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ASUM SENATE AGENDA  
November 29, 2000  
UC332-333 - 6 p.m.

Suite 105  
University Center

Associated Students  
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - November 15, 2000

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Charter Day Student Service Award
- b. Adopt-A-Family
- c. Lobbying for credit
- d. Hell's Angels' Report
- e. Other

6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Committee Appointments
- b. Committee Meeting Times
- c. Senate Vacancies?
- d. ASUM Brochure
- e. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

STIP - \$21751.79 *21481.79 con*  
Travel Special Allocation - \$11,536.80 *th*  
Zero-based Carryover - \$154,398.24  
Special Allocation - \$6,686.60

- a. Senator Groups
- b. Model Arab League Special Allocation Request - \$910/\$310
- c. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB17-00/01 Resolution to Encourage Boycott of Math 117
- b. SB22-00/01 Resolution to Oppose the Proposed Rock Creek Mine
- c. SB23-00/01 Resolution to Require Independent Credit Card Debt Info.
- d. SB24-00/01 Resolution Regarding Consistent Alcohol Policy within Washington-Grizzly Stadium
- e. SB25-00/01 Resolution to Change University of Montana Fall Semester Closing Date
- f. SB26-00/01 Resolution in Support of Retaining the "Peace Sign" on Waterworks Hill

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT



ASUM SENATE MINUTES

November 29, 2000

UC332-333 - 6 p.m.

Chair Billington called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Neitzel, Billington, Disburg, Bock (6:08), Domitrovich, Frisbee, Gachigo, Gardipe, Hankinson (7:32), Lewis, Lockridge, Maxwell, Mercer, Monson, Pierce, Pumphrey, Rosenleaf (6:05), Schulzke, Swan, Thompson and Weber. Excused was Choc. Unexcused was Hunt.

The minutes of the November 15, 2000, meeting were approved as written.

**Public Comment**

\*MontPIRG Board Chair Chris Zeeck spoke in support of the resolution opposing the proposed Rock Creek mine.

**President's Report**

- a. George Bailey spoke on the railway proposal to reinstate Amtrak rail service between Spokane and Denver, which would stop at several Montana locations.  
The Chair recognized the presence of Bock and Rosenleaf.
- b. Senators were asked to submit criteria for the Charter Day Student Service Award by this Friday. Nominations for the award should be submitted by December 7<sup>th</sup>. Senators Mercer, Monson and Lockridge will aid in the selection on that day.
- c. A decision was made to participate in the Adopt A Family program.
- d. Lobbying for 1-15 credits is available through PS498. See SPA Director Bauer for more information. This would involve visits to various House Districts.
- e. The Hell's Angels' report will be unveiled at 2 p.m. this Friday at City Hall.
- f. Senators will participate in a drawing for Secret Santas, with gifts to be under \$5. A Christmas party will be arranged for Friday, December 15 at 7 p.m.

**Vice President's Report**

- a. The following committee appointments were approved as a slate: Computer Fee - Sheil Hoffland, John Berry, Steve Stiff.
- b. Resolutions have been posted in the office window with their respective committee assignment noted. Committee meeting times and locations should be added.
- c. Senators were asked to encourage students to apply for Senate vacancies. There will be at least one vacancy next semester.
- d. Pumphrey circulated the draft of an ASUM Brochure with a request for comments.
- e. Senate class will be held this Sunday at 10 in UC332-333 with an emphasis on problem solving/mediation.
- f. Committee of Chairs meetings will be Monday at 9 a.m. and Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. Chairs were asked to attend one of them.
- g. Billington asked that Senators wait to be recognized before talking and show a strong commitment to Senate and committee meetings.

STIP - \$22025-77 *21481.79 cash*

Travel Special Allocation - \$11,536.80

Zero-based Carryover - \$156,698.24 *154,398.24 cash*

Special Allocation - \$7,262 *16686.60 cash*

**Business Manager's Report**

- a. Senators were asked to contact their groups.
- b. A Special Allocation request by Model Arab League could not be considered, since the event will not take place until next semester.

**Committee Reports**

- a. University Affairs (Swan) - SB23, 24 and 28 received "do pass" recommendations.
- b. ASUM Affairs (Weber) - A tabling sheet was circulated.
- c. Board on Membership (Maxwell) - The following groups were approved for recognition: UM Model United Nations, WEEL, International Students Assoc.
- d. SPA (Thompson) - SB22 and 26 were considered at the meeting. Tabling will be held for legislative action. Legislators will be invited to campus December 14 for a reception from 6-8 p.m. as well as other activities.

UC Board (Pumphrey) - Revenue ideas such as increasing or renegotiating fees are being considered to help out with budget problems. There may be Food Court

- e. changes as leases come due. University Theatre use is being discussed.

#### Unfinished Business

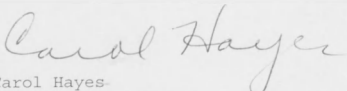
- a. SB17-00/01 Resolution to Encourage Boycott of Math 117 did not receive a second to the motion to pass. Therefore, it will no longer be considered.
- b. SB22-00/01 Resolution to Oppose the Proposed Rock Creek Mine (Exhibit A). In Committee, "the Cabinet" was inserted in the first sentence after "through," with "a" deleted, and "the regional forester Dale Bosworth" was inserted after "opposition to" in the last line, deleting "public comment on the issue." **Neitzel's** friendly amendment to change "operation" to "corporation" in the 7<sup>th</sup> line was accepted. **Disburg's** friendly amendment to insert "present long-term benefits to" after "not" and delete "benefit" in the 7<sup>th</sup> line was accepted. **Neitzel's** friendly amendment to change the 5<sup>th</sup> line to read "Whereas: the two companies involved in the ownership of the Rock Creek mine have history of environmental damage, including ASARCO, which is responsible for 1/3 of all superfund sites in the U.S., and" was accepted. A previous question call by **Swan** failed on a vote following **Pumphrey's** objection. (The Chair recognized **Hankinson's** presence.) The resolution passed on a motion by **Neitzel-Schulzke**.
- c. SB23-00/01 Resolution to Require Independent Credit Card Debt Information (Exhibit B). **Swan's** previous question call **Swan** passed, and the resolution passed on a motion by **Schulzke-Disburg**.  
The Chair called a five-minute recess.
- d. SB24-00/01 Resolution Regarding Consistent Alcohol Policy within Washington-Grizzly Stadium (Exhibit C). **Neitzel's** previous question call passed, and the motion by **Schulzke-Gachigo** to pass the resolution resulted in a tie, which resulted in the Chair's tie-breaking vote to pass the resolution.
- e. SB25-00/01 Resolution to Change University of Montana Fall Semester Closing Date (Exhibit D). In committee, the last sentence "in changing the closing date for fall 2000 to an earlier date" was deleted, inserting "with an ASUM representative in creating The University of Montana academic calendar in future years" after "together." **Neitzel's** friendly amendment capitalizing "The University" in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and last sentences and deleting the comma after "administration" in the last sentence were accepted. Her previous question call passed, and the resolution passed on a motion by **Pumphrey-Monson**.
- f. SB26-00/01 Resolution in Support of Retaining the "Peace Sign" on Waterworks Hill is in committee.

#### New Business

- a. Resolution in favor of dead week
- b. Resolution to change House Rules
- c. Resolution on data warehouse project
- d. Resolution opposing naming of Lodge addition
- e. Resolution to locate MBNA table in a more remote location
- f. Resolution for credit cap exemption
- g. Resolution to inform Senate
- h. Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy

#### Comments

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.



Carol Hayes  
ASUM Office Manager

## Resolution to Oppose the Proposed Rock Creek Mine

*the Cabinet*  
**Whereas:** the proposed Rock Creek Mine tunnels through ~~A~~ Wilderness area, and

**Whereas:** the proposed Rock Creek Mine would seriously endanger fish and wildlife habitat, and

**Whereas:** the proposed Rock Creek Mine would pollute the Clark Fork and Rock Creek Watersheds, and

**Whereas:** the proposed Rock Creek Mine would reduce the quality of the visitors' wilderness experience through aesthetic displeasure and noise pollution, and

**Whereas:** the company that will build the mine, ASARCO, is responsible for 1/3 of all superfund sites in the U.S., and has a history of environmental damage, and

**Whereas:** mining operations are a boom and bust business and would have negative long-term effects on the economy in the region, and

**Whereas:** the proposed Rock Creek Mine does not ~~benefit~~ *present long-term benefits to* Montanans, but rather a multi-billion dollar ~~operation~~ *corporation*;

**Therefore:** The Associated Students of The University of Montana are strongly opposed to the proposed Rock Creek Mine in the Cabinet Wilderness Area. Furthermore, ASUM will submit a statement of opposition to ~~public comment on the issue.~~ *the regional*

*Forester Dale Bosworth*  
Authored by: Erin Thompson, ASUM senator

*Amended*  
*Whereas: the two companies involved in the ownership of the Rock Creek mine have history of environmental damage, including ASARCO, which is responsible for 1/3 of all superfund sites in the U.S., and*

*Passed*  
*11-29-00*

## **Resolution to Require Independent Credit Card Debt Information**

**Whereas:** Students at the University of Montana should be informed of the dangers of credit card debt, and

**Whereas:** According to a 1998 MontPIRG report on college students and credit cards, students who obtained cards at campus tables had unpaid balances 17.8% higher than those who had not, and

**Whereas:** Credit card vendors were prohibited in 1999 from soliciting in the University Center for the use of "overaggressive and deceptive soliciting practices," and

**Whereas:** Because the proceeds from MBNA's Alumni Card go to Career Services, MBNA has been allowed to stay in the UC, and

**Whereas:** Credit card vendors currently use "impulse buy" tactics to entice students to apply for a credit card without providing adequate, independently published, cautionary and informative literature;

**Therefore:** The Associated Students of the University of Montana support a change in the Merchant Policy of the University Center to require the following:

1. All credit card vendors must distribute an information sheet discussing the risks associated with the credit card to all patrons of the vendor's table who wish to apply.
2. This information sheet will be provided by the Montana Public Interest Research Group (MontPIRG), and the Consumer Credit Counseling Service.
3. This information sheet must be attached on the top of all credit card applications.

Authored by: Erin Thompson, ASUM senator  
Chris Zeeck, board chair of MontPIRG  
Josh Davis, MontPIRG consumer advocate specialist

Sponsored by: Consumer Credit Counseling Service

Passed  
11-29-00

SB 24-00101

Resolution Regarding Consistent Alcohol Policy Within Washington-Grizzly Stadium

- Whereas:** occupants of the bleachers are prohibited from consuming or possessing alcoholic beverages while in attendance of events in Washington-Grizzly Stadium.
- Whereas:** occupants of the luxury boxes are permitted to consume or possess alcoholic beverages while in attendance of events in Washington-Grizzly Stadium.
- Whereas:** occupants of the bleachers at Washington-Grizzly Stadium are not second class citizens.
- Therefore:** Let it be resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana urge the President of the University of Montana to form a consistent policy with regard to consumption of alcohol in the Washington-Grizzly Stadium.
- Therefore:** Let it further be resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to both the Montana Kaimin and the Missoulian.

Co-authored by - Hal Lewis, Jennifer Bock  
and Sean-Thomas Pumphrey, ASUM senators  
Sponsored by Alex Rosenleaf

Passed  
11-29-00



Exhibit D  
SB25-00/01

## Resolution to change University of Montana, fall semester closing date

**Whereas**, the fall closing date at ~~The~~ University of Montana is December 22<sup>nd</sup> and closer to Christmas.

**Whereas**, this might be dangerous to some students faculty and staff who might drive hurriedly to reach their destination to have festivities with family and loved ones.

**Whereas**, Driving safely among students, faculty and staff is of great concern at ~~the~~ University of Montana.

**Therefore, let it be resolved**, that ASUM urges ~~the~~ University of Montana administration and faculty senate to work together <sup>with an ASUM representative in creating</sup> ~~in changing the closing~~ date for fall 2000 to an earlier date. <sup>The University of Montana academic calendar in future years.</sup>

Authored by David Gachigo (ASUM Senator)

Passed  
11/29/00