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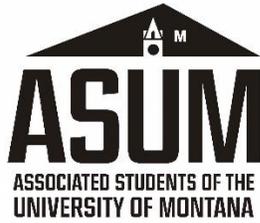
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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, November 7, 2018
UC 225 – 6:30 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 31, 2018

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Aaron Brock, Missoula Food Bank Executive Director
- b. Jessica Allred, Director of Development and Advocacy
- c. Erinn Guzik, Student Conduct Officer
- d. Jon Harbor, Provost
- e. Committee Reports
- f. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. UM Days
- b. Committee Updates
- c. Committee Reports
- d. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

Zero-Base Carryover: \$199,741

S.T.I.P.: \$216,602

Special Allocation: \$13,090

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- a. Student Group Fair
- b. Student Group Resource Center Work Day
- c. Committee Updates
- d. Birthdays
- e. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB11-18/19: Resolution Regarding Campaign Reimbursements

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM Senate Minutes
Wednesday, November 7, 2018
UC 225, 6:30 p.m.

Chair Welch called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Present: Senators Akmal, Anderson, Belcher, Brown, Carpenter, Corkish, Cowley, Gregory, Haggart, Hall, Hanley, Hiett, Iverson, Koch, Liechty, Pablo, Parsons, Paz, Willmus; Business Manager Schafer; Vice President Welch; President Butler; and Advisors Deboer and Renner-Fahey. Absent: Senators Cohen, Davis, and Koerber. Senators Borstad and Grewell arrived late.

The minutes from the October 31, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously.

Roll Call

Public Comment

President's Report

- Aaron Brock, Missoula Food Bank Executive Director
 - Can the Cats food drive. Goal is to raise 406,000 pounds of food or dollars
 - Powerpoint presentation about the Missoula Food Bank
 - Anyone is welcome to come and get groceries from the food bank
 - About 1/5 the number of Missoula County residents have used the Food Bank. Many only come one time.
 - Food drives like Can the Cats help to increase variety at the food bank
 - Provide snacks for area school kids and summer lunch programs. A few other programs to help kids get food
 - Also have programs to provide food to potentially hungry seniors
 - Always looking for volunteers! It is a good option for student groups, too
 - Have a program where they repackage unused prepared food from the community for the food bank
 - Teach cooking and community classes
 - Number of individuals and households visiting the food bank has increased over the last year
 - They are also focused on advocacy at the state and federal levels
 - Cowley: How many UM/Missoula College students visit the food bank?
 - About 400-500 students per month
 - Corkish: How can volunteers get in contact?
 - Website has a volunteer application for individuals
 - Groups should contact the food bank directly
 - Food bank volunteering is also an option for freshman seminar-type classes
- Jon Harbor, UM Provost
 - UM administration, faculty, and staff really do listen to ASUM
 - See attached powerpoint
 - Brown: Presumptive Instructional Budget for College of Humanities and Sciences

- How did presumptive instructional budgets take into cross-listing of courses?
 - The University data office looked at these cross-listed courses, but found that in the majority of cases there was no change.
- Willmus: When enrollment increases, he would like to hear about re-expansion plans from the administration.
 - Harbor: as money comes back, there are investment priorities to look at it
- Akmal: UPC Data Analysis team. What additional data did they look at, other than the APASP reports?
 - UPC updated and improved APASP data
 - BM Schafer served on UPC. They discussed more which parts of APASP should be used, instead of adding new data.
 - Will there be any changes made to the Four Bear program?
 - The changes that will be made to UM don't affect the ability of a student to finish their degree in 4 years. Increased summer and online will offer even more options.
- Hiatt: Concerns about consolidation of language degrees. Is this a marketable option and did the administration do research on it?
 - The department is where the plan was developed, so they have done the research.
 - Will restructuring in this area affect the amount of time spent speaking the language?
 - This question should be addressed to the department.
- Iverson: Are there plans to invest in more staff for financial aid?
 - Past reductions to staff have been problematic. Need for staff in student affairs is known and plans are being made to address it
- Cowley: With reduction in course frequency, will it become harder for students to complete courses in an order that makes sense?
 - Provost Harbor is looking into this, and how course scheduling is run at UM
 - Hoping to expand the number of hours where courses are available. There are technology options available
- Parsons: 14% increase in per student budget compared to earlier period.
 - This number is determined by general fund dollars
- Brown: September meeting of four administrators. Would like clarity on that meeting.
 - They discussed the programs at that meeting. Notes on the instructional budget target reflect the comments from this meeting.
 - Why were those people selected?
 - Chief of Staff, Kelly Websters, worked in humanities and experienced at UM
 - VP of Research, faculty and funding concern
 - Representative for enrollment management with eye toward recruitment
 - Co-chair of UPC had experience with data and APASP processes

- Borstad: Cutting electives is a concern. How will research be done to avoid this affecting student outcomes?
 - These examples are proposed by departments, but will not be done by every department. Requirements for accreditation, etc, will be prioritized. Planned by the departments.
 - Concerned about payment plans for students in the summer.
 - Harbor doesn't know the answer yet, but the Director of Summer Session will be looking at this issue. Will pass the question on.
- Carpenter: ASCRC is worried about what is printed on diplomas. Concern brought by international student. How do major/opton changes affect diplomas?
 - Provost Harbor did not know about that, but he will follow up
 - How can minors/concentrations, etc be reflected on diplomas for students is also an issue
- Akmal: How will faculty adjust to online transition? Will we hire new online-specific faculty?
 - Often, we will offer both a face-to-face section and an online section. Some online courses are synchronous, some aren't.
 - Online programs are entire programs taught online, designed for people who will not come to campus.
 - Some faculty are very experienced in online instruction, and we have people who help to design online sources. Would like to expand this staff as more online options are offered.
 - There will be resources for staff to develop quality online courses.
- Akmal: Music and Arts programs miscommunication. What are you doing to combat those kinds of misconceptions?
 - Communication, especially direct communication
- BM Schafer: Concerns with teaching out programs. How will replacement courses be found as electives are not offered?
 - Those courses are not suddenly being stopped, but students are meeting with advisors to look at alternatives.
 - The intent of teach out is to make sure courses are available.
- Brown: How was future enrollment considered in comparison to other measures?
 - There was no exact equation, but it was considered among other measures.
 - The website mentions programs with a potential for growth. What are those programs?
 - Some programs have been growing and could continue to grow. Units that had a smaller presumptive than actual budget were given strategic investment to help them attract and retain students.
- Parsons: Would Gen Ed committee look at reductions in the number of Gen Ed courses, or someone else?
 - Reduction in Gen Ed offerings is being made department by department, in what courses they will offer in upcoming semesters
- Brown: UM on the Rise website notes the 14% increase in spending per student, but tuition has increased substantially more.

- The increase per student is the number of general fund dollars per student credit hours. 2021 compared to 2009-2013 average. But the general fund dollars do come from tuition.
- Strategic investment can be a subjective term, so how do these strategic investments reflect UM's academic strategy for the future?
 - Will present a paragraph connecting the strategic investments and the priorities for action.
- Carpenter: Uncertainty about scheduling for future semesters. Hard for students to make graduation plans. How are you helping departments get their schedules out on time?
 - This is why we are acting quickly, to help departments gain more certainty about future scheduling.
- Brown: The budget with notes was released after the budget. He felt that something was being hidden, but really that was a result of this as a qualitative process instead of strictly data. Senator Brown feels that referencing that subjectivity would have helped from the beginning.

Vice President's Report

- UM Days is on Friday. Needs 8-10 senators for Friday from 8-9:15.
 - About 200 incoming students are coming.
- Committee updates were approved unanimously.
- Senate office hours on Friday and next Wednesday will be tabling for SPA about student legislative priorities.
- Board of Regents and Cat-Griz are next week. Game tickets will be sent to senators via email like other student tickets.
- MAS meeting next Wednesday from 5:30-6:30.
 - If you want to attend, tell VP Welch in advance
- MAS Lobbyist position is open until Friday.

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- Student Group Fair is Thursday from 10am-2pm
 - Will need senators to volunteer and help out
- Student Group Resource Center Workday
 - 15th is grand opening for Student Group Resource Center
 - Work day on Sunday or Monday to help put it together for the grand opening
 - A drill is needed for the conference table, with President Butler will bring
- Research and Creative Scholarship Fund will be meeting soon.

- Check email for meeting times
- Publication board will also meet in the next few weeks.
 - Look for a When2Meet

Committee Reports

- Belcher: Interview committee met and selected 2 new senators for next week. Enrollment and Retention will also meet.
- Hiatt: met with new student orientation action committee. Want to completely change orientation. There will be a full week orientation before classes start.
 - All students will have a Big Sky Experience, like FWE but with different focuses
 - Please send him your feedback
 - Will also include “learning how to be a student”
 - Need another student to serve on the committee, which meets Mondays from 2-3
 - This orientation will be mandatory for every true freshman. Different experience for transfer and nontraditional students.
 - Bear Track days over the summer to help students do things like register for classes.
 - Elections committee met this weekend and looked at several small changes to put into a resolution.
 - President Butler: Why would this be limited to just traditional freshmen?
 - Thought the experiences would be more aimed at a specific kind of student
 - Not a lot of details are there yet
 - Shouldn’t be exclusionary to transfer and nontraditional students, even if it’s not required
 - Carpenter: They are looking to start with traditional students because of their specific retention issues
- Hanley: R&A will meet on Friday at 5:15 in UC 216.
- Cowley: UC Board will meet next Friday at 9 in conference room. Will look at budget.
 - Can the Cats is still going on. If you don’t have cans, you can buy a pin for \$1 at any UM Dining location.
- Paz: Met with Adrienne Donald. Discussed UC and LeadershipU.
 - Diversity Advisory Council subcommittee met and will present at Cabinet next week
- Parsons: Search committee for VPOF selected finalists, which will come to campus starting soon.
 - GenEd met to discuss Core proposal and send it to faculty senate. Want to survey students across campus.
 - Legal will meet next Thursday at 7
- Grewell: Student Recreation Committee met. Transportation met on Friday and discussed city bus expansion, which ASUM Transportation might collaborate on. We don’t have enough space for the buses and their needs.
- Anderson: Child care met last week, and will take Best Beginnings payments starting Spring semester.
- Willmus: BMAC will meet at West Campus on Friday to make recommendations for Missoula College expansion.

- Borstad: New chair of housing committee and will send an email out soon to schedule.

Unfinished Business

- SB11-18/19: Resolution Regarding Campaign Reimbursements
 - Will adjust bylaws to match fiscal policy
 - The resolution passes 23-0-0.

New Business

- Borstad: Resolution to establish family rooms, to be sent to Relations and Affairs
 - Similar to a resolution brought forward last year
 - Will help our campus to be more family-friendly
- Hanley: Resolution regarding seats on election committee, to be sent to Elections
 - Making SAL seats into Senator/SAL seats
- Hanley: Resolution regarding the Student at Large status
 - Gives discretion to the VP when assigning SALs who have become Senators

Comments

Motion to adjourn by Hanley at 8:51 pm. Passed unanimously.

Daisy Ward
ASUM Senate Secretary