SB15-10/11: Indexing

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Resolution Regarding Indexing
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Whereas the current ASUM activity fee stands at $33.00 per semester;
Whereas the ASUM activity fee has not been increased since FY 07 despite rising costs;
Whereas in 2008 the Board of Regents approved a Memorandum of Understanding between
ASUM and the University Center to index the University Center fee;
Whereas the activity fee helps fund ASUM agencies like the Off Campus Renter Center, The
Sustainability Center, UM Productions, ASUM Legal, and ASUM Childcare;
Whereas indexing allows for incremental increases, to account for inflation, to a fee based on the
consumer price index;
Whereas incremental increases of 1-4% allow for an increased level of stability for the budgeting
process;
Whereas any increase of the activity fee would be recommended by the executives and subject to
approval by the ASUM Senate;
Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana
(ASUM) support indexing the ASUM activity fee in accordance to CPI;
Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that the ASUM Senate directs the ASUM President to
submit the fee change to a student vote during the April 2011 elections;
Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that the ASUM President shall draft a Memorandum
outlining the terms of the agreement to be approved by the Senate, the Montana Board of
Regents and in consultation with the University of Montana administration.

Passed by ASUM Senate with unanimous consent, February 9, 2011