, Pavlish, Rafferty, Reckord, Van Orden, Welsh, Winkle and Ziegler. Excused was Alvarez. Unexcused were Kocher and Windmueller.

The meeting minutes for October 29, 2003, and November 5, 2003, were approved as posted.

Public Comment
*Provost Muir spoke about free speech and academic freedom.
*Mark Zarr encouraged interested Senators to attend a committee meeting about next year's Moonlight Mix and Mingle to be held Friday, November 21, at 10 a.m. in UC330. He distributed free tickets to Friday's UC show at 10 p.m. that will feature a comedian.
*SPA Director Singer distributed a copy of his job description from ASUM's Personnel Policy. Questions have arisen about his right to write resolutions.
*Former MontPIRG Board Chair Chris Zeek, current Chair Brad Thompson, and many other members and supporters spoke in opposition to SB24, with some fearing that its passage would render MontPIRG ineffective.
*EVST faculty member Vicki Watson spoke in opposition to SB24 and told of her positive experiences with MontPIRG interns.
*UM Big Sky Taekwando members thanked Senate for its financial support of their trip. They earned several medals at the competition.
*Andrea Helling encouraged Senate to ratify SB24, citing the need for a mechanism of accountability.
*Members of Students for Peace and Justice encouraged Senate to give them financial support for their trip to Miami to attend a summit.
*Kyla Frost asked Senate to support the resolution on academic freedom.
*Elias Harms encouraged Senate to support the Students for Peace and Justice trip and MontPIRG.

President's Report
a. The Board of Regents agenda will include such things as admission policies, Policy 940.24, fee waivers, and the writing proficiency assessment. MAS will meet at MSU on Wednesday evening at 6.
b. Flint spoke to students at Western in Dillon about biweekly pay. He hopes it will be implemented system-wide.
c. A resolution opposing the international student fee will be drafted.
d. Financial Aid issues are being pursued.
e. Flint encouraged Senators to take advantage of their extra time in the next two weeks and work on student concerns.
f. Flyers will be distributed and an ad put in the Kaimin about the student regent and Student Resolution Officer positions.
g. Flint thanked Provost Muir for speaking to Senate.
h. Advocate applications are available.
Vice President's Report

a. The following slate of committee appointments passed on a motion by Price-Green: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Planning - Eben Reckord; University Council on Sexual Assault - Samuel Chartier; Drug and Alcohol Advisory - Samuel Chartier. A list of committee vacancies was placed in Senators' boxes.

b. Ziegler will represent ASUM on KBGA tomorrow morning.

c. Directions for committee chairs were distributed concerning meeting times, minutes and other matters.

d. A training period for the Student Resolution Officer replacement will be addressed in a resolution.

e. The November 19 meeting (next week) has been cancelled. Several absences are expected due to MAS and Board of Regents meetings. There was no meeting scheduled for November 26 because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

f. Senators were asked to list any student group involvement. Assignments will be made so that they can address groups' concerns.

Business Manager's Report

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a. Executives will meet with Curry Health Center representatives on Monday to discuss a fee increase proposal.

b. Senators were reminded that they have the ability to make amendments to Budget and Finance recommendations.

The Chair recognized the presence of Cossitt.

Committee Reports

a. ASUM Affairs (Winkle) - SB18 and SB23 received "do pass" recommendations. SB24 received a "do not pass" recommendation. SB28 was postponed, and SB29 was not discussed due to the author's absence. No ad was prepared for the Kaimin, as it was not published on Tuesday due to the Veterans Day holiday.

b. IT - No meeting.

c. Board on Membership (Pappas) - No meeting.

d. COT (Price) - No meeting. They will meet Friday.

e. Housing (Engebretson/Pappas) - Co-op housing will no longer be pursued. The occupancy standard issue will continue to be addressed. The next meeting will be Tuesday at 8 a.m. A reenter's roundtable was held at COT.

f. Interview (Welsh) - An e-mail was sent to members requesting possible questions for student regent applicants. Interviews for this position and the Student Resolution Officer will be held before semester's end.

g. SPA (Jones) - They meet at 4 p.m. Mondays. They are still hoping Housing Board will attend their meeting.

h. Transportation (Green) - No meeting.

i. UC Board (Engelson) - No meeting. They will meet at 7 a.m. Tuesday.
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j. University Affairs (Holmes) - SB30 was given a “do not pass” recommendation, as the author was not present, and time constraints would make it impossible to carry out this semester. SB27 received a “do pass” recommendation.

k. The suggestion box was empty.

l. ASCRC (Welsh) - The next meeting is at 2 p.m. next Tuesday in GBB-L13. They will be discussing adding Military Science as a minor.

Five-minute recess

Unfinished Business
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a. SB18-03/04 Resolution to amend Bylaws to Create ASUM Childcare Oversight Committee is in committee (Exhibit A) was moved by Engelson-Cossitt. After a previous question call by Bissell, the resolution passed 17-0.

b. SB23-03/04 Resolution to amend ASUM Bylaws: Section 10 University Center Board (Exhibit B). A friendly amendment by Welsh to retain a.-d. under E.2. was accepted, and the resolution passed after a previous question call by Ziegler.

c. SB24-03/04 Resolution protecting Student Consumers from Fee Collection Abuse - Campus Finance Reform II was recommitted to University Affairs on a motion by Welsh-Cossitt after a previous question call by Rafferty (failed) and Ziegler.

d. SB27-03/04 Resolution on behalf of Academic Freedom and Intellectual Diversity at The University of Montana (Exhibit C) was amended by the author, changing "ethics" in the fifth paragraph to "manner." A friendly amendment by Welsh to change the last paragraph to read: “And Let It Be Further Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana will uphold ASUM Fiscal Policy” was not accepted. A friendly amendment by Engelson to change "strive" to "continue" in the last paragraph was not accepted. A motion by Jones-Cossitt to limit debate to 90 seconds each failed. The Chair limited debate to three minutes per individual. A friendly amendment by Cossitt to insert a final paragraph to read: “And Let It Be Further Resolved that this resolution does not uphold nor advocate the mission statement of the Students for Academic Freedom or David Horowitz” was not accepted. After a previous question call by Ziegler, the resolution failed 9-9, after the Chair exercised the right to make a tie vote.

A call for quorum verified same.

e. SB28-03/04 Resolution supporting Tribal College Student Government Representation within the Montana Associated Students (MAS) - in committee.
f. SB29-03/04 Resolution to Amend ASUM Bylaws - in committee.
g. SB30-03/04 Resolution to Send +/- Grading to Student Initiative - recommitted.
h. SB31-03/04 A Resolution Endorsing The Proposal of The Coalition for Better Student Loans (CBSL) to Amend the Higher Education Act (HEA) - in committee.
i. SB32-03/04 A Resolution Endorsing The Proposal of The United States Student Association (USSA) to Amend the Higher Education Act (HEA) - in committee.
j. SB33-03/04 A Resolution Opposing the Affordability in Higher Education Act - in committee.

New Business
a. Resolution to amend Bylaws
b. Resolution to impeach
c. Resolution on Curry Health Center Fee
d. Resolution on Student Resolution Officer
e. Resolution to support House Concurrent Resolution 318 in the U.S. House of Representatives
f. Resolution on objectivity of ASUM Senate
g. Resolution on biased activity

The Chair recognized the presence of Ziegler.

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 10:42 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
Resolution to Amend By-Laws to Create ASUM Childcare Oversight Committee

Whereas, according to a recent governmental recommendation, ASUM Childcare should have a committee smaller than the whole Senate to administrate issues,

Whereas, ASUM Childcare is a large and important part of the ASUM organization which deserves a specialized committee,

Whereas, it is impossible for the entire Senate to deal with issues arising from ASUM Childcare in an appropriate manner,

Whereas, the committee should be composed of Senators, Students-At-Large, and members of ASUM Childcare classified staff,

Whereas, the committee should be composed of three (3) ASUM Senators, two (2) Students-At-Large, one (1) parent of a child currently enrolled with ASUM Childcare services and two (2) ASUM Childcare classified staff members,

Whereas, the Director of ASUM Childcare shall be a non-voting, ex-officio member,

Whereas, the President and Vice President of ASUM shall be non-voting, ex-officio members,

Whereas, a Senator shall serve as the Chairperson of the committee,

Whereas, a committee designated by ASUM to act as oversight of ASUM Childcare would satisfy governmental recommendations and relieve the Senate burden,

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana amend the By-Laws to create an ASUM Childcare Oversight Committee,

Section 22. ASUM Childcare Oversight Committee
A. The ASUM Childcare Oversight Committee shall be composed of seven (8) voting members, of which three (3) shall be ASUM Senators, two (2) shall be Students-At-Large, one (1) shall be a parent of a child currently enrolled in ASUM Childcare and two (2) shall be members of ASUM Childcare classified staff.
B. The Director of ASUM Childcare, and the President and Vice President of ASUM shall be ex-officio non-voting members.
C. The ASUM Childcare Oversight Committee shall be chaired by an ASUM Senator.
D. Quorum shall consist of a simple majority of those members currently holding positions. This committee shall meet and have quorum at least one (1) time a month during the academic year, or when appropriate.
E. Duties and functions of the ASUM Childcare Oversight Committee will include:
1. Examining the budget of ASUM Childcare each spring prior to the ASUM budgeting session.
2. Communicating issues within ASUM Childcare to the ASUM Senate when appropriate.
3. Working in conjunction with the ASUM Childcare director on issues related to ASUM Childcare and its operations.
4. General oversight of day-to-day business within ASUM Childcare where appropriate.
And Let It Be Further Resolved that the Senate of ASUM support the following amendment to Article IV, Section 2, Sub-point E and the various points contained:

Section 2. ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee:
A. The ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee shall be composed of eleven (11) members, five (5) of which shall be Senators. An ASUM Senator shall chair ASUM Affairs and Relations Committee.
B. The ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee shall be responsible for recommending all changes to the ASUM Bylaws and ASUM Personnel Policy.
C. The ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee shall work on unbiased projects, ideas, or campaigns intended to increase student involvement in and student awareness of ASUM government in general or any particular issue(s) pertaining to ASUM.
D. The ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee shall enforce and oversee the execution of Article III, Section 2E and Section 2F of the ASUM Bylaws. Therefore, a motion passed by a two-thirds majority vote in the ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee can and will result in an unexcused absence for an ASUM Senator failing to accord with Article III, Section 2E or Section 2F of the ASUM Bylaws. Such decisions of the ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee may be repealed by a simple majority vote of the ASUM Senate.
E. The ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee shall also oversee the functions of the following ASUM executive agencies, in accordance with ASUM Personnel Policy:
1. ASUM Child Care
2. UM Productions. The UM Productions Director shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.
3. ASUM Legal Services - ASUM Relations and Affairs shall act as a board of directors to oversee the Legal Services Director and its program.
4. ASUM Administration
5. The Student Resolution Officer shall be appointed by the President and approved by a two-thirds majoritarian vote of the Senate.
E.F. Student directors may be removed from office as stipulated by University of Montana policy and ASUM Personnel Policy.

Authored By:
Senator Robert J. Welsh
Resolution to amend ASUM Bylaws: Section 10 University Center Board

Whereas, the University Center Board functions are described differently within each of the following three documents: ASUM Bylaws, Presidents Office and the UC Board Manuel;

Whereas the UC Board over the past two years has approved changes to Boards function but they have not been clarified among the three areas that document the UC Boards responsibility;

Therefore, Let it be Resolved, ASUM endorses a change to the UC Board functions by changing its’ By-Laws to read as follows:

Section 10. University Center Board
A. University Center Board shall consist of 9 members; three members who shall be subject to appointment by the President of the University, each serving three year rotating terms, and five members who shall be recommended for appointment by the ASUM President, subject to a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate. Of the five Board members appointed by ASUM, two shall be ASUM Senators serving one-year terms. The three Student at Large positions shall serve two year rotating terms. The University Center Director or his/her designee shall serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the UC Board. An ASUM Senator shall chair the Committee.
B. A quorum shall normally consist of five members of the Board
C. The Chair shall act for the Board in its absence, subject to its review
D. Special meetings may be called by the Chair or by two or more members
E. Duties and functions of the University Center Board shall include:
   1. FROM: To consider complaints for the University Center policies, activities and personnel;
   TO: To provide advice and oversight about University Center policies, activities, and staffing.
   2. FROM: Annually review The University Center budgets and fees;
   a. University Center budgets shall consist of three years previous actual figures with itemized line items for each expense and revenue.
   b. University Center budgets shall also include proposed figures of the current academic year.
   c. University Center budgets shall also contain the proposed figures of the upcoming academic year
   d. The University Center Board shall receive the budgets by December 1 for adequate time to analyze the budget
   TO: Annually review, according to the UC Board Strategic Planning Budget Guidelines, the University Center budgets and fees; including but not limited to the Annual Operating Budget, Auxiliary Capital Fund, and UC Repair and Replacement account.
   3. Ensure that student, faculty, and staff interests are considered in deciding policies and other administrative matters involving the UC by helping the UC Administration to decide on these matters;
   4. In consultation with the UC Administration, develop long-range planning goals and funding sources for UC development and use.

Authored By: Kyle Engelson
ASUM Senator
UC Board Chair

Sponsored By: UC Board
Approved 10/29/03

Passed 11/12/03
Resolution On Behalf of Academic Freedom and Intellectual Diversity at The University of Montana

Whereas, learning is most likely to thrive in an environment of intellectual diversity and of academic freedom that protects and fosters independence of thought and speech,

Whereas, Section 6.1 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between The University Teachers' Union of The University of Montana and the Montana University System states, “The welfare and strength of the University and of society at large depend upon the free search for truth and its free expression.”,

Whereas, Section 6.2 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between The University Teachers' Union of The University of Montana and the Montana University System states, “The concept of academic freedom must be accompanied by an equally demanding concept of academic responsibility.”,

Whereas, The University of Montana is accordingly dedicated to promoting academic freedom and intellectual diversity on campus,

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana urge the faculty to devote careful consideration to standards of professional ethics in the presentation of educational material as well as in the evaluation of students' academic work;

And Let It Be Further Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana will strive, in the allocation of student activity funds and the selection of visiting speakers, to observe the principles of fairness, balance, and inclusion.

Authored By: Will Holmes, ASUM Senator; Christian Winkle, ASUM Senator

Sponsored By: Dan Windmueller, ASUM Senator

11/12/03
Failed 9-9-1
Chair voted to make tie vote and call vote