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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, October 5, 2011
UC 330/331 – 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 28, 2011

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Agency Report: Beki Hartmann, Director, ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center
- b. Mountainside Chat: Keith Glaes, Director, Campus Recreation
- c. Senate Halloween meeting – October 26
- d. Events
- e. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Knowing Our Community
- b. Committee Appointments and Removals
- c. ASUM Committee chairs meeting
- d. 'University Committee Project' volunteer
- e. Board of Regents/Office of the Commissioner for Higher Education
Listening Sessions
- f. Homecoming
- g. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$16,667.10

STIP - \$157, 727.07

TRAVEL ALLOCATION - \$14,891.18

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$203,091.12

- a. Society and Conservation Grads S.T.I.P. Request - \$262.50 – 371.00/262.50
- b. Student Veterans Association Special Allocation Request - \$371.00/191.00
- c. UM Productions S.T.I.P. Request - \$2495.80/2495.80
- d. ASUM Administration Special Allocation Request - \$175.00/175.00
- e. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB4-11/12 – Resolution Regarding Anti-Discrimination
- b. SB5-11/12 – Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy
- c. SB6-11/12 – Resolution Regarding City Council
- d. SB7-11/12 – tabled by Relations and Affairs Committee
- e. SB8-11/12 – Resolution Regarding Student Group Advisors

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
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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, Nielsen, Overturf, Selph, Simpson, Springmeyer, Summers (6:02) Suzuki, Williams, M. and Williams, T. Excused: Senators LaFortune and Molgaard.

The minutes from the September 28, 2011 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

- o Chris Armatas, spokesperson for the Society and Conservation Grads, provided additional information regarding the group's Special Allocation Request for Floorball equipment. The plan is to provide an opportunity every week for students and faculty to interact with each other outside an academic setting and help build cohesion within the Forestry Department.

President's Report

- a. Agency Report: Beki Hartmann, Director of the ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center (OCRC), described the founding of the agency in 2002 to address neighborhood issues with parking and student parties, etc. She is currently working to bring back neighborhood liaison work and build positive neighborhood relationships through a proposed Neighborhood Ambassador Program. Part of the mission of the OCRC is to help students with dispute resolution. She has assisted over 500 individuals with landlord complaints over the last two years. The OCRC assists with safety, maintenance and deposit issues in addition to being an advocate for the creation of additional housing. The Housing Board has initiated a one-week campaign every month focusing on a featured renter issue and currently the issue of concern is pests. Beki is a member of the mayor's Affordable Housing Team and started the online Housing Finder which provides a safer way for students to find housing.
(Exhibit A)
- b. Mountainside Chat: Keith Glaes, Director of Campus Recreation (CR), informed the Senate that Campus Recreation was originally an ASUM program founded in 1972. The program grew over the years and became an independent program with its own fee and new facility in 2001. CR has professional staff but is student driven, the mission

- being to provide a wide array of activities of interest to students. The "Campus Recreation - Fall 2011" booklet describes the numerous activities available through the facility (Exhibit B). A graph (Exhibit C) shows the ebb and flow of CR usage over the course of Academic Year 2011 and 2012 so far. The box graph (Exhibit D) demonstrates usage by class and month for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011. The final two handouts are budgets for FY 2011 (Exhibit E) and FY 2012 (Exhibit F). At the end of each FY there are funds budgeted for capital improvement projects. At the end of FY 2011 a 40% more efficient lighting system was installed and the gym floor was stripped of twenty layers of finish and redone.
- c. The Senate Halloween meeting will be October 26. Senators are to provide the name of their character to the ASUM Office Manager by October 21, and it is mandatory to be at the meeting in costume.
 - d. Event: The Montana Innocence Project is sponsoring the program, "Kirk Bloodsworth - Eyewitness to Innocence" (Exhibit G). He was on death row and eventually exonerated. He is giving a public lecture in room 101 of the Law School, October 11, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Vice President's Report

- a. Knowing Our Community: The group scheduled to appear was unable to make it at the last minute.
- b. As author, **Edmunds** proposed several amendments to the slate of Committee Approvals and Removals (Exhibit H). Senators Selph and Simpson were added as alternates to the Interview committee. Miranda Carson was removed as an alternate to the Interview committee. A motion by **Selph** to remove himself from the Relations and Affairs Committee was accepted as friendly. A motion by **Sims-Suzuki** to approve the slate as amended passed by voice vote.
- c. Vice President Edmunds reminded senators of the meeting for committee chairs to immediately follow the evening's Senate meeting. President Gursky reminded members of the Interview committee that she would like to meet with them following the meeting as well.
- d. The Board of Regents and the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (CHE) are sponsoring two "Listening Sessions," October 11, and 13. The CHE is retiring after a long career and the focus of the October 11, session will be planning and exploring students' priorities for

the future. College! NOW (CNOW) will be the subject of the October 13, session. CNOW is a two-year initiative to further integrate the College of Technology with the Mountain campus and to look at issues unique to two-year institutions.

- e. Vice President Edmunds thanked Senators Coon, Nielsen and Springmeyer for their participation in the Homecoming parade. Child Care and UM Productions made an amazing showing with a number of participants each.
- f. Vice President Edmunds is working on a University Committee project over the next two to three months. The University Committee system currently has no cohesive set of resources, contact information, description of committee charges or governing documents. Vice President Edmunds is seeking a senator to volunteer and help organize information and create a resource for future senate, faculty, staff and administrative bodies.
- g. Senators must get their biographies to Andrea Rhoades, ASUM Administrative Associate, by October 7.

Business Manager's Report

- a. A motion by **Suzuki-Bennett** to approve the Budget and Finance Committee recommendation of \$262.50 for the Society and Conservation Graduates S.T.I.P. Allocation request passed 13 - 5 on a roll call. (see Tally Sheet)
- b. Business Manager Sims postponed consideration of the Veterans Association Special Allocation Request in order to verify eligibility.
- c. A motion by **Williams, M.-Nielsen** to approve the Budget and Finance Committee recommendation of \$2495.80 for the UM Productions S.T.I.P. Allocation Request passed with unanimous consent by voice vote.
- d. A motion by **Suzuki-Williams, M.** to approve the Budget and Finance Committee recommendation of \$175.00 for the ASUM Administration Special Allocation Request passed with unanimous consent by voice vote.

Committee and Board Reports

- a. Child Care (Coon) - The board did not meet last week. Child Care did a good job decorating wagons for the Homecoming parade.

- b. University Center (Dantic) - The next board meeting is October 21, from 12:30 to 2 p.m.
- c. Student Political Action (SPA) (Nielsen) - The committee is still compiling answers from the survey of student opinions on the best direction for SPA over the coming year.
- d. Board on Members (Overturf) - A motion by **Suzuki-Simpson** to approve the three groups recommended by the committee for recognition (Exhibit I) passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Haefner**.
- e. Campus Recreation (Selph) - Senator Selph is still waiting for Campus Recreation to schedule a meeting.
- f. Sustainability (Springmeyer) - The board met September 30, at 11 a.m., to set the groundwork for strategic goals for recycling in the dorms.
- g. Relations and Affairs (Suzuki) - The committee put forward four resolutions for consideration by the Senate. The committee recommendation for SB4-11/12 was do-pass, for SB5-11/12 there was no recommendation, for SB6-11/12 the recommendation was do-pass, and for SB8-11/12 there was no recommendation.
- h. Interview (Suzuki) - Chair Suzuki announced the committee needs to meet following the Senate meeting. There are twenty-two applicants for the two openings.
- i. Sports Union (Ellis) - The committee will be meeting Mondays.
- j. ASUM Gardens (Boslough) - The board is planning for the October 22, season closing potluck. The next meeting will be at 5 p.m., October 13.
- k. Information Technology (IT) (Haefner) - The committee will be meeting October 6, at 4 p.m., to discuss the importance of IT on this campus for the following year. He encouraged everyone to attend and raise any issues with IT over the past year and make suggestions for moving IT forward on this campus.
- l. Housing (Williams, M.) - The board will be meeting at 8:30 a.m., October 6, and will continue to develop the mission statement.
- m. Music Union (Williams, M.) - All are invited to attend the Air Force Band concert, October 6, in the University Theater. Even though the concert is technically sold out, Senator Williams might be able to get tickets for those who are interested.
- n. Transportation (Williams, T.) - Work on the extension of the bicycle lanes at the intersection of 6th and Maurice has been completed. A bus stop has been removed and this will hopefully result in a smoother flow of traffic and

prevent future traffic backups. The board is interested in taking up safe pedestrian access to the Higgins Street bridge.

- o. Recycling (Williams, T.) - The committee will be meeting October 6, to discuss a recycling educational event to take place on the Oval.
- p. President Gursky reminded the Interview committee that she would like to meet with them following the Senate meeting. There are twenty-two applications for the two vacant Senate positions and the committee needs to set up times for interviews.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB4-11/12 - Resolution Regarding Anti-Discrimination - A motion by **Overturf-Bennett** to approve the resolution was approved with unanimous consent on a motion by **Dantic** (Exhibit J).
- b. SB5-11/12 - Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy - A motion by **Williams, M.-Gursky** to approve the resolution passed 17 - 1 on a roll call vote (Exhibit K). (see tally Sheet)
- c. SB6-11/12 - Resolution Regarding City Council - A motion by **Suzuki** to strike the phrase "understand fully" from line 22 was accepted as friendly. A motion by **Summers** to change the word "instructed" to "required" in line 52 was accepted as friendly. A motion by **Haefner-Williams, M.** to approve the resolution as amended passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Gursky** (Exhibit L).
- d. SB8-11/12 - Resolution Regarding Student Group Advisors - A motion by **Overturf** to add "Montana" to line 24 was accepted as friendly. A previous question motion by **Sims-Williams, M.** passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Gursky**. The resolution as amended was approved with unanimous consent on a motion by **Gursky** (Exhibit M).

New Business

- a. Resolutions amending Bylaws (5)
- b. Resolution of recognition
- c. Resolution regarding City Council observer
- d. Resolution regarding Senate Bill 4's directives
- e. Resolution regarding MAS
- f. Resolution regarding collegiate apparel
- g. Resolution regarding strategic planning

h. Resolution regarding pedestrian access

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Phoebe Hunter
ASUM Office Manager