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ASUM SENATE AGENDA

October 14, 1998

Gallagher Business Building - Room 201

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 7, 1998**
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
5. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
 - a. Mike Frost, Chair - Drug and Alcohol Advisory Council
 - b. Ben Darrow - Lobbyist
 - c. Collaborative Bargaining - evaluations, grievances, etc.
 - d. Other
6. **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
 - a. Committees - Legal Services/Assistant Provost of Retention and Enrollment Management
 - b. ASUM Group Recognition
 - c. Senate Class
 - d. Other
7. **BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT**
 - a. Special Allocations
 - *Campus Advent - \$400/\$400
 - *U of M Amnesty International - \$247.20/\$247.20
 - b. Zero-based Carryover
 - *Committee to Save the Six-Mil Levy
 - c. Other
8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - a. SB7-98/99 Resolution to Amend the \$100 Course Retake Fee
 - c. SB14-98/99 Resolution to Alter Policy on Withdrawals
 - b. SB15-98/99 Resolution to Oppose Differentiated Tuition
 - c. SB16-98/99 Resolution to Support Plan B for Managing Yellowstone Bison
10. **NEW BUSINESS**
11. **COMMENTS**
12. **ADJOURNMENT**

ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET

DATE October 14, 1998SENATE MEMBERSROLL
CALL

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Comments

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JAMES BEKIER
BRETT BELL
AMY BROWN
SEISIN CHRISTENSEN
SHANNON CONNOLLY
JIM DRISCOLL
RYAN HOPKINS
MARCUS KOSENA
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AMANDA PRESSLEY
MELISSA SQUIRE
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CONNIE TIETZ
CHRIS WOODALL

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PATIENCE LLEWELLYN
Vice-President
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Business Manager

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PROFESSOR AUSLAND

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ASUM SENATE MINUTES
October 14, 1998
Gallagher Business Building - Room 201

Chair Llewellyn called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. Present: Kaiser, Llewellyn, McCall, Ballentine, Bekier, Bell, Brown, Christensen, Connolly, Hopkins, Kosen, Lamb, Mahan, Murphy, Myers (6:26) Pressley, Squire, Struve, Sutherland (6:26), Tietz and Woodall. Unexcused were Driscoll and Lindeman.

The minutes of the October 7 meeting were approved with the following corrections: Pressley was excused. Under the Financial Aid Committee report, it should read that few credit cap appeals are approved.

Public Comment

- *Lobbyist Darrow urged Senate to consider whether resolutions concerning bison and hate crimes are political and what consideration to give them.
- *Allison Field, Meghan Fay, Wes Delano, Jeremy O'Day and Darrell Geist spoke in support of Plan B for bison management. Issues of national heritage, the need for keeping the wild herd intact, and the fact that Plan B was written by veterinarians and biologists who know more about the situation than politicians were cited.
- *Erin Riley advocated education on the issue and encouraged Senators to read the manuscript about the various plans and be informed before voting.

President's Report

- a. Mike Frost, Chair of the Drug and Alcohol Advisory Committee, along with other committee members, spoke about some suggested changes to the policy and discussed questions about liability, cost of third party vendors and other concerns. The next meeting is open to all and is Tuesday, October 27, from 8:30-9:30 a.m. in SHSS73.
- b. Lobbyist Darrow reported that he, SPA Director Kobos and Kaiser made a presentation to Butte and Dillon student senates and believe they will come together with ASUM for legislative lobbying. Helena COT will also be approached. ASUM is working on a proposal for a law change regarding security deposit returns after having to seek legal means to do so, which would address possible double or triple returns on the withheld money. Plans call for an activity for students-legislator interaction.
- c. Collaborative bargaining has begun and includes representatives from UTU, administration, Board of Regents, Commissioner's Office, and students. Some things being discussed are faculty evaluations and the grievance process. See Kaiser if you have concerns.

Vice-President's Report

- a. Mike Obland was approved as a member of UC Board on a motion by **McCall-Hopkins**. Llewellyn needs students for Legal Services Task Force and the Assistant Provost for Enrollment Management and Retention search.
- b. Llewellyn is working on dividing groups from programs for recognition and is discussing this with Sutherland. Senator input is encouraged.
- c. Senators were reminded President Dennison will attend Thursday's class.

Business Manager's Report

- a. Special Allocation
 - *Campus Advent's request for \$400 for speaker expenses was approved.
 - *Amnesty International's request for \$247.20 (\$240 postage/\$7.20 envelopes) was approved. (This group is newly formed and not the group that existed last year.)

ASUM Senate Minutes

October 14, 1998

page two

Zero-Based Carryover request for \$2,001 by ASUM Administration for the Six Mil Levy Campaign. **Kaiser-Sutherland's** motion to amend the request to give \$1,000 to the Six Mil Levy Committee and \$1,001 to SPA passed. The Senators passed the request unanimously on a division call by **Kaiser**, with the executives abstaining.

Committee Reports

- a. UC Board - Christensen reported the first meeting was held today with member introductions and general information. Ideas for UC are welcome.
- b. SPA - Struve said Committee met Sunday and gave a "do pass" recommendation to SB16 and started work on voter guides. Kobos noted there will be a press conference with Mayor Kadas on the 27th at 1 p.m. on C1-75. Help is needed with Six Mil Levy information. Cooney's office has donated voter information packets. Get-out-the-vote is being organized, and help is needed with calling. Lambda is organizing a press conference. See Ballentine.
- c. University Affairs - Bell's Committee gave SB14 and 15 "do pass" and SB7 "do not pass" recommendations. SB7 is being withdrawn.
- d. ITPAC - Lamb said it was mostly an information meeting. The next one will be Monday, October 26, at 3 p.m.
- e. BOM - Sutherland offered the following slate of groups for recognition, which Senate passed on a motion by **Hopkins-Ballentine**: Peer Advising, Student Chapter of the Great Bear Foundation, Geography Club, Missoula Hang-gliding and Para-gliding Club, Peers Reaching Out, Association of Computing Machinery, Swim Team, Rodeo Club, Psychology Club, Women's Law Caucus, Volunteer Action Services, Honors Student Association, American Fisheries Society, Symphonic Wind Ensemble. No quorum this week.
- f. ASUM Affairs - Sutherland's Committee lacked quorum. Forty-one calls to support SB16 were on the hotline. The comment box had suggestions for a UC clock and for changing level two of parking garage to decal parking.
- g. Llewellyn thanked McCall, Hopkins, and Struve for attending Faculty Senate with her. The 2.2 million shortfall was the focus, with discussions on more accurate enrollment projections, search for Assistant Provost and where the shortfall money is going to be found. Llewellyn and Struve will attend ECOS Thursday on advising issue. Llewellyn has information on how to get on the agenda.
- h. ASCRC - Llewellyn said consideration is being given to outcome-based exam for students in math and English.
- i. UC Renovations - Llewellyn said budget is being formed on costs and alternatives. The bid will determine alternatives to be considered.
- j. Sutherland announced that the Buffalo Nation organization near Yellowstone is documenting exiting buffalo and monitoring hazing.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB7-98/99 Resolution to Amend the \$100 Course Retake Fee - withdrawn
- b. SB14-98/99 Resolution to Alter Policy on Withdrawals (Exhibit A). Hopkins noted changes made in Committee. A previous question call by **Ballentine** passed, and the resolution passed.
- c. SB15-98/99 Resolution to Oppose Differentiated Tuition (Exhibit B). Friendly amendments were accepted from **Murphy** and **Kaiser**. The resolution passed on a motion by **Kaiser-Connolly**. A division call by **Kaiser** showed a 17-1 vote with 1 abstention.
- d. SB16-98/99 Resolution to Support Plan B for Managing Yellowstone Bison. A five-minute recess was called to prepare for a short video. A motion by **Squire-Myers** to table SB16 to gather more information failed 11-8

with one abstention on **Kaiser's** roll call vote (see tally sheet). **Bell-Christensen** moved to postpone SB16 until next week's meeting. A previous questions call by **Sutherland** failed 11-8 (needed 2/3). A previous question call by **Murphy** passed, and the motion passed 11-7 on a division call.

New Business

- a. Resolution to raise and freeze credit cap
- b. Resolution to support Lambda and queer community
- c. Resolution to oppose priority registration for student athletes
- d. Resolution to support student athletes
- e. Resolution strongly opposing Center for Student Success and manner in which bonding was approved
- f. Resolution to amend Personnel Policy

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

Carol Hayes

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager

SB14-98/99
Exhibit A

Resolution to Alter Policy on Withdrawals

WHEREAS students are regularly forced to drop classes after the 15th instructional day due to overloaded schedules, conflicts with instructors, illness, and so on.

WHEREAS courses dropped after this day are recorded, and applied to the credit cap. As the credit cap is lowered, these imaginary credits will become detrimental to students.

WHEREAS these credits may not be removed by appeal. The Financial Aid Appeals Committee may choose to overlook them.

WHEREAS credits applied in such a manner could force a resident student into paying out of state tuition.

WHEREAS there is already a ten dollar fee for courses dropped or added after the 15th instructional day. The addition of these imaginary credits to students' records is unnecessary as a deterrent.

THEREFORE, let it be resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana support the altering of the Academic Policies of the University of Montana so that credits resulting from grades of "W" shall not be recorded and counted toward the credit cap.

Sponsored By:
Ryan Hopkins, Senator

Passed
10-14-98

Resolution to Oppose Differentiated Tuition

WHEREAS the proposal, as it stands, is neither fair nor equitable for resident or out of state students attending the University of Montana.

WHEREAS the proposal is not based on fiscal necessity, but rather on perceived need to aid students in their decisions.

WHEREAS the proposal seems to be part of a larger effort to model the Montana University System after other states.

WHEREAS it is not the responsibility of students at the University of Montana to subsidize students at regional schools and COT's. The cost of education at UM is higher than the regional schools

WHEREAS the proposal could force students to choose a university that does not fit their needs.

WHEREAS the proposal could begin a spiral of lower enrollment at U of M, leading to higher tuition, leading again to lower enrollment, and so on. This enrollment spiral will affect all students at the University of Montana.

WHEREAS the Associated Students of the University of Montana understand the need to boost enrollment at the regional campuses and colleges of technology.

WHEREAS there are other means to affect the decisions of Montana students, such as tuition freezes at the regional schools and COT's.

THEREFORE, Let it be resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana do not support Differentiated tuition in its current proposed form.

Sponsored by:

Ryan Hopkins, Senator

Aaron Murphy, Senator