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ASUM SENATE AGENDA  
March 1, 2000  
UC 2nd Floor Lounge - 6 p.m.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 16, 2000
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
  - a. Survey
  - b. Strategic Budget and Planning Committee
  - c. Senior Recognition
  - d. Other
6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT
  - a. Committee Appointments
  - b. D.A.C. Student Achievement Award
  - c. ASUM Diversity Committee Update
  - e. Other
7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT - None  
STIP - \$34,847.64 available for the year  
Zero-based Carryover - \$166,903.60  
Special Allocation - \$6,012.75
  - a. STIP - Men's Soccer Club \$1,825 - in committee
  - b. STIP - SPA \$1,677 - in committee
  - c. Special Allocation - ASP \$80 - in committee
  - d. Categorical Funding Percentages
  - e. Other
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - a. SB37-99/00 Resolution on Proposed Administration Budget Forum
  - b. SB47-99/00 Resolution to Change Personnel Policy
10. NEW BUSINESS
11. COMMENTS
12. ADJOURNMENT



**ASUM SENATE MINUTES**  
**March 1, 2000**  
**UC 2nd Floor Lounge - 6 p.m.**

Chair Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Kobos, Lamb, Kosena, Baumgartner (7:30), Billington, Christensen (7:06), Eckert, Haddouch, Hankinson, Herrick, Hunt, Irely, Munday, Murphy, Neitzel, Peterson, Swan, Taddonio, Thomas and Weber. Excused were Bartkiewicz and Hopkins. Unexcused was McCall.

The February 16, 2000, minutes were approved as written.

**Public Comment**

\*Due to an error in scheduling, Kyi-Yo was unable to make a presentation during the Final Budgeting lobbying session. Three of the group's members advocated their position on the executive recommendation for the allowed 10 minutes given to other groups.

**President's Report**

- a. Kobos spoke about the article in the Missoulian last Saturday in which President Dennison expressed his displeasure with survey results concerning the University. A committee will be formed to answer surveys, though no students will be involved.
- b. Strategic Budget and Planning Committee are soliciting requests for the next biennium. Three scenarios are to be followed: slight decrease, no increase, and slight increase. A subcommittee is working on budget models.
- c. Senior recognition forms are available. Senators were encouraged to make nominations.
- d. Recommendations have been made on course fees to clarify tuition costs. Tuition should include coverage of such things as faculty salaries, instruction costs, equipment and its repair and maintenance for instruction, software that is not retained by the student, and supplies and operating expenses relating to instruction.
- e. Kobos attended the Guaranteed Student Loan Advisory Council in Helena. For graduating in-state students, the average loan debt is \$17,000. If they are staying in Montana, the maximum loan they can handle at State pay rates is \$8,000. For students graduating in law, the average loan debt is \$46,000, with in-state starting law clerks pay at \$27,000. A new federally-subsidized program will target 7<sup>th</sup> grade students - educating them on college costs, the importance of grades and college-prep classes, with awards available towards their college education. Kobos distributed materials regarding this project. Senate feedback would be welcome.
- f. Kobos told Senate of two more killings that day and asked for a moment of silence in which Senators could think about these current events and how one could make a difference for the future.

**Vice President's Report**

- a. The following committee appointments were approved on a motion by Billington-Peterson: Provost Search nominees (two to be chosen) - Jeff Kobos, Jon Swan, Erin White, Seisin Christensen.
- b. The Diversity Advisory Committee is sponsoring a student achievement award to recognize contributions to the University community in the area of diversity. Nominations should be submitted to Dean Couture by March 7. A ceremony will be held April 12.
- c. The ASUM Diversity Committee will be working on a Habitat for Humanity project April 1 and would appreciate volunteers. Lamb forwarded an e-mail from Amie Thurber to Senators. Lamb thanked Dean Couture and Amie for continuing committee goals during his recent reduced participation due to school obligations.
- d. Lamb reminded Senators that election activities are coming up fast. Very few meetings are left for the current Senate. Anyone who has an idea for a referendum should think about it carefully and seek advice before writing to clarify for the ballot. Senators were reminded that Final Budgeting is this Saturday. Everyone should be ready to go by 8 a.m.

**Business Manager's Report**

STIP - \$35,521.64 available for the year  
Travel Special Allocation - \$12,851 for year (balance for Spring Semester)  
Zero-based Carryover - \$167,603.10  
Special Allocation - \$6,012.75

- a. STIP - Men's Soccer Club \$1,825 - in committee
- b. STIP - SPA \$1,677 - in committee
- c. Special Allocation - ASP \$80
- d. The Categorical Funding Percentages sheet was circulated among the Senators for perusal, with approval to be voted on later in the meeting.

**Committee Reports**

- a. Athletics (Haddouch) - They discussed the new coaches, fund-raising and other issues.
- b. ASUM Affairs (Taddonio) - SB47 received a 2-1 do-pass recommendation.
- c. SPA (Neitzel) - SB47 received a 3-1 do-pass recommendation.
- d. UC Board (Munday) - Theater policy was discussed, along with concession hours. The Optical Company in the UC will be given a letter stating a termination after three months.
- e. Transportation (Taddonio) - Volunteers are needed for Green Griz Week, which is in April or May.
- f. Elections (Peterson) - Petitions will be available Monday, starting the process. Help is needed on the committee. Any referendums must be in soon, but they need to go through the regular resolution process.
- g. ASCRC (Kim) - Among proposed changes are that the ACT and SAT scores not be used for exemption from classes.

**Business Manager's Report (continued)**

- e. Senate passed the Categorical Funding Percentages discussed earlier (Exhibit A).

The Chair recognized Christensen.

**Unfinished Business**

- a. SB37-99/00 Resolution on Proposed Administration Budget Forum - in committee.
- b. **Eckert-Munday's** motion to reconsider SB40 Resolution to Remove Grade Change Fee failed.
- c. SB47-99/00 Resolution to Change Personnel Policy. Kobos removed her name from sponsorship, and Neitzel added her name. The author amended the last line by changing "60.00" to "40.00" and adding "The ASUM President may approve up to 60 hours per month." The following friendly amendment by **Kobos** to be inserted after "vote" in the third whereas was accepted: attendance at City Council meetings, attendance at Neighborhood Council meetings, involvement in the Neighborhood Council Leadership Team, and any other duties as assigned by the ASUM President". Her additional friendly amendment to change "40" to "60" and "60 to "80" in the last paragraph was not accepted. **Kobos-Herrick** moved that change.

The Chair recognized Baumgartner.

After a previous question call by **Kosena**, the motion passed. A friendly amendment by **Kosena** to remove the 80 approval by the President was accepted. A friendly amendment by **Kobos** to re-insert it was not accepted. **Kobos-Irey** moved to re-insert it. **Lamb-Billington** moved to recommit SB47. After a previous question call by **Swan**, the motion passed.

**New Business**

- a. Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy
- b. Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy
- c. Resolution regarding the tuition bill

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- d. Resolution regarding Dining Services
- e. Resolution regarding the UC Budget
- f. Resolution regarding fee waivers
- g. Resolution on University of Montana attire production
- h. Resolution on health insurance coverage for same sex partners
- i. Resolution to prohibit negative campaigning during ASUM elections

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

*Carol Hayes*

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ASUM Office Manager

*Exhibit A*

## 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%

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Budget and Finance Action: *Approved*

Senate Action: *Approved*

*Passed  
3/1/00*