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Associated Students
The University of Montana

ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, April 27, 2011
UC 326/327 - 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 20, 2011

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Arlene Walker-Andrews, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education and Policy - Barbara Hollman Administrator of the Year Award recipient
- b. MontPIRG vote of confidence
- c. Jen Gursky, ASUM Lobbyist - Legislative session update
- d. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals
- b. KBGA
- c. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$13,936.26

STIP - \$150,653.85

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$468.64

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$182,572.17

- a. UM Cycling Team Special Allocation Request - \$400.00/400.00
- b. UM Cycling Team Union Emergency Travel Allocation - \$4242.62/3090.00
- c. Cumman Gaelach Special Allocation - \$100.00/50.00
- d. UM Marketing Club Special Allocation - \$127.00/122.00
- e. UM Marketing Club Special Allocation - \$155.00/50.00
- f. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB41-10/11 - Resolution Regarding MontPIRG Fee Collection
- b. SB42-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Title IX Athletic Fee Increase

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, April 27, 2011
UC 326/327 - 6 p.m.

Chair Stovall called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Present: President Williams, Vice President Stovall, Business Manager Hanson; and Senators Baker, Berry (6:09), Carson, Cochran, DeSoto, Edmunds, Gustin, Hoggatt (6:09), James, Klapmeier, Mackey, Mariani, Rhea, Sanders, Sims, Spika, Suzuki, Wren and Yerger.

The minutes from the April 20, 2011 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

- o Ross Best, part-time, non-degree graduate student, spoke in opposition to the proposed athletic fee increase. He noted that no meaningful public notice was given and the question should not be considered until ASUM takes into account its own rules of parliamentary procedure. It is his opinion the fee increase should be put to a vote of the student body.
- o Michael Orford, UM student, expressed his belief that having a successful football team causes more crime downtown. He supports schools having football teams, just not winning ones because they are bad for society.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senators Hoggatt and Berry.

- o Braelynn Johnson, Claire Dal Nogare and Aaron Adamski, Senate candidates, expressed their understanding of the importance of turning in the Candidate Income/Expense Statement (CIES) forms on time, but hope the Senate will not disqualify them for turning them in late, as they would like to be a part of Senate if elected.
- o Zach Brown, Senate candidate, described the extraneous circumstances that also resulted in submitting his CIES form late. He would like to serve on Senate and hopes that will still be possible.
- o Sean Schilke, UM student, spoke in support of the athletic fee increase. However, the increase should be half what has been proposed so that it is sufficient to support women's softball only.
- o Royce Engstrom, University of Montana President, apologized for being unaware of the Board of Regents

policy requiring fee increase be put to a vote of either the student body or student senate. It is a fact that a women's softball program, once it is established, would need \$678,000 to operate. After two years the athletic fee increase would generate \$800,000 per year, enough to pay for the new program and to allow some cushion so that the Administration would not need to come back to the Senate with follow up requests.

- o Rob Olsen, Board Chair of MontPIRG, provided an update of the organization's activities. Governor Schweitzer came to campus last week to talk about MontPIRG, the legislative session and other topics. He wanted to visit and was not paid by MontPIRG. Four students provided twenty hours of community service working in the Joseph House garden last weekend. With regard to the MontPIRG vote of confidence, he acknowledged there were problems last semester but there has been a complete turn around this semester. MontPIRG decided to conduct an internal audit instead of hiring an independent CPA in order to save \$10,000 and spend student funds more responsibly.
- o Emily May, Student Coordinator for the University Center (UC) Center for Leadership Development, thanked senators on behalf of the UC for attending the Student Leadership Recognition ceremony. There will be a Service Before Summer program, April 30, to benefit the UM FLAT and 1000 New Garden's Dig Day. Lunch is included and those who are interested are to meet at 10 a.m. at The Source. Commenting as an individual, she expressed her opposition to MontPIRG, an external organization, receiving \$5 per student every semester when there are other organizations on campus fulfilling the same role.
- o Kyle Schmauch, UM freshman, agreed with Emily May about MontPIRG. He had a nice conversation with Senators Carson and Wren and accepted Senator Carson's challenge to a racket ball match.

President's Report

- a. President Williams thanked Arlene Walker-Andrews, Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education and Policy, for her dedication and service and announced that she is the recipient of the Barbara Hollman Administrator of the Year Award.
- b. President Williams provided the legislative update. The bonding bill that would provide funding for a new College of Technology building failed to pass the House earlier in the day. It will be reconsidered for a third reading April 28.

- c. MontPIRG vote of confidence - Previous question was called by **James-Suzuki** and approved by voice vote. Division was called following a voice vote on the measure. The final roll call vote was 6 - 14 - 1. (see Tally Sheet)
- d. The year's final panel on civil rights and obligations of international students took place April 26. Participants included members of the Department of Homeland Security, the Transportation Security Administration, the Montana Attorney's Office, a city prosecutor and local law enforcement. President Williams expressed her hope that the informational panels will continue every fall and spring when new students arrive on campus.

Vice President's Report

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals - none
- b. Senator Rhea will appear on the KBGA program, ASUM Live, Thursday, April 28.

Business Manager's Report

- a. UM Cycling Special Allocation Request - A motion by **Suzuki-Edmunds** to approve the Budget and Finance Committee (B&F) recommendation of \$400 for same passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Yerger**.
- b. UM Cycling Special Allocation Request - A motion by **Edmunds-Sanders** to approve the B&F recommendation of \$3090 for same passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Yerger**.
- c. Cumman Gaelach Special Allocation Request - A motion by **Gustin-Yerger** to approve the B&F recommendation of \$50 for same passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Yerger**.
- d. Mortar Board Special Allocation Request - A motion by **Edmunds-Yerger** to approve the B&F recommendation of \$150 for same passed on a voice vote.
- e. UM Marketing Club Special Allocation Request - A motion by **Edmunds-Gustin** to approve the B&F recommendation of \$50 for same passed unanimously on a voice vote.
- f. UM Marketing Club Special Allocation Request - A motion by **James-Sanders** to approve the B&F recommendation of \$122 for same passed on a voice vote.
- g. A motion by **James-Yerger** to table until next week a Travel Allocation Request by the College Republicans was approved by voice vote.

Committee Reports

- a. Relations and Affairs (Suzuki) - The committee considered two resolutions. SB41-10/11 and SB42-10/11 both received do pass recommendations.
- b. Board on Members (Gustin) - A motion by **Cochran-Hanson** to approve the two groups seeking recognition (Exhibit A) passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Sims**.
- c. Elections (Berry) - The committee met in emergency session last night and decided to recommend eight senate candidates be disqualified for failing to turn in their CIES forms on time. A motion by **James** to move into executive session was ruled out of order. A motion by **Yerger-James** to approve the Elections Committee recommendation failed 12 - 6 - 2, a two-thirds majority being required. The committee also discussed whether flyers distributed by MontPIRG were in violation of ASUM Bylaws. The committee determined the list of individuals who support MontPIRG does not constitute a slate. Also, the flyer did not suggest voting for anyone in particular.
- d. UC Board (Carson) - The UC is currently reallocating office space for student groups. Interested groups can apply over the next three days.
- e. Presidential Inauguration (DeSoto) - President Engstrom's inauguration is May 2, at 10:15, in the University Theater. In case of inclement weather the luncheon will be served in the Adams Center.
- f. Transportation (Rhea) - The Board is working with the UC to establish a Ride Share Board, for the first time in many years, in time for fall semester.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB41-10/11 - Resolution Regarding MontPIRG Fee Collection (Exhibit B) - Previous question was called by **Hoggatt-Yerger** and approved by voice vote. The resolution passed by voice vote.
- b. SB42-10/11 - Resolution Regarding Title IX Athletic Fee Increase (Exhibit C) - **Rhea** proposed amendments intended as friendly. Previous question was called by **James-Hanson**. Division was called following a voice vote and the motion failed 9 - 12. (see Tally Sheet) A motion by **Suzuki-Rhea** to recess for ten minutes was approved by voice vote. Author **Suzuki** amended Rhea's amendments and accepted all the changes as friendly. Previous question

was called by **Klapmeier-Sims** and approved by voice vote. Division was called following a voice vote on the resolution. SB42-10/11 passed 16 - 5 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet)

A motion by **Suzuki-Hanson** to suspend House Rules in order to take up SB43-10/11, SB44-10/11 and SB45-10/11 was approved.

- c. SB43-10/11 - Resolution Amending Bylaws (Exhibit D) - A motion by **Hoggatt** to amend lines 25, 29, 35 and 36, and add Meghan Baker and Julie DeSoto as sponsors, was accepted as friendly. A motion by **Hanson-James** to prevent current presidential and vice presidential candidates from participating in discussion of the resolution was ruled out of order by the Chair. A motion by **Suzuki** to amend line 37 was accepted as friendly. Previous question was called by **Sims-Sanders** and approved. SB43-10/11 passed on a voice vote.
- d. SB44-10/11 - Resolution Amending ASUM Bylaws (Exhibit E) - A motion by **Suzuki-Sanders** to approve the resolution passed with unanimous consent on a voice vote.
- e. SB45-10/11 - Resolution Amending the Relations and Affairs Committee Bylaws (Exhibit F) - A motion by **Cochran-Yerger** to approve the resolution passed with unanimous consent on a voice vote.

A motion by **Hanson-Sims** to reinstate House Rules passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Williams**.

A motion by **Hoggatt-James** to return to committee reports passed on a voice vote.

Elections Committee (Hoggatt) - Senator Hoggatt asked for a vote to reconsider whether candidates who turned in their CIES's late can be disqualified. Division was called following a voice vote on a motion by **Yerger-Berry** to reconsider the Senate's previous vote on the matter. The motion passed 15 - 5 - 1. (see Tally Sheet) Previous question was called by **Carson-Sanders** and defeated on a voice vote. Following further discussion previous question was called by **Edmunds-Yerger** and approved on a voice vote. The motion to change the previous vote on the Elections Committee recommendation failed 12 - 5 - 4 on a roll call vote, a two-thirds majority being required. (see Tally Sheet)

New Business

- a. Resolutions amending Bylaws (6)
- b. Resolution regarding MontPIRG
- c. Resolution regarding Bylaws violation
- d. Resolution regarding MontPIRG Fee

Comments

A motion by **Suzuki-Sims** to return to Committee Reports passed 15 - 5 - 1 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) A motion by **Suzuki-Sanders** to reconsider the Election Committee's recommendation to disqualify candidates who turned in their CIES's late was approved 14 - 5 - 2 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet) A motion by **Sims-Yerger** to approve the Election Committee's recommendation to disqualify the eight candidates passed 14 - 5 - 1 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet)

A motion by **Williams-Hanson** to adjourn was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Phoebe Hunter
ASUM Office Manager