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Associated Students
The University of Montana

ASUM SENATE AGENDA
April 9, 2003 - 6:00 p.m.
UC332-333

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 2, 2003
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - a. Primary Elections Results
 - b. Campus Escorts
 - c. Athletics
 - d. Other
6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - a. Westboro Baptist Church
 - b. Lambda Alliance
 - c. Habitat 4 Humanity Workshop
 - d. Other
7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

STIP - \$99,928.52
Travel Special Allocation - \$1,050.81 (Spring)
Zero-based Carryover - \$73,542.55
Special Allocation - \$6,351.00

 - a. ASUM Legal Services STIP Request \$1186/\$1186
 - b. ASUM Legal Services STIP Request \$1637/\$1637
 - c. 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.umt.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm>

 - a. SB10-02/03 Resolution on Free Speech Area - in committee
 - b. SB46-02/03 Resolution in Support of UM International Students - in committee
 - c. SB59-02/03 Resolution to submit a referendum to be voted upon by University of Montana students to continue the Griss Ride
 - d. SB61-02/03 Resolution to amend Bylaws and Personnel Policy
 - e. SB62-02/03 Resolution Regarding Student Seating at Washington-Grizzly Stadium
10. NEW BUSINESS
11. COMMENTS
12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET

DATE

April 9, 2003

SENATE MEMBERSROLL
CALL

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Comments

SOPHIA RENA ALVAREZ

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6:46	—	Y			
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6:42	Y	Y			
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MARY BURWELL

THEA DELAMATER

KYLE ENGELSON

AARON FLINT

DUSTIN FROST

NOAH M. GENDER

JESSICA GRENNAN

FLORA LEE

JESSICA MacDONALD

KATRINA MENDREY

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ALI TABIBNEJAD

ROB WELSH

AVERIEL WOLFF

SICO STEVENS A. YAO

JIN ZHOU

ASUM OFFICERS

JON SWAN

President

CHRISTY SCHILKE

Vice-President

HEATHER O'LOUGHLIN

Business Manager

6:46	Y	Y			
P	—	Y			
6:42	Y	—			

FACULTY ADVISORS

PROFESSOR AUSLAND

PROFESSOR ANDERSON

P	—	—			
P	—	Y			

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
April 9, 2003
UC332-333 - 6:00 p.m.

Chair Schilke called the meeting to order at 6:27 p.m. Present: Swan (6:46), Schilke, O'Loughlin (6:42), Burwell, Engelson, Flint, Frost, Grennan, Lee, MacDonald (6:46), Mendrey, Naasz (6:42), Ouedraogo (7:06), Price, Rosenleaf, Tabibnejad, Welsh, Wolff, Yao and Zhou. Excused were Alvarez, Delamater and Genger.

The meeting minutes for April 2, 2003, were approved as written.

Public Comment

*SPA Director Jennings took a count of those who will be attending Student Lobby Day in Helena this Friday. He also asked for Walk and Roll Week volunteers for April 28-May 2.

(Due to the delay in the President's arrival, the agenda order was changed with no objection from Senate.)

Vice President's Report

a. Westboro Baptist Church has faxed information that they will be on campus to protest during the time the Laramie Project play is presented. A non-violent, silent protest is being planned for May 10 and 11 by Lambda Alliance and NCBI members. There will be a community forum on April 22 to formulate ideas of counteraction. Call 243-5922 if you have ideas or want more information. Websites for the Church are: www.godhatesfags.com and www.fredthemovie.com. The Queer Prom will be held this Saturday evening from 9-2 at the Elks Lodge. This is open to all at a cost of \$5.

b. Habitat Week for Griz Build will involve meetings this Thursday at 3:30 p.m. and Friday at 2 p.m. in UC215. There will be a function involving several bands this Saturday on the first floor of the Elks Club at a cost of \$5. There will be raffle prizes. Missoula affordable housing will hold a meeting this Friday from Noon to 1 p.m. in LA140. Griz Build will have a groundbreaking at 4th and Garfield at 2 p.m. Volunteers are needed to help build at any time May 8-10 (Thursday, Friday, Saturday).

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The Chair recognized the presence of O'Loughlin and Naasz

Business Manager's Report

STIP - \$99,928.52

Zero-Based Carryover - \$73,542.55

Travel Spec. Allocation - \$1,050.81 (Spring)

Special Allocation - \$6,351.00

a. ASUM Legal Services STIP Request of \$1,186 for professional development travel, which was recommended by Budget and Finance for same, passed.

b. ASUM Legal Services STIP request of \$1,637 for computer equipment, which was recommended by Budget and Finance for same, passed.

Public Comment (continued)

*Childcare Director Marcia Ronck invited Senators to participate in next week's activities for Week of the Young Child, especially on Friday between 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the UC atrium.

President's Report

a. Primary election results were announced by Chair Jessica MacDonald: President/Vice-President - Flint/Price 317; Schilke/Price 261; Tabibnejad/Lundquist 257. The Flint/Price and Schilke/Price candidates will be on the General Election ballot. Business Manager - Averiell Wolff 303, Matt Singer 269, Jake Eaton 262. Wolff and Singer will be on the General Election ballot.

b. Public Safety Director Willett and Officer Scott Oak discussed Escort Service's budget with Senate and answered questions about concerns.

The Chair recognized the presence of Ouedraogo.

c. Swan hoped someone from the Athletics Department would attend, but since no one did, there was no report.

d. Swan talked about the Constitution regarding ASUM Advisors.

e. The Chair wished Swan happy birthday, Senate offered up their rendition of the song, and all enjoyed cake.

Committee Reports

a. ASCRC (O'Loughlin/Welsh) - The idea of a Military Science minor was discussed. Student input is needed.

b. Elections (MacDonald) - The committee revisited the grievances directed at the Tabibnejad-Lundquist campaign. They were found in violation of the Bylaws on two of three counts - painting signs in the vicinity of the UC and placing signs in areas that are not allowed.

c. ASUM Relations and Affairs (Zhou) - SB61 received a ``do pass'' recommendation.

d. COT (Tabibnejad) - Ice cream socials are planned for April 30 at COT West and May 7 for COT East. There will be games and other things during the noon hour. They are seeking food donations from businesses.

e. Off-Campus Renter Center (Rosenleaf) - The Board will meet this Friday at 8 a.m. in the ASUM office. Tabling on Tuesday brought more interest for co-op housing and the tool library. The roundtable was very successful.

f. SPA (Price) - Those attending Student Lobby Day in Helena on Friday should meet at 8:45 a.m.

g. Transportation (Mendrey) - Pedestrian safety was discussed in conjunction with Missoula's 20-year future plans. Preparations for ``Walk and Roll Week'' are ongoing, and volunteers are needed. The Parking Commission will give \$2,000 toward the Griss Ride program if local bars will contribute. So far the bars have pledged \$850.

h. UC Board (Naasz) - The Memo of Understanding was approved. Resolutions will be forthcoming next week.

i. University Affairs (Engelson) - SB62 was given a ``do pass'' recommendation.

Unfinished Business

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a. SB10-02/03 Resolution on Free Speech Area was withdrawn.

b. SB46-02/03 Resolution in Support of UM International Students - in committee.

c. SB59-02/03 Resolution to submit a referendum to be voted upon by University of Montana students to continue the Griss Ride (Exhibit A) was moved by O'Loughlin-Welsh. The fifth whereas should read: ``Whereas, the Griss Ride has offered over 3,326 rides in six weeks, averaging over 554 rides a week;'' Welsh's friendly amendment to strike ``a'' and ``option'' in the first paragraph of the referendum language was accepted. Frost's friendly amendment to add ``per semester to a maximum of \$4 per year'' after ``\$2'' in the second paragraph of the referendum and the Yes/No sentences was accepted. A suggestion by Hayes to have the last part of the wording of the Yes/No sentences read the same was accepted. After a previous question call by Welsh the resolution passed unanimously.

d. SB61-02/03 Resolution to amend Bylaws and Personnel Policy (Exhibit B) was moved by Welsh-Tabibnejad and passed.

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e. SB62-02/03 Resolution regarding Student Seating at Washington-Grizzly Stadium (Exhibit C) was moved by **Welsh-Grennan** and passed after a previous question call by **Grennan**.

New Business

- a. Resolution to amend Bylaws (5)
- b. Resolution to support Lambda Alliance
- c. Resolution to support MontPIRG
- d. Resolution on general education
- e. Resolution in recognition of and honoring Mother's Day
- f. Resolution on student wages
- g. Resolution on writing proficiency test

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

Carol Hayes

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager

Resolution to submit a referendum to be voted upon by University of Montana students to continue the Griss Rides

Whereas, ASUM Transportation was created in 1999 to meet the unfilled transportation needs of students;

Whereas, The Griss Rides (GRISafeSocialSustainable) offers safe, sober rides home from the downtown area to the university neighborhood;

Whereas, the project was funded as a demonstration project for one semester only to assess its need and effectiveness;

Whereas, this service increases the safety of the Missoula community;

Whereas, the Griss Rides has offered over ³³²⁶ 5000 rides in ⁶ ten weeks, averaging over ⁵⁵⁴ 500 rides a week;

Whereas, if this project is to continue a new steady funding source must be identified;

Whereas, projects run by ASUM have proved to be more efficient, autonomous and low cost than other university ventures;

Whereas, a \$2 transportation fee increase would provide enough revenue to fund the Griss Rides for 30 weeks a year, 4 nights a week for 5 hours a nights;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Associated Students of the University of Montana call for a referendum during the 2003 ASUM general election to allow the student body to decide if the Griss Rides should continue to be funded;

Further be it resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana endorse the approval of this fee and approve of ballot language that reads as follows:

Referendum to continue the Griss Rides

The Griss Rides is a demonstration project offering a free late night transportation option to University of Montana students. The service provides safe sober rides home from the downtown area through the university neighborhood between the hours of 9:30pm to 2:30 am Wednesday through Saturday. The program serves on average 500 students a week.

A \$2 ASUM Transportation fee increase would continue the Griss Rides service and offer possible room for expansion. If this program is discontinued the proposed fee will cease to be collected. *This fee will not be collected during summer session or intersession*
per semester to a max. of \$4 per year

☒ Yes, I approve of a \$2 ASUM Transportation fee increase to fund the Griss Rides the late night transportation program.

☐ No, I do not approve of a \$2 ASUM Transportation fee increase to fund the Griss Rides the late night transportation program.

Authored by the ASUM Transportation Board
Sponsored by Katrina Mendrey, ASUM Senator

Passed
unanimously
by 4/9/03

Exhibit B
SB 61-02/03

Resolution to Amend Bylaws & Personnel Policy

Whereas ASUM Bylaws currently require four senators and seven students at large to serve as the Elections committee;

Whereas one of the duties of the Elections committee is to impartially examine and rule on complaints and grievances related to the ASUM Primary and General Elections;

Whereas elections is an extremely stressful time and that stress can have an effect on the committee when making decisions regarding grievances;

Whereas the ASUM Student Resolution Officer (SRO) is a position created and governed by the ASUM Senate and paid for by the ASUM Activity Fee;

Whereas one of the duties of the SRO is to hear and help mediate student complaints;

Whereas the SRO's mediation experience would be of great assistance to the Elections committee when dealing with grievances and determining appropriate action;

Therefore let it be resolved that the Senate of the Associated Students of The University of Montana does hereby alter its bylaws in the following fashion:

Article IV, Section 6, Paragraph B-

The Elections committee shall be composed of twelve (12) members, of which four (4) shall be members of the Senate, seven (7) shall be students at large, and one (1) shall be

with the ASUM Student Resolution Officer. ~~acting as an ex-officio member without voting power~~

And therefore let it be further resolved that the Senate of the Associated Students of The University of Montana does hereby alter its personnel policy in the following fashion:

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g) sit on the ASUM Elections committee to assist in mediating grievances.

as an ex-officio member

Co-Author by: Jessica MacDonald, ASUM Senator ; Jessica Grennan, ASUM Senator

Passed
4/9/03

Resolution Regarding Student Seating at Washington-Grizzly Stadium

Whereas, the stadium expansion project is currently underway at Washington-Grizzly Stadium, which will add about 4,000 seats to the north end of the football field.

Whereas, the majority of the new seats will be reserved for non-student season ticket holders,

Whereas, due to increased enrollment over the past 10 years more students pay the athletic fee, yet there has not been an increase in student seating,

Whereas, enrollment is expected to increase over the next 10 years, therefore more students will be paying the athletic fee,

Whereas, in the Spring of 2002 the University of Montana allocated an extra \$375,000 to the Athletic Department without an increase in seating for student ticket holders,

Whereas, students at The University of Montana have been contributing to the Athletic Department through tuition and general fund dollars without seeing additional seating offered,

Whereas, University of Montana student athletes are one of the main reasons the public pays to attend games; the presence of student seating and student involvement creates an entertaining atmosphere and furthers the desire for public attendance at UM athletic events.

Whereas, the Fiscal Integrity Section of the NCAA Certification Self Study states: "earned revenues for the University of Montana athletics program are substantially higher than those generated by other schools in the conference."

Whereas, it is unreasonable to compare The University of Montana Athletic Department to the Montana State University Athletic Department on fiscal matters and student fees,

Whereas, when the stadium expansion was brought before the March 20, 2003 Board of Regents meeting, Regent John Mercer received assurance from UM Administrators that they would address students concerns on this issue and include students in the process.

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana endorse a proposal to fully increase the number of student seats at Washington-Grizzly Stadium by the full 636 seats in Section 115 without an increase in the athletic fee.

Authored By: Aaron Flint, ASUM Senator, Dustin Frost, ASUM Senator, Jon Swan, ASUM President

Endorsed By:

Alex Rosenleaf, ASUM Senator
Christy Schilke, ASUM Vice President
Jessica Grennan, ASUM Senator
Ali Tabibnejad, ASUM Senator
Berv Naasz, ASUM Senator
Averiel Wolff, ASUM Senator
Kyle Engelson, ASUM Senator
Katrina Mendrey, ASUM Senator
Jessica MacDonald, ASUM Senator

Cole Price, ASUM Senator

*Passed
4/9/03*