Documents from the September 18, 2019 Meeting of the Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM)

Anna-Marie David

The University of Montana
Chair Hanley Called the meeting to order at 5:58 pm.
Present Senators; Akmal, Anderson, Brennan, Borghesani, Durnell, Flanagan, Fulton, Hahn, Johnston, Kalonde, Kiefer, Nelson, Pfiefer, Powell, Ream, Thompson, and Willmus, Business Manager Parsons, Vice President Hanley, President Belcher. Senators Glueckert, Miranda, Schei, and Tarallo were excused. Senator Charpentier was unexcused.

Approval of Minutes
a. Fulton- Willmus UC Called by Anderson. Motion to approve the minutes for September 4, 2019 ASUM Meeting
   a. Motion Passes

Public Comment
a. President Bodnar
   a. Welcoming statements, and thanks ASUM
   b. Transition to a place of stability at the University of Montana
      i. Focus on priorities for action
         1. Steady, tangible, measurable progress
         2. Student success at center of all that UMT does
   c. Student participation in shared governance and civic engagement
   d. Questions:
   i. Parsons: Thanks President Bodnar for the cookies
b. Wall- Student Representative of Outhere Missoula
   a. Runs student group called ‘outhere Missoula’
   b. Started with 11 members currently have 400
   c. Self- Introduction
   d. Outhere is an important part of UMT Culture
   e. What they do
      i. Manifest outdoor spaces for LGBTQ+ and Allies to go on trips in the outdoors
      ii. Real Professional Mentorship
         1. On the job training
         2. Focus on student success
         3. Get meaningful income while going to school
   f. Thanks ASUM for the Contributions
   g. Hopes to build Out There into something bigger
   h. Targeting effective uses of our time and energy
   i. Nicki Smith- Run a free trip for outhere members
      i. Ice Climbing Class
      ii. $500 value for each seat in the class
   j. Questions:
      i. Flanagan- Do you have any recommendations for other student groups to reach your level of success with Outhere?
1. You need to really believe in what you are doing.
2. Organization and Task Delegation
3. Structures that allow for critical feedback without hurting feelings

ii. Akmal- How do we get involved with outhere?
   1. Contact Outhere
      a. Outheremissoula@gmail.com
      b. Facebook Group
         i. To protect privacy of members the facebook is not a public page.
      c. Instagram

2. If you want to run a trip through Outhere, contact Wall and design an EAP to run a trip through the organization.

iii. Hahn- Are your career options limited to outdoor industries
    1. Right now we focus on careers with Job Security
    2. Wall and current members have a lot of contacts with employers and training in outdoor fields
    3. Open to other job training and job placement opportunities

iv. Parsons- Thank you for coming.

**Presidents Report**

a. Special Guests
   a. Sarah Swagger- Vice Provost for Student Success
      i. Welcoming statements and Thanks ASUM
      ii. Self-introductions
      iii. Stop in and introduce yourselves. (Office is in Room 22)
      iv. Big Sky Experience
      v. Will be donating to ASUM Sweet, Art Piece
         1. 1000 paper cranes
      vi. Introducing Bryan Reed
         1. Work with ASUM
         2. Wrap-around services
            a. Tutoring, advising, SARK, Veterans Services, etc.
   b. Bryan Reed- Associate Vice Provost for Student Success
      i. Self-Introductions
      ii. Retention and Graduation rates
         1. Experience is different for everyone
         2. Keep in mind those vulnerable
         3. Hope to exchange ideas with ASUM
         4. Conduit between ASUM and Administrations
      iii. Placard Vote to Confirm Bryan Reeds Position
         1. Motion Passes

b. BOR Updates
   a. OCHE
      i. If you would like to participate contact President Belcher
   b. Pay Dues for Montana Associated Students
   c. Hanley: Find Organization of OCHE in back of ASUM retreat packet
   d. Approved Tuition Waiver for members of National Guard
Johnston: When does the waiver go into effect?
   i. President Belcher: Next Semester

Swastika/ Corbin Hall Discussion

a. Last Spring, swastika was found, article was written on the subject, Discussion has been
b. Pfiefer: Do we know why the Swastika was put there
   i. No, but we know when
c. Willmus: Is Corbin Hall a historical building?
d. Thompson: Can you elaborate a bit more about the situation
   i. The architect that built the building in the 20’s
   ii. At risk for vandalism
e. Fulton: Feels a plaque would be the best option stating why it’s here. Instead of taking it down.
f. Borghesani: States more Historical Context of the Swastika, agrees a plaques is better option to acknowledge history
g. Akmal: Was not aware that this existed prior to the meeting, important to acknowledge and move forward, supports plaque
h. Johnston: Supports Plaques, confused about what it would say.
i. Durnell: Does not support a plaque
j. Flanagan: If the symbol is removed and the building loses historical status, what are the other ramifications?
   i. President Belcher: to our knowledge no other effects except the loss of status
k. Flanagan: Do you have insight on what the plaque might say?
   i. Not yet been discussed
l. Pfiefer: Might be good to encourage re-association of the symbol, plaque needs more information about architect and his intention with placing it in the building
m. Willmus: Depends on the context on the architect, we should look through the archives to get more information
n. Fulton: The orientation of the Symbol has a lot to do with the intent of it. We should not need to hide our history
o. Akmal: Does the panel/tile have anything to do with the structural integrity of the building
   i. President Belcher: Not to our knowledge
p. Akmal: Might be able to put the tile in a museum around campus. Should be removed from the building
q. Johnston: The architects history might not be well known, it might be a waste of time to spend
r. Hahn: Shares more historical context on the swastika
s. Hanley: The swastika is not a mirror replica of what Nazi party used/represented

Willmus: What is the cost of removal?
   i. President Belcher: Unknown at this time
u. Hanley- Nelson UC Called: Motion for Recess
   i. Motion Passes
   ii. Called back to order at 6:52 pm
v. Anderson- Important to note that we are on native land. To remove it might be a disservice to native American students on campus
w. Akmal: This specific symbol with the dots is not associated with the Nazi Party at all. Significance in Hindi, and other Native American cultures
x. Flanagan: Comments on The Diversity Advisory Council
y. Akmal: Does the other building the architect design have the same style of swastika
   i. No
z. Akmal: Is it (Swastika on other building built by the same architect) going in a
   similar direction?
   i. President Belcher: Does not remember the orientation of the other swastika.
   aa. Johnston: We should look up architecture plans in the Archives.
d. Debt Consolidation Discussion
a. University has recently consolidated its debt
b. Freed up capital that can be spent on major capital improvements
c. Non-taxable needs to be spent in the next 3 years
d. Pledged for energy reduction
e. 25 million dollars left to invest
f. Student Survey on what they would like to see improved
g. Turn Recommendations to OCHE by November 1
h. Senate Recommendations:
   i. Akmal- Renovations of Dorms, Reinvesting capital to invest on campus and
      help retention
   ii. Johnston- Worked on Specific Dorms where they want students to interact
   iii. Kiefer- Solar Panel Projects
      1. Belcher- Solar Panels don’t save cost as much as other energy saving
   iv. Willmus- Renovations to West Campus- Missoula College
   v. Belcher- Email these suggestions
   vi. Flanagan: Can you give more background on the energy projects?
      1. Belcher: Improvements to energy production currently on campus
   vii. Fulton- Invest in other buildings on campus for example the music building
   viii. Durnell:
   ix. Akmal- Concerns about asbestos in other building, replacing tiles in those
      buildings
   x. Pfiester- New Parking options
   xi. Willmus- Asbestos; standard practice to include asbestos problems in budget
   xii. Parsons- ASUM office
   xiii. Johnston- Any talks about UC renovations?
      1. Belcher: Large motivating measure is for auxiliary facilities that are
         lack-luster
   xv. Belcher: Right now there is not proposal, looking for input from faculty and
      students
   xvi. Flanagan- Showers in dorms to renovation, and parking
e. Real College Reminder
   a. Sent an email last week.
   b. Allowed Kat Cowley access to grant funding,
   c. Shows effectiveness of food pantry
d. Fill out the survey
   i. $100 gift card
f. Committee Updates
   a. Sustainability Coordinator Search
      i. Hired new Coordinator, Maddy Jones
g. OPM Update
   a. Durnell: Student Vision is first priority
i. Need to hold them to this statement
ii. Online classes

h. Other
   a. Online Public Comment
      i. Durnell: Food Prices. Should we point them to Camp Howard with their questions in public comment?
      ii. Durnell: Is this a direct conversation we should be having with Camp Howard and UM Dining. (Food Prices)
         1. Belcher;
      iii. Flanagan- Seth’s Comment- Recommends the UM Food Pantry, should come to ASUM office, will be reaching out via email.
      iv. Fulton- Seth’s Comment- UM Dining completes with other stores in town,
      v. Flanagan- Thank you to Rory and Kelly for reaching out, and appreciate their comments

b. Move deadline to submit public comment to Wednesday at 12. Would you like it in binders or via email
   i. Johnston: Email
   ii. Flanagan: Email, as long as its
   iii. Anderson: Would prefer paper copies
   iv. Durnell: Yield
   v. Akmal: Prefer Paper
   vi. Fulton: Prefers Paper
   vii. Nelson: Both
   viii. Durnell: Email, Its sustainable
   ix. Willmus: Email
   x. Thompson: Email

c. Reminder about next BOR
   i. Wed-Fri at MSU
   ii. Flanagan: Do we take a university vehicle back?
   iii. Flanagan: Can we take our own transportation to the BOR if we plan to stay for the Griz-Cat game?
      1. President Belcher: Yes
   iv. Johnston: Will they be discussing OCHE at this meeting?
   v. Akmal-Do we need to find our own tickets if we choose to attend griz-cat?
      1. Parsons: Verbal Commitment from Blossoms about holding tickets for ASUM members
   vi. Borghesani- When is the sign up for this BOR meeting?
      1. Contact President Belcher or VP Hanley
   vii. Parsons: Can you elaborate on excuses from class
      1. Contact President Belcher
   viii. Fulton: What hotel would we be staying in for BOR?
      1. Country Inn
   ix. Akmal- Can we stay at separate lodgings?
      1. Yes

Vice Presidents Report

a. Committee updates
   a. Akmal- Ad Hoc Committee, Is this a place limit on this committee?
      i. Hanley: These placeholders can change.
ii. Anderson-Akmal UC Called by Willmus- Motion to approve Committee Assignments
   1. Motion Passes

b. Committee interests
   a. Vacant spots on ASUM Committees
      i. If you are interested email VP Hanley
   b. Also Extends to University Committees,
      i. Look how many students spots are available online
      ii. If they are not on the website email VP Hanley
      iii. Send VP Hanley a note if you are having problems with their University Committees,
      iv. If you have been connected to the chair but have not been emailed yet please contact VP Hanley

c. SAL Social
   a. Held in Student Group Resource Center Tuesday 6-8
   b. Hand out fliers to advertise the event
   c. Most likely with be moved to UC 225,
   d. If you plan on attending, try to interact with
   e. Anderson: Can we table in other areas on campus?
   f. Flanagan: If you need outreach through DHC let him know.

d. SB13-19/20: Resolution Creating the UM Food Pantry Oversight Board
   a. President Belcher: Codifying Oversight board that already exists, has been an effective models for them
   b. Akmal-Discussion C Move to change line 51 to read ‘Alexandra’
      i. Motion Withdrawn
   c. Akmal-Anderson UC Called by Belcher to Remove Alex Akmal Section of Resolution
      i. Motion Passes
   d. Anderson: Can you define sub agency in this function?
      i. Belcher: We do not currently have a definition for sub agency.
   e. Durnell: Is Sub-agency defined in the bylaws?
      i. Hanley: Not currently
   f. Anderson: Who would chair this committee? It is not indicated in the Resolution
      i. Hanley: The Food Pantry Coordinator
   g. Akmal: Supports this resolution
   h. Nelson- Why was this not proposed in new business, and go through committee
      i. There is no current oversight board for the agency, and they are currently operating under a time crunch.
   i. Anderson: Wants to support this resolution, but we have not defined sub agency. Not sure if we as ASUM Should be deciding this or if it should be for the oversight board of the renter center.
j. Johnston; Defining a sub-agency would be hard, and would not be quick, appears that we are creating an oversight board but not a committee, what is the justification for this?

k. Fulton- We don’t have sub agency committee in bylaws. Does not support this resolution.

l. Fulton-Anderson. Motion to table to later date.
   i. Fulton: We don’t have actual bylaws to follow
   ii. Akmal: A lot of structural issues and bylaws that need to be changed, a better option might be to send to committee and not table
   iii. Durnell: Also encourage to send to committee. Not to table
   iv. Nelson-supports sending to committee, not to table.
   v. Motion Withdrawn

m. Flanagan: Can you give more background for why this resolution was created under the time crunch?
   i. Hanley: Cannot confirm senators to it until it is incorporated in governing documents.
   ii. Belcher: Kat Cowley is concerned about being able to carry out current projects without this resolution.

n. Anderson- Akmal- send to R&A and Housing Board
   i. Anderson: A lot of structural issues with this resolution, this should not be rushed, and would like to see more senator input.
   ii. Motion Passes

e. Committee Reports
   a. Pre Professional Program Majors
      i. Classify as Cohort instead of Major
      ii. Transfer Pathways from Helena College
         1. Common Course Numbering to make transferring easier
      iii. Elect a Chair Elect
      iv. Fulton: Can any student come to these meetings? (ARSC)
         1. Hanley: Yes.
      v. Durnell: Did all the Senate Seats get filled?
         1. Hanley: Two spots open
      vi. Belcher: Any Senator can attend any meeting unless it is confidential
   b. Mansfield Center Search
      i. Finalized Interview Questions
   c. College of Business Dean Search
      i. First Meeting next week
         1. Implicit bias training
         2. Email VP Hanley with any questions
         3. Sending out updates on this Dean Search
   f. Other
      a. United Food having event this Friday
         i. Email Kat at UM Food Pantry, or group chat with any questions
ii. Belcher: Sit at table and package prepackage meals that will be distributed to children that qualify for free and reduced lunch over the weekend.

**Business Manager’s Report**

**Zero-Base Carryover:** $145,397.99  
**S.T.I.P.:** $219,269.06  
**Special Allocation:** $21,280.40  
**Travel Allocation:** $35,959.00 ($35,743)  
**Union Emergency:** $6,000.00

a. **Student Group Recognition**  
   a. Saw over 108 Student Groups  
   b. Changed Forms this year  
      i. To reduce paper  
   c. Groups can still get recognized after this point  

b. **Travel Allocation Account**  
   a. Next meeting will be long  
   b. Over 15 groups have turned in travel requests  
   c. Meeting Sunday to discuss travel  
   d. Flanagan: What would be the difference between emergency travel and special allocation?  

c. **Committee Reports**  
   a. **Sports Union**  
      i. Do not Currently have Sports Union Chair  
      ii. Stepped in to Chair first meeting  
      iii. Discussed hiring new Sports Union Coordinator  
      iv. Also need to vote on Sports Union President  

d. **Birthdays**  
   a. Senator Akmal’s Birthday  
   b. Fulton- Akmal UC Called by Belcher. Motion for 15 recess  
      i. Motion Passes  
   c. Called back to order at 8:10 pm  

e. **Other**  
   a. Excited to Recognize groups tonight

**Committee Reports**  

i. **Anderson- Graduate Council**  
   a. Met today  
   b. Approved 4+4 plan between UMT and Carol College to establish  
   c. Changed policy language to include accelerated masters  
   d. Set Timeline for Fall for course evaluations  
   e. Continuous Registration for graduates
f. Johnston: Is there talks about how the 2+2 works with out of state schools
   i. Currently only aware of in state programs and schools

j. Fulton
   a. Search for deans of arts and Media
   b. Want to improve

k. Kiefer- Sustainable Campus Committee
   a. Combined Power Plan
      i. Produce its own energy
   b. Private Bids on Solar Panels
   c. UC and UM Dining working on plan to increase compost on campus
   d. Met to discuss fundraising for the year

l. Akmal- Mentor Report
   a. Looking for input on freshman seminar
   b. Student input on what faculty need to focus on for student success.

m. Gen ED
   a. Finally Have a Chair- Greg Peters and Ginger Collins
   b. Changes in Meeting 4-5 every other week
   c. Prioritize more on Gen Ed work instead of Gen Ed Reform,
      i. Rolling reviews covering H X and Y
      ii. Clean up other Gen Ed Classes

n. Ream- Student Com
   a. How things are being funded
   b. Changing meeting time

o. Flanagan- Fulton UC Called by Belcher: Motion to provisionally recognize the following groups

<p>| 1.  | 1000 New Gardens |
| 2.  | Artist Collective |
| 3.  | Advocates for Non-Violence |
| 4.  | Air/Waste Management Association |
| 5.  | Alpha Kappa Delta |
| 6.  | Alpha Omega/Simple Truth |
| 7.  | American Choral Directors Association |
| 8.  | American Fisheries Society |
| 9.  | American Indian Science and Engineering Society |
| 10. | American Marketing Association |
| 11. | American String Teachers Association |
| 12. | Anthropology Student Association MASA |
| 13. | Ascend College Ministry |
| 14. | Baby MAMA |
| 15. | Backcountry Hutners/Anglers |
| 16. | Big Sky Taekwondo |
| 17. | Black Student Union |
| 18. | Cantemus Choir |
| 19. | Catholic Campus Minsity |
| 20. | Central/Southwest Asian Club |</p>
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75. Pacific Islanders
76. Panhellenic Council
77. Percussion Club
78. Philosophy Society
79. Physical Therapy Student Association
80. Pillowfight
81. Pokemon GO Club
82. Pre-Physical Therapy Club
83. Psychology Graduate Student Association
84. Reading Student Group Association
85. Resonate Church
86. Russian Club
87. Saxophone Studio
88. Ski/Snowboard Club
89. Smash Club
90. Society for Ecological Restoration
91. Society of American Foresters, UM Student Chapter
92. Society of Physics Students
93. Student Rec Association
94. Symphony Orchestra
95. Trendsetters at the U
96. Tuba & Euphonium Choir
97. UM...Arts
98. UMATSA
99. UMECA
100. UM Flat
101. University Choir
102. UTOPIA Montana
103. Whitewater Club
104. Wildlife Society
105. Women's Resource Center
106. Younglife
107. Zootown Cabaret
108. Wind Music Association

a. Motion Passes

Unfinished Business

New Business
Adjournment
Akmal- Pfeifer UC Called by Fulton. Motion to Adjourn. Motion Passes
Meeting Adjourned at 8:21 pm