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The Associated Students of The University of Montana

Resolution Regarding Athletic Fee Increase

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Whereas, the student athletes at the University of Montana have been spending multiple hours each day training in facilities which are long past due for renovations.

Whereas, the aesthetics of the facilities are not the concern of student athletes, but the welfare of student athletes is currently at risk in the present state of the facilities.

Whereas, the improved working facilities will help with the continued success of our athletic programs, which in turn will help the University of Montana as a whole.

Whereas, the current athletic fee at the University of Montana is $23.00 per semester for all students enrolled in 1-6 credits and $46.00 per semester for all students enrolled in seven or more credits.

Whereas, the students at Montana State University pay $72.10 per semester for their Athletic Fee.

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that ASUM supports a fee increase of $26.10 for every student enrolled in seven or more credits. For students enrolled in one to six credits, the fee will be half the total fee, $36.05 per semester, as that is the fee structure at this time.

Let It Be Further Resolved that this fee will be permanent; with no sunset date. The student athletes will benefit immensely from this fee increase as will the art students, who will ultimately benefit from the construction of a new art annex.

Let It Be Further Resolved that the increased fee will be used only for facilities costs.

Let It Be Further Resolved that 50% of the increased portion of the fee go towards the costs of building and maintaining the Art Annex, until its completion.

Let It Be Further Resolved that the Athletic Department annually presents an itemized budget breakdown of this fee to ASUM to ensure that the fee does in fact go to facilities cost.
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