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**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – August 29, 2012

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

- a. Mountainside Chat: Peggy Kuhr and Rosi Keller
- b. Other

**6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

- a. Ice Cream Social
- b. Board of Regents Update
- c. Committee Appointments/Removals
- d. Other

**7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT**

**SPECIAL ALLOCATION** - \$18,000

**STIP** - \$18,000

**TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION** - \$38,295.07

**ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER** - \$124,172.71

- a. ASUM Administration Special Allocation Request – \$43.13/\$43.13
- b. Students for Economic and Social Justice
- c. Other

**8. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. SB01-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Bylaws**
- b. SB02-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy**
- c. SB03-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Bylaws**
- d. SB04-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy**

- e. SB05-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy**
- f. SB06-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy**
- g. SB07-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy**
- h. SB08-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy**
- i. SB09-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy**
- j. SB10-12/13 – **Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy**

## **10. NEW BUSINESS**

## **11. COMMENTS**

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

**ASUM Senate Minutes**  
**Wednesday, September 5, 2012**  
**University Center 330/331 - 6 p.m.**

Chair Hagfors called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: President Brown, Vice President Hagfors, Business Manager Nielsen, Professor Smith; and Senators Bird, Brown, Coon, Dolezal, Faircloth, Ferrara, Freund, Gordon, Hazen, Hopkins, LeCoultre, Oliver, Ormseth, Rich, Sather, Simpson, B., and Williams. Excused: Senator Boslough. Unexcused: Senators Simpson, D. and Watkins.

The minutes from the August 29, 2012 meeting were approved.

**Public Comment**

- Francesca Cellini, a member of the International Student Association, spoke out against SB02 as a mandate for student groups.
- Fiona Jallings, a member of University Crafters, was against SB02.
- Salvatore Ferrara, president of the Muslim Student Association, was against SB02 and offered several creative alternatives for the requirement.
- Mariah Williams, former senator, spoke against SB02 and also gave her opinion on SB06 to make it more fiscally feasible.
- Cady Wilhelm, a member of Students for Economic and Social Justice, gave an overview of the group's mission and progress. She concluded her report with an invitation for the senators to attend group meetings, Wednesdays at 7 p.m.
- Evan Hartmann, from University Crafters, gave a psychological perspective to the requirement for student groups to attend seminars (SB02).
- Weston Hale, a member of the College Libertarians, spoke against SB02, saying that leaders of groups would struggle to make time for the seminar each semester.

**President's Report**

- a. Mountainside Chat - Peggy Kuhr, Interim Vice President for Integrated Communications, and Rosi Keller, Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance, spoke about the budgeting and planning behind south campus and Missoula College (formerly, the College of Technology). The expansion of the Missoula College campus is the number one building priority and initiative for The University and Board of Regents.
- b. The Barbara Hollmann Administrator of the Year Award was not given by last year's Senate so the current Senate will retroactively give the award at next Wednesday's meeting. President Brown urged senators to nominate any people for whom they would like to advocate.
- c. President Brown has invited the current Student Resolution Office (SRO), Valerie Ritz, to attend next Wednesday's meeting to introduce herself. The Senate will need to decide if they would like to do a search for a new, permanent SRO or if Ms. Ritz should keep the position.

- d. The Senate Vision posted on the website states goals that President Brown would like to make more concrete. He asked the senators to contact him if they had any suggestions or ideas.
- e. President Brown issued an invitation to the senators to attend the administrative cabinet meetings, which are held the first Wednesday of every month.

### **Vice President's Report**

- a. There will be an Ice Cream Social on Sunday from 3-5 p.m. on the 400 block of University Ave. to promote friendly relations between the campus and neighboring communities. If senators would like to finish their office hour for the week, they can pass out flyers for the event. Vice President (VP) Hagfors also requested that, if any senators attend the social, to please wear their ASUM nametags to represent the Senate.
- b. VP Hagfors was part of a conference call with the Board of Regents (BOR) on Tuesday to address the requirements for residency in the state of Montana, which were recently raised from 6 credits to 7 credits. VP Hagfors pointed out that this change brings up questions about health insurance, which students are required to buy if taking 7 or more credits at the university. Student health insurance is approximately \$1,000 to purchase through the school. This issue, as well as Higher One, will be brought forth in the next BOR meeting, scheduled to take place September 19 and 20 in Butte. VP Hagfors issued an invitation for any senators who were interested in attending.
- c. Committee Appointments/Removals (Exhibit A) - A motion by **Nielsen-Hazen** to approve committee appointments/removals as a slate passed with UC called by **Williams**.
- d. VP Hagfors reminded senators that if they needed any committee info, it has been posted on the website.

### **Business Manager's Report**

- a. ASUM Administration Special Allocation (Exhibit B) – A motion by **Hagfors-Williams** to round out the numbers (from \$29.99 to \$30 and from \$13.14 to \$14) to total \$44 passed with unanimous consent. A motion by **Williams-Sather** to approve the request as amended passed by voice vote.
- b. Students for Economic and Social Justice spoke during comments and were unable to stay for their time-slot. However, Business Manager (BM) Nielsen stated that they are a very active and meaningful group, who have brought about major changes on campus.
- c. BM Nielsen reminded the senators that no electronic devices are allowed at Senate.
- d. If any senators are interested in looking at the contract with Higher One, they are urged to contact BM Nielsen so that they can be fully informed before any new resolutions are presented on the topic.
- e. As per requests in the previous Senate meeting, BM Nielsen brought the issue of maximum credit hours for financial aid, and the lack of prior notice given by the Financial Aid Office, before the cabinet earlier that morning. She explained to the senators that the reason Business Services was unable to give advanced notice was due to the federal mandate that was not decided on until late summer. However, Business Services has implemented several options to help students receive their aid.

### **Committee Reports**

- Student Political Action (SPA) (Ormseth) – The committee met today and discussed their search for Students-at-Large (SALs) and helping Forward Montana with the Griz Get Out to Vote event. Also, Montana PBS is planning on having two political debates, September 25 (House of Representatives) and October 10 (Governor’s race), so the committee is looking for students to submit questions. Monday, September 10, SPA will be tabling in the University Center to solicit students’ opinions on what the most critical issues and topics are.
- Marketing and Outreach (Freund) – The committee received suggestions for ASUM to develop a new name for itself to avoid derogatory terms recently overheard, but the committee felt that they would rather rebrand ASUM and create a new logo. They met with the new KBGA director and, due to the lack of response to Cup of News, during which senators talked each week about what happened in Senate, instead are looking for senators to talk about what the Senate is and what the resolutions mean for the student body. The radio talks will begin September 25 and occur every Tuesday night from 5-6 p.m. Senator Freund also made all of the senators new official ASUM emails.
- Transportation (Williams) – Senator Williams was voted in as committee chair at the meeting, where they discussed the committee’s role within ASUM’s structure, as well as how they fit into the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) scheme. An additional topic of the meeting was parking, including why there have been no parking garages constructed and how they can better educate students on parking issues. Senator Williams will be attending a Bike-Walk-Bus conference in California to bring ASUM Transportation to a national platform. He stressed that this was an opportunity for ASUM to see which parts of their services are competitive on the national level and which are not.
- Relations and Affairs (Coon) - Ten resolutions came to committee. One (SB01) was tabled, the other nine (SB02-SB10) were passed with no recommendation.
- Wizarding Committee (G. Wiz) – Faculty Advisor Garon Smith presented a “solidarity spell” to the Senate. It was awesome.
- Board on Members (Ferrara) – The committee did not meet last night due to the delay in receiving the list of students who have paid their ASUM fees, so that the recognition forms can be approved. Senator Ferrara asked her fellow senators, if they knew of any SALs looking for a committee, to have them contact her.

### Unfinished Business

- a. SB01 (Exhibit C) - A motion by **Nielsen-Hopkins** to table SB01 indefinitely passed with unanimous consent (UC) called by **Hazen**.
- b. SB02 (Exhibit D) - A motion by **Hopkins-Nielsen** to table SB02 passed by voice vote.
- c. SB03 (Exhibit E) - A motion by **Hopkins-Nielsen** to table SB03 passed with UC called by **Hazen**.
- d. SB04 (Exhibit F) - A motion by **Brown-Hopkins** to approve SB04 passed by voice vote.
- e. SB05 (Exhibit G) - A motion by **Hopkins-Bird** to approve SB05 passed with UC called by **LeCoultre**. An objection was called by **Simpson, B**. The motion passed 17-0 by roll call vote (RCV). (See Tally Sheet #1)

- f. SB06 (Exhibit H) - A motion by **President Brown-Coon** to approve SB06 passed 13-3 by RCV. (See Tally Sheet #2)
- g. SB07 (Exhibit I) - A motion by **Williams-Hazen** to approve SB07 passed 17-1 by RCV. (See Tally Sheet #3)
- h. SB08 (Exhibit J) - A motion by **Williams-Hazen** to approve SB08 passed 17-0 by RCV. (See Tally Sheet #4)
- i. SB09 (Exhibit K) - A motion by **Williams-LeCoultre** to approve SB09 passed 16-0 by RCV. (See Tally Sheet #5)
- j. SB10 (Exhibit L) - A motion by **LeCoultre-Williams** to approve SB10 passed 18-0 by RCV. (See Tally Sheet #6)

### **New Business**

Resolution regarding anti-discrimination  
Resolution regarding Higher One  
Resolution of Recognition  
Resolutions amending Fiscal Policy (3)  
Resolution regarding maximum credit hours  
Resolution regarding energy efficiency  
Resolutions amending Election Bylaws (2)  
Resolution regarding open Senate seats

### **Comments**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Julia Evans  
ASUM Senate Secretary