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Associated Students  
The University of Montana

## ASUM SENATE AGENDA

February 5, 2003 - 6:00 p.m.  
UC 332-333

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - January 29, 2003
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
  - a. NCAA Certification
  - b. Legislature
  - c. Student Regent
  - d. UPSA Forum - Friday, February 14
  - e. ASCRC
  - f. Other
6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT
  - a. Committee Removals
  - b. Committee Appointments
  - c. UM Productions
  - d. GRISS Ride
  - e. Student Affairs Vice-President Candidates
  - f. Carol - Lady Griz tickets
  - g. Other
7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

STIP - \$99,928.52  
Travel Special Allocation - \$11,271.60  
Zero-based Carryover - \$73,542.55  
Special Allocation - \$6,351.00

  - a. Camas (STIP) \$1,500/ - in committee
  - b. Corps of Cadets - STIP Request \$1,526.78/\$763.39
  - c. Taiwanese Student - STIP Request \$500/\$470
  - d. Geology Club - STIP Request \$500/\$0
  - e. ASUM Administration - STIP Request \$1,805.32/\$1,805.32
  - f. ASUM Administration - STIP Request \$1,313.50/\$1,313.50
  - g. Other
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

To see a list of resolutions with the action taken on them noted and the resolutions currently being considered in their entirety, please go to <http://www.umd.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm>

- a. SB10-02/03 Resolution on Free Speech Area - in committee
- b. SB34-02/03 Resolution in Support of the UC Board Strategic Guidelines
- c. SB35-02/03 Resolution in Support of the University Center Renovation Fee Increase
- d. SB36-02/03 Resolution in Support of Decreasing the Renovation Fee Credit Hours
- e. SB38-02/03 Resolution Regarding Board of Regents Policy
- f. SB39-02/03 Resolution to amend bylaws
- g. SB40-02/03 Resolution of Remembrance of Marina Kanevskaya
- h. SB41-02/03 Resolution Regarding City Code Enforcement
- i. SB42-02/03 Resolution to Urge Montana Associated Students to Take a Stance on Same Sex Health Benefits
- j. SB43-02/03 Resolution Supporting a Rape Free Safe Zone

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

# ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET

## SENATE MEMBERS

SOPHIA RENA ALVAREZ

MARY BURWELL

THEA DELAMATER

KYLE ENGELSON

DUSTIN FROST

NOAH M. GINGER

~~DUSTIN HANKINSON~~

FLORA LEE

KATRINA MENDREY

BERV NAASZ

THIERRY OUEDRAOGO

COLE PRICE

ALEX M. ROSENLEAF

ALI TABIBNEJAD

ROB WELSH

AVERIEL WOLFF

SICO STEVENS A. YAO

JIN ZHOU

ROLL  
CALL

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## ASUM OFFICERS

JON SWAN

President

CHRISTY SCHILKE

Vice-President

HEATHER O'LOUGHLIN

Business Manager

## FACULTY ADVISORS

PROFESSOR AUSLAND

PROFESSOR ANDERSON

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ASUM SENATE MINUTES  
February 5, 2003  
UC332-333 - 6:00 p.m.

Chair Schilke called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. Present: Swan, Schilke, O'Loughlin, Alvarez (6:12), Burwell, Delamater, Engelson, Frost, Lee, Mendrey, Naasz, Ouedraogo, Rosenleaf, Tabibnejad, Welsh, Wolff, Yao and Zhou. Excused were Genger and Price.

The meeting minutes for January 29, 2003, were approved.

**Public Comment**

\*Alex Rosenleaf asked for volunteers for the 4, 6, and 8 p.m. slots this Friday for debate judging.

\*Laurie Copenhaver of UC Board encouraged support of UC resolutions.

**President's Report**

a. Professors Jim Lopach and Jerry Evans and Registrar Phil Bain explained the procedures for NCAA certification. They discussed such things as self-study, rules compliance, fiscal integrity, governance and other topics.

The Chair recognized the presence of Alvarez.

b. Off-Campus Renter Center Director Spannagel explained and showed TV PSAs for the education of renters.

c. Swan and other students spent the morning in Helena in support of the President's presentation. He distributed and explained budget scenarios, depending on what the Legislature decides. Senators were urged to sign up for tabling to inform students on issues.

d. Lobbyist training will be held Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

e. MAS wrote a letter to Governor Martz showing their concern for the lack of process when she re-appointed the student regent for another year.

f. The first forum for the Student Affairs Vice-President search will be February 14. Senators were urged to attend.

g. ASCRC meets from 2-4 p.m. Tuesdays. They are discussing class audit deadlines, writing criteria, +/- grading system, technical requirements for General Ed and D grades regarding pass/no pass.

h. A discussion on the Higgins/Beckwith/Hill intersection will be held tomorrow night at 7 at Paxson School.

**Vice President's Report**

a. The following committee removals passed on a motion by **Schilke-Tabibnejad**: University Affairs - Dustin Hankinson; SPA - Stacie Phillips; Interview - Katrina Mendrey; COT - Dustin Hankinson; ASUM Affairs and Relations - Mary Burwell, Jessica MacDonald.

b. The following committee appointments passed on a motion by **Schilke-Rosenleaf**: Elections - Scott Jenkins/Jessica MacDonald co-chairs, Jesse Piedfort, Averiel Wolff, Berv Naasz; ASCRC - Heather O'Loughlin; UC Board - Ali Tabibnejad; Interview - Alex Rosenleaf; University Affairs - Jesse Piedfort.

c. Due to recent vacancies at UM Productions, some existing staff will take on additional duties until the hiring process is completed this Spring.

d. Hayes distributed tickets for Thursday's Lady Griz game.

e. The GRISS bus starts tonight. Senators were encouraged to ride the bus to become acquainted with the service.

### Business Manager's Report

- STIP - \$99,928.52  
Zero-Based Carryover - \$73,542.55  
Travel Spec. Allocation - \$11,271.60  
Special Allocation - \$6,501
- a. Camas (STIP) \$1,500/ - in committee
  - b. The Corps of Cadets STIP request of \$1,526.78 for paint ball equipment received a recommendation from Budget and Finance for \$763.39, which passed 14Y, 1N, 1A on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).
  - c. The Taiwanese Student Association made a STIP request of \$500 to fund their Chinese New Year celebration and for International Food Bazaar Children's World supplies. Budget and Finance recommended \$470. A motion by **Zhou-Engelson** to reduce the request to \$320 passed, after which a motion by **Frost-O'Loughlin** to refer the request back to Budget and Finance for further consideration passed.
  - d. The Geology Club STIP request of \$500 for a printer received a recommendation from Budget and Finance for \$0 funds. A previous question call by **Tabibnejad** failed. **Rosenleaf-Welsh** moved to amend the \$0 recommendation to \$250. A previous question call by **Engelson** failed. After a previous question call by **Welsh**, the motion failed 4Y, 13N on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet). After a previous question call by **Swan**, the original recommendation of \$0 passed.
  - e. An ASUM Administration STIP request of \$1,805.32 for UM Productions Advisor/ASUM Fund Accountant Hendrickson's travel to New York passed.
  - f. An ASUM Administration STIP request of \$1,313.50 for ASUM Office Manager/Program Advisor Hayes' travel to Chicago passed.
  - g. Many requests have come in for travel, so lobbying will last very late.
  - h. Senators were asked to contact their groups about budget packets.

Five-minute break

### Committee Reports

- a. ASUM Relations & Affairs (Zhou) - SB39 is in committee. The next meeting is at 7 p.m. next Tuesday in the ASUM office.
- b. ASUM IT (Frost) - Schedules are needed. They will be working with SPA.
- c. Board on Membership (Lee) - The following slate of groups was moved by **Lee-Naasz** for recognition approval: Good Food Whole Health Group, Taiwanese Student Association, Missoula Footbag Alliance, Ultimate Frisbee Club, Center for Sustainable Universities, Muslim Students Association and Alpha Omega House. **Swan-Schilke** moved to postpone Alpha Omega House's consideration. The motion passed after a previous question call by **Rosenleaf**. The remaining slate passed.
- d. COT (Tabibnejad) - They're continuing to work with the Student Leadership Committee.
- e. Off-Campus Renter Center (Rosenleaf) - A meeting is being scheduled.
- f. Interview (Wolff) - There are eight applicants for the three Senate positions. A meeting will be held tomorrow night at 6:30 followed by interviews on Sunday.
- g. Publications Board - Nothing to report.
- h. SPA (Frost) - SB41 and SB42 were given "do pass" recommendations.
- i. Transportation (Mendrey) - The evening ride program begins tonight. The Administration is being asked to recognize and fund crosswalks around campus for safety purposes. Walk and Roll Week (previously Green Griz Week) needs volunteers. More bike parking is being discussed for the north side of the UC. Senators were encouraged to attend the meeting at Paxson

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tomorrow night, since it's transportation-related. Ridership on the daytime shuttle continues to increase.

- j. University Affairs (Tabibnejad) - SB38, 39, 40 and 42 received ``do pass recommendations.
- k. Suggestion box (Mendrey) - No messages.
- l. UC Board (Naasz) - A presentation was given on the UC's fiscal matters.

**Unfinished Business**

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<http://www.unt.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm>

- a. SB10-02/03 Resolution on Free Speech Area - in committee.
- b. SB34-02/03 Resolution in Support of the UC Board Strategic Guidelines. A friendly amendment by **Tabibnejad** to delete the second sentence of the third paragraph was accepted. A motion by **Swan-Tabibnejad** to postpone SB34 consideration until SB35 and 36 are considered passed.
- c. SB35-02/03 Resolution in Support of the University Center Renovation Fee Increase (Exhibit A). **O'Loughlin-Tabibnejad** moved to postpone the resolution for one week. Previous question calls by **O'Loughlin, Swan and Welsh** failed. The motion failed 5Y, 12N on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet). After a previous question call by **Engelson** failed and one by **O'Loughlin** passed, the resolution passed 8Y, 5N, 3A on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

(The Agenda order was changed with no objection.)

- d. SB41-02/03 Resolution regarding City Code Enforcement (Exhibit B) passed on a motion by **Swan-Welsh**.
- e. SB36-02/03 Resolution in Support of decreasing the Renovation Fee Credit Hours (Exhibit C) passed after a previous question call by **Swan**.
- f. SB34-02/03 Resolution in Support of the UC Board Strategic Guidelines (Exhibit D). After a friendly amendment by **Swan** to delete the second sentence in the Guidelines and ``From this base'' from the third sentence, inserting ``through cost analysis'' after ``projections'' in the same sentence and a friendly amendment by **Tabibnejad** to delete the second to last sentence in the first paragraph (A change in the student union fee based on normal operating cost would not be required to go to the student body as a referendum) were accepted, the resolution passed as amended.
- g. SB38-02/03 Resolution regarding Board of Regents Policy (Exhibit E) passed on a motion by **Tabibnejad-O'Loughlin**.
- h. SB40-02/03 Resolution of Remembrance of Marina Kanevskaya (Exhibit F) passed on a motion by **O'Loughlin-Tabibnejad**.
- i. SB42-02/03 Resolution to urge Montana Associated Students to take a Stance on Same Sex Health Benefits (Exhibit G) passed on a motion by **O'Loughlin-Rosenleaf**.
- j. SB43-02/03 Resolution supporting a Rape Free Safe Zone (Exhibit H) was amended by the author by inserting ``Public'' before ``Safety'' and ``and Missoula City Police Department'' after ``Safety'' in the last Whereas and passed on a motion by **Rosenleaf-Mendrey**.

**New Business**

- a. Resolution to amend Bylaws
- b. Resolution to endorse boycott on Coke
- c. Resolution on +/- grading
- d. Resolution in support of international students
- e. Resolution for tuition freeze

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 12:13 a.m.

*Carol Hayes*  
Carol Hayes

ASUM Office Manager



Exhibit A  
SB35-02/03

Resolution in Support of the University Center Renovation Fee Increase

Whereas, the UC Operating budget is slashed by 1/3 to pay for bond payments every year,

Whereas, with a \$220,000 cut out of the operating budget, it is hard to pay for the current services without cutting any,

Whereas, the UC Renovation fee does not pay for the amount of the bond payment,

Therefore, let it be resolved, ASUM endorses a \$2.00 fee to be assessed for the next 4 semesters, to bring the UC renovation fee to a total of \$30.00 per semester.

Rescinded  
2/12/03  
1645A  
Roll call vote  
Passed  
2/5/03  
Roll call vote  
84573A  
Exhibit C  
SB36-02/03

Resolution in Support of Decreasing the Renovation Fee Credit Hours

Whereas, students taking 7 or more credits are charged the full UC Operating fee,

Whereas, students taking 10 or more credit hours are charged the full UC Renovation fee,

Whereas, the UC Strategic Budget Guidelines calls for uniformity among the credit hours taken by students,

Whereas, the UC Board unanimously voted to reduce the number of credit hours in relationship to the full time fee paid from 10 credit hours to 7 credit hours,

Therefore, let it be resolved, ASUM endorses the creation of uniformity in the credit hour fees paid by the students of the University of Montana.

Passed  
2/5/03

**Resolution Regarding City Code Enforcement**

**Whereas** all people have the right to be safe in their own homes;

**Whereas** students are people and are thus entitled to safe rental housing in exchange for monetary payment;

**Whereas** Missoula currently has no automatic inspection program for rental housing, and instead inspects on the basis of complaints received;

**Whereas** many students fear retaliation and eviction should they complain to the city, or do not even know that there is a possibility of inspections;

**Whereas** rental inspections, unlike other inspections, presently create no revenue for the city, and are, thus, placed as non-priority action;

**Whereas** the "Occupancy Standard crisis" was largely due to poor enforcement of city codes;

**Whereas** The University of Montana has made an effort to improve safety of on-campus housing for students, while many off-campus entities have not made the same effort;

**Whereas** the City of Missoula has codes and ordinances in the area of safe housing but has made no effort to initiate inspections in order to enforce them and, thus, has no understanding of the scope of the problem; and

**Whereas** until action is taken, more than half of The University of Montana students are in harm's way in their own residences;

**Therefore be it resolved** that the Associated Students of The University of Montana urges the city government to develop a program for the inspection and certification of rental housing.

**Authorized By:**

Alex M. Rosenleaf, ASUM Housing Board Chair

Judy Spannagel- Director, ASUM Off Campus Renter Center

*Passed*  
*2/5/03*

Exhibit  
5B34-02/03

Resolution In Support of the UC Board Strategic Guidelines

Whereas, the UC Board has adopted guidelines to help the UC become financially stable,

Whereas, the UC Board has seen it fit to create a document that outlines what should be looked over year after year,

Whereas, the UC Board has spent most of its time and energy during, Fall of 2002, looking at putting a document in place that can lead the UC in the right direction as far as paying the bond debt, maintaining the building and covering the normal operating cost,

Whereas, the UC Board Strategic Budget Planning Guidelines cannot be changed without approval of the UC Board,

Whereas, the UC Board believes that ASUM should be involved in all major decisions affecting the University Center and any changes to these guidelines will be presented to ASUM for information and endorsement,

Therefore, let it be resolved, ASUM endorses the UC Board Strategic Budget Planning Guidelines approved by the UC Board on December 12, 2002.

Passed  
2/5/03

## UC Board Strategic Budget Planning Guidelines

**Annual Operating Budget:** The UC Board should consider recommending annually a student union fee increase that is equal to the normal increases to operate the UC. ~~The Higher Education Price Index will be used as a base index to determine normal operating increases. From this base~~ The UC Board will review major budget components such as pay plan, utilities, insurance and other non-student fee revenue projections **through cost analysis** to determine what actions may be needed to continue the normal operations of the UC programs, facilities and services. If a change in the student union fee is recommended by the UC Board for normal operating cost, this recommendation would be submitted to ASUM as a resolution to be recommended to the University President for approval by the Board of Regents. ~~A change in the student union fee based on normal operating cost would not be required to go to the student body as a referendum.~~ Any change in the student union fee to increase the current level of services, programs and/or the facility would go to the student body as a referendum.

**Renovation Fee in Relationship to Bond Payment:** The UC renovation fee should cover the entire cost of the UC bond payment. Approximately 1/3 of the bond payment must be paid out of the annual operating budget. Currently, this amounts to approximately \$230,000 annually. Additional funds realized from not subsidizing the bond payment out of the operating fund will be dedicated to major component repair & replacement maintenance, capital expenditures and reserve funds (equipment).

All expenditures from these funds, along with capital expenditures funded out of the auxiliary capital fund, must be reviewed by the UC Board. The renovation fee would have to be increased from \$22.00 to \$30.00 per semester to cover the amount currently being paid out of the UC operating budget for the bond payment.

**Fee Paid in Relationship to Credit Hours:** The amount students pay for the student union fee and renovation fee in relationship to credit hours taken should be the same. Currently, the full student union fee is paid by students taking 7 or more credits and prorated for all students taking 6 or less credits; the full renovation fee is paid by all students taking 10 or more credits and prorated for all students taking 9 or less credits.

Approved at UC Board Meeting 12/12/2002

## Resolution Regarding Board of Regents Policy

**Whereas**, the mission statement of The University of Montana reads:

"The University makes its decisions through a governance process involving all groups and constituencies on and off the campus. In its activities, the University accords the highest priority to the rights and opinions of all. As a free marketplace of ideas and a forum for bringing together the diverse cultures and views of the people of the State, nation, and world, the University recognizes no limit upon freedom of expression or opinion, but does expect people to respect the equal rights of others."

**Whereas**, the mission statements of other units in the Montana University System include similar language that perpetuates student involvement in the decision making process.

**Whereas**, recently students at The University of Montana and across the state of Montana are disappointed with the administration's effort to include student input and opinion in major decisions.

**Whereas**, current issues of concern for students, such as housing accessibility, are not being fully addressed due to the inability of students to comment before projects become a "done deal."

**Whereas**, with the advent of rising tuition, students need to be informed of how and why specific percentage increases are determined.

**Whereas**, mandatory fee increases should be a matter of discussion in forums where students can come to a better understanding and/or offer solutions for problems of stagnant revenue streams and rising expenses.

**Whereas**, general education requirement changes should be a matter of discussion in public forums so that students can point out impacts and possible unintended consequences.

**Whereas**, while forums have been held on many important issues, they have been done after decisions have been made. This problem negates many suggestions from students, for they cannot be considered after the fact.

**Whereas**, while the committee structure on our campus promotes student involvement, it is only part of the solution to involving students in the decision making process.

**Therefore Let it Be Resolved**, the Associated Students of The University of Montana strongly encourage the Montana Board of Regents to accept and implement the proposed policy 1910.

**Authored by:** Jon P. Swan, ASUM President

## Board of Regents policy #1910

With the mission statement of the Montana Board of Regents in mind, the administration on each campus is required to have at least two well advertised public forums for listening to recommendations from students, faculty, staff, and community members when the following plans are being discussed and before binding decisions are made:

- New Buildings, on and off campus,
- Major renovations to existing buildings,
- Major contracts that take away the choice of products on campus,
- Hiring of Vice Presidents,
- Hiring of Legal Counsel,
- Hiring of Associate Vice Presidents,
- Tuition increases,
- Mandatory Fee increases,
- Exclusive contractual agreements,
- General Education Requirement Changes, and
- Program Deletions/Additions.

Passed  
2/5/03

Exhibit F

**Resolution of Remembrance of Marina Kanevskaya**

**Whereas** Marina Kanevskaya was a beloved professor of Russian and an asset to The University of Montana;

**Whereas** her teaching and love of her students helped bring countless students joy in the study of Russian, as well as the study of life;

**Therefore be it resolved** that the Associated Students of the University of Montana mourn the loss of Professor Marina Kanevskaya and extend their deepest sympathies to her family during this difficult time.

**Authored by:**

Senator Alex M. Rosenleaf

Passed  
2/5/03

*Exhibit C*  
SB42-02/03

**Resolution to Urge Montana Associated Students to Take a Stance on Same Sex Health Benefits**

Whereas the issues of same sex health benefits has been a source of unease and controversy for faculty and the students of the Montana University System,

Whereas this has been an unresolved issue for several years,

Whereas ASUM has taken a stance on the issue for four consecutive years,

Whereas this is an opportunity for the students of the Montana University System to lead social change,

Whereas Regent Christian Hur is willing to bring the issue to the board's consideration given MAS's support,

Therefore let it be resolved that ASUM strongly urges Montana Associated Students to take a stance on the issue at its March 19, 2003 meeting.

Authored by Ali Tabibnejad, ASUM Senator

Sponsored by Mary Buwell, ASUM Senator

Katrina Mendrey, ASUM Senator

Alex Rosenleaf, ASUM Senator

Christie Schilke, ASUM Vice President

Jon Swan, ASUM President

*Heather O'Loughlin*

*Passed  
2/5/03*



Exhibit A  
SB43-02/03

### Resolution Supporting a Rape Free Safe Zone

Whereas, The University of Montana aims to create a safe space for all students in order to foster fair and safe educational opportunities,

Whereas, 66 cases of rape were reported in Missoula in 2000,

Whereas, 11% of University of Montana women experienced sexual touching against their will in 2000,

Whereas, only 28% of rapes and sexual assault are, in fact, reported

Whereas, designating the University of Montana campus a Rape Free Safe Zone the week of February 9<sup>th</sup> through the 16<sup>th</sup> is one step in many to a safer campus,

Whereas, the UM Campus <sup>Public Safety</sup> ~~Safety~~ <sup>Missoula City</sup> ~~are~~ <sup>Police Dept.</sup> are in full support of a Rape Free Safe Zone Week,

Therefore, let it be resolved that the ASUM senate supports a Rape Free Safe Zone week.

Authored by: Thea Rae Delamater, senator

Sponsored by: Mary Burwell, senator

Passed  
2/5/03