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Associated Students
The University of Montana

ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, April 13, 2011
UC 330/331 - 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 30, 2011

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Mountainside Chats:

1. NCAA Steering Committee Chairs Teresa Branch, Vice President for Student Affairs, and Bill Muse, Associate Vice President for the Office of University Planning, Budgeting and Analysis, and Jean Gee, Associate Athletic Director
2. Sharon O'Hare, Executive Director, Office for Student Success

b. Jen Gursky, ASUM Lobbyist, Skype report from Helena

c. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Committee Appointments/Removals

b. KBGA

c. Board of Regents

d. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT - none

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$14,436.26

STIP - \$151,178.85

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$468.64

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$182,974.95

a. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB34-10/11 - Resolution Regarding MontPIRG Fee
- b. SB35-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Swing Dance
- c. SB36-10/11 - Resolution Regarding MontPIRG Referendum Language
- d. SB37-10/11 - Resolution Regarding ASUM Indexing

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, April 13, 2011
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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 Baker, Berry, Carson (6:02), Cochran, DeSoto, Edmunds, Gustin, Hoggatt, James, Klapmeier, Mackey, Mariani, Rhea (6:18), Sanders, Sims, Spika, Suzuki, Wren and Yerger.

The minutes from the March 30, 2011 meeting were approved.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Carson.

Public Comment

- o Ben Dawson, President of Swing Kidz, accompanied by Faith Dawson, member of Swing Kidz, spoke in support of the continued availability of social dance classes through the School of Theatre and Dance. Passage of SB35-10/11 would be an important indication of support for social dance classes on campus.
- o Rob Olsen, Board Chair of MontPIRG, and Katie Thurlby, MontPIRG Treasurer, provided an update of the organization's activities (Exhibit A) and copies of an internal audit report (Exhibit B).
- o Kate Lufkin of the University Center (UC) office for Student Involvement provided the update of UC events. (Exhibit C)
- o Kyle Schmauch, Jackson Bolstad and Matisse Ventura, UM freshmen, provided copies of a letter signed by 24 students (Exhibit D) opposing reimplementing of the \$5.00 refundable MontPIRG fee.
- o Curtis Black, the Publications Board recommendation for incoming Kaimin Business Manager, introduced himself.

President's Report

a. Mountainside Chats:

1. National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Steering Committee Chairs Bill Muse, Associate Vice President for the Office of University Planning, Budgeting and Analysis, and Teresa Branch, Vice President for Student Affairs, along with Jean Gee, Associate Athletic Director, gave a PowerPoint presentation (Exhibit E) describing the steps and

criteria the committee followed to produce a self-study report to be submitted to the NCAA by April 29, 2011. The UM is in compliance in most areas. Gender equity and diversity still require attention and are the primary focus of long range plans. The committee is seeking feedback on the report before it is submitted to the NCAA.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Rhea.

2. Sharon O'Hare, Executive Director of the Office for Student Success, explained a new UM policy going into effect fall semester 2011 that will provide a grace period to students who have enrolled, but not yet paid, for classes by the beginning of the semester (Exhibit F). Previously, all unpaid classes were cancelled as of the beginning of the semester, making it burdensome for students, advisors and various departments on campus when the students reregistered.
- b. Jen Gursky, ASUM Lobbyist, emphasized how important the next few days are for rounding up support in the House to accept Senate changes to the bonding bill that would provide \$29 million for a new College of Technology building. Lobbyist Gursky encouraged senators to contact their representatives and ask them to vote in favor of the Senate's amendments when the House votes on the matter April 18.
- c. President Williams and Vice President Stovall attended a meeting with three members of the Board of Regents (BOR), the Commissioner for Higher Education and representatives of The UM Administration concerning tuition. Vice President Stovall will be participating in a conference call to the BOR April 15.
- d. President Williams noted that the evening's meeting is the third to last for this Senate.

Vice President's Report

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals - none
- b. Senator Mariani will appear on the KBGA program, ASUM Live, Thursday, April 14.
- c. Originally, the plan was for members of the Senate to attend the April 15, BOR meeting. Instead, Vice President Stovall will be sitting in on a call from Main Hall.

- d. A signup sheet was passed around for senators interested in free tickets for themselves and a guest being offered by UM Productions for the April 17, Eileen Ivers concert.

Business Manager's Report

- a. A motion by **Cochran-James** to approve Curtis Black, the Publications Board recommendation for 2011-2012 Kaimin Business Manager, passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Gustin**.

Committee Reports

- a. Relations and Affairs (Suzuki) - The committee considered three resolutions. SB35-10/11, SB36-10/11 and SB37-10/11 all received do pass recommendations.
- b. Elections (Berry) - Twelve candidates showed up Sunday night to hang campaign posters. Senator Hoggatt reported on the senate candidate forum in the UC Commons earlier in the day in which ten candidates participated.
- c. Presidential Inauguration (DeSoto) - President Engstrom's inauguration is May 2, and various activities are being planned as part of the program, including luncheon on the Oval, various forums and an exhibit in the UC.
- d. Student Political Action (Edmunds) - The committee is promoting an event on student activism 6 p.m., April 21, in the UC Theatre.
- e. Transportation (Rhea) - The new bus has arrived, representing the successful conclusion of years of work. The bus cost more than \$350,000 and was funded thanks in part to efforts by U.S. Sen. Max Baucus, the Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee, the Montana Department of Transportation, the UM Office of the Vice President for Administration and Finance and the ASUM Transportation Fee that UM students pay each semester.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB36-10/11 - Resolution Regarding MontPIRG Referendum Language (Exhibit G) - **Cochran-Sims** moved to approve the resolution. **Hanson** called for unanimous consent but there was objection. The resolution passed 13 - 6 - 1 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) A motion by **Williams-Hanson** to reconsider SB36-10/11 was approved. A motion by **Hoggatt** to correct errors of punctuation in lines 28, 31 and 37 was accepted as friendly. A motion by **Suzuki-Sims**

- to approve the resolution as amended was approved with unanimous consent on a motion by **Hanson**.
- b. SB35-10/11 - Resolution Regarding the Swing Dance (Exhibit H) - A motion by **Williams-James** to approve the resolution passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Suzuki**.
 - c. SB37-10/11 - Resolution Regarding ASUM Indexing (Exhibit I) - A motion by **Hoggatt-James** to approve the resolution passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Sims**.
 - d. SB34-10/11 - Resolution Regarding MontPIRG Fee (Exhibit J) - A motion by **James-Klapmeier** to table the resolution indefinitely was defeated on a 8 - 11 - 1 roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) A motion by **Rhea-Suzuki** to table the resolution until the April 20, 2011, Senate meeting was defeated 5 - 14 - 1 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) A motion by **Yerger-Suzuki** to table the resolution indefinitely was approved on a voice vote.

New Business

- a. Resolution regarding MontPIRG vote of confidence
- b. Resolution regarding fee structure
- c. Resolution regarding Title IX compliance
- d. Resolutions amending Bylaws (5)
- e. Resolution regarding committee
- f. Resolution regarding elections
- g. Resolution regarding civic service
- h. Resolution regarding University Center

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Phoebe Hunter
ASUM Office Manager