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Associated Students
University of Montana

ASUM SENATE AGENDA
November 15, 1995
Mount Sentinel Room

Suite 105
University Center

Missoula, MT 59812
(406) 243-2451

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes - November 8, 1995
4. Public Comment
5. President's Report
 - a. Mick Hanson, Director, Financial Aid
 - b. Committee Appointments
 - c. Miscellaneous
6. Vice President's Report
 - a. Miscellaneous
7. Business Manager's Report
 - a. Volunteer Action Services STIP Request
 - b. Women's Center STIP Request
 - c. Fiscal Policy
 - d. Miscellaneous
8. Committee Reports
9. Unfinished Business
 - a. SB14-95/96 Resolution to Amend ASUM Personnel Policy 4.80 and 4.82a
 - b. SB16-95/96 Resolution for SRO Provisions in Bylaws and Personnel Policy
 - c. SB17-95/96 Resolution to Object to Commissioner Baker's Comments on Students Taking Remedial Courses
10. New Business
 - a. SB18-95/96 Resolution on Phase II Recommendations
11. Comments
12. Adjournment

ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET

DATE November 15, 1995

SENATE MEMBERS

ROLL
CALL

Comments

ELDENA BEAR DON'T WALK
SCOTT CARLSON
TOM DONNELLY
ROBERT ERICKSON
JENNIFER HENRY
AARON HOLTAN
JEREMY HUETH
VINCE IACOPINI
GREGORY INGRAM
RONALD KELLEY
MICHELLE LASKA
SEAN MALOON
MICHAEL MATHERN
KEVIN MCCOLLY
JEFF MERRICK
CORY RIGLER
LEWIS RUSK
JOSH STICKA
DERRICK SWIFT-EAGLE
MATTHEW ZIGLAR

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ASUM OFFICERS

MATT LEE
President
DANA SHONK
Vice-President
JASON THIELMAN
Business Manager

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P	Y								
P	Y								

ACULTY ADVISORS

PROFESSOR KIA
Professor Greenland

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P	Y								

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
November 15, 1995
Mt. Sentinel Room

Chair Shonk called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m. Present: Lee, Shonk, Thielman, Bear Don't Walk, Carlson, Donnelly, Henry, Holtan, Hueth, Iacopini, Ingram, Kelley, Maloon, Mathern, McColly, Merrick, Rigler, Rusk, Sticka, Swift-Eagle and Ziglar. Excused were Erickson and Laska.

The minutes of the November 8, 1995, meeting were approved.

Public Comment

President's Report

- a. Mick Hanson, Director of Financial Aid, thanked students for phone calls to members of Congress opposing student financial aid cuts. He noted that scholarship forms are available and are due February 1.
- b. The following slate of committee appointments were offered by Lee and approved by Senate: Faculty Senate - Aaron Holtan; Benchmarking - Mahlon Paul Mason; ASUM Affairs - John Fritz; Drug & Alcohol - Tom Miller, Drew Way; Radio - Renee Hilburn.
- c. Lee commented on the UM color change to maroon. He asked for Senate input on whether an election would be in order or if Senate should take a stand on the issue.

Vice-President's Report

- a. Shonk encouraged Senators to pass consider SB18 tonight, which would take a suspension of the Bylaws.
- b. Various committees are in need of students. See Shonk if interested.

Business Manager's Report

- a. A STIP request of \$548 by Volunteer Action Services for additional computer memory was passed.
- b. A STIP request of \$3,357 was made by Women's Center for a computer and printer. A call of previous question by **Kelley-Sticka** passed. Upon immediate vote the request passed 10-5.
- c. Thielman introduced B & F Committee members Fitz Elder and Mike Krieg, available to answer questions about Fiscal Policy, which was passed unanimously out of B & F. Thielman explained changes and offered the Policy for passage under seconded motion status. A friendly amendment by **Kelley** to make the following change in 16.3 was accepted:
"All...ASUM College of Technology account (deleting administration account 7000). **Sticka-Henry** moved to recommit the Policy to B & F until the next Senate meeting. **Swift Eagle-Bear Don't Walk** objected to consideration, which failed. **Mathern** called the question, which passed.

Seven-minute recess

- d. Thielman reported that he and representatives of the American Association of University Women have been meeting with Bryan Thornton, UC Bookstore Manager about book exchange. They have been impressed with how the Bookstore is handling book buy-back and are not convinced a student-run exchange could be handled better.

With no objection, Shonk recognized Holtan, who requested Senators help him with the distribution of pamphlets regarding Financial Aid. Also, Holtan requested help with a phone bank from 11-2 tomorrow in the UC.

Committee Reports

- a. Henry reported that a "do pass" recommendation was given to SB16 at the 14 p.m. ASUM Affairs meeting.

Resolution made 11/29/95

- b. Rusk noted that University Affairs met Tuesday at noon and gave SB14 a "do pass" recommendation.
- c. Swift Eagle offered the following slate of groups for recognition, which Senate approved: Health and Human Performance, Hmong Student Association, U of M Criminology Club, Symphonic Winds, U of M Grizzly Rodeo Club, Collegiate Music Educators National Conference, U of M Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society and Campus Recreation.
- d. Skornogoski reported that SPA is researching the Financial Aid situation.
- e. Shonk reported on Faculty Senate. He noted that the Pharmacy program tuition passed, but there is some confusion about where the tuition will go. Faculty Senate is displeased with President Dennison on several committee and other issues.
- f. Kelley reported that Library Benchmarking is discussing such issues as number of hours library is open and shelving problems.
- g. Bear Don't Walk is displeased with the Diversity Advisory Council's lack of committee member diversity. It will meet Friday at 1:30 p.m.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB14-95/96 Resolution to Amend ASUM Personnel Policy 4.80 and 4.82a (Exhibit A). A friendly amendment by Kelley to strike 2b was not accepted. A motion by Henry-Bear Don't Walk to limit debate to one minute person passed. A call of previous question by Ziglar-Iacopini failed. A request by Donnelly to separate 4.80 and 4.82a for consideration was accepted. An appeal to the Chair's decision by Sticka-Ziglar passed, and SB14 will be considered in its entirety. A motion was made by Thielman-Bear Don't Walk to postpone consideration of SB14 indefinitely. Carlson called the question, which was objected to by Henry. The motion to postpone indefinitely failed. A call of previous question by Holtan-Rusk passed. Upon immediate vote, SB14 failed.
- b. SB16-95/96 Resolution for Student Radio Organization Provisions in Bylaws & Personnel Policy (Exhibit B). The repetition of "creating a" in the first Whereas was pointed for correction by Bear Don't Walk. The resolution passed.
- c. SB17-95/96 Resolution to Object to Commissioner Baker's Comments on Students Taking Remedial Courses (Exhibit C). A call of previous question by Lee-Iacopini passed. Upon immediate vote the resolution passed.

New Business

- a. A motion by Lee-Bear Don't Walk to suspend House Rules to consider SB18 Resolution on Phase II Recommendations (Exhibit D) passed, and SB 18 passed.
- b. Resolution on syntax of signs near construction sites
- c. Resolution for ASUM-sponsored legislator's day
- d. Resolution requesting resignation of Baker
- e. Resolution to write petition requesting resignation of Baker

Comments

A motion to adjourn at 9:17 p.m. passed.

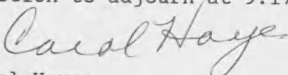

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager

Exhibit A

Resolution to Amend ASUM Personnel Policy 4.80 and 4.82a

Whereas, it is necessary to provide a clearer mission statement to the SPA,

Whereas, accountability on the part of the SPA Co-Directors is necessary to ensure that the students are represented in the best manner,

Therefore let ASUM Personnel Policy 4.80 and 4.82a to be amended to read:

*Amended
(See below)*

4.80 Mission of Student Political Action. SPA will be a research committee ~~for the ASUM~~ given the authority to educate the members of the ASUM ~~without bias.~~ SPA will have the responsibility of researching issues and developing proposed positions on these issues, which the ASUM Senate and/or ASUM President can adopt and make public. No ASUM funds may be spent in connection with such issues unless such expenditures are permissible under Federal and Montana State Law.

4.82

- a) be responsible for representing the ASUM at the city, state, and national level according to Personnel Policy 4.80; only when requested by the ASUM President will the Off-Campus Director attend the Board of Regents meetings to represent the ASUM;

Authored by ASUM President Matt Lee

4.80

Mission of Student Political Action.

SPA will be a research committee for the ASUM given the authority to educate the members of the ASUM without bias.

SPA will have the responsibility of:

- 1) researching issues
- 2) developing proposed positions on these issues
 - a) which the ASUM Senate can adopt with a majority, or
 - b) which the ASUM President can adopt when time constraints prevent the ASUM Senate from acting on the issue.

No ASUM funds may be spent in connection with such issues unless such expenditures are permissible under Federal and Montana State Law.

*Failed
11-15-95*

Resolution for Student Radio Organization Provisions In Bylaws & Personnel Policy

- Whereas: The ASUM Constitution requires provisions in the Bylaws for creating a ~~creating a~~ Radio Board, and,
Whereas: ASUM Personnel Policy Items 2.0 through 2.6 define Student Personnel, and,
Whereas: The Student Radio Organization's Personnel Policy fits our criteria,

Therefore Let It Be Resolved

that the 1995/96 ASUM Senate establish a Radio Board in the Bylaws, Article IV, Section 12, and,

that the 1995/96 ASUM Senate establish in the ASUM Personnel Policy Item 3.0 (addition) and Item 4.6.

Authored by, ASUM Vice-President Dana Shonk

Sponsored by ASUM Senators Vince Iacopini & Jennifer Henry

STUDENT RADIO STATIONBYLAWS, ARTICLE IVSection 14. Radio Board

- A. The Radio Board shall be composed of seven members, chaired by an at-large student, who may make or break a tie. The other six members shall consist of the General Manager of the student radio station, a faculty member of the Radio Television Department chosen by the chair of the department, two students, an ASUM Senator, and Director of the Department of Information and Technology or designee. Students shall be appointed and serve pursuant to the ASUM Constitution and Policies.
- B. A quorum shall normally consist of four members of the board.
- C. The Board shall be responsible for the yearly appointment of the General Manager. The Board will also be responsible for approving the General Managers recommendations for positions listed in Item 4.60 of Personnel Policy.
- D. The Board shall oversee the general operations of the student radio station. This shall include approval of all major format or structural changes, as well as approval of the student radio budget to be submitted by the General Manager on a yearly basis.

Sponsored by ASUM Senators Vince Iacopini & Jennifer Henry

Passed
11-15-95

PERSONNEL POLICY

Item 3.0 (addition)

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>POSITION DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>BASE HOURS</u>
Radio	General Manager	\$5.25	80
	Programming Director	5.00	75
	Music Director	4.50	25
	Business Manager	4.75	40
	News Director	4.75	50
	Assistant Engineer	4.50	30

Item 4.6 STUDENT RADIO

4.60 Mission of Student Radio Station: To bring to The University of Montana and the Missoula community a quality listening alternative radio station provided by students of The University of Montana. This station shall provide a diverse format and shall expose the community to new and refreshing programming.

4.61 General Manager: The General Manager is responsible for overseeing the fiscal stability, daily operations, and the overall direction of the student radio station. The General Manager will also be responsible for recommending persons for positions listed in Personnel Policy to Radio Board for approval. The General Manager is charged with overseeing the performance of all departments, employees, staff, facilities and volunteers. The General Manager will present the annual budget of the station to the Radio Board and is responsible for the legal records. The General Manager will also make the appropriate preparations for the radio station to go on the air in a reasonable time. This includes working with the appropriate people to secure a location and training people to properly work with the equipment.

4.62 Program Director: This position is responsible for developing the programming for the station. This includes selecting quality programs, buying the programs, airing the programs at the proper times, and assuring that the sound is of high quality. The Program Director will work closely with the General Manager for the proper scheduling of programs and in maintaining the legal records and program logs. The Program Director will also assist the General Manager in the preparations for the station to be on the air, including preparing a station format and organizing the programming.

4.63 Music Director: The Music Director's main responsibility is the music library. This includes researching and compiling recordings from different types of music and, most importantly, keeping the station up to date on new and diverse music.

4.65 Business Manager: The Business Manager is responsible for handling a majority of the business conducted at the station. The Business Manager and Accounting Clerk will work closely together on underwriting, fundraising, grants, and other sources of revenue, as well as expenses. The Business Manager is also responsible for working together with the General Manager, Program Director and Accounting Clerk in preparing the annual budget.

4.66 News Director: The News Director is in charge of the reporters and producing the newscasts for the station. This requires knowledge of news writing and keeping up to date on campus and community issues.

4.67 Assistant Engineer: The Assistant Engineer will be responsible for repairing and the daily maintenance of equipment in the station. This position is not to be confused with the engineer, who is a professional broadcast engineer who is contracted to maintain and repair equipment that is beyond the Assistant Engineer's abilities.

RESOLUTION TO OBJECT TO COMMISSIONER BAKER'S COMMENTS
ON STUDENTS TAKING REMEDIAL COURSES

- WHEREAS: the Montana University System exists to serve those who wish to pursue a college education, and;
- WHEREAS: one in five students at The University of Montana take at least one remedial course during the their academic program, and;
- WHEREAS: remedial courses are primarily taken by students who have not been in school for several years or who did not receive adequate training in certain subjects in their secondary education, and;
- WHEREAS: students who have taken remedial courses do extremely well in more advanced courses following their remedial courses, and;
- WHEREAS: students who take remedial courses do not necessarily lack the intellectual ability to be successful undergraduates, as stated by the Commissioner of Higher Education, and;
- WHEREAS: the comments of the Commissioner of Higher Education are maligning to approximately 20% of the student body of The University of Montana, many of whom excel during their academic careers and receive their degrees,

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that the ASUM Senate objects to the Commissioner of Higher Education's comments that "The elimination of remedial education does not alter the fact that students are admitted to the Montana University System whose subsequent academic record demonstrates that they lacked some critically necessary skills and the intellectual ability to be successful undergraduate students."

LET IT FURTHER BE RESOLVED that the ASUM Senate supports and encourages all students in their quest for education, does not feel that the taking of remedial courses is an indication of intellectual ability, and supports the offering of remedial courses at The University of Montana.

Authored by Lewis Rusk
Sponsored by Jason Thielman

Passed
11-15-95

RESOLUTION ON PHASE II RECOMMENDATIONS

- WHEREAS: The 144 credit cap is unreasonable due to unforeseen circumstances, such as changing majors, withdrawal due to personal reasons and poor advising, and
- WHEREAS: The proposed 144 credit cap does not allow for students to double major or minor, and
- WHEREAS: By limiting accessibility to affordable education, we will be denying Montana taxpayers the right to retrain, should their career field so require, and also limit the ability to continue with a life-long educational pursuit, and
- WHEREAS: By making the proposed credit cap **retroactive**, students, who are also taxpayers, are being penalized for situations which they could not have foreseen four year prior, and
- WHEREAS: By implementing Phase II suggestions by Fall of 1996, students are being expected to make the right class and career decisions without being afforded better advising, and
- WHEREAS: Due to the individual university demographics, elimination or added cost for remedial education classes will adversely affect those students who have been contributing taxpayers in a career field but are returning to higher education later in life, and
- WHEREAS: Instituting these programs before a comprehensive agreement is reached between the Office of Public Instruction and the Montana high schools regarding high school graduation requirements, we believe that enacting such changes would be detrimental to the individual students and the Montana University System in that students graduating with high school diplomas may not have the knowledge or training to take on college course work.
- THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED: That the Associated Students of The University of Montana-Missoula support the goals of Phase II to streamline a four-year degree in which students can get in, get out, pay the way and get a job. However, the current Phase II recommendations would impede the ability of a student to receive a well-rounded, affordable and marketable education. Furthermore, we do not support the proposed credit cap of 144, nor do we support any credit cap that is retroactive. Recognizing the need to work together in solving the long term problem, we would support a credit cap of 156 for incoming students Fall 1996.
- LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED: That ASUM does not support the elimination of state support for remedial classes, nor does ASUM endorse eliminating remedial classes from the Montana University System.

Passed
 11-18-95