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ASUM SENATE AGENDA Wednesday, November 29, 2017 Missoula College Room 122– 6 P.M.

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES November 8, 2017
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - a. APASP Public Comment
 - b. Dean O'Brien and Missoula College Ambassador James Wilmus
 - c. Laure Pengelly Drake
 - d. APASP Taskforce Members
 - e. Special Session Update
 - f. MOUs for Branch Center Space
 - g. Strategic Vision Core Themes
 - h. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Committees
- b. Winter Retreat
- c. Provost Search
- d. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

Zero-Base Carryover: \$128,383.86 S.T.I.P.: \$163,766.65 (\$163,276.65) Union Emergency: \$1,813.91

Special Allocation: \$6,173.00 (\$6,123.00)

Travel Allocation: \$1,041.30 (\$753.30) [\$11,041.30]

- a) Travel Allocation Request: UM FLAT \$288.00/\$448.45
- b) STIP Request: UM Ice Holes \$490.00/\$490.00
- c) Special Allocation Request: Global Grizzlies \$50.00/\$100.00
- d) Birthdays
- e) Elections Update

- f) Other
- 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- **10. NEW BUSINESS**
- 11. COMMENTS
- 12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM Senate Minutes Wednesday, November 29, 2017 UC 225, 6 p.m.

Chair Love called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Senators Anderson, Belcher, Borstad, Butler, Capece, Carpenter, Cowley, Curtis, Durnell, Fitzpatrick, Hohenstein, Honnold, Koerber, Lemm, Lewis, Milton, Morrill, Peters, Schafer, Stokovich, Toppen, Ward, Welch. President Fitzgerald, Vice-President Love, Business Manager Kuiper, Advisors Stark and DeBoer. Unexcused: None. Excused: Senator Collins

The minutes from the November 8, 2017 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

o Jen Eurl spoke to the senate about the economic status of women in Montana and the wage gap in the state.

President's Report

- a. APASP Public Comment
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 - b. Dean O'Brien and Missoula College Ambassador James Wilmus
 - Dean O'Brien Ambassador Wilmus spoke to the senate explaining the function of Missoula College within the community and its goals for the future.
 - Missoula College Ambassador's meeting is this Friday at 1:00 p.m.
 - c. Laure Pengelly Drake
 - Dr. Drake spoke to the senate about the external scholarships available for UM students
 - Stories on past winners can be found at umt.edu/external-scholarships.
 - d. APASP Taskforce Members
 - Phase 1 of the process will be finished tomorrow morning, meaning recommendations for priority for development and growth will be given.
 - The report itself will be made public by Friday at the latest.
 - Phase 2 will primarily focus on figuring out how the university can augment those programs and help them grow.
 - Regardless of the recommendations and decisions made, all currently enrolled students will have the opportunity to graduate in their current majors.
 - The timeline for the rest of the APASP process can be found at umt.edu/apasp/process/framework.

e. Special Session Update

- MUS received a \$4.5 million base cut.
- The state did pass a tax on insurance companies as a revenue-enhancement. Provisions were built into the tax preventing insurance companies from raising prices on consumers to account for the tax.

f. MOUs for Branch Center Space

- ASUM will be going into negotiations with the Branch Center director and UC Board regarding MOU's with the organizations in the space.
- g. Strategic Vision Core Themes
 - The Board of Regents did not ratify the new core themes for the university created in the strategic vision.
 - There was concern around the wording of "Reinvent the Heart of the Curriculum."
 - There is a new charge for SPCC, to operationalize the Strategic Vision, "Creating Change Together." The date in mind for this is mid-January. Over winter break, teams will be made to tackle each core value and find a way to make them operational at UM.

h. Graduate Tax

 A tax is being proposed at the federal level that would include graduate school loans as income and tax them when they were handed out to students.

j. Other

- President Fitzgerald is meeting with the executive team of the UM Foundation regarding the vote from the student body to divest from fossil fuels in the spring.
- The senate will vote on changes to the proposed free speech policy.

Vice President's Report

- e. Committees
 - Senator Welch moved to approve the changes to the committee makeups, passed unanimously.
- f. Winter Retreat
 - Retreat will be the week before spring semester starts.
- g. Provost Search
 - The search firm, AGB, was in Missoula to gather info on what the university is looking for in a Provost during Thanksgiving break.
 - In the job description, it was re-emphasized the importance of a strong background in academia.
 - A webpage about the provost search will be on the university website as soon as a job description is finalized.

h. Other

Business Manager's Report

Zero-Base Carryover: \$129,113.86 (128,413.86)

S.T.I.P.: \$163,933.15 (\$163,766.65) Union Emergency: \$1,813.91

Special Allocation: \$6,525.00 (\$6,173.00) Travel Allocation: \$1,041.30 [\$11,041.30]

g) Travel Allocation Request: UM FLAT \$288.00/\$448.45

- Senator Welch moves to approve the amount of \$288, seconded by Senator Belcher.
 Motion passed
- h) STIP Request: UM Ice Holes \$490.00/\$490.00
 - Amount of \$490 approved.
- i) Special Allocation Request: Global Grizzlies \$50.00/\$100.00
 - Amount of \$50 approved.
- i) Birthdays
 - Senator Lemm and Senator Hohenstein had birthdays.
- k) Elections Update
 - A mock election will be held on Friday, December 8 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- I) Other

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Committee Reports

- Transportation Oversight Board has 2 more meetings; one will be this Friday from 3:00-4:00 p.m., the
 second will be the following Friday from 3:00-4:00 p.m. They are working with Jordan Hess to subsidize
 some fares with Uber to the west campus. They are also working on parking vouchers for students to
 purchase parking passes for a day only. A survey is being designed for Bitterroot College to determine
 their needs.
- Childcare's next meeting will be next Thursday; they will be talking over a new 5-year plan.
- Relations & Affairs will be meeting this Friday at 3:00 p.m. to discuss the free speech policy.
- UM Economics Club, UM Rodeo Team, and UM Whitewater Club were all approved.
- Sports Club Union will meet on Monday to discuss their budget.
- Program Prioritization will meet this Sunday at 3:00.
- Interview Committee will hold interviews to fill the two open seats on senate over winter session. The application deadline has been extended to the end of the semester
- Advising will meet next Friday.
- Marketing and Outreach will meet on Thursday at 8:30 p.m.
- UM Production is looking at Stage 112 as a possible new venue for concerts.
- ASUM Legal oversight will meet tomorrow to finalize their strategic plan.
- Business and Finance will meet next Sunday.
- Elections Committee will meet next week and will discuss the mock election.
- Publication Board will meet in December.
- Research and Creative Scholarship Fund Committee will meet tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. to assign review groups for the scholarship.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Resolution regarding gender neutral bathrooms to Relations & Affairs by Senator Welch.

Resolution regarding free speech policy to Relations & Affairs by President Fitzgerald

Resolution regarding f=violence against women, asking for family rooms, regarding violence and speech all to Relations & affairs by Senator Borstad.

Resolution regarding environmental policy on the national level to Relations and Affairs and Sustainability by Senator Welch.

Resolution asking university to play Journey song at end of every semester by Senator Borstad.

Resolution regarding the Grad tax to Student Political Action Committee by Senator Belcher.

Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 p.m. p.m.

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