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**ASUM SENATE AGENDA**  
**Wednesday, August 31, 2011**  
**UC 330/331 – 6 P.M.**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – February 26, 2011 and May 4, 2011

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- a. Welcome
- b. Summer Update
- c. Introduction of Phoebe Hunter, ASUM Office Manager and ASUM Senate Secretary
- d. Mountainside Chat: Charles Couture, Dean of Students
- e. Approval of Garon Smith, Senate Advisor
- f. Approval of Stacy Boman, ASUM Sustainability Coordinator
- g. Student Resolution Officer position opening
- h. Welcome Feast – Friday, September 2, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on The Oval
- i. Other

**6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals
- b. KBGA
- c. Tabling
- d. 'Know Our Community'
- e. Other

**7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT**

**SPECIAL ALLOCATION** - \$18,000.00

**STIP** - \$154, 189.69

**TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION** - \$22,091.18

**ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER** - \$203,145.34

- a. Other

**8. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - none

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

**11. COMMENTS**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**ASUM SENATE MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, August 31, 2011**  
**UC 330/331 - 6 p.m.**

Chair Edmunds called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Present: President Gursky, Vice President Edmunds, Business Manager Sims; and Senators Bennett (6:11), Boslough, Coon, Dantic, Ellis, Haefner, James, Klapmeier, LaFortune, Molgaard, Nielsen, Overturf, Rogers, Selph, Simpson, Springmeyer, Summers, Suzuki, Williams, M. and Williams, T.

The minutes from the February 26, and May 4, 2011 meetings were approved.

**Public Comment**

- o Kip Fairdoth described the outreach efforts of the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship. The group wants to provide support to new students and help them stay in school.
- o Bryce Bennett, member of Forward Montana (FM) and former ASUM Senator and Business Manager, along with other members of the group, is registering voters on campus - 540 since classes started. FM trains, mobilizes and educates future leaders, and will continue a variety of efforts to encourage voter turnout.

**President's Report**

- a. The Senate had a fantastic retreat. It was fun and Senate members learned to be leaders.
- b. Senate executives worked over the summer; an opportunity key to developing relationships on campus.

The chair recognized the presence of Senator Bennett.

- c. President Gursky introduced Phoebe Hunter, ASUM Office Manager and Senate Secretary.
- d. James Foley, University of Montana Executive Vice President, talked with the Senate about the recent accidental shooting outside the Lommasson Center. A reader board message was issued within six minutes after Public Safety received a report of the shooting. The system in place for addressing this situation worked smoother than the response to the incident at the Law School last year. Any suggestions for further improvements are welcome.

- e. Byron Drake, Associate Director for Dining Services (DS), passed our brochures (Exhibits A and B) and \$20 gift card for the senators. He encouraged senators to contact Mark LoParco, Director of Dining Services, or himself directly with feedback on any aspect of DS services. There is a new Vietnamese food retail outlet, Ui Cha, in the UC Food Court. Delicious iced coffee from Ui Cha was provided for the Senate. There are still fundraising opportunities available for ASUM-recognized student groups interested in working stadium concessions, according to Adelle Watts, Manager of UM Concessions. DS has hired a marketing assessment firm to visit campus and gather data for a week and members of the Senate were encouraged to join one of the focus groups.
- f. Ray Ford, Chief Information and Technology Officer, described The University-community partnership formed to leverage for better wireless internet service. The UM is one of a consortium of thirty research universities participating in the effort. More information is available in a draft statement passed around (Exhibit C) and on the website [www.gig-u.org](http://www.gig-u.org).
- g. Mountainside Chats:
  - 1. Charles Couture, Dean of Students, encouraged members of the Senate to review the oath of office they took in May. He prefers to take the educational approach to administering the Student Conduct Code, when possible. It's best for students to learn from their mistakes, move on and go out into the world and flourish. Another important aspect of his work is to reach out to groups of marginalized students. He is also chair of the Critical Incident Response Team which identifies students in trouble, such as those who are suicidal or acting out, and then offers help. Dean Couture also passed out copies of the "Know Your Rights" card (Exhibit D), a wallet size informational brochure jointly developed by Student Affairs, ASUM Legal Services and the Office of Public Safety.
- h. Garon Smith was unable to attend the Senate meeting and consideration of his approval as ASUM Senate Advisor will be added to next week's agenda.
- i. Stacy Boman was selected by the hiring committee to serve as the ASUM Sustainability Coordinator. She described her plans for continuing projects already in place and expanding programs, improving communication and increasing student involvement and awareness. Social outreach and social marketing would be important components for ASUM Sustainability over the coming year. A motion by **Sims-**

- Suzuki** to approve her as the new ASUM Sustainability Coordinator passed with unanimous consent on a voice vote.
- j. Applications are being accepted for the Student Resolution Officer (SRO) position until 5 p.m., September 6. Patrick Rhea has been serving as the interim SRO over the summer.
  - k. Welcome Feast will take place Friday, September 2, on the Oval from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. This year for the first time there will be a competition and cash awards for the student groups with the three best table displays.
  - l. "Join the Revolution: An Invitation to get Involved," a week of political events offering opportunities for students and community members to become politically better informed and more involved, will take place the week of September 12 - 17. (Exhibit E)

#### **Vice President's Report**

- a. The featured student group for this week's "Know Our Community" was UM Climate Action Now. Representatives of the group, Aleta Jokisch, Tyler McRae and Steven Mumblo, described the history, mission and activities of the club, including recycling, and other sustainability efforts (Exhibit F).
- b. A motion by **Suzuki-Haefner** to split consideration of committee and board appointments into three sections passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Summers**.
- c. A motion by **Summers-James** to remove James from the ASUM Housing Board and replace him with Summers passed 20-2 following objection to a call for unanimous consent. (see Tally Sheet) The ASUM 2011-2012 Committee appointments list (Exhibit G) was approved unanimously as amended following a motion by **Overturf-Molgaard**.
- d. A motion by **Summers-Molgaard** to approve The University Committee Assignments for the Fall 2012 list of appointments (Exhibit H) was approved with unanimous consent on a motion by **Suzuki**.
- e. There was objection to a call for unanimous consent by **Sims** following a motion by **James-Molgaard** to approve the list of Students-At-Large committee appointments (Exhibit I). The motion passed 21-1. (see Tally Sheet)
- f. Every Thursday morning radio station KBGA features "ASUM Live," a short feature during which a senator provides an update of Senate activities, discussions and decisions. Each senator is required to represent ASUM at least once. Senator Dantic agreed to appear Thursday, September 1.
- g. Senators are needed to table during the Career Services Fair. Volunteers were to speak with Vice President Edmunds following the meeting. Senators are also needed

to table on September 12, the first day football tickets go on sale for the September 17 game. Given the captive audience, this is a good opportunity to share information with students about ASUM services and their rights as summarized in the "Know Your Rights" brochure.

- h. Vice President Edmunds reminded senators to wear "business casual" attire for Senate meetings.
- i. Vice President Edmunds handed out copies of the Senate calendar for September (Exhibit J).
- j. Thank you cards for the senators to sign were handed around. The cards are for individuals who helped with the Senate retreat.
- k. Vice President Edmunds reminded senators to email their class schedules and office hours by 5 p.m., September 2.

**Business Manager's Report - none**

**Committee and Board Reports**

- a. Relations and Affairs (Suzuki) - The committee will be meeting at 6:30 p.m., September 5, in the ASUM office. Anyone wanting to submit a resolution for consideration for next week's meeting must do so by September 2, at noon.
- b. Interview (Suzuki) - Interviews for the SRO position will be held at 8 a.m., September 1.
- c. Budget and Finance (Sims) - The committee will be meeting September 6 at 8 a.m.
- d. Student Political Action - (Nielsen) - Members are encouraged to sign up for Doodle so that a meeting time can be set up.
- e. Publications (Sims) - The board will be meeting within the next couple of weeks.
- f. Transportation (Williams, T.) - The Board has met twice so far. The Board's regular meeting time is scheduled for Tuesdays from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Right now two buses are out of commission and the backup bus is in use.
- g. Music Union (Williams, M.) - The member groups are preparing their applications for recognition. The first meeting for all majors will be September 8.
- h. Housing (Williams, M.) - The board will be meeting September 1, at 8 or 9 a.m.
- i. College of technology (LaFortune) - The committee is recruiting members and recommendations would be appreciated.
- j. Child Care (Coon) - The Board doesn't have a meeting time yet but will, hopefully soon.

- k. Sustainability (Springmeyer) - The board is in the process of establishing a meeting time.

**Unfinished Business - none**

**New Business**

- a. Resolutions amending Fiscal Policy (6)
- b. Resolution regarding September 11 anniversary
- c. Resolution regarding Board of Regents
- d. Resolution regarding appreciation of non-Senate comments
- e. Resolutions amending Bylaws (11)
- f. Resolution regarding Student Political Action Director
- g. Resolution regarding advising
- h. Resolution regarding public safety
- i. Resolution regarding 2011 Senate Vision and Standards
- j. Resolution regarding Graduate Student Affairs Committee
- k. Resolution regarding Grizzly ROTC program

**Comments**

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Phoebe Hunter  
ASUM Office Manager