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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, March 23rd, 2016
UC 330/331, 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 16th, 2016

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

- a. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

- a. Committees
- b. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$106,694.48

STIP - \$127,307.96

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$8,244.71 (\$4,456.14)

TRAVEL ALLOCATION - \$17,285.26 (\$1,304.03)

- a) Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB46-15/16: Resolution to Restructure the Student Political Action Committee

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM Senate Minutes
Wednesday, March 23rd, 2016
UC 330/331 6 p.m.

Chair Story called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Present: President Meixner, Vice President Story, Business Manager Smith; and Senators Bundy, Carlson (6:05pm), Chaudhry, Chestnut, Engebretson, Fetting, Fitzgerald, Folsom, Forstag, Frazier, Greenfield, Hopingardner, Kronenberg, La'a, McDermott (6:11pm), Nelson, O'Malley, Scott (6:11pm), C. Smith, W. Smith, and Widmyer. Unexcused: Senators Harrison and Orr. Excused: Senators Fossen, Keller, and Morsette.

The minutes from March 16th, 2016 were approved.

Public Comment

- Rachel and Katie Anderson, Equestrian Team-Qualified 1st and 2nd at Regionals at Stanford University. Asking for funding to go to the competition.
- Brandon Staggs, Blackstone Launchpad -Event at Payne Native American Center next week on March 28th from 5-6:30pm. Sending out a survey about entrepreneurship. Need data to keep grant funding.
- Jule Oliveri, ExtraLife-Thank you for funding, the event went well. Raised \$770 over 24 hours. On track to beat their record next fall.
- Sandy Schoonover, Director of Residence Life-Successfully updated wireless connections in Knowles Hall over the winter break. Added one access point per building at Lewis & Clark. Doing a little better, but difficult because a lot of private internet sources that mess with the connection. 755 students in residence halls have gone through the Step Up training. Will be hosting conference groups in the halls over the summer, as well as summer school students. One building per summer is completely closed for renovations and upgrades; this year it will be Aber Hall. Will get new paint, new drapes, fire alarm system upgrade. Will be doing roofing work in Toole Village. Finishing stair projects in Elliot Village. Will be looking at 1 million to 1.4 million dollars that will go back into the facilities over the summer. If students signed up for residence halls by March 25th, they were able to lock in their rate from this year. The numbers are down, but percentage is about the same. Will be replacing locks in Aber with electronic locks this summer. Right now, all of the exemptions for the freshman live-on requirement are going through the Director's office. Considering implementing an appeals committee for students to challenge decisions made by the Director. National research shows that students who live in the residence halls have a better GPA, score higher on confidence tests, and are more likely to graduate from the institution they started at.

Business Manager's Report

- a. A motion was passed by unanimous consent (UC) to suspend house rules in order to consider the emergency travel request for the Equestrian Club.
- b. A motion was made by **Greenfield-Hopingardner** to approve the Equestrian Club's emergency travel request in the amount of \$1715.20. Failed by placard vote.
- c. A motion was made by **Hopingardner-C. Smith** to table the request for a week in order to be reviewed by Budget and Finance. Failed by placard vote.
- d. A motion was made by **O'Malley-Hopingardner** to approve Equestrian Club's emergency travel request in the amount of \$916.10. Passed by placard vote.

A motion was passed by unanimous consent to reinstate house rules.

President's Report

- a. Friday, and next Tuesday and Thursday from 11:10am-Noon in the Native American Center will be forums for the Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Affairs.

Vice President's Report

- a. Please send VP Story class schedules.
- b. Deadline for election applications has been extended to April 1st. Mandatory meeting and campaigning dates are staying the same.

Committee Reports

- O'Malley, Transportation-began process of long term planning. Went over budgeting.
- Hopingardner, Child Care-put together a survey for parents that will hopefully will be sent out in the next couple days
- Greenfield, ASCRC-potentially changing English major and minor. Discussing changes in language credits. Classics may be going down to 3 credits, others going down to 4 credits (German and French are the most likely). Problems with transferring psychology classes.
- Greenfield, General Education-forum next Wednesday from 3-5pm in the Davidson Honors College about general education requirements. Still need moderators and note-takers.
- Forstag, Sustainability-Dean Tessman will be sending out Eco-Rep recruitment letters to honors college students.
- Kronenberg, Marketing and Outreach-Have a sticker design. Should be seeing stickers within the next two weeks. Redesigning ASUM pamphlets.
- Engebretson, Student Political Action-Couldn't get panelists in time, so had to postpone. Will be having it after spring break.
- Engebretson, Prior Learning Assessment-have to be able to label PLA students in the system but want to protect privacy.
- President Meixner-sent a memo to President Engstrom about administrative assessment.
- VP Story, First Year Seminar-will be talking about long term plans for the seminar. Will not be mandatory. Need peer mentors for every section

Unfinished Business

- a. A motion was made by **Fitzgerald-W. Smith** to approve SB46-15/16. The motion was retracted.
- b. A motion was made by **Chestnut-Greenfield** to insert subsection k, "The SPA Committee will be responsible for drafting a legislative agenda by the last Senate meeting prior to the upcoming legislative session which shall be approved by a 2/3 vote of the Senate." to Article IV, Section 9, subsection E of SB46-15/16. Passed by placard vote.
- c. A motion was made by **Nelson-Engebretson** to approve SB46-15/16. Passed by roll call vote.

New Business

Resolutions Amending Fiscal Policy (2)

Resolutions Amending Bylaws (4)

Resolutions Amending House Rules (4)

Constitutional Referenda (2)

Resolution Endorsing John Kasich for US President
Resolution Regarding General Education Passport Initiative
Resolution Condemning ISIS

Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46p.m.

Mackenzie Lombardi
ASUM Senate Secretary