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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, November 9, 2011
COT HB01 – 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 2, 2011

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Mountainside Chat: John Engen, Mayor of Missoula
- b. Agency Report: Stacy Boman, Coordinator, ASUM Sustainability
- c. Board of Regents
- d. Montana Associated Students
- e. Strategic Planning
- f. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Knowing Our Community
- b. Committee Appointments and Removals
- c. Senator Homework
- d. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$15,097.10

STIP - \$157, 592.15

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$14,891.18

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$177,278.81

- a. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB16-11/12 – Resolution Regarding On-Campus Parking
- b. SB17-11/12 – Resolution Endorsing Power Shift
- c. SB18-11/12 – Resolution Regarding Preference

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, November 9, 2011
College of Technology (COT) East Campus HB01 - 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 (6:08), Boslough, Brown (6:17), Coon, Dantic, Ellis, Haefner, Hohman, Klapmeier, LaFortune (6:12), Molgaard, Nielsen, Overturf, Selph, Simpson, Springmeyer (6:15), Summers (6:22), Suzuki, Williams, M. and Williams, T.

The minutes from the November 2, 2011 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

- o Matthew Filer, Administrative Associate with the Registrar's Office (RO), spoke in support of SB18-11/12. He is responsible for handling name changes for the RO and sees first hand how difficult it is for transgender students to systematize use of their preferred name and gender on campus. He is also aware of the technical challenges required to make systemic changes and asked that students be patient with Information Technology staff.
- o John Blake, Student-At-Large and cofounder of Montana Equality Now, and Tristan Kellner and Cody Letzow of Lambda Alliance (LA), asked the Senate to support SB18-11/12. Making it possible for students to select a preferred name for use on campus would benefit not only LGBT students, but also students who prefer to be called by their middle name, for example. It would also streamline students' ability to submit a name change once, rather than, for example, having to inform each professor.
- o Josh Crismore, past President of LA, also asked the Senate to support SB18-11/12.

President's Report

- a. Agency Report: Stacy Boman, Coordinator of ASUM Sustainability Center (SC), talked about two key documents SC helped develop, the 2007 Greenhouse Initiative and the 2010 Climate Action Plan, used by The University of Montana (UM) Administration to set policy for achieving the ambitious goal of carbon neutrality by 2020. The focus of SC is to promote, develop and implement sustainability projects driven by students. Students in particular want more responsible recycling (Exhibit A). In addition to working with the Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund Committee, the SC sponsors numerous education events, such as the first Biomass Education Forum

- scheduled for December 1 (see PowerPoint presentation - (Exhibit B)).
- b. Mountainside Chat: John Engen, Mayor of the City of Missoula, expressed his appreciation for the positive relationship between the city and The UM. He responded to questions posed by senators about glass recycling, a new location for the Poverello Center and the Missoula transit system. He also indicated that there is enthusiasm in city hall for a new COT facility and interest in exploring how the city can help bring funding for the project.
 - c. Beki Hartmann, Director of the ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center, and Mariah Williams and Zach Brown, ASUM senators, reported to the Senate on the North American Students of Cooperation (NASCO) conference they recently attended in Ann Arbor, MI. A PowerPoint presentation (Exhibit C) featured photos of a wide variety of coop housing currently available for students attending the University of Michigan.
 - d. On December 9, there will be a mandatory Senate meeting to celebrate the holidays. President Engstrom is donating use of the Canyon Club for the event. A hat was passed so senators could draw names for a gift exchange.
 - e. President Gursky, Vice President Edmunds and one senator are attending the Board of Regents meeting, November 17 and 18. There is a spot available for one more senator and anyone interested should let President Gursky know by the end of the evening.
 - f. The Montana Associated Students meeting starts at 7 p.m in Bozeman, November 16. Senators are to let President Gursky know if they have any agenda items for the meeting.
 - g. The Senate Strategic Planning Committee is meeting at 10 a.m., November 10. The ASUM Strategic Planning retreat will be taking place the evening of November 14, and all day November 15.

Vice President's Report

- a. Know Our Community - Wes Furlong and Travis Miller of UM Triathlon described the training and competitive opportunities available to members of the group. UM Triathlon sponsors the Griz Triathlon every spring.
- b. Committee Appointments and Removals - Vice President **Edmunds** made the following friendly amendments: under Appointments, change UC Board to ASUM Outreach and Marketing Committee, under Appointments add University Budget Committee (UBC), and under UBC add Mariah Williams, ASUM Senator and Luke Sims, ASUM Business Manager. A motion by **Sims-Williams, M.** to approve the

slate of committee appointments and removals as amended (Exhibit D) passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Suzuki**.

- c. Vice President Edmunds asked senators to turn in their responses to last week's homework and recommended those senators who have them should take laptops to the November 16, leadership training.
- d. Vice President Edmunds read the names of senators who did not sign in for office hours over the past week and counted an absence against them.
- e. The mandatory leadership training for senators starts at 6 p.m., November 16.

Business Manager's Report

- a. The Budget and Finance committee (B&F) did not have a quorum for its November 8, meeting.
- b. Business Manager Sims asked members of B&F to meet with him following the Senate meeting.

Committee and Board Reports

- a. Information Technology (Haefner) - The committee met earlier in the day to discuss the job description for the ASUM webmaster internship.
- b. Recycling (LaFortune) - The committee met earlier in the day. Everything is currently going smoothly with recycling, thanks in part to the fee increase. Recycling employs eighteen students. The committee is moving forward with Residence Life to make dorm recycling more effective.
- c. COT (LaFortune) - The committee did not meet this week.
- d. University Center (UC) (Dantic) - The board met November 4, and heard from ASUM Transportation about some Quickstop bike parking. A Percent Night proposal has been submitted to Dining Services. An ad hoc committee has been formed to determine who owns the various billboards in the UC.
- e. Housing (Williams, M.) - The Housing Board thanks the Senate for the support of its efforts to learn more about cooperative housing.
- f. Transportation (Williams, T.) - The board met November 8. ASUM Transportation has purchased four bike racks and will be getting a deal on some others. Director Nancy Wilson and one of the mechanics travelled to California to consider a possible bus purchase.
- g. Outreach (Simpson) - The committee has an outline for an ASUM newsletter and plans to make the first edition

available by December 1. The committee voted to sponsor one of the American Indian Student Services Soup Fridays next semester.

- h. Board on Members (Overturf) - The Non-Traditional student group wants to meet with some senators about some concerns. A meeting has been set up for 5:30 p.m., November 16. Others are welcome to attend, especially the senator assigned to the group as its liaison. A motion by **Suzuki-Gursky** to approve the slate of groups recommended for recognition (Exhibit E) passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Sims**.
- i. Relations and Affairs (R&A) (Suzuki) - The committee considered one new resolution. SB18 received a unanimous do-pass recommendation.
- j. Americans With Disabilities Act (Suzuki) - The committee will be meeting at 9 a.m., November 10.
- k. Student Political Action (Nielsen) - The committee met November 3. Speakers, including State Representative and former executive director of the Poverello Center, Ellie Hill, have been lined up for "The Politics of Poverty" panel, November 17.
- l. Legal Services (Bennett) - The next board meeting will be November 16, at either 10 a.m. or noon.
- m. Strategic Planning (Gursky) -The next committee meeting is 10 a.m., November 10. Chair Gursky reminded senators who are members of the committee about doing their homework prior to the retreat. Transportation to the retreat is leaving at 4 p.m., November 14.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB16-11/12 - A motion by **Sims-Klapmeier** to table the resolution until the November 30, Senate meeting was approved by voice vote.
- b. SB17-11/12 (Exhibit F) - Author **Springmeyer** made a friendly amendment by adding sponsors. A motion by **Brown** to add the phrase, "faculty and administration," to line 19 and replace the word "Association" with "Alliance" in line 30 was accepted as friendly. A motion by **Williams, M.** to delete lines 34 - 36 was accepted as friendly. A motion by **Suzuki-Ellis** to approve the resolution as amended passed by voice vote.
- c. SB18-11/12 (Exhibit G) - Author **Edmunds** made friendly amendments to lines 23 - 24, 26 and 27. A motion by **Dantic** to amend line 24 by replacing the word "remedying" with "remedy" was accepted as friendly. A motion by

Sims-Williams, M. to table the resolution and refer it back to R&A failed 11 - 11 with a tie-breaker vote of no by Chair Edmunds. (see Tally Sheet) A motion by **Dantic-Molgaard** to approve the resolution as amended passed by voice vote.

New Business

- a. Resolutions amending Bylaws (9)
- b. Resolutions regarding strategic planning (2)
- c. Resolution regarding public comment period
- d. Resolutions regarding ASUM (2)
- e. Resolution regarding new logo
- f. Resolution regarding outreach
- g. Resolution regarding leadership conferences
- h. Resolution amending House Rules
- i. Resolutions amending Fiscal Policy (4)
- j. Resolution regarding personal information
- k. Resolutions amending Elections Bylaws (5)
- l. Resolution regarding constitutional review
- m. Resolution of recognition
- n. Resolution regarding advising
- o. Resolution regarding student group funding

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Phoebe Hunter
ASUM Office Manager