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ASUM SENATE AGENDA

February 6, 2002 - 6:00 p.m.

UC 332-333



Associated Students
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 10, 2001 & January 30, 2002
4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - a. Dornblaser Funding
 - b. Student Housing
 - c. NCAA Committee
 - d. CALCASA Conference
 - e. City Council Update
 - f. Board of Regents Update
 - g. University Structure
 - h. Charter Day Student Service Award
 - i. Information Technology
 - j. Other

6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - a. Billings High School Class
 - b. Committee Appointments
 - c. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

STIP - \$26,728.20

Travel Special Allocation - \$0 (\$9,450 Spring Semester)

Zero-based Carryover - \$117,352.04

Special Allocation - \$2,738.58

- a. SB6-01/02 Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy
- b. SB37-01/02 Resolution to Change Fiscal Policy
- c. Categorical Funding Percentages
- d. 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. SB34-01/02 Resolution Adding Achievement Reports to the Recognition Criteria
- b. SB35-01/02 Resolution Demanding Either a Change in the Army and Hence ROTC's Gay-Exclusion Policy or Its Relocation from The University of Montana-Missoula Campus
- c. SB36-01/02 Resolution Opposing the Occupancy Standard Ordinance Currently under Consideration by the Missoula City Council

10. NEW BUSINESS
11. COMMENTS
12. ADJOURNMENT

SENATE MEMBERSROLL
CALL*Comments*

NICK ALDINGER

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BRAD CATON

P

ix

KIRSTEN ELLINGSON

P

ix

CASEY FISCHER

*Ex
cused*

ix

HENRY GRIFFITH

P

N

KEAGAN HARSHA

6:17

N

MATT JENNINGS

P

N

BROCK LOWRANCE

6:20

ix

HARLEY LYSONS

P

ix

BERV NAASZ

6:14

ix

STACIE PHILLIPS

P

ix

Justin
CHAD REES

6:08

ix

ALEX ROSENLEAF

P

ix

CHRISTY SCHILKE

P

ix

STEPHEN STICKA

P

ix

ALI TABIBNEJAD

P

ix

CHRISTOPHER WEBB

P

N

ADAM WEINACKER

P

N

CHRIS WILCOX

P

ix

LAN ZHANG

*Resigned*ASUM OFFICERS

CHRISTOPHER PETERSON

President

P

ix

HEATHER O'LOUGHLIN

Vice-President

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JON SWAN

Business Manager

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FACULTY ADVISORS

PROFESSOR AUSLAND

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PROFESSOR ANDERSON

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Chair O'Loughlin called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. Present: Peterson, O'Loughlin, Swan, Aldinger, Caton, Ellingson, Griffith, Harsha (6:17), Jennings, Lowrance (6:20), Lysons, Naasz (6:14), Phillips, Rees (6:08), Rosenleaf, Schilke, Sticka, Tabibnejad, Webb, Weinacker and Wilcox. Excused was Fischer.

The March 10, 2001, and January 30, 2002, minutes were approved.

Public Comment

*MontPIRG Board Chair Annie Kaylor invited Senate to their next general interest meeting to be held next Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the UM Theatre. The speaker will be Paul Edwards of the Damn Cheap Power Group.

The Chair recognized the presence of Rees.

*Jacob Otoupalik said he would have to leave the meeting early and apologized for that.

President's Report

a. The parking area at Dornblaser where the ASUM shuttle stops may be closed down due to dust pollution. Plans to pave an area in the SW corner of the Dornblaser property are being discussed. The University has been asked to contribute \$200,000 so that grant monies may be used. However, the University is only willing to donate \$53,000 toward the project. ASUM has offered to loan the remaining monies to the Administration, but they don't seem interested unless it's interest-free.

b. Ideas for more student housing are being discussed: private developers building housing on University property and co-op housing. There is no more bonding capacity for this purpose.

c. NCAA Committee members were identified.

d. SARS received a grant to work on an outreach project dealing with violence against women. As part of the grant, Peterson was asked to attend a conference, which he found very informative, having worked with people on related issues in the past.

The Chair recognized the presence of Naasz, Harsha and Lowrance.

e. The proposed changes in occupancy standards are targeted to the University, lower Rattlesnake and part of South Hills areas, where students tend to live. Some believe it to be illegal or unconstitutional. Dialogue continues, and ASUM met with Ward One & Three representatives - two who do not seem to be in favor of the changes.

f. Peterson and O'Loughlin attended the Board of Regents meeting in January, but there was nothing of substance to report that affected students.

g. A diagram of the University's structure was distributed to those who did not have it.

h. Marti Birkeneder will be awarded the Student Service Award at the Charter Day ceremony February 14 at 3 p.m. - location to be announced later.

i. ASUM is keeping abreast of the proposed state-wide information technology policy.

j. Peterson read a letter from a Nepalese student who thanked ASUM for help in obtaining educational materials.

Vice President's Report

a. A class will be coming from Billings on April 3rd to observe our Senate meeting. The room has been reserved from 5 p.m. to allow time before the meeting to meet with the students and answer questions they may have.

b. A motion by O'Loughlin-Aldinger to approve the following committee appointments passed: SPA - Caryn Womble, Annie Kaylor; Interview - Annie Kaylor; Mansfield Center Search - Tricia Patten; Board on Budget & Finance - Stacey Siebrasse, Chris Wilcox; Computer User Fee - Nick Aldinger; University Academic IT - Stephen Sticka, and removal of Nick Aldinger from same.

c. Advisor Ausland's mother passed away last week.

Business Manager's Report

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a. SB6-00/01 Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy - in committee.

- b. SB37-01/02 Resolution to Change Fiscal Policy (Exhibit A). A previous question call by Swan passed, and the motion passed.
- c. The Categorical Funding Percentages to be used for the Executive Recommendation during the budgeting process were approved (Exhibit B).

Committee Reports

- a. ASUM Relations and Affairs (Ellingson) - Senate pictures will be taken next week. SB34 received a "do pass" recommendation. Tabling ideas were discussed in committee.
- b. Board on Membership (Lysons) - The following groups were given recognition on a motion by Peterson-Rosenleaf: Geography Club, Cycling Club, Lutheran Student Movement, Phoenix, SMEA-MET, Dance Club, ACLU, Kappa Psi, Native American Graduate Student Association, Ad Team, African Students, Telemark Club, Muslim Student Association, Volleyball Team, Panhellenic, Interfraternity Council, Freestyle Ski Team, Children's Second Chance, Triathlon Club, Buddhist Club. An orientation forum for fall was discussed.
- c. Interview (Wilcox) - Applications for the open Senate position will be reviewed Friday and interviews conducted Monday.
- d. SPA (Aldinger) - Meetings are at 3:40 on Tuesdays. They discussed occupancy standard, electronic filing system, legislative report cards and electronic teacher evaluations plus more ideas for forum speakers.
- e. UC Board (Rosenleaf) - A time for meeting will be set tomorrow. There is a new staff member. UC Director Zarr is doing well.
- f. University Affairs (Griffith) - No meeting as yet.
- g. Transportation (Schilke) - The new Bio-bus reception will be held tomorrow night at 7 in UC331, at which time a speaker will talk about the fuel being used and other information about this alternative transportation.
- h. ASCRC (Tabibnejad) - A three-phase plan to raise academic standards was endorsed, which will include some provisional admissions.

Unfinished Business

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- a. SB34-01/02 Resolution adding Achievement Reports to the Recognition Criteria (Exhibit C). A previous question call by Sticka failed. A previous question call by Tabibnejad passed and the motion passed.
- b. SB35-01/02 Resolution demanding either a change in the Army and hence ROTC's Gay-Exclusion Policy or its relocation from The University of Montana - in committee.
- c. SB36-01/02 Resolution Opposing the Occupancy Standard Ordinance currently under consideration by the Missoula City Council (Exhibit D). A friendly amendment was offered by Tabibnejad, and he and the author agreed to delete "on top of" in the third paragraph and replace it with "and increase." Other changes made were to insert "occupancy standard" before "ordinance" and remove the comma after "target" in the first sentence; move "more than likely and insert it before "will" in the fourth sentence; and insert "it" after "let" in the 5th sentence. A previous question call by Harsha passed, and the resolution passed as amended.

New Business

- a. Resolution on housing coordinator position
- b. Resolution on Section 8 vouchers
- c. Resolution on internet teacher evaluations
- d. Resolution on Math 117
- e. Resolution on Dornblaser paving
- f. Resolution on MUS information technology policy

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Carol Hayes
Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager

Exhibit A
5B37-01/02

Resolution to Change Fiscal Policy 19.0

Whereas, the ASUM is earning interest with its unused revenue.

Whereas, the interest earned is only available after the fiscal year it is secured.

Whereas, after the fiscal year is over, the money is placed in a pool where it is not accessible to the students who funded it in the first place.

Whereas, STIP allocations are made by a case-by-case basis and by their merit. The allocations are not made by how much money is in a particular fund.

Therefore, Let it be resolved, the Associated Students of the University of Montana support changing Fiscal policy 19.0 to read:

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19.0 S.T.I.P. INTEREST. Funding for one time capital projects shall be funded from the amount of interest in the State Term Investments Pool earned in previous fiscal years. At the end of the fiscal year, the funding shall roll over to the next fiscal year. The Board shall approve specific requests and submit them to the Senate for two-thirds majority approval. The improvement must be on campus, must benefit students, and must have long-term benefits.

Authored by: Jon Swan, ASUM Business Manager

Passed
2/6/02

Categorical Funding Percentages:

Interest Organizations: 3%

Academic/Honors Organizations: 3%

ASUM Administrative Agencies: 76%

Student Service Organizations: 3%

Sports Organization Union: 5%

Student Support Organizations: 2%

Student Programs: 2%

Music Organization Union: 4%

Senate Discretionary: 2%

Budget and Finance Action:

2/5/02 - ~~Once~~ Pass Recommendation

Senate Action:

Passed
2/6/02

9 8.8 Funding Categories. The Board shall categorize every ASUM recognized organization into one of the following Funding Categories:

9 8.8.1 Interest Organizations. Groups that provide education and activities centered around a specific idea or area of interest.

9 8.8.2 Academic/Honors Organizations. Groups that provide enhancement in a field or study by providing a specific service or support to students involved in that field or area of study.

9 8.8.3 ASUM Administrative Agencies.

9 8.8.4 Student Service Organizations. Groups that provide service to the campus or community and may develop skills used when performing the service.

9 8.8.5 Sports Organization Union. Groups that provide recreation primarily for students at the University. The SOU shall submit one budget for all clubs being so recognized, that budget and budgets of each subsidiary organization shall be submitted to the ASUM Business Manager one week prior to the executive recommendation.

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9 8.8.6 Student Support Organizations. Groups that provide support for minority students on campus and/or ethnic or cultural celebration or education thereof.

9 8.8.7 Student Programs. University programs that involve students under the direct supervision of University staff. They may be funded and/or housed in part by a University department.

9 8.8.8 Music Organization Union. The MOU will be composed of all ASUM-recognized music groups. The MOU shall submit one budget for all clubs being so recognized and that budget - along with budgets of each subsidiary organization - shall be submitted to the ASUM Business manager one week prior to the executive recommendation.

9 8.8.9 Senate Discretionary.

Exhibit C
SB34-01/p2

Resolution Adding Achievement Reports to the Recognition Criteria

Whereas ASUM allocates funds to student organizations in order to promote diversity and enhance the campus community.

Whereas ASUM needs a means to monitor the overall contributions of the numerous and diverse student groups that are present at the University of Montana

Whereas achievement ^{and goal} reports provide an excellent means to evaluate student groups for purposes of budgeting and fund allocation.

Therefore let it be resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana hereby add the requirement of achievement ^{and goal} reports to the recognition packet.

authored by: Hailey Lyons, ASUM Senator
Bren Naasz, ASUM Senator

Passed
2/6/02

Exhibit D

SB36-01/02

Resolution Opposing the Occupancy Standard Ordinance Currently Under Consideration by the Missoula City Council

Occupancy Standard
Whereas, the ordinance specifically targets the University area, much of the Rattlesnake and parts of the South Hills all of which have large student populations;

Whereas, the Occupancy Standard's apparent attack on students could lead to a decline in student enrollment, thus hurting university funding as well as the Missoula economy;

Whereas, alternative solutions to problems said to have precipitated this ordinance have not been explored;

and increase
Whereas, the occupancy standard will *(more than likely)* displace hundreds of people *on top of* the current less-than 1% vacancy rate in Missoula's housing stock;

if
Therefore let it be resolved, that the Associated Students of The University of Montana urge the Missoula City Council to oppose the current or any similar Occupancy Standard Ordinances that arise, and instead look into alternative solutions that create communication among all parties concerned.

Authored by: Christopher W. Peterson, ASUM President

Sponsored by: Heather K. O'Loughlin, ASUM Vice President

Passed
2/6/02