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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, September 9, 2015
Missoula College East Campus Room HB1-- 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 2, 2015

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Bill Mathews, MFBN
- b. Meredith Repke, ASUM Sustainability
- c. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$16,000

STIP - \$115,402.36

TRAVEL ALLOCATION - \$31,184.55

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$131,340.18

- a. UM Cave Club -- \$1500/\$878.50
- b. Sunday Street Sweepers -- \$300/\$300
- c. Fall Travel and Group Recognition
- d. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB04-15/16 – Resolution Regarding the ASUM 2015-16 Senate Core Values

- b. SB05-15/16 – Resolution Regarding the ASUM 2015-16 Senate Mission Statement
- c. SB06-15/16 – Resolution Regarding the ASUM 2015-16 Senate Vision Statement
- d. SB07-15/16 – Resolution Ammending Bylaws for Student Group Liasons
- e. SB08-15/16 – Resolution Regarding Sustainability

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM Senate Minutes
Wednesday, September 9, 2015
Missoula College East HB1, 6 p.m.

Chair Story called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Present: President Meixner, Vice President Story, Business Manager Smith; and Senators Ammons, Bart, Carlson, Engebretson, Folsom, Forstag, Fossen, Frazier, Greenfield, Halvorson, Hannifin, Hopingardner, Metz, Morsette, Nelson, O'Malley, Orr, Scott, C. Smith, and W. Smith. Excused: Senators Keller, Kronenberg, and McDermott. Unexcused:

The minutes from the September 2, 2015 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

- Steve Thompson, Director of Campus Recreation-Director Thompson came as a representative of University of Montana (UM) Student Affairs. He also asked for volunteers for the Campus Recreation and Sports Committee.
- Adrienne Donald, Student Involvement Network- Adrienne handed flyers out regarding the UM Student Allies Diversity Training and the Rainbow Welcome Ice Cream Social (See Exhibits A and B). UM Allies trainings will be given on September 29, October 13, and November 17 in UC 326/327. The Rainbow Welcome Ice Cream Social is being given to welcome LGBT students and allies to the UM campus. After a question from President Meixner, Adrienne also talked about the Leadership U program, which is a leadership training for upperclassmen who are already leaders on campus. Leadership U will focus on authentic leadership and self care. Responding to a question from Business Manager (BM) Smith Adrienne explained that Leadership U will replace the GrizLead program. Adrienne let the body know that there are still open seats on the Leadership U Committee. Students may start applying in November, with the first sessions beginning in February 2016.
- Asa Hohman, Student Regent-Regent Hohman informed the body of significant agenda items for the Board of Regents (BOR) meeting September 16-17 in Butte. The agenda can be found at www.mus.edu. The Board will hear a request from UM for a Masters of Education program and a PhD program in International Education Leadership. The Missoula College is looking to expand its degree offering in Communication, as well as developing apprenticeship programs with the Montana Department of Labor. Employee pay for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 will be up for approval, except for faculty at larger schools, pending union negotiation. The Board will approve emeritus faculty. The BOR will also discuss the distribution timber sale money across the Montana University System (MUS). They will also approve FY 2016 operating budget and allocations. Finally, they will discuss the \$15 million research initiative that is geared towards creating higher level employment in Montana.. UM has about half of this money for research purposes. Regent Hohman let the body know that his email is regenthohman@msu.montana.edu. He also advised Sen. Forstag that there are deadlines for adding things to the BOR agenda, regarding SB08-15/16. After a question from President Meixner regarding the Rafter 360 proposal and the BOR, Regent Hohman expressed that the BOR typically would agree with student opinions on matters like Rafter 360. Sen. Nelson asked the BOR's feelings regarding Prior Learning Assessments. Regent Hohman replied that PLAs are an

important tool in growing enrollment and moving towards global education. He also acknowledge faculty concern that PLAs could water down academic rigor.

President's Report

- a. Bill Mathews, Chief Development Officer, Montana Food Bank Network (MFBN) –Bill came to inform the body about the business of the MFBN. He explained that the MFBN is the only statewide food bank network in Montana and is a member of Feeding America. They acquire food and distribute it to 209 partner agencies in the state. MFBN distributed 8.5 million pounds of food last year. Bill also explained that they seek to educate people about hunger in Montana. According to Bill, one (1) in seven (7) (over 146,000) people and one (1) in five (5) kids struggle with hunger in Montana. As one of their major fundraisers, MFBN is sponsoring the Feed Montana Stadium Sell-Out, a sanctioned UM event (See Exhibits C and D). There are several fundraising teams, such as Athletics, UC Bookstore, Entertainment Management, and Alumni, attempting to raise 200,000 meals. The fundraiser goes till end of October and includes pint nights and tailgates at all Griz football games. On Monday, September 21st, MFBN will host a hike up Mount Sentinel from 4-5pm. The goal is to have 500 people to show up and donate \$10 to hike in specialty Griz maroon t-shirts, with hopes of raising \$5,000.
- b. Meredith Repke, ASUM Sustainability Coordinator-Meredith shared the Vision and Mission statements for the ASUM Sustainability Center. ASUM Sustainability's services include "Eco Reps" that live in residence halls to promote sustainability projects, and the Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund (KRELf) that is funded by the student sustainability fee and used to fund student sustainability projects. Currently, students are working on installing a renewable energy light post near the Recreation Center. Meredith also gave an authorship on SB08-15/16 which she co-authored. SB08-15/16 proposed that car ports with solar panels be built on existing parking lots on campus. This would provide up to 10% of UM's energy. The total cost of the project would be \$25-30 million, but with tax incentives that last until the end of 2016, UM could have the project done for free through an investment company. UM would need to conduct a feasibility study costing \$400,000-\$500,000, after which Western Renewable Energy would take on the project and refund the cost of the study. The solar panels would save UM \$150,000-\$200,000 a year even with the \$50,000 annual cost of insurance. The life of solar panels is forty (40) years and they are under warranty for twenty-five (25) years. The project would have to break ground by Dec. 31st, 2016 to receive the tax incentives. Meredith saw no foreseeable change in amount of parking on campus and snow would not dramatically affect energy production of the solar panels. Currently, the UC and Campus Recreation Center both have solar panels on their roofs. There is also a current KRELf proposal for the installation of solar panels on top of the Lommasson Building.
- c. President Meixner reminded the body that the Montana Associated Students (MAS) meeting will be on Tuesday, September 15th at 6pm in Butte, MT. The BOR meeting will be on September 16-17 in Butte, and Senators are welcome to attend.

Vice President's Report

- a. Vice President (VP) Story informed Senators that she will send an email each morning with tasks they can do during their office hour.

- b. VP Story asked for volunteers to fill an opening on the Diversity Advisory Council that meets once a month on Thursdays from 11am-1pm. Senator Ammons volunteered to be on the council.
- c. VP Story advised the body that they need more applications for the open Senate seats. She encouraged Senators to recruit people to apply.
- d. VP Story attended the First-Year Seminar Committee which decided there could be a potential pilot seminar this spring for incoming freshman.
- e. VP Story advised the body that many committees still need Students at Large (SAL) in order to have quorum. Executives would like to avoid sitting on committees this year.
- f. VP story reminded the body that the Senate will not meet next week, but UM Dining's "Fall Feastival" will be from 5-7:30pm on the UM Oval.
- g. VP Story informed the body that President Engstrom is hosting a pizza party for the Senate on September 30th from 4:30-5:45 p.m. in the UC Game Room. Senators should let President Meixner know within the next week whether they can attend.
- h. VP Story let Senators know that new assignments have been made, but there still open student groups that will be assigned to appointed Senators.

Business Manager's Report

- a. A motion by **Bart-W. Smith** to approve the UM Cave Club's Funding Request (Exhibit E) in the board recommended amount of \$878.50 was made. Unanimous Consent (UC) called by **Forstag** and with no objections, the motion passed.
- b. A motion by **Bart-Halvorson** to approve the Sunday Street Sweepers request (Exhibit F) for \$300 was made. UC was called by **Hannifin** and with no objections, the motion passed.
- c. BM Smith reminded the body that student groups who are requesting fall travel allocation must turn in their forms by September 18th. Recognition forms for groups who are not requesting travel allocation are due on September 21st.

Committee Reports

- Sustainability (Halvorson)- The committee met twice this week with an emergency meeting yesterday (9-8-15) morning to pass through SB08-15/16 regarding the solar panel initiative.
- Student Political Action (SPA) (Folsom)- The committee had their first meeting yesterday (9-8-15). They talked about the importance of recruiting SALs and their goals for the year.
- Student Computer Fee (W. Smith)-The committee simplified the funding request process through online form. Negotiations with Adobe are completed to get 450 seats of the Adobe Creative Cloud at \$165 apiece. The Provost will pay for these starting FY 2017. Two hundred (200) seats will be open for all students and another hundred (100) seats will be reserved for Media Arts students. UM has three (3) year contract that locks in the price per seat, and can increase seats as needed. The cost will be raised 5% after the first three (3) years. The UC Technology Lab is getting fifty-two (52) new computers with extras going to a new technology lab in Social Science Building Room 127, and labs in the Liberal and Fine Arts Buildings.

- Budget and Finance (B&F) (BM Smith)-B& F still needs SALs. The committee will be meeting Monday, September 21st.
- Student Music Union (SMU) (O'Malley)-The budgeting process for SMU was complicated because student music groups are also classes, and their advisors are also their Professors. SMU money is housed in the Music Building and this can bring confusion on whether students need to sign off when ASUM money is spent. Sen. O'Malley wants to have a meeting with all of the SMU groups to discuss the correct use of ASUM money.
- General Education Committee (Greenfield)- The committee is discussing General Education Requirements (GER) reform. They want to know what students think about the current GERs. On Sep. 26-27th there will be a 21st Century Education conference in the UC, and the committee would like student and ASUM participation. President Meixner is on the planning committee for this conference and will keep the body informed.
- Interview (Bundy)- Sen. Bundy asked Senators to indicate on index cards which populations they feel that they represent on the body, so that the committee can be vigilant in recommending diverse individuals for appointment.
- UC Board (Hannifin)-The Board discussed renovations to the UC.
- Relations and Affairs (R&A) (Hopingardner)- The committee made a do not pass recommendation on SB06-15/16, the Resolution regarding the ASUM Vision Statement because they feel it needs editing.

Unfinished Business

- a. A motion by **Nelson-W. Smith** to approve SB04-15/16, SB05-15/16, and SB06-15/16 (Exhibits G, H, and I) as a slate was made. This motion passed 15-8 by Roll Call Vote (RCV) (See Tally Sheet #1).
- b. A motion by **Bart-Business Manager (BM) Smith** to amend SB07-15/16 (Exhibit J) to add "and Executives" to line 30 after "All ASUM Senators" was made. Senator Bart retracted his motion.
- c. A motion by **Bart-W. Smith** to approve SB07-15/16 was made. The motion passed 23-0 by RCV (See Tally Sheet #2).
- d. After an authorship by Senator Forstag, a motion by **Meixner-Bart** to add "Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that this resolution be sent to Royce Engstrom, President of UM; Clayton Christians, Commissioner of Higher Education; Bill Borrie, Chair of Faculty Senate; John Deboer, Chair-Elect of Faculty Senate; Jennifer Zellmer-Cuaresma, President of Staff Senate; Maria Mangold, Vice President of Staff Senate; and, Eva Rocke, UM Sustainability Director." to the end SB08-15/16 (Exhibit K). UC was called by **Forstag**. With no objections, the motion passed.
- e. A motion by **Meixner-O'Malley** was made to amend line 30 of SB08-15/16 to include "worth of savings" following "\$8 million." UC was called by **Bart**, and with no objections, the motion passed.
- f. A motion was made by **BM Smith-Ammons** to amend line 38 of SB08-15/16 to add "or November" following "for September" and "s" following "meeting" was made. The motion failed by placard vote.
 - a. A motion by **Meixner-BM Smith** to amend the amendment, so that line 38 reads "the Board of Regents as soon as possible;" was made. The motion failed by placard vote.

- g. A motion was made by **Bart-Ammons** to approve SB08-15/16. Senator Bart withdrew his motion.
- h. A motion was made by **O'Malley-W. Smith** to amend line 37 of SB08-15/16 to state "(ASUM) endorses solar panel covered parking project and requests that said project be brought..." The motion passed by a placard vote.
 - a. A motion to amend the amendment was made by **Hopingardner-W. Smith** to add "by both President Engstrom and Asa Hohman" to the end of the first Therefore clause. Senator Hopingardner withdrew her motion.
- i. SB08 passed 22-0-1 by RCV (See Tally Sheet #3).

New Business

Resolutions Regarding Fiscal Policy (4)
Resolutions Amending Bylaws (4)
Resolutions Regarding Sprinklers (2)
Resolutions Regarding Parking (2)
Resolution Regarding Animals in Residence Halls
Resolution Regarding Personnel Policy

Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Mackenzie Lombardi
ASUM Senate Secretary

ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET

Date: September 9, 2015

<u>SENATE MEMBERS</u>	ROLL CALL	Time	<u>SB04,</u>	<u>SB07-</u>	<u>SB08-</u>
			<u>05, 06</u>	<u>15/16</u>	<u>15/16</u>
			Pass		
Ammons, Andy	P		y	y	y
Bart, Brandon	P		y	y	a
Bundy, Trail	P		n	y	y
Carlson, Ryann	P		y	y	y
Engebretson, Elizabeth	P		y	y	y
Folsom, Aaron	P		y	y	y
Forstag, Samuel	P		y	y	y
Fossen, Evan	P		n	y	y
Frazier, Pierce	P		y	y	y
Greenfield, Chase	P		n	y	y
Halvorson, Jared	P		y	y	y
Hannifin, Nick	P		y	y	y
Hopingardner, Kaitlin	P		n	y	y
Keller, Tina	EA				
Kronenberg, Taylor	EA				
McDermott, Taylor	EA				
Metz, Blayne	P		y	y	y
Morsette, Tony	P		n	y	y
Nelson, Max	P		y	y	y
O'Malley, Mary	P		n	y	y
Orr, Sam	P		y	y	y
Scott, Samuel	P		y	y	y
Smith, Chris	P		y	y	y
Smith, Wyatt	P		y	y	y

ASUM OFFICERS

Meixner, Cody-President	P		n	y	y
Story, Betsy-Vice President	P				
Smith, Sarah-Business Manager	P		n	y	y

FACULTY ADVISOR

Professor Stark	EA				
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