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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
December 4, 1996 - 6 p.m.
Mt. Sentinel Room

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes - November 13, 1996
4. Public Comment
5. President's Report
 - a. Mandatory Fee Policy
 - b. Ken Stolz - Computer Fee
 - c. Nancy Fitch - Health Services Fee
 - d. Keith Glaes - Campus Recreation Fee
 - e. Remanded Tuition
 - f. Tuition
 - g. Appointments: Resolution Officer and Lobbyist
 - h. Other
6. Vice President's Report
 - a. Committee Appointments
 - b. Other
7. Business Manager's Report
 - a. Giving Tree
 - b. Miscellaneous
8. Committee Reports
9. Unfinished Business
 - a. SB11-96/97 Resolution to Implement an ASUM Hotline
10. New Business
11. Comments
12. Adjournment

ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET

DATE December 4, 1996SENATE MEMBERSROLL
CALL*Comments*

ANNTONI ALEXANDER

P
ex
excused
Y

CORY LEE ARNOLD

P
Y

MICHAL BARTKIEWICZ

P
Y

KAREN FOOTE

P
Y

JAMES FREEMAN

P
Y

JENNIFER GARDNER

P
Y

MICHELLE GRADNIGO

P
Y

SARAH ANN HANNAH

P
Y

BARBARA HENDERSON

6:10
P
Y

VINCE IACOPINI

P
Y

MERRITT JOHNSON

P
Y

KATHLEEN KENNEDY

P
Y

KRISTIE KRINOCK

6:15
P
Y

ANGELIKA LONGACRE

P
Y

JAMIE LUKE

P
Y

JEFF MERRICK

*Patrick Mulliken**6:11*
P
Y

MIKE OBLAND

6:10
P
Y

BRITT REED

P
Y

MATT SHIMANEK

6:10
P
Y

TOM WENZ

6:10
P
*Y*ASUM OFFICERS

JASON THIELMAN

President

P
excused
Y

BARBARA O'LEARY

Vice-President

P
Y

KARA HARTMAN

Business Manager

Jeff Merrick
P
*Y*FACULTY ADVISORS

PROFESSOR AUSLAND

P
Y

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
December 4, 1996 - 6 p.m.
Mt. Sentinel Room

Chair Thielman called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Present: Thielman, Merrick, Alexander, Bartkiewicz, Foote, Freeman, Gardner, Gradnigo, Hannah, Henderson (6:10), Iacopini, Johnson, Kennedy, Krinock (6:15), Longacre, Luke, Milliken (6:11), Obland (6:10), Reed, Shimanek (6:10) and Wenz (6:10). Excused were Arnold and O'Leary.

The minutes of the November 13 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

*Ken Hill commented on ASUM's fees and new refund policy with regard to ideological and political groups and cited court cases dealing with PIRG fees. Ben Darrow responded and cautioned Senators to move slowly in making radical changes to the policy without research and consultation with our legal advisor.

President's Report

- a. MAS will request Regents to pass policy requiring a student vote on all new and increased fee proposals before decisions are made. A Senate vote to send a recommendation to Budget & Planning will be held next week.
- b. Ken Stolz spoke for the Office of Information and Technology on a proposed 100% increase in the computer fee. He said that the fee increase is necessary for: 1) support staff for the labs and help desks; 2) Web support - namely web page development, assist departments and faculty in Web page development and 3) expand and teach about the Web. The plan is to consolidate labs - bigger and fewer - have more work stations and to increase general access labs by 50%.
- c. Nancy Fitch, Director of Health Services, thanked students for their patience during HS building renovation/construction, which added greatly to the efficiency of services. She requested Senate's preliminary approval of a \$3.00 increase in the Health Service fee. If lower staff salary increases are implemented, the fee would be reduced accordingly.
- d. Keith Glaes of Campus Recreation is requesting a \$2/semester increase in the Rec fee to fund equipment repair, part replacement and new equipment purchase for expansion.
- e. Thielman stressed the need for Senate's recommendation to Budget and planning on fee increases. Timing has changed this year, and it is important to show that ASUM can respond to the change, act in a timely manner and be prepared to speak to the issues.
- f. Thielman offered the following position nominations, which were approved individually: Lobbyist - Bob Brigham; Resolution Officer - John Solomon.
- g. If non-resident enrollment projection is off over 1%, the money is returned to Regents for reallocation. In January the Regents will be asked to approve a measure to return the money to State Financial Aid. It appears that other Montana school Senates will be approving a resolution on the issue. The measure seems to have President Dennison's support.
- h. Budget and Planning is considering a tuition increase. The Governor supports a 6% increase, Pres. Dennison a 7.5% increase, with the Regents Chair not interested in anything over 6.5%.
- i. SPA Director Darrow reported that SPA is forming a student call network to contact legislatures during the session to enable student input on issues. SPA will meet next Monday, Dec. 9, at 8:30 p.m.
- j. Senate approved the following committee appointments: SPA - Kathleen Kennedy, Carly Croskrey; Committee of Chairs - Jennifer Gardner.
- k. A copy of the proposal from the General Education Review Committee ready for ASCRC approval regarding a reduction in general education credit requirements will be available at the ASUM front desk for perusal.

Vice President's Report - None

Business Manager's Report

- Merrick said the Giving Tree is available in the UC for donations of non-perishable foods, clothing and toys which will be picked up by the Salvation Army for distribution to needy families.
- b. A budgeting time line will be available next week to help plan schedules.

Committee Reports

- a. Henderson offered and Senate passed the following slate of ASUM organizations for recognition approval: Wildlands Studies and Information Center, UM Jazz Bands, Montana Druids, Campus Christian Club, Earth Awareness, Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, UM Footbag League, Student Radio Organization, Latter Day Saint Student Association, Range Club, Chinese Students Association, Forestry Students Association, Ad Team, Pre-Health Sciences Club, Corps of Cadets, University of Montana Rugby Football Club, College Democrats, Buttered Toast Society, Student Garden Club, University Shotokan Karate Club, Taiku Kaikan Karate, Flute Choir, Batterside Rugby Club, Missoula Free Fliers Association, Ask An Alum, Geology Club, Beta Phi Alpha.
- b. Gardner asked Senators to please participate in grass roots lobbying. Darrow has presented the idea to the Board of Regents and educators, and the plan was well-received.
- c. Hannah noted that University Affairs will meet next Monday at 3 p.m. in UC222.
- d. Kennedy said Library and Archives is recommending a 70 to 30 ratio of serials to monographs. The proposal will be forwarded to Faculty Senate.
- e. Milliken requested a student-at-large for UC Board. Capital funds are being used from the UC budget to meet some fire codes. There is a 5-7 yr. time line for 3rd floor renovations and 36 mos. to meet fire codes.
- f. Hannah noted that the Sports Union Organization needs three or four senators and at-large students for the committee.
- g. Merrick will bringing several STIP and Special Allocation requests to Senate next week. B & F is discussing the Kyi-Yo budget proposal.
- h. Jason reported that the Committee of Chairs has prepared a handbook for minutes and agendas for current and future reference.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB11-96/97 Resolution to Implement an ASUM Hotline was passed out of committee. A motion by **Gradnigo-Foote** to refer back to committee passed.

New Business

- a. Resolution to form audit committee
- b. Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy with reference to refund policy
- c. Resolution to prioritize legislative agenda
- d. Resolution to form Graduate Student Affairs Committee
- e. Resolution to support Giving Tree
- f. Resolution for remanded fee to go to State financial aid
- g. Resolution for ASUM Senate to forward recommendation on proposed fees to Budget and Planning

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Carol Hayes

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