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Associated Students
University of Montana ASUM SENATE AGENDA
April 8, 1998
Mt. Sentinel Room

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University Center

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1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes - April 1, 1998
4. Public Comment
5. President's Report
 - a. Sally Mullen, General Manager, Mountain Line
 - b. John Cleaveland, Executive Director, Information Technology
 - c. Charity Drive - T-shirts
 - d. Roundtable Discussions
 - e. Other
6. Vice President's Report
 - a. Committee Appointments
 - b. Other
7. Business Manager's Report
 - a. STIP (State Term Investment Pool)
 - b. SPECIAL ALLOCATION
 - c. TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION
Woodsman Team \$1,850
8. Committee Reports
9. Unfinished Business
 - a. SB18-97/98 Resolution to Dissolve the \$100 Course Retake Fee
 - b. SB24-97/98 Resolution to Change the Bylaws: Section 3, A, 1a -
 - c. SB25-97/98 Resolution to Endorse the Attached Contract between ASUM and The University of Montana Law School
 - d. SB26-97/98 Resolution to Amend Personnel Policy Section 4.50
 - e. SB27-97/98 Resolution to ask the Students of The University of Montana to Vote to Freeze KBGA's Radio Fee at \$5
 - f. SB28-97/98 Resolution to Modify the Merchant Policy of The University Center
 - g. SB29-97/98 Resolution to Support a Dead Week Policy
 - h. SB30-97/98 Resolution to Postpone the Proposed 12.5 Million Dollar Parking Garage Bonding
 - i. SB31-97/98 Resolution for ASUM to Conduct A Survey of The University of Montana Campus concerning Transportation Issues
10. New Business
11. Comments
12. Adjournment

ASUM SENATE MINUTES

April 8, 1998

Mt. Sentinel Room

Air Gardner called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m. Present: Merrick, Gardner, Shimanek, Driscoll (6:20), Higgins, Kautz, Llewellyn, Lorenz, McCall, McCue, Murphy, Ohland (6:15), Schendel, Spengler, Struve, Vonde, Walen and Weinheimer. Excused was Fleury. Unexcused were Barovich and Sutherland. Forrest resigned.

The minutes of the April 1 meeting were approved as amended. The following was inserted immediately following comments: "Preceding adjournment, a motion was made by **Murphy-Merrick** to give some direction to ITPAC regarding a decision on port fees by defining the ASUM stance opposing them (see SB16-97/98 Resolution to Oppose Ethernet Port Fees passed 2/11/98) and stating 1) fees should only be charged to actual users; 2) fees should be specified as to use and cost; and 3) The Bookstore needs to be contacted to determine ethernet cards, etc. availability at a price which is competitive with local vendors. A previous question call by Higgins passed, and the motion failed."

Public Comment

- a. Jeff Cable spoke against the proposed contract between ASUM and the Law School to provide ASUM Legal Services. He suggested 1) a student vote; 2) having a lawyer look over the agreement for ASUM's protection, and 3) not rushing into a decision.
- b. Mark Hilario, an ASUM Legal Services intern, suggested more consideration of the legal impact and whether students will be best served by the decision.
- c. Mary Helen McNeal, Law School faculty member, spoke for the contract and noted that their interest is in running a good law clinic with the kinds of cases coming to ASUM Legal Services. The contract states that major decisions will be made by ASUM.
- d. Ben Darrow distributed a "fact" sheet drawn up by him that commented on the contract and urged Senate to consider the decision further.

President's Report

- a. Sally Mullen, General Manager, Mountain Line, spoke on UM parking congestion problems and expressed a desire to be part of the solution. Approximately one-half million more would be necessary in operating funds to provide night service, and she is interested in working with students to determine priorities and examine funding sources. Marketing help is needed from faculty, staff and students.
- b. John Cleaveland, Executive Director, Information Technology, spoke on funds needed to finish Banner installation. Bond interest rates are the lowest in 20 years. \$1.25 million in bonding is needed to finish the system. No students funds have been committed at this time to retire the administrative system debt. The two technology policy committees have recommended that students not be part of the payback of bonds on administrative computers.
- c. Struve spoke about a plan to sell t-shirts to graduating seniors. ASUM would receive \$2 for every \$18 shirt sold. The idea is for the money to be contributed to a charity. The plan is being evaluated by UM officials as to the impact on The Bookstore and other matters. Senators are to suggest names of charities that would be linked to UM's ideals.
- d. Merrick circulated a sign-up sheet for roundtable discussions on the student survey.
- e. A sheet was circulated for staffing tables at election sites.
- f. Merrick announced Stephen Forrest's resignation from Senate.

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ce-President's Report

- a. On a motion by Higgins-Shimanek, the following committee appointments were approved by Senate: Budget and Finance - Brad McCall; Parking Facility Task Force - Brad McCall, Bob Giordano.

Business Manager's Report

- a. STIP (State Term Investment Pool)
- b. SPECIAL ALLOCATION
- c. TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION
Woodsmen Team request for \$1,853 was recommended by B & F at \$300. A motion by Driscoll-Weinheimer to fund at \$500 passed.

Committee Reports

- a. Weinheimer on ITPAC - The bonding issue was discussed with the opinion that it was not necessary to bond out \$5 million for technology and that a proposal to require all students to have a computer was premature. The committee will meet 4/21, third floor Gallagher Building at 3:40.
- b. McCue on Elections - The committee gave a do pass recommendation on SB27. Election ballots will note the first letter of the party name/slogan after the candidates' names who are running on a slate.
- c. Kautz on SPA - A table will be in the UC tomorrow and Monday to promote the election. Help is needed on Monday.
- d. Struve on ASUM Affairs - A do pass was given on SB24, 25 and 26.
- e. Obland on UC Board - SB28 received a do pass. The UC governing structure was discussed. Travel Connection and the video store are leaving, and he asked for replacement suggestions. Proposal requests are out for UC fast food, which must be in operation mid-August.
- f. Llewellyn on University Affairs - Members need to meet.
- g. Murphy on Administration and Finance - parking structure and bonding were discussed. V-P Todd will speak to Senate again on the issues.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB18-97/98 Resolution to Dissolve the \$100 Course Retake Fee - in committee
- b. SB24-97/98 Resolution to Change the Bylaws: (Article IV) Section 3, A, 1a was passed on a motion by Merrick-Weinheimer with an accepted friendly amendment by Weinheimer to add "consecutive" before the word days in the second sentence of Section 3, A (Exhibit A).
- c. SB25-97/98 Resolution to Endorse the Attached Contract between ASUM and The University of Montana Law School was tabled until next week on a motion by Merrick-Weinheimer after a previous question call by Shimanek passed. A previous motion by Llewellyn-Obland to postpone action on this indefinitely was withdrawn. During a five-minute recess, it was agreed to delete "sponsored by" and insert "under the auspices of" in Section A 4); at the end of C 10) it would state that the Law School agrees that a director/faculty member candidate who is unacceptable to both ASUM representatives shall not be hired.
- d. SB26-97/98 Resolution to Amend Personnel Policy Section 4.50 was passed on a motion by Weinheimer-Spengler (Exhibit B).
- e. SB27-97/98 Resolution to ask the Students of The University of Montana to Vote to Freeze KBGA's Radio Fee at \$5 passed with an amended motion by McCue-Kautz to add at the end of the initiative: "The KBGA radio fee will be voted on by ASUM Senate annually and the decision brought before the Board of Regents for approval" (Exhibits C, Ca).
- f. SB28-97/98 Resolution to Modify the Merchant Policy of The University Center passed on a motion by Llewellyn-McCall (Exhibit D).

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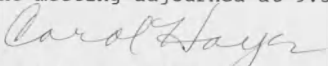
- h. SB29-97/98 Resolution to Support a Dead Week Policy - in committee
- h. SB30-97/98 Resolution to Postpone the Proposed 12.5 Million Dollar Parking Garage Bonding - in committee
- i. SB31-97/98 Resolution for ASUM to Conduct A Survey of The University of Montana Campus concerning Transportation Issues was tabled on a motion by Kautz-Shimanek.

New Business

- a. Resolution to oppose recommendation of mandated computer ownership
- b. Resolution to change UC governance structure
- c. Resolution to change UC room rental fee structure
- d. Resolution to create a task force on Dining Services

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.



Carol Hayes, ASUM Office Manager

Resolution to change The By-Laws: Section 3, A, 1a

Where as the second sentence, in the section, presently reads;

The polls for the general Election shall be open for two days: A Wednesday and the immediately following Thursday, and shall be open for at least seven hours a day.

Where as in Section 3,A states that;

The polls for the general election shall be open for at least two days and shall be open for at least seven hours a day, the amount of hours and days are to established at the discretion of the Elections Committee.

Where as it is mandated in several lines in Section 3 of the Bylaws that a polling station be established in the UC Main Floor.

Where as a conflict exists with polling on Wednesday and Thursday, in the UC Main Floor, on several Wednesday and Thursdays in April.

Where as the General Election dates are the only ones not included in Section 7, as under the discrepancy of the Elections Committee.

Therefore let it be resolved that the second sentence in Section 3,A,1a be stricken from the Bylaws.

Authored by,
Jonathan Fleury

Passed
4/8/98

Resolution to amend Personnel Policy Section 4.50

- Whereas: ASUM needs more representation from UM Productions in hiring the new director, and
- Whereas: UM Productions has more knowledge on specific job requirements that the director needs, and
- Whereas: The final appointment remains with the ASUM Senate, but the following amendments will provide more input from the people that work the closest with UM Productions,

Therefore let it be resolved: ASUM amends Personal Policy section 4.50 (the last sentence) to read as follows:

The new UM Productions Director will be selected by a five-person ASUM/UM Productions Interview committee, consisting of the ASUM President, the outgoing UM Productions Director--or, if the current director re-applies, a designee who is picked by the UM Productions advisor-- the UM Productions advisor, and two outgoing UM Productions coordinators who are not applying for positions in UM Productions for the next year - or, if two are not available, outgoing Senators appointed by the ASUM President. Following the aforementioned committee's decision on a new director, the ASUM President will forward the candidate's name for ASUM Senate approval.

Authored by: Jeff Merrick

*Passed
4-8-98*

Resolution to ask the students of the University of Montana to vote to freeze KBGA's radio fee at \$5.

WHEREAS, KBGA's fundamental mission is to provide a quality service to the students of the University of Montana, and is a representation of the students of the university as they broadcast to the Missoula community, and,

WHEREAS, KBGA is run entirely by student volunteers and staff and is one of the largest student groups at the University of Montana which continues to grow exponentially. With more than 60 volunteer DJs and a small paid staff KBGA broadcasts 24 hours a day, 365 days a year requiring massive use of delicate equipment, and,

WHEREAS, The student radio fee which is a majority of KBGA's operational budget is set to decline to, and remain at, \$3 per student, per semester, KBGA will have exhausted its insurance account within five years, and,

WHEREAS, KBGA has set fundraising goals of more than \$30,000 a year within five years yet this amount would still leave KBGA with inadequate funding and an empty insurance account if the radio fee declines to \$3 per student, and,

WHEREAS, an adequate operational budget is an absolute necessity in order for KBGA to continue to grow by adding more volunteers, more student based programming, more variety and maintain this growth for the remaining years of KBGA and the University of Montana's future,

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that it be put on the ballot for the students to vote as to whether or not KBGA should freeze its radio fee at \$5 per student, this issue will be revisited annually.

Authored by Jake Schimke

Sponsored by Jeff Merrick

Passed
4-8-98

KBGA RADIO FEE INITIATIVE

The student radio fee, which supports KBGA, has been declining since it was implemented at \$9 three years ago and is scheduled to fall to \$3 by Spring Semester 1999 where it will remain. When this scheduled fee decline was agreed to there was no way to gauge what the realistic costs of running a radio station at the University of Montana would be. KBGA would like to freeze this fee at \$5 in order to better establish itself and continue growing. The KBGA radio fee will be voted on by ASUM Senate annually and the decision brought before the Board of Regents for approval.

Choose one of the following options:

☐

FOR freezing the KBGA radio fee at \$5

☐

AGAINST freezing the radio fee at \$5

*Passed
4-8-98*

SB28 - 97/98
Exhibit D

RESOLUTION TO MODIFY THE MERCHANT POLICY OF THE UNIVERSITY CENTER

WHEREAS, ASUM is charged with the duty of protecting student interests, and,

WHEREAS, Students of The University of Montana have complained about certain companies soliciting in the University Center, and,

WHEREAS, A sampling of student opinion indicates that a majority of students support passing legislation to prohibit overaggressive and deceptive soliciting practices in the University Center,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, The Associated Students of the University of Montana recommends that the University Center of The University of Montana change its merchant policy to contain the following stipulations:

1. As a way of educating students about personal finance, consumer credit organizations will be notified when credit card vendors are scheduled to be in the UC, and will be given an opportunity to schedule an atrium table to supply students with information about owning a credit card and personal finance.
2. As a way of preventing deception in marketing practices, all credit card vendors will be required to make a good faith effort to inform all applicants of all rates, fees, timelines, deadlines, offers, changes, and any other information about the card before the application is received.
3. As a way of making sure that credit card vendors are not overzealous in recruiting applicants, the UC's Merchant's Day Application will be modified to include the UC's existing policy that merchants *are not allowed to address patrons unless they actively show interest*. The application will indicate that violation of this policy will result in eviction and possible denial of access to the UC in the future.
4. As a way of providing students a channel for expressing complaints or inquiring about a merchant's product or service, all merchants will be required to display a phone number that students can call for more information as well as their web page, if one is available. Also, merchants will be required to display the phone number for UC Administration.

Authored by Mike Obland

Sponsored by Patience Llewellyn

Passed
4/8/98