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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, September 28, 2011
UC 326/327 – 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 14, 2011

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Mona Milius, Vice President of the Baker Group - University Dining Services marketing plan
- b. Board of Regents
- c. University Committees - <http://www.umt.edu/committees/>
- d. Homecoming:
 - 1. Friday: Hello Walk, 1:00 pm, Turner Hall
Pep Rally, 8:00 pm, Oval
 - 2. Saturday: Homecoming Parade, 9:30, ASUM's float
Game, Kick Off 1:00 pm
- e. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Know Your Community: Camas
- b. Committee loads and senator academic success
- c. Committee chairs meeting
- d. Committee Appointments and Removals
- e. Senate office hours
- f. Office hour tasks
- g. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$17,067.10
STIP - \$156,260.57
TRAVEL ALLOCATION - \$22,091.18
ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$203,091.12

- a. Hillel S.T.I.P. Request - \$592.90/592.90
- b. Japanese Student Association and International Student Association Special Allocation Request - \$400.00/400.00
- c. Society and Conservation Grads S.T.I.P. Request - \$262.50 – 371.00/262.50
- d. Student Veterans Association Special Allocation Request - \$371.00/191.00
- e. Travel Allocation Requests
- f. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, September 28, 2011
UC 326/327 - 6 p.m.

Chair Edmunds called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: President Gursky, Vice President Edmunds, Business Manager Sims; and Senators Bennett, Boslough, Coon, Dantic, Ellis, Haefner, Klapmeier, LaFortune, Molgaard, Nielsen, Overturf, Selph, Simpson, Springmeyer, Summers, Suzuki, Williams, M. and Williams, T. Excused: Senators James and Rogers.

The minutes from the September 14, 2011 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

- o Stephen Carnes, President of The University of Montana (UM) Model UN, provided a quick history of the organization. It is international in scope and has been in existence for 46 years. Each year the group hosts a conference for high school students from all over Montana. For the past two years there has also been a smaller traveling team composed of members of the UM Model UN class. Last year the UM team of delegates won the top award at the annual national conference. This year the group would like to send four students to the international conference in Lille, France, and is asking for help to do this from ASUM.
- o Kate Sullivan and Micah Scudder spoke on behalf of the Society of American Foresters, a student group hoping to send four students to the upcoming annual national conference in Hawaii. The national conference is important for the educational and professional opportunities available to forestry students.
- o Thomas Vincent, Jason Matthews, Joachim Kleinman, Nicholas Childs, Robert Jahrig and Brian Moses of the Zoo Crew, a student group promoting freestyle skiing and snowboarding, presented a video - <http://vimeo.com/25697286> - and description of the group's activities, travel plans and reasons for requesting two Travel Allocations. Goals of the group include promoting UM recognition and providing an extracurricular outlet to students for inexpensive skiing and snowboarding.
- o Ketti Wilhelm of Students for Economic and Social Justice (SESJ) talked about the success last year of the campaign against the sale of sweatshop clothing on campus. As a result, approximately eight percent of Grizwear currently available in the University Center Bookstore (UCB) is made by Alta Gracia (AG), a Dominican Republic apparel

factory with good working conditions that Wilhelm has observed first hand. The group is planning a Sweatshop Clothesline event in the University Center (UC) to demonstrate widespread factory abuses and highlight how AG is different. The group would like to give AG more prominence on campus and see the company provide a higher percentage of Grizwear. To this end, SESJ is asking the Senate for a resolution to continue pressure on the administration and UCB.

- o Nick Capobianco and Aaron Abbott of the Woodsmen Team spoke to the team's need of funding for their major fall competition at Colorado State this year. Costs are higher for the team now that it is no longer possible to rent larger vans from Motorpool, necessitating the use of multiple vehicles. The UM has one of the strongest teams in the west and Travel Allocation assistance would be appreciated.
- o Annie Hamilton, Director of ASUM Legal Services (LS), described the numerous types of legal assistance available through her agency. There are three staff attorneys and eight to twelve interns who work for Law School credit. LS helps individuals, student groups and agencies, whether the issue involves situations on or off campus. Among the many types of legal advice provided, LS interprets ASUM governing documents, addresses discrimination and Student Conduct Code issues, and assists student groups with risk management questions.
- o Julie DeSoto, Student Coordinator for Leadership Events at the UC, announced a Town Hall meeting being held October 5, from 6 to 9 p.m., in the UC Ballroom. The meeting is being called so the Missoula and UM communities can discuss the impact over the years of numerous reported and unreported incidents of discrimination and harassment targeting the disabled, Native Americans, African Americans and LGBT individuals, among others. The purpose is to educate individuals about how to react in the moment when witnessing such incidents. The planning committee also recommends ASUM consider a resolution addressing the issue.

President's Report

- a. Mona Milius is a Senior Principal Consultant for the Baker Group, a Hospitality Consulting and Design firm hired by University Dining Services (UDS) to gather information about the department and assist in developing a comprehensive marketing plan for UDS. She asked senators to share one message each regarding the services UDS

- provides, indicating what UDS could be doing better, what UDS should be doing, but currently isn't, and how UDS could improve communication with students.
- b. A Board of Regents (BOR) meeting was held September 22-23. A key decision was the approval of staff (but not yet faculty) pay raises. President Gursky, as President of both ASUM and Montana Associated Students (MAS), wants to know what percentage of the tuition increase went to the pay raise. Students endorsed the tuition increase with the objective that a significant portion of the increase would be used for staff and faculty pay raises. Whether this is the case has yet to be determined and MAS will continue to ask where the additional funds are going. It is ASUM's agenda that The UM has quality classrooms which salary increases address in part. President Gursky would like to see some political action on the part of the Senate in support of the people who educate students.
 - c. President Gursky has received emails regarding students not showing up for University Committee meetings. Senators are to check this website - <http://www.umt.edu/committees/> - for updates of committee information. Student voices are needed on these committees and failure to attend assigned committee meetings can ultimately lead to impeachment.
 - d. Homecoming
 - 1. Friday, September 30: taking place at 1 p.m. is the Hello Walk in front of Turner Hall and the opportunity to paint on a sidewalk legally. At the invitation of Main Hall and the Alumni Association, everyone is invited to decorate the sidewalk with "hello" in as many languages as possible. At 8 p.m. a Pep Rally will be held on The Oval.
 - 2. Saturday, October 1: Show up at 9:30 a.m. for the Homecoming Parade. This is going to be one of the first times that ASUM as a whole is going to actively participate, rather than the representation coming only from agencies.
 - e. President Gursky thanked senators for their participation in the "Join the Revolution" week of events. She is very pleased with the range of feedback and takes it as indication of the best possible result. The number one objective was to put ASUM on the campus map and now ASUM is also on the community map.

Vice President's Report

- a. Know Your Community:

1. Lauren Koshere and Beth Baker, Co-Editors of Camas, a biannual environmental literary magazine produced by students of the Environmental Studies Department (Exhibit A) described the publication's three goals: to encourage dialogue on culture and environment, celebrate people of the West and provide students an opportunity to be published. Submissions of all genres of writing, photography and art work are encouraged. The theme of the next issue is "boundaries" and submissions are due by October 14 (Exhibit B).
- b. Some senators assigned to University Committees as chairs are not showing up for meetings and this is unacceptable. The perspective of senators is important and senators should remember the value of their position as student representatives. They were encouraged to speak with Vice President Edmunds if having any academic or mental health issues.
- c. Vice President Edmunds is not getting minutes from some committee chairs. There will be a twenty minute meeting of all the chairs following the October 5, Senate meeting in the ASUM conference room to discuss why it is important to collect and share information with the campus community.
- d. Committee Appointments and Removals: A motion by **Sims** to remove Devin Carpenter from the UC Board was accepted as friendly. A motion by **Suzuki-Haefner** to approve the slate of appointments and removals as amended (Exhibit C) was approved with unanimous consent.
- e. Vice President Edmunds has devised a new system to help keep track of senate office hours. Starting October 3, senators are to use the clipboard hanging on the wall next to the Senate mailboxes in the ASUM Administrative office to check themselves in and be accountable for the hour they serve each week.
- f. There is now a list of office hour tasks that will be updated every week. Vice President Edmunds has consulted with the ASUM staff, committee chairs and the other two executives regarding tasks needing attention in the ASUM office. Senators should check the clipboard for the most current list.
- g. Vice President Edmunds thanked the senators who have been working in the office and expressed appreciation for the challenges senators face juggling the numerous demands on

their time. He thanked everyone for doing what they do and for doing it so well.

Business Manager's Report

- a. A motion by **Suzuki-Gursky** to approve the Budget and Finance Committee (B&F) recommendation of \$592.90 for the Hillel S.T.I.P. Request passed with unanimous consent on a voice vote.
- b. A motion by **Williams, M.-Suzuki** to approve the Budget and Finance Committee recommendation of \$400.00 for the Japanese Student Association/International Student Association Special Allocation Request passed with unanimous consent on a voice vote.
- c. A motion by **Suzuki-Haefner** to table the Society and Conservation Grads S.T.I.P. request of \$262.50-371.00, and recommended by B&F for \$262.50, until the October 5, Senate meeting passed 10 - 9 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet)
- d. A motion by **Edmunds-Nielsen** to table the Student Veterans Association Special Allocation Request of \$371.00, and recommended by B&F for \$191.00, until the October 5, Senate meeting was approved unanimously by voice vote.
- e. A motion by **Williams, M.-Nielsen** to approve all the Travel Allocation Requests (Exhibit D) as a slate failed 9 - 11 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet)
 1. A motion by **Suzuki-Bennett** to add \$388.00 for the Woodsman Team Motorpool expense was approved with unanimous consent.
 2. A motion by **Summers-Bennett** to add \$300.00 for the Silver Mountain Zoo Crew lift ticket expense passed 11 - 7 - 2 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet)
 3. A motion by **Suzuki-Klapmeier** to reduce the Zoo Crew Bridger Bowl trip allocation for Motorpool by \$163.00 passed by voice vote.
 4. A motion by **Williams, T.-Selph** to increase the Society of American Foresters (SAF) airline allocation by \$120.00 passed by voice vote. A motion by **Edmunds-Haefner** to reduce the SAF allocation for airline tickets by \$399.00, increase registration fees by \$280.00 and return \$119.00 to the general Travel

Allocation fund failed 7 - 12 on a roll call vote.
(see Tally Sheet)

5. A motion by **Williams, T.-Bennett** to add \$106.00 to the Model UN allocation for airfare passed by voice vote.
6. A motion by **Haefner-Williams, T.** to approve the slate of Travel Allocations as amended passed 14 - 6 on a roll call vote. (see Tally Sheet)

Committee and Board Reports

- a. Student Outreach (Molgaard) - The committee met this week and reflected on how the "Join the Revolution" week of events went. In the future the committee wants to work with the Student Political Action Committee on advertising events. Class raps appear to be the most effective way to get the word out. Signs are in the ASUM office ready to be decorated for the Homecoming parade. Child Care will also be participating. The committee is interested in establishing a working relationship with the UC Student Involvement Network to plan programs such as Student Groups 101.
- b. Board on Members (Overturf) - A motion by **Sims-Haefner** to recognize the slate of approved groups (Exhibit E) passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Suzuki**.
- c. UC Board (Dantic) - The Board met September 23, and toured the UC. The previous location of Jus' Chillin' is being remodeled as a Pizza Hut and once completed will have the ability to make deliveries on campus. A name is needed for the new burger joint. Please contact Liz Roosa Millar, the UC Director, with suggestions. Senator Dantic continues to meet once a week with Director Roosa Millar and other senators are welcome to join. A renter is need for a vacant space on the first floor and ideas are encouraged.
- d. Student Political Action - (Nielsen) - The committee met September 22, and talked about working more with the Outreach Committee in terms of advertising and creating a more sustainable structure for future event planning. The committee reviewed how "Join the Revolution" went and continued the discussion of goals for the committee. Currently the committee is conducting a survey of students in order to know two things: what issues students are interested in knowing more about and what issues on campus students would like to be more involved in. The results will help determine the priorities of the committee.

- e. Sports Union (Ellis) - The Union has not met yet.
- f. Information Technology (IT) (Haefner) - The committee met September 22, and will continue to meet every other Thursday. There wasn't a quorum for the meeting but there was a good discussion about the current status of IT and student access to computers on campus. A representative from GigU will be speaking at the October 20, committee meeting in the ASUM conference room and all are invited to attend and ask questions.
- g. College of Technology (LaFortune) - Senator LaFortune met with Mary McHugh, September 29, to work on a plan to structure the committee so it will be ready to hit the ground running as soon as possible.
- h. Sustainability (Springmeyer) - The committee meets Fridays at 11:00 a.m. The role of the committee is to serve as an advisory board to Stacy Boman, ASUM Sustainability Coordinator, who then reports to the Sustainable campus Committee. Senator Springmeyer met with the Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund (KRELF) committee to approve a new Student-at-Large, Alison Wren. The KRELF committee has an operating budget of over \$200,000 for student projects and has already approved \$120,000 to budget this year. Senator Springmeyer also met with the CEO's of McKinstry Engineering, an energy-saving company hired to make adjustments to several facilities on campus. One of the projects is to replace all of the glass in the ceiling of the UC atrium. There are no cost estimates yet.
- i. Child Care (Coon) - The committee met September 29, and will continue to meet every other Wednesday at 11 a.m. Wagons for Homecoming were decorated September 27, and senators might be needed to help pull them during the parade. On September 30, at 10 a.m., there will be a Child Care parade around the Oval. Senator Coon requested members of the Senate attend. Plans are in the works for Family Fun Days at Halloween. Yellow Ribbon Outreach is being planned for October 15 and 16. This is a program to help integrate children with parents who have returned from Afghanistan and Iraq. Additional volunteers might be needed.
- j. ASUM Gardens (Boslough) - The first board meeting will take place September 29.
- k. Campus Recreation (Selph) - No meeting has been scheduled yet.
- l. Transportation (Williams, T.) - The board is finalizing the budget. There are no more yellow bikes available to loan out because the program is so successful. The Ride

- Share Board is now up making it possible to carpool within town, the state or the country. A resolution to the Maurice and 6th intersection bicycle lane issue has been reached. Five parking spaces will have to be sacrificed but Main Hall will be covering all the costs.
- m. Music Union (Williams, M.) - The Music Union cabinet met September 27, and approved the governing documents for the member student groups.
 - n. Housing (Williams, M.) - The board meets Thursday mornings at 8 a.m. The board is planning monthly campaigns to address housing problems in Missoula. The current issue is pests.
 - o. Vice President Edmunds wants monthly reports on University Committees.

Unfinished Business - none

New Business

- a. Resolution regarding hate crimes
- b. Resolutions regarding City Council (2)
- c. Resolution regarding bicycle safety
- d. Resolution regarding pedestrian access
- e. Resolutions amending Bylaws (8)
- f. Resolution of recognition
- g. Resolution regarding collegiate licensing
- h. Resolution regarding recycling at Griz Stadium
- i. Resolutions regarding sustainability (2)
- j. Resolution regarding advising

A motion by **Klapmeier-Sims** to reopen Travel Allocations failed 6 - 14. (see Tally Sheet) A motion by **Sims-Suzuki** to reopen Travel Allocations failed 8 - 12. (see Tally Sheet)

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Phoebe Hunter
ASUM Office Manager