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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, September 23, 2015
University Center Room 330/331-- 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 9, 2015

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. New Senators
- b. Claudia Denker-Eccless, Associate Legal Counsel
- c. Beckie Christiaens, Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance
- d. UN Conference
- e. MAS/BOR Recap
- f. Personnel Policy Inaccuracy
- g. Letter for Ellen Flanery
- h. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Meeting Etiquette-Parliamentary Procedure Changes
- b. Committee Appointment Approvals
- c. Hello Walk
- d. Discrimination Grievance Committee Update
- e. Student Conduct Code Revision Group Update
- f. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$16,000

STIP - \$119, 422.58

TRAVEL ALLOCATION - \$31,184.55

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$130,920.08

- a. Special Allocation, International Student Association-\$300/\$300
- b. Special Allocation, Young Life-\$250/\$250
- c. Special Allocation, Climing Club-\$200/\$1200
- d. Zero Base, Sunday Street Sweepers-\$200/\$200
- e. STIP, Women's Lacrosse-\$899.98/\$900
- f. STIP, UM Productions, Staff Development-\$1924.20/\$1924.20
- g. Fall Travel Allocations
- h. App/Student Needs
- i. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB09-15/16 – Resolution Amending the ASUM Personnel Policy

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM Senate Minutes
Wednesday, September 23, 2015
University Center Room 330/331, 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, Keller, Kronenberg, McDermott, Metz, Morsette, Nelson, O'Malley, Orr, Scott, C. Smith, and W. Smith. Excused: Unexcused:

The minutes from the September 9, 2015 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

- Rick Curtis, Curry Health Center (CHC)-Mr. Curtis passed out CHC's By the Numbers Annual Report. (Exhibit A) Over the past year CHC saw 32,500 clinical visits, 43,000 outreach visits, and increased social media use. He invited Senators to the Light up the Night event on October 8th on the Oval and the "M." This event is a domestic violence awareness night put on by the Student Advocacy Resource Center (SARC.) He encouraged Senators to come support survivors of interpersonal violence.
- Laurie Fischer, Career Services- Ms. Fischer invited the body to the October 21st career fair. She also said that Career Services is reaching out to the Missoula College campuses with a brand new industrial technology career fair on November 18th. They are hoping for more avenues for internships and better job preparation through these fairs
- Ruth A. Swaney, Native American Natural Resource Coordinator-Ms. Swaney invited the body to American Indian Heritage Day on Friday, September 25th. There will be a sunrise ceremony at 7:00a.m., a teepee raising on the oval, a proclamation by President Engstrom at 12:00p.m., and traditional games on the oval after 12:00p.m. There will also be a curated exhibit of indigenous clothing in Native American Center beginning on Thursday, September 24th. SpectruUM and SciNation will also have tables just outside of the Forestry Building from 9:30a.m. to 11:30a.m. In her role as Native American Natural Resource Coordinator, Ms. Swaney works with thirty (30) students in College of Forestry and Conservation. Her goal is to be as welcoming as possible as well as include signage with native languages and a tree cookie with a Montana tribal timeline in the Forestry Building.
- Jule Olivieri, University Extra Life Club –The UM Extra Life Club will be holding their annual fundraiser for Shodair Children's Hospital from November 7th at 10:00a.m. to November 8th at 10:00a.m. They will be streaming members playing video games to raise money. The club has also been invited to visit the Helena Shodair Children's Hospital because they are their highest fundraiser. The group will be submitting requests for funds for food for the event and for a trip to Helena.
- Adrienne Donald, Student Involvement Network (SIN)-Ms. Donald asked Senators to communicate to their student groups that student lockers are available for free in the student organizational suite. She sent Phoebe Hunter the locker application. Ms. Donald also passed out flyers for the Skivy Dash (Exhibit B) and Sex Talks (Exhibit C). The Skivy Dash is a 5K fundraiser race run in underwear. Sex Talks is a new program that will create a safe space for discussions on sex. Professor Beth Hubble will be the first

speaker. She also informed the body that next week is Ally Week with activities and tabling in the UC atrium from Monday, September 28th to Wednesday, September 30th. The first student ally training will be on Tuesday, September 29th and over thirty-five (35) students have registered. On Monday and Wednesday, they will be showing the documentary "Straight Laced." The Gender Expansion Project Conference will be on Friday, October 2nd. Senators can speak with Sen. Fossen about the upcoming student group organizational dinner. SIN would like senators to reach out to their student groups to encourage their attendance. It will be an opportunity to network between groups and answer student group questions. Two to three members of each student group should register online.

- Kathleen Stone, Student Coordinator for DiverseU-The DiverseU event, previously known as Day of Dialogue, is looking for presenters. New this year is the DiverseU Freeform event, which offers presenters as short or long of a time slot as they would like. Proposals for presentations are due September, 30th. The event will take place on November 4th and 5th and while it's not necessary to register at umt.edu/diverseu. Don't need to register to attend.

President's Report

- a. A motion was made to seat Senator Elle Fettig. She was sworn in by Dean Rhondie Voorhees.
- b. Claudia Denker-Eccless- Ms. Denker-Eccless came to speak with the body about a review of UM's policies. Up first for Senate consideration will be the policy on policies draft which creates a mechanism for the review of policies and the suggesting of new policies at a grassroots level. When a policy is under a review, it will first be considered by the legal and internal auditor's offices, and then the three (3) UM governing bodies, including ASUM will be asked to provide comment. They need to receive feedback and comments within thirty (30) days of sending the policy out. There will be a second reading by the bodies after a revised draft is created. Some of the new policies in the works are being created in order to comply with federal regulations. These include policies about drone activity, timely notification of missing students, and record retention. Prior to governing body approval, they will be vetted by the sectors of the university that own the policies. Finally, they will be sent to the President's Cabinet for approval.
- c. Beckie Cristiaens, Associate Vice President (VP) for Administration and Finance-Ms. Christiaens wanted to introduce herself to the body. She deals a lot with student fees and has been at UM for seven (7) years. Her office is in Main Hall across from the President's office and her door is always open. Ms. Cristiaens also complemented the body on their core values.
- d. Chuck Harris - Mr. Harris informed the body of the Technology Unconference taking place on October 15th. Instead of having a traditional conference, participants will be able to set the topics and agenda. This will be an opportunity for students to interact with information technology (IT) administration and staff. Registration and contact information can be found at umt.edu/unconference.
- e. Montana Associated Students (MAS) and Board of Regents (BOR) Recap-During the MAS meeting, President (Pres.) Meixner asked the Associated Students of the Montana State University (ASMSU) about their relationship with graduate students. The Teaching Assistances (TA) at MSU have unionized, and President Meixner would like the ad hoc

committee on graduate students to examine the potential effects of unionization at UM. During the BOR meeting, Commissioner Christian addressed the solar panel project supported in SB08-15/16, and would like to see it on the BOR agenda in November.

- f. President Meixner yielded to Sen. Engebretson to speak about Prior Learning Assessments (PLA) and public comment at the BOR meeting. Senator Engebretson highly recommended that other Senators attend future BOR meetings. She had the opportunity to speak about the PLA in public comment at the BOR meeting. The PLA implements a program where students, including veterans, can get credit towards their degrees for their prior training. Students will be able to put together a portfolio of their previous experience to get credit up to twenty-five percent (25%) of their degree. It's been shown that PLA makes students more likely to graduate, take more credits, and graduate sooner. There is also a \$350,000 grant to implement the program from the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE) and Governor Steve Bullock.
- g. A motion was made by **Nelson-W. Smith** to update the Personnel Policy to reflect accurate wages. Unanimous Consent (UC) was called by **McDermott**. With no objections, the motion passed.
- h. President Meixner asked the Senate to sign a card for Ellen Flanery, the office manager for the ASUM Legal Department, who will be retiring on September 30th, 2015.
- i. President Meixner asked Senators to RVSP for Pizza with the President on September 30th at 4:30p.m.
- j. President Meixner announced that the Student Resolution Officer (SRO) had been hired. ASUM still needs a Web Developer, and the applications are due on Friday, September 25th.

Vice President's Report

- a. Vice President (VP) Story advised that if Senators need to leave briefly, they may do so. Senators may also make motions for a break if need be.
- b. Previous Question officially requires a second and a two-thirds vote with no discussion.
- c. A motion to approve committee appointments was made by **BM Smith-Nelson**. UC was called by **Folsom**, and with no objections the motion passed.
- d. Hello Walk on Friday, September 18th, from 1-2pm in front of Turner Hall. This is an event where students paint "hello" in several different languages on the sidewalk and is put on by the Alumni Association as a part of Homecoming.
- e. VP Story updated Senators on her participation in the Discrimination Grievance Committee.
- f. VP Story let the Senate know that the Student Conduct Code is currently in its third revision. A lot of the writing work is being done by former Student Regent Zack Rogala. The updated code will make it easier for students to find what they need. Senators interested in being involved should email Pres. Meixner.
- g. ASUM Childcare is putting on their annual children's parade on the oval on Friday, September, 25th at 10:15am.
- h. Volunteers are needed to sit on a Liberal Arts Building Renovation Committee.
- i. VP Story thanked Senators who sent thank you notes to Mark LoParco.

Business Manager's Report

- a. A motion was made by **Halvorsen-O'Malley** to approve the International Student Association's request for \$300. UC was called by **Orr** and with no objections the motion passed.
- b. A motion was made by **Ammons-Bart** to approve Young Life's request in the board recommended amount of \$250. UC was called by **O'Malley**, and with no objections the motion passed.
- c. A motion was made by **Bart-Halvorsen** to approve Climbing Club's request in the board recommended amount of \$200. The motion passed by placard vote.
- d. A motion was made by **W. Smith-Ammons** to approve the Sunday Street Sweeper's request in the board recommended amount of \$200. UC was called by **Frazier**, and with no objections the motion passed.
- e. A motion was made by **Bundy-C. Smith** to approve the Women's Lacrosse Team request for the board recommended amount of \$899.98. The motion passed by placard vote.
- f. A motion was made by **Frazier-W. Smith** to approve UM Productions' request in the board recommended amount of \$1924.20. The motion was passed by placard vote.
- g. Business Manager (BM) Smith let the body know that fall travel allocations for student groups will be approved by the Senate on September 30th.
- h. UM is exploring the possibility of developing an app, and ASUM could have a dedicated portion on such an app. Mario Schultzke would like Senators to reach out to students to ask what they would like to see in an app and contact BM Smith with recommendations.
- i. A motion was made for a five (5) minute break by **Meixner-W. Smith**. UC was called by **Ammons** and with no objections, the motion passed.

Committee Reports

- Family Weekend Planning Committee (Carlson)- Family weekend will be October 23rd-25th. Events will include tailgating at the Griz football game, a soccer game, breakfast, and pictures with Monte. There will also be a "Meet with a Griz Guru" event on Friday, October 23rd from 8am-5pm. Sen. Carlson asked that Senators sign up with her to be at a table to answer parents' questions. Finally, there will be a Costco shopping night on Sunday, October 25th from 6-10pm for all UM students.
- General Education Committee (Greenfield)-The 21st Century Education Conference will be held October 26th-27th.
- Legal Board (Nelson)-the Legal Board has yet to meet, and they are still searching for Students at Large (SALs).
- Academic Standards and Curriculum Review Committee (ASRC) (Nelson)-the committee is considering purchasing turnitin.com, an anti-plagiarism software for UM.
- Interview Committee (Bundy)-the committee selected Senators Fettig and La'a to fill the two vacancies.
- Board on Members (Bundy)-the board is still sorting through recognition applications
- A motion was made by **Halvorsen-Nelson** to approve this year's student group list. UC was called by **Orr** and with no objections, the motion passed.
- Transportation (O'Malley)-This week is Walk and Roll Week and ASUM Transportation will be raffling off prizes for using alternative transportation. The event will take place Friday, September 25th in the green space between the UC and the Mansfield Library. Senators are also welcome to march with Transportation in the Homecoming Parade.

- Housing Board (Fossen)-The board appointed Sen. Greenfield to serve as a liaison to the Residence Life Office. They also approved \$379 to purchase yard signs for the University District and \$367 to purchase stickers with the Renter Center logo. There are open spots for student groups to help clean up after Griz Games in the Sunday Sweepers program and earn \$100.
- Student Computer Fee (W. Smith)-The committee approved \$4,000 for twenty-seven (27) two (2) terabyte hard drives for the Journalism Building. Sen. W. Smith was also elected chair. The committee will begin work on rewriting the equations for determining how funds are allocated to departments. Anyone interested in being a part of that process should contact Sen. W. Smith.
- Radio Board (W. Smith)-They board was finally able to contact the leadership at KBGA and are looking to schedule a meeting for the third week of October. Sen. W. Smith is currently reviewing the proposed budget.
- Campus Sustainability (Frazier)-UM exceeded its real food goal, and is now serving 25% sustainable food. The committee is also examining having third party vendors service campus. Ecological literacy assessments will be given to students in order to gauge their knowledge of sustainability. They will also be conducting carbon evaluations of different subsets of the Missoula community. The committee is drafting a response to the memo President Engstrom sent regarding the SB08-15/16 solar panel project. The committee is also exploring fundraising options in order to raise the \$500,000 necessary for the feasibility study. President Meixner also advised the Senate that there is a possibility of ASUM contributing a small sum to the project as a last resort.
- University Writing Oversight Committee (Hopingardner)-The committee wants to make sure that students are not confused by the switch in language between “approved writing course” and “intermediary writing course.” They are also concerned about the skill gap between WRIT 095 and WRIT 101.
- Relations and Affairs (R&A) (Hopingardner)-The committee approved SB09-15/16.
- Marketing and Outreach (Kronenberg)-The committee meets on Thursdays. Their goal is to promote ASUM and raise awareness of its services. Please contact the committee with any interesting ideas for marketing.
- Rafter 360 Ad Hoc (McDermott)-Sen. McDermott requested that Senators on the committee check their email and fill out their availability for an imminent meeting.
- Student Political Action (SPA) (Folsom)-SPA will be holding the “V for Voting” forum of local candidates in October in collaboration with the College Democrats, Republicans and MontPIRG. They are also looking for Senators to serve as a city council liaison each month to attend one meeting per month and report back to the Senate. If Senators are interested in volunteering for October, they should contact Sen. Folsom.
- Budget and Finance (B&F) (BM Smith)-B&F approved the above funding requests and will be processing two (2) more this week. They meet at 7pm on Mondays and will meet randomly to hear from groups requesting travel funds.
- Publishing Board (BM Smith)-the board is working on getting everyone’s schedules to align.
- President Meixner informed the body that he is regularly attending the University Planning and University Budget Committees.
- Not in Our State (NIOS) Conference Student Planning (Meixner)-the NIOS conference will take place November 8th-10th.

- Campus and Facilities (Morsette)-The committee met on September 14th. The Missoula College construction is on track to be completed in two years, the Student Athlete Academic Center is now open, and the new building on Arthur Street will be completed by spring 2016. They are considering expanding the Music Building as students need more space, and there is \$50,000 for the expansion of the Education Building. There is also a proposal for a new dining center on the corner of Arthur and Beckwith. They approved a memorial rock in front of Main Hall to thank donors for the new trees on the oval. They also discussed how the addition of covered parking could potentially raise the price of parking permits. Other projects include the creation of a unified entrance to the campus and additional signs.
- IT Senate (Hannifin)-They are working on creating a data governance system to ensure accuracy and setting standards for the storage and security of data. They will potentially be creating a committee for information security. They are also having difficulty with access for graduate students who are also adjunct professors.
- Assessment and Accreditation (VP Story)-the committee examined past failed projects at UM. They are currently looking at reevaluating a few positions on campus.
- VP Story reminded the body that all ASUM committees that have quorum must send her minutes.

Unfinished Business

- a. After a brief authorship by President Meixner, a motion to approve SB09-15/16 was made **by Bart-Nelson**. The motion was passed 26-0 by roll call vote (See Tally Sheet #1).

New Business

Resolutions Amending Bylaws (11)
 Resolutions Amending Personnel Policy (3)
 Resolution Regarding Indigenous People's Day
 Resolutions Amending Fiscal Policy (3)
 Resolutions Regarding Sprinklers (17)
 Resolutions Regarding Parking (5)
 Resolutions Regarding Squirrels (4)
 Resolution Regarding Cats on Campus
 Resolution Regarding Labeling
 Resolution Regarding the Student Resolution Officer

Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 p.m.

Mackenzie Lombardi
 ASUM Senate Secretary

ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET		Time	SB09-15/16
Date: September 23, 2015			
SENATE MEMBERS	ROLL CALL		
Ammons, Andy	p		y
Bart, Brandon	p		y
Bundy, Trail	p		y
Carlson, Ryann	p		y
Engebretson, Elizabeth	p		y
Fettig, Elle			y
Folsom, Aaron	p		y
Forstag, Samuel	p		y
Fossen, Evan	p		y
Frazier, Pierce	p		y
Greenfield, Chase	p		y
Halvorson, Jared	p		
Hannifin, Nick	p		y
Hopingardner, Kaitlin	p		y
Keller, Tina	p		y
Kronenberg, Taylor	p		y
Laa, Isaac			
McDermott, Taylor	p		y
Metz, Blayne	p		y
Morsette, Tony	p		y
Nelson, Max	p		y
O'Malley, Mary	p		y
Orr, Sam	p		y
Scott, Samuel	p		y
Smith, Chris	p		y
Smith, Wyatt	p		y
ASUM OFFICERS			
Meixner, Cody-President	p		y
Story, Betsy-Vice President	p		
Smith, Sarah-Business Manager	p		y
FACULTY ADVISOR			
Professor Stark	p		

