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1 **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Amending the Relations and Affairs Committee Bylaws**
3 **April 27, 2011**
4 **Senate Bill Number: SB45-10/11**
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6 **Sponsored by: Lucas Berry, ASUM Senator**
7 **and Katie Mariani, ASUM Senator**
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10 Whereas, to be effective and relevant ASUM Bylaws must be current;

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12 Whereas, Relations and Affairs Committee has long held a formal charge to issue a report
13 of ASUM agency activity and coordinate the marketing efforts of ASUM;

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15 Whereas, these duties, delegated to Relations and Affairs Committee by the ASUM
16 Bylaws, have not been fulfilled in at least the last four years;

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18 Whereas, the ad-hoc Students First Committee has taken on the duties of education,
19 outreach, and marketing on behalf of ASUM and its agencies;

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21 Whereas, Students First Committee is seeking status as a standing committee;

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23 Whereas, ASUM strives to distribute burdens equally and empower Senators, students-at-
24 large, and committees to fulfill their obligations;

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26 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the ASUM Senate amend ASUM Bylaws to read:

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28 **Section 2. Relations and Affairs Committee:**

29 A. The Relations and Affairs Committee shall be composed of nine (9) members, four (4)
30 of which shall be Senators.

31 B. All Changes to the ASUM Bylaws, ASUM Personnel Policy, ASUM House Rules, or
32 any resolution not coming from the University Center Board, Student Political Action, or
33 the Board on Budget and Finance must be presented to the Relations and Affairs
34 Committee prior to going to the Senate.

35 1. The Relations and Affairs Committee can choose to forward resolutions to the Senate
36 with a do pass, do not pass, or no recommendation at all.

37 2. The Relations and Affairs Committee may choose not to forward a resolution to the
38 Senate in accordance with procedure in Roberts Rules of Order.

39 The Relations and Affairs Committee shall be responsible for recommending all changes
40 to the ASUM Bylaws and ASUM Personnel Policy.

41 ~~C. The Relations and Affairs Committee shall work on unbiased projects, ideas, or~~
42 ~~campaigns intended to increase student involvement in and student awareness of ASUM~~
43 ~~government in general or any particular issue(s) pertaining to ASUM.~~

44 D. The Relations and Affairs Committee shall be responsible for all activities occurring
45 on the University campus that affect ASUM and students. These activities include, but
46 are not limited to: auxiliary service fees and operations, campus development plans,

47 campus security, environmental health, insurance, parking, university athletics, computer
48 fees, academic issues, library operations, long-range building plans, international student
49 affairs, student health service, drug and alcohol policy, and building and equipment fees.
50 E. The Chair of the Relations and Affairs Committee is responsible for organizing a
51 review of all ASUM Agency activity, excluding personnel issues, and presenting a report
52 to the Senate at least once per semester.

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54 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that the ASUM Senate does everything within its
55 power to encourage Relations and Affairs Committee to fulfill its obligation of reviewing
56 ASUM agency activity and publish a report of findings during the 2011/2012 academic
57 year.

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60 Passed by Committee: _____, 2011

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62 Passed by ASUM Senate: _____, 2011

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67 Travis Suzuki,
68 Relations and Affairs Chair

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67 Amanda Stovall,
68 Chair of the Senate

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