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ASUM SENATE AGENDA Wednesday, January 22, 2020 UC 225 – 6 P.M.

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –January 15, 2020
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - a. Megan Stark- Associate Professor in the Mansfield Library
 - a. Overdue Fines
 - b. Committee Reports
 - c. Online Public Comment
 - d. SB46-19/20: Resolution Adjusting Student Employee Hours to reflect a biweekly pay period
 - e. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Committee Updates
- b. Committee Reports
- c. Elections Committee
- d. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

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S.T.I.P.: \$225,413.63

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- a. Financial Requests
 - a. UM Food Pantry S.T.I.P. Request (\$500)
 - b. Spanish Club Zero-Base Budget Request (\$70)
- b. Unused Fall Travel Funds
- c. Final Budgeting/Formal Lobbying Absences
- d. Committee Reports
- e. Birthdays
- f. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB49-19/20: Resolution Amending Section 20 of Fiscal Policy
- b. SB50-19/20: Resolution Regarding the Renovation and Expansion of the Music Building

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

ASUM SENATE Minutes Wednesday, January 22, 2020 UC 225 – 6 P.M.

Chair Hanley called the meeting to order at 6:01pm. Present: President Belcher, Vice President Hanley, Business Manager Parsons, and Senators: Borghesani, Corkish, Durnell, Flanagan, Fulton, Glueckert, Gregory, Hahn, Hurley, Jimmie, Johnston, Kiefer, Medina, Ream, Rinck, Sladich, Tarallo, and Willmus. Senator Kalonde was absent and unexcused. Senator Anderson was absent and excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 15, 2020

- a. Nelson-Fulton UC Called Motion to correct the spelling of Maddy in minutes.
 - a. Motion passes
- b. Tarallo-Kiefer UC called- Motion to approve minutes
 - a. Motion passes

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. John Deboer- College of Arts and Media
 - a. Next Tuesday they will have a performance
 - i. Of Ebony Members
 - ii. Co-production with multiple departments
 - iii. Free for all students with student ID
 - b. Montana repertory theater
 - i. War of the World
 - ii. Fake News Production
 - iii. \$25 a ticket
 - iv. Follow Montana Rep on Facebook
 - c. Thank you for the resolution you are considering tonight about the music building. Support for this project from the student government is really going to make this project happen.
- b. Julian Adler- Voter Registration Organizer for Montana
 - a. Introductions
 - b. Forward Montana is looking for community partners to get people voting and filling out the census
 - c. Voter Registration Forms
 - d. Ouestions:
 - i. Jimmie: If my primary state of residence is Arizona, and I only go to school can I register to vote in Montana
 - 1. Yes

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Megan Stark- Associate Professor in the Mansfield Library
 - a. Overdue Fines
 - i. The Mansfield has made a decision to remove fines for items checked out through the library
 - ii. Published resolution in 2018 that carried over into 2019 and allowed libraries to take a look at the effects of fines
 - iii. Changed policy that undergrads and graduate students can check books out for the same amount of time.
 - iv. Questions:
 - 1. Tarallo: Since the fines will be eliminated, how will they get those items back?
 - a. There is still an incentive to return 'lost' materials
 - b. Not many libraries have made this move, but they have found that eliminating fines makes people more likely to return a 'lost' items
 - 2. Durnell: Are you forgiving fines that are already in place?
 - a. Yes
 - 3. Flanagan: Is there any projected loss of revenue with this change?
 - a. The fines did not ever play a role in our operating budget. Made a decision to remove the barrier than have that money in the budget
 - 4. Tarallo: How did people pay fines before this bill?
 - a. Fines accrued that could be payed in the library, before they were moved to business services and put on students accounts
 - 5. Tarallo: Is there a person in charge of collecting data to see if this get more book back?
 - a. Yes, we are always collecting data, and hopefully we should see a change at the end of the year.
 - 6. Tarallo: Why do some of the non-general circulation items that still have fines?
 - a. The expense of replacing the item, and the demand for those items is much higher than the general circulation items i.e. Laptops.
- b. Committee Reports
 - a. Unit Standards

- i. Met Friday
- ii. Discussed Geology Department
- b. MAS Committees
 - i. Focus on students not that involved in student government
- c. Legislative Planning Committee
 - i. State Wide Priorities survey
- c. Online Public Comment
 - a. Sladich
- d. SB46-19/20: Resolution Adjusting Student Employee Hours to reflect a biweekly pay period
 - a. Hanley: This resolution is still not ready to be seen by the senate, but hopefully it will be ready next week. So I will be motioning to table this resolution for the next meeting.
 - b. Hanley-Fulton UC Called- Motion to table to next meeting.
 - i. Motion Passes
- e. Other
 - a. Change Office Hours
 - i. Mondays
 - b. No Eating while we have guests

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Committee Updates
 - a. Durnell-Willmus UC Called by Fulton- Motion to Approve Committee Assignments
- b. Committee Reports
 - a. College of Business Dean Search
 - i. Done with Interviews
 - ii. Meet in two weeks to discuss short lists
 - iii. Final campus visits mid-late February
 - iv. Rinck: How many candidates did you have?
- c. Elections Committee
 - a. New Chair of the Committee will be emailing committee members
 - b. There is only 1 senators spot left
- d. Other
 - a. MAS
 - i. Since Bylaws have passed, many committees have formed and it requires an ASUM Senator to sit on it
 - ii. Send Ethan a note if you are interested.
 - b. If you are interested in running for an exec position next year, please feel free to stop by our office to see how we do our daily tasks.

- c. Mentees and Mentors;
 - i. You should be connected with them by now, if not I will be sending you an email to give you details later.
- d. Please CC VP on all ASUM Committee Emails
- e. Office Hours
 - i. Please let me know what you are doing in your office hour
- f. If your binders are full please clean them out
- g. Remember that Senate meeting absence policy
- h. Flanagan: Is there a way to view our absences
 - i Email VP

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- a. Financial Requests
 - a. UM Food Pantry S.T.I.P. Request (\$500)
 - i. Hurley: B&F decided to fund this in full
 - ii. Flanagan: Is there a reason that it stats ASUM Use only and the box was not filled out
 - 1. Parsons: It was approved for the full amount, it was just not written down in the printed copies
 - iii. Fulton- Glueckert UC Called Motion to approve in the amount of \$500 dollars
 - 1. Motion Passes
 - b. Spanish Club Zero-Base Budget Request (\$70)
 - i. Hurley: B&F decided to fund in full, it is just for food and advertising for an event they are holding
 - ii. Flanagan- Sladich Move to approve line item 62241
 - 1. Motion Passes
 - iii. Flanagan- Johnston Motion to approve line item 62817
 - 1. Motions Passes
- b. Unused Fall Travel Funds
 - a. We have about 8,000 dollars in unused funds
 - b. Previous years we have moved this to zero-base

- c. Would like to do 50/50 with Spring travel and Zero-base
- d. Have the B&F Discuss
- e. Fulton: Don't we have more travel in the spring semester?
 - i. Parsons: Yes
- f. Durnell: Spring Travel unused funds roll over in zero-base correct?
 - i. Parsons: Yes
- g. Tarallo: I would be in favor of putting it in spring travel
- h. Flanagan: Can you elaborate on zero-base account?
 - i. Parsons: Zero-base is a reserve account for any unused funds, required to stay at around 100,000.
- i. Belcher: Would be in favor in a model that would split this between zero-base and spring semester travel allocations
- j. Willmus: What is the percent difference between spring and fall semester travel requests
 - i. Not that much of a difference unless there is unused funds
 - ii. It should be a 50/50 split between the semesters.
 - iii. A lot more is requested each year
 - iv. In spring there is about 25-35% more travel requests
- k. Rinck: How did the \$13,000 that was available last year fare last year for travel requests
 - i. It was fairly competitive
 - ii. Hanley: It was not fun last year.
- 1. Tarallo: Is there any reason that what we do with unused funds for fall semester is more vague in Fiscal Policy
 - i. Parsons: I am unsure, which is why I wanted to have these discussions in the senate.
- m. Johnston: Usually the spring is more intense, there are more requests and a higher dollar amount requested.
- n. Hanley: This is vague because it is stipulated for fiscal year end, and fall is not the end of the fiscal year.
- o. Tarallo: (To Belcher) Can you clarify your position on the split
 - Belcher: I don't think it would be sustainable if we put it all in Spring Travel and set the precedent to student groups that that amount of money will always be available, because we will not always have this much surplus.
- p. Flanagan: Is the only revenue generation going into zero-base rollover?
 - i. Parsons: Zero-base is basically just rollover
- q. Flanagan: I feel it is important that we put capital into zero-base so that we have that cushion in case something happens
- r. Rinck: To clarify it was \$8,000 that carried over from fall semester?

- i. Parsons: Yes
- s. Parsons: The best thing moving forward is a resolution format, and we can discuss more at B&F next week.
- c. Final Budgeting/Formal Lobbying Absences
 - a. If you know you are going to miss part of Final Budgeting/Lobbying let Execs know before January 31st
 - b. Hanley: You should Email Business Manager Parsons and Cc Vice President Hanley if you are going to be absent.
 - c. Glueckert: Will we know if we will be excused before the meetings
 - i. Parsons: Generally if you let me know before January 31, I will be a generous as possible.
 - d. Durnell: During Final Lobbying days is class considered a unexcused absence
 - i. If you need an excuse for class, President Belcher is willing to write you an excusal.
- d. Committee Reports
 - a. B&F
- i. Unused Travel Funds
- ii. 5 pm on Sundays ASUM Conference Room
- b. Publications
 - i. Language Referenda for Constitution
 - ii. Kaimin Publications
 - iii. SAL Spot open
- c. Budgeting Committee
 - i. Met Thursday
 - ii. Talked about cleaner data for enrollment figures
 - iii. Student retention
 - iv Student credit hour model
- e. Birthdays
- f. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Flanagan
 - a. Flanagan-Johnston Motion to provisionally recognize the following student groups: Grizzly ESports, GrizMed, Women in Physics, Volunteers in Action
 - 1. Move to amend the motion to include Chabad Jewish Student Group
 - 2. Motion Passes
 - ii. Motion Passes
- b. Corkish
 - a. SCRC-

- i. Presentation by environmental studies
- ii. Approving general certificates
- iii. Sub group for discussion on badges in specific courses (Micro-credentialing)
- iv. Belcher: Micro-credentialing has grown in popularity for employers and universities.
- v. Hanley: Micro-credentialing seminar tomorrow at noon in innovation factory

c Jimmie

- a. Met with mentor
 - i. Discussed what his vision is for his position in the president's office
- d. Flanagan
 - a. Search for Director of Prestigious Scholarships
- e. Fulton: (For Senator Ream): In your report it says you are planning an event, can you elaborate
 - a. Ream: Demonstration from Law Enforcement on the effects of alcohol.
 - b. Belcher: This type of event is called a Wet Lab
 - c. Tarallo: We are currently trying to get the law school involved
 - d. Flanagan: Waiting to see if all entities approve the slides for the event, and we should have a table at the event.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- c. SB49-19/20: Resolution Amending Section 20 of Fiscal Policy
 - i. Nelson: Drafted this resolution because I felt there were issues within STIP such as repetitive sections and ongoing issues regarding grouping items together within one STIP request.
 - ii. Parsons: Applaud Senator Nelson for writing this resolution, there has been a lot of discrepancy in our policy and it has caused issues in the past when we go to fund student groups.
 - iii. Fulton-Glueckert UC Called Motion to amend line 30 to add semi colon
 - 1. Motion Passes
 - iv. Corkish: I think this resolution will allow us to have less muddled discussions
 - v. Durnell-Corkish UC Called motion to replace have with has in line 35
 - 1. Motion Passes
 - vi. Durnell: Supports the Resolution, Does this mean that each individual line item needs to be \$150 dollars

- 1. Nelson: Yes, STIP requests are supposed to be capital investments, and every unique item should equal at least \$150.
- vii. Flanagan: Can you use a special allocation to go under an item in STIP
 - 1. Yes
- viii. Johnston: Funding is for one time capital projects and would most likely fall under more money being requested.
- ix. Durnell- I would encourage everyone to vote and note abstain in this vote.
- x. Glueckert-Corkish UC Called. Motion approve the resolution
 - 1. Resolution Passes Unanimously
- d. SB50-19/20: Resolution Regarding the Renovation and Expansion of the Music Building
 - i. Durnell: The University of Montana Music Building was built in 1953 designed to serve 100 music majors, and with studio space for 12 faculty members. Over the last decade there has been a steady increase in student enrollment in the School of Music, a claim that cannot be confidently made about most other programs at the University. I would like to especially highlight that since 1953, the Music Building has become a fundamental space to more than just music majors and faculty. For instance, it is the main stop for ASUM transportation users in which they utilize the lobby and the bathrooms waiting for their bus. It is a host to many education classes, as well as the host to the largest general education course on campus, the History of Rock and Roll. It is the building that hosts the Grizzly Marching Band of around 130 members, and the building that provides its already limited locker space and storage area for them. The Music Building hosts an array of large professional community ensembles and organizations including the Missoula Symphony Orchestra and Chorale, the Montana Music Teachers Association, the String Orchestra of the Rockies, and the Montana Music Educators Association. Both K-12 and undergraduate events are held in the Music Building regularly, including Montana's All-State Music Festival and Competitions, the Northwest Music Educators National Conferences, and the Society of Composers, Inc. Conferences. Through hosted concerts, competitions, camps, clinics, and honors festivals, the Music Building sees up to 3,700 prospective University students

enter the building each year. They furthermore reach these prospective students outside of their building from student and faculty tours both inter- and intra- state. Although the amount of people that the Music Building embodies is truly impressive, the issue at hand is that all of these people are operating in a building that is struggling with several issues because of deferred maintenance, and a lack of expansion. For example, a lack of proper heating and air conditioning regulation in large ensemble rooms. Because of this, the rooms are generally an uncomfortably cold or hot temperature, but also an unstable climate for instruments. Rooms that are too cold furthermore make wooden instruments prone to breaking. Another issue is the sharing or forfeiting of lockers because of a lack of locker space. Education majors take method classes for every instrument by the time they graduate which means they are playing anywhere from 2-6 instruments at a time. They usually need a second locker to accommodate for instrument storage. Grizzly Marching Band members who are not music majors also use the lockers. Locker space was intended originally for 100 people, which is nowhere near accommodating now. Additionally, classroom and hallway storage of instruments because of a lack of storage space has become problematic. Instruments are stored around the walls of ensemble rooms, making them crowded and not acoustically sound. Perhaps the most pressing problem is the practice room space, in which there are only 20 practice rooms, none of which are sound proof. Musicians are practicing in the hallways hoping a practice room clears up for them. Once they get a practice room, they cannot practice without hearing their 4 practice hall neighbors simultaneously. It is common practice for other music schools to at the very least have sound proof rooms. All practice rooms and ensemble rooms in the Music Building are deemed unsafe for human hearing, and over capacity of bodies by the fire marshal. The floor, wall, and ceiling structures are damaged, leaking, and outdated because of a lack of renovations. There is only one space for music technology, a growing field amongst musicians today. This one space only has twelve stations to work from which limits class size involving this area of study. The amount of technological access the school has is deemed inappropriate for today's learning purposes. The School also has limited ADA access. A freight elevator connects the floors but

requires physical labor to open and close it properly. Similarly, a floor lift is required for one ensemble room that is extremely outdated. These critiques have been informally discussed by students for years, but also professionally made by an Architectural program study in 2015 and the National Association of Schools of Music in 2015 of which the School of Music holds accreditation. In 2012, when the School of Music was last reviewed for accreditation, it was re-accredited only because they were assured that the issues would be resolved. Since 2012, nothing has been fixed, and the School of Music again faces reaccreditation in 2022. These promises to NASM were made under previous administration, as well as the lack of any renovation or expansion thereof. I am extremely hopeful and excited about the Music Building's future under our current administration who has been very supportive about the path towards expanding and renovating the building, and the community whom have expressed their love for that area of the University. The appropriate next step in this process is to adequately respond to similar student concerns. Last fall a qualtrics survey was conducted regarding the use of funds created by the consolidation of the University's debts in which 45.7% of qualitative responses regarding which instructional spaces students wanted improved were about the Music Building. Despite this overwhelming response, the Music Building was not considered for the use of these funds when a plan was presented at the BOR meeting last November. As a Senator, I could not allow the student voice to simply be diminished in this manner. The Music Building's expansion and renovation is to be discussed at the BOR session this May. It has been a high priority in previous sessions, but regardless, servicing the needs of this building and its students is long overdue.

- ii. Durnell-Flanagan Motion to correct spelling of progress in line 134
 - 1. Motion Passes
- iii. Corkish: (to Senator Durnell) Will you be speaking in BOR about this topic
 - 1. Durnell: Yes
 - 2. Corkish: I feel that we should support this resolution.
- iv. Johnston: (to Senator Durnell) where will the space be expanded to?

- 1. Durnell: They already have plans for where to place the expansions, to the only outward expansion is a larger sound proof ensemble room
- v. Johnston: I support this resolution
- vi. Fulton- Motion to replace 195 with 235, and add minors to line 15
 - 1. Motion Passes
- vii. Belcher-Hurley- motion to replace music with all, and add including music students to line 138.
 - 1. Motion Passes
- viii. Nelson-Sladich motion to amend line 26 to capitalize the T in transportation
 - 1. Motion Passes
- ix. Willmus: The timeline for construction projects on this scale will take a long time so we should support this resolution, so that this project can start as soon as possible.
- x. Flanagan: I support this resolution, and feel this as a good investment in the safety of students
- xi. Tarallo: This is extremely important for enrollment and retention. I support this resolution.
- xii. Parsons-Glueckert UC Called Motion to capitalize sentences in line 104 and 118
 - 1. Motion Passes
- xiii. Hahn- Fulton UC Called Motion to capitalize Qualtrics in line 118
 - 1. Motion Passes
- xiv.Resolution Passes Unanimously

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Fulton
 - a. To B&F and Music Union
 - b. Resolution Amending section 9.7.4 of ASUM Fiscal Policy
- b. Tarallo
 - a. To R&A and B&F
 - b. Resolution Adjusting the cap for funding Airfare for Student Group travel requests
- c. Kiefer:
 - a. To Maddy Jones, Eva Rocke, R&A, and Recycling
 - b. Resolution Amending the Recycling Oversight Board Bylaws

Fulton-Willmus UC Called Motion to Adjourn 8:00 pm