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ASUM SENATE AGENDA  
October 8, 1997 - 6:00 p.m.  
Mt. Sentinel Room

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes - October 1, 1997
4. Public Comment
5. President's Report
  - a. Dan Corti - Pesticide Use
  - b. Web Page - Mike Obland and Jean Ablutz
  - c. UC Market Pricing
  - d. UC Third Floor Renovations
  - e. Legal Services Update
  - f. Leadership Conference
  - g. Enrollment Update
  - h. Bike Rack
6. Vice President's Report
  - a. Committee Appointments
  - b. Model Arab League
  - c. UTU Update
7. Business Manager's Report
  - a. TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION REQUESTS  
Young Life (\$1,500) - in committee  
UM Jazz Band (\$1,800)  
Catholic Campus Ministry (\$108)
  - b. STIP - Cutbank (\$2,935)
  - c. Zero-Based C.O. - Extracurricular Extravaganza (\$401)
  - d. Miscellaneous
8. Committee Reports
9. Unfinished Business
  - a. SB4-97/98 Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy Section 8.5 and Add Sections 9.6.1 and 9.10
  - b. SB5-97/98 Resolution to Conduct A Survey of the Student Body
10. New Business
11. Comments
12. Adjournment

# ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET

DATE October 8, 1997

## SENATE MEMBERS

JEAN ABLUTZ  
 PETER BAROVICH  
 BENJAMIN FJOSNE  
 JONATHAN FLEURY  
 STEPHEN FORREST  
 LAURA GARBER  
 KEVIN HIGGINS  
 ERIN KAUTZ  
 JOHN LAIR  
 PATIENCE LLEWELLYN  
 VICKY LORENZ  
 BRAD McCALL  
 MARK McCUE  
 AL NAULT  
 MIKE OBLAND  
 AARON SCHENDEL  
 EMILY STRUVE  
 KERRY TOPEL  
 JENNIFER WALEN  
 MICHAEL WEINHEIMER

ROLL  
CALL

*Comments*

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## ASUM OFFICERS

JEFF MERRICK  
 President  
 JENNIFER GARDNER  
 Vice-President  
 MATT SHIMANEK  
 Business Manager

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## FACULTY ADVISORS

*Prof. Ausland*

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**ASUM SENATE MINUTES**  
**October 8, 1997**  
**Mt. Sentinel Room**

Chair Gardner called the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m. Present: Merrick, Gardner, Shimanek, Ablutz, Barovich, Fleury, Fjosne, Forrest, Garber, Higgins, Kautz, Lair, Llewellyn, Lorenz, McCall, McCue, Nault, Obland, Schendel, Struve, Topel, Walen and Weinheimer.

The minutes of the October 1 meeting were approved with one correction: the unexcused absences for Garber and Walen were changed to excused.

**Public Comment - None**

**President's Report**

- a. Dan Corti, Director of Environmental Health, and Len Broberg of the Environmental Studies Program spoke on the University's use of picloram on Mt. Sentinel. The applications have been targeted to avoid paths and other main-use areas and have warnings marked before, during and after use for an extended time. The results are being studied and will be reassessed in two years. State law requires an approved plan. No aerial sprayings will be done in the next two years. Hand-pulling plots are being utilized by the Forestry School for study. Sheep have been considered, but erosion possibilities and the steepness of the terrain might be deterrents. ASUM will be notified of a future informational hearing.
- b. Obland and Ablutz have requested Senate help with the Web page.
- c. Merrick talked with UC Market and found that some of the price hikes have been due to increased manufacturer prices.
- d. A talk with President Dennison was disappointing, in that a \$12 fee approval by students would be subsidized to reach the \$15 fee results but that no aid would be given for a \$9 fee approval. Merrick is exploring other possibilities to keep the fee at a minimum with the maximum results for the UC.
- e. Merrick has sent a report to Legal Services summarizing the interviews with staff and endorsing some action plans. ASUM Affairs Committee is meeting with Child Care and UM Productions.
- f. Senators interested in the Leadership Conference are to see Carol to register. Llewellyn, McCall and Nault expressed interest.
- g. Enrollment at the U of M - Missoula is up 3%. See Merrick for more information.
- h. Merrick and UC Director Ratcliff have sent a memo to Ken Willett regarding bike racks. More are needed west of the UC.

**Vice-President's Report**

- a. The following slate of committee appointments was approved on a motion by **Schendel-Forrest**: SPA - Tara Jensen, Conan O'Sullivan; ITPAC - Jennifer Gardner; Administration & Finance Advisory - Matt Shimanek; Scholarship & Financial Aid - Jenni Streibick; University Discrimination and Grievance - Erin Kautz; Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - Erin Kautz.
- b. Michelle Schwartz, Secretary General of the Northern Rocky Mountain Model Arab League, gave information about the meetings for March 26-28 and encouraged Senators to seek delegate or chair positions (Exhibit A).
- c. Gardner reported that the UTU agreement was amended so that students may file grievances independently if they have a letter from the ASUM Resolution Officer stating why the case was not pursued by ASUM.

**Business Manager's Report**

- a. Young Life's request from Travel Special Allocation - in committee.
- b. UM Jazz Band's request from Travel Special Allocation - in committee.
- c. A STIP request by Cutbank for \$1,935 (reduced by \$1,000 due to help by Dean Flightner) forwarded by Budget and Finance (B & F) was passed on a motion by **Topel-Nault**.

- d. A Travel Special Allocation (TSA) request by Catholic Campus Ministry for \$108 forwarded by B & F was passed on a motion by **Nault-Forrest**. A request for \$401 (changed to \$395) from Zero-Based Carryover to help fund the Extracurricular Extravaganza was amended by B & F to \$80 to be used for advertising and passed on a motion by **Nault-Topel**. The function will be held October 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- f. A TSA request by College Democrats for \$150 and amended by B & F to \$75 was approved for \$100 on an accepted friendly amendment by **Forrest** and a motion by **Merrick-Nault**.

#### Committee Reports

- a. Nault reported that the Hot Line is up and running at extension 6522.
- b. Llewellyn reported a Suggestion Box request for more bike racks.
- c. Obland reported that UC Board is discussing referendum options for the UC renovations. Salmon Lake Coordinator Fisher will speak on the issue at the Friday, Oct. 10, meeting at 3:15 p.m. in UC215.
- d. Kautz reported that SPA was helped by MtPIRG and others for the final registration day on Monday. A proposed information booklet for mailing to registered students was passed around.
- e. Ablutz asked Senators to watch for the possibility of students being asked to bring their own computers to class due to lab overload and asked that they encourage students to sign up with US West for access to help the University.
- f. A definition of Life Skills classes has been developed. See Merrick.

#### Unfinished Business

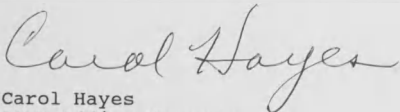
- a. SB4-97/98 Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy Section 8.5 and Add Sections 9.6.1 and 9.10 - in committee
- SB5-97/98 Resolution to Conduct A Survey of the Student Body - in committee
- c. SB6-97/98 Resolution to Encourage the State of Montana to Adopt Priorities Which Benefit the University System in Deciding How to Allocate Any Increase in Revenue They Gain From the Recent Federal Tax Cut (Exhibit B) came to Senate under seconded motion status by SPA and passed on a motion by **Weinheimer-Topel**.

#### New Business

- a. Resolution for funding to advertise ASUM Hotline

#### Comments

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.



Carol Hayes  
ASUM Office Manager

## PRESS RELEASE- MODEL ARAB LEAGUE

UM students will have hands-on experience in global diplomacy <sup>March</sup> ~~April~~ 26-28 when they spend two and one half days negotiating in the Northern Rocky Mountain Model Arab League. Students will represent Arab nations and attempt to do what the League of Arab States has done since its inception March 22, 1945- ~~find common ground and reach agreements on issues that affect~~ them all. While the Model Arab League has existed for more than a decade, this is only the second time the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations in Washington D.C. has asked UM to host the event. The Northern Rocky Mountain Region Model Arab League in Missoula is one of 19 Model Arab Leagues happening in 1998.

Also at the first meeting, Amy Aull of the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations will welcome participants. At a plenary session, the agenda and topics will be set, and at a committee meetings, student delegates will draft, debate, and vote on resolutions reflecting their countries' positions on Social, Economic, Security, Political, and Palestinian affairs. The summit session on <sup>March</sup> ~~April~~ 28 is the climactic meeting in which the resolutions will face the final vote of all delegates. Finally, awards will be distributed to individuals and delegations for star performances.

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## 1998 PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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### POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. Creation of a Council for Election Standards
2. Women's Suffrage
3. A Role for Europe and the UN in the Middle East peace process
4. Legal Recourse for Human Rights Violations
  - A Return to the Fundamentals of the Peace Process [i.e., Land for Peace]
  - Former Soviet Republics, Turkey, and the Arabs - Impact of Israeli-Turkish Relations on Arab Countries
  - Reintegration of Iraq into the Arab Fold

### ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. Non-Arab Workers' Economic Impact on GDP's of Arab Countries
2. Value of Tourism in Restoration of Old *Medinas*
3. Diversifying Arab Investment in World Markets
4. Agricultural Cooperation for Food Security
  - Arab Economic Reactions to Israel's Policy vis-a-vis Settlements and Withholding of Transfer Payments

### SOCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. Impact of Non-Arab Labor on Arab Society
2. Potential Role of Traditional Methods of Education in Eradicating Illiteracy in Rural Areas
3. Campaign to Publicize Arab Contributions to Modern Science & Technology
4. The Arab Family: A Model for the West ?
  - Creation of Networks for Communication among Arab Institutions of Higher Education

### SECURITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. International Campaign to Curb Extremism in All Its Forms
2. Standardization and Computerization of Identity Cards for Member Nations
3. Establishment of Arab Task Force on Security Issues
4. Defining Universal Standards for Condemning International Violence
  - Establishment of Inter-linked Computerized Citizens Database
  - Strengthening Cooperation with Neighboring Muslim Nations

### PALESTINIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. Palestinians: Approaching a 50-Year Diaspora
  2. Jerusalem: Its Present, Its Future
  3. Opening the Ways: Tunnels, Land Bridges, Sea Ports and Air Ports
  4. Collective Punishment: Legal Dimensions
    - Mechanism for Mobilization [i.e., the World Wide Web]
- Indicates topics for additional research - they are not required

SB 697/98  
Exhibit B

**RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE THE STATE OF MONTANA TO ADOPT PRIORITIES WHICH  
BENEFIT THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM IN DECIDING HOW TO ALLOCATE ANY INCREASE IN  
REVENUE THEY GAIN FROM THE RECENT FEDERAL TAX CUT**

**WHEREAS** the federal government cut taxes recently in such a manner as to make it reasonable to expect the State of Montana to have an unanticipated increase in revenue in excess of \$20 million, and;

**WHEREAS** the State of Montana and in particular the Governor Marc Racicot must decide which programs will be best served by the allocation of these unanticipated revenues; and,

**WHEREAS** funding for the Montana University System has not been receiving state support at a level which makes education affordable for many Montana students, and;

**WHEREAS** to meet this need there either must be a decrease in the level of tuition increases or funding for an adequate financial program in the State of Montana;

**THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED,**

The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) respectfully request that Governor Marc Racicot sets priorities that reflect the needs of students and families who would benefit from an affordable Montana University System. In particular, ASUM requests that the following funding areas be considered top priorities when allocating any state funds:

- (1) Using state funds to off-set tuition increases and therefore flatten out rising tuition.
- (2) Fully fund the Montana Tuition Assistance Program.

Sponsored by:  
Jeff Merrick, ASUM President  
Ben Darrow, SPA Director  
Passed SPA unanimously



**RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT A SURVEY OF THE STUDENT BODY**

Whereas; The responsibility of the senate is to address student interests, and;

Whereas; Clarifying the student body interests will function as a way of prioritizing issues senate should address; and

Whereas; A general survey would function best to collect this information,

Therefore Let It Be Resolved:

The Associated Students Of The University of Montana desire a survey of the student body to be conducted for the purpose of prioritizing student concerns.

Therefore Let It Further Be Resolved that ASUM will conduct this survey by October 30, 1997. It should be conducted for no fewer than three days, should include questions about many aspects of campus, and should be conducted at the Lodge and UC between the hours of 10am and 4pm.

Authored by:

Albert Nault