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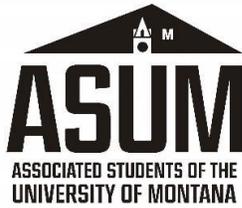
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Wednesday April 15, 2020
Zoom – 6 P.M.

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1. CHAIR HANLEY CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:03

2. ROLL CALL

- a. Present: President Belcher, Vice President Hanley, Business Manager Parsons, Senators; Anderson, Borghesani, Bowles, Durnell, Flanagan, Fulton, Glueckert, Gregory, Hahn, Jimmie, Johnston, Kiefer, Medina, Nelson, Ream, Rinck, Tarallo
- b. Absent and excused: Senator Corkish
- c. Absent and unexcused:

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- a. Tarallo-Gregory UC Called Motion to approve
 - a. Motion passes

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Anna-Margaret Goldman – We are teaching some classes in new minor certificates. We are teaching what public administrators and first responders and nonprofit

organizations are doing in this crisis. There's a 21-credit NPAD minor and a 12-credit certificate. The class is coming up this summer, in the second session. There's also fall options. 166 and 267, Leadership in Non-profits.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Grace Gardner, Director of UM Summer
 1. Updates and changes for Summer 2020
 2. Just wanted to say thank you for all the work you do. I have a lot of ties to UM, and I worked in athletics for a while. UM is trying to grow the summer programs, so students can graduate earlier. Summer in Missoula is one of the best times to be here. It's been a crazy couple of weeks trying to figure out summer. I'm glad we made the decision early to shift online. It lets students plan. UM administration was a bit perturbed that we made this decision, but we do things different. It's a nightmare to think about logisitically
 3. Lot of questions about why students are still paying fees if they aren't on campus anymore. These are not service funds, their support funds, so they can't just be refunded. We're trying to reimburse students for these fees, and we'll get into the weeds on this later. There will be some type of break, but we're trying to figure out what this is going to look like. It's a potential marketing strategy if we move to online-only costs for out of state students. For in-state and WUE students, its not as much, but its something. I know how much our students need tutoring. Let me know what questions you have about summer.
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- d. COVID-19 General Discussion
 1. Belcher: It's my perception that things have slowed down, but there have been lots of changes.
 1. Glueckert: Has there been discussion about online fall semester yet?
 1. Belcher: It's unknown, but the goal is as much in-person contact as possible.

2. Bowles: I had a couple students ask what UM is doing for art students, given their unique curriculum?
 1. Belcher: Have them email me. But there has been some discussion on how to reimburse students
3. Fulton: What about elections?
 1. Belcher: Well, there will probably be an exception for executives of the student body, because it might be paid through stipends and through ASUM rather than state dollars.
4. Rinck: There has been an increase in workload and I'm curious what professors have been told about accommodations?
 1. Belcher: It's a case-by-case thing, but email me.
- e. Higher Ed after COVID-19
 1. Belcher: I attended this seminar about the changes COVID-19 is having on higher ed, and the trends going forward.
- f. Online Public Comment
- g. Committee Reports
 1. ASCRC – We had some discussion on allowing credit/no credits and allowing them as transfer credits. We also discussion on graduation substitutions
- h. Other
 1. Winner of Administrator of the Year
 1. Brian French
 2. Winner of Student Group of the Year
 1. Climate Response Club

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Committee Updates
 - a. Hanley: Changes reflected are from Senator Hurley's resignation
 - b. Corkish-Glueckert UC Called Move to remove Grace Dunhoff from elections
 - i. Motion passes
 - c. Corkish-Tarallo UC Called Motion to approve
 - i. Motion passes
- b. Senator/Committee Reports
 - a. Hanley: I need these reports in by Friday April 24. Make sure you write on for being a senator and one for each committee you chair. I haven't received any yet. We rely on this feedback.
- c. Committee Reports

- a. CPRG – We’ve had some issues with the credit/no credit option, and it’s a little weird. The professor allows the change, the student picks their grade and the registration office goes from there. But there have been some issues working in the complete credit option. Some people think credit/no-credit would still be the equivalent to D-D+ range, but the registration office is working on changing bylaws to accommodate these changes.
- d. Other
 - a. Hanley: Committee attendance needs to still be tracked. I need this to make an accurate spread sheet. Send me your office hour emails. I missed quite a few last week and had to give out absences. This is what you’ve done all year
 - b. Hanley: the April 24 Meeting is cancelled. Take the week off and focus on elections

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- a. Student Group Rollover Funds
 - a. Parsons: the board met and discussed this last week. There were some ideas on what we could do to allow student groups access to these funds.
 - b. Durnell: The idea was brought about by some student groups, and we’ve got some good input. I’ll talk about more in new business with a resolution I am proposing.
 - c. Parsons: Usually, what is left over at the end of the year goes back into zero-base, but we want to allow student groups to get some so this money isn’t lost to them.
 - d. Hanley: What’s your framework for this?
 - i. Durnell: I thought about a hard cap at like 20%, but then I realized that isn’t fair, so we figured an application would be the best way to go about it. We want to give student group leaders the opportunity to do line-item changes, but the other accounts locked out union groups. I wanted to give everyone an equal opportunity and do this on a case by case basis.

- ii. Hanley: What is the process? If this goes into the summer, we wouldn't have any committee membership.
 - 1. Durnell: I wanted discussion to be done by this board, rather than throwing it on a brand new board. I did make a timeline for this to be done over the fall. This resolution will create the application and give justifications for why it works, like the Dennison Theater Event Fund. I want to get senators on board that this is a necessity. I've made sure this expires after a year, so it doesn't continue taxing our agencies.
- b. Committee Reports
 - a. Publications Board and Radio Board will only have one more meeting and they will be transitional meetings. There will be new people in new roles, the executives and advisors.
 - c. Birthdays
 - d. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Relations and Affairs

The Relations and Affairs Committee met on Sunday, April 12th at 3:00pm to discuss one resolution Amending Article V Section 13 of the ASUM Bylaws. The meeting lasted a brief eleven minutes total. One question was raised regarding the new Sustainability Coordinator's position as it pertained to these Bylaw changes. Otherwise, the amendments made were to improve the formatting of the resolution. There were 4 of the 8 voting members present so as the chair I had to vote to meet quorum. The resolution passed 4-0-1. The abstention was my own because of my involvement working as a Udash driver and to stay true to my position as a chair. If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please feel free to reach out.

Noah Durnell

Chair of the Relations and Affairs Committee

Transportation Board

To the Senate and Whomever Else It May Concern:

The Transportation Board met for the third time this semester on April 14, 2020 over Zoom at 10:30. We have a full committee with two SAL's, three Senators, two ASUMOT Transit Supervisors, Maddy Jones, Jordan Hess, and non-voting student drivers. During the meeting, the committee received updates from the Office of Transportation and their methods of addressing COVID-19 while still providing an essential service. Ridership has declined significantly with the implementation of Montana's Stay-At-Home Orders with an average of four people riding. The Office of Transportation's goals during COVID-19 have been to provide transportation to transit-dependent populations, maintain student employment, and to flatten the curve. The Office of Transportation has taken the opportunity of telecommuting to learn about its potential

application when the pandemic is over. The Office of Transportation through the Transportation Ambassador interns have been distributing educational information on social media platforms during COVID-19. In addition to updates, the committee reviewed one resolution amending Article V, Section 13 of the Bylaws. The only changes made in this committee pertained to correcting the titles of ASUMOT employees on the Board. The final business item was to review progress on the Long-Term Strategic Plan. Best, Zoe Nelson zn122494@umconnect.umt.edu

Student Political Action Committee

April 7, 2020

2020 Census Update

The committee held a Census Q&A on Tuesday, April 14th with representatives from the U.S. Census, Montana Legislative Redistricting Committee, and Forward Montana to discuss how students can participate in the Census. Due to COVID-19, the census is experiencing unique challenges and they have ceased all field operations. The self-response time has been extended to August 14th but may be extended to October 31st by an act of congress. For every UM student counted, Montana receives \$20,000 per year. If we miss counting 50 students, that's a loss of \$1,000,000. We need to ensure that students, especially those who may have left Montana due to the pandemic, are counted where they were supposed to be living on April 1st.

Jeri Bucy and Mary Craigle are currently coordinating with the Montana University System to distribute packets to each MUS school with unique Montana-branded materials to increase outreach. The committee will also continue to encourage UM Communications to keep the messaging stream to students consistent throughout the semester to reach as many as possible. We are still encouraging Senators and students to make a video about participating in the census. We plan to use these for ASUM/University social media. We are working with UM Communications and they have agreed to give us coverage on our social media if we have organic student-generated content to share. I created a '2020 Census' folder in our ASUM Student Political Action Committee Box Drive. Here is the link: <https://umt.box.com/s/bqaqd5n0wpj1194794pu8bznpdevvaca> to upload your clips. Just a quick clip, about 30-60 seconds. There is a simple script (you can find it in the folder) if you need an idea of what to say. Morgan Hahn, Chair, ASUM Student Political Action Committee

Legal Oversight Board Report

Legal Oversight Board is continuing to operate via Zoom. Legal Oversight Board is posting a link to an educational webinar and asks that students watch it and fill out the existing Legal Needs survey on Qualtrics.

Legal Oversight Board Chair Ream

Elections Committee

- a. Glueckert-Tarallo: Motion for the elections committee to host a second ASUM debate on April 20th.
 - a. Glueckert: this is to give candidates more time to explain their platforms
 - b. Motion passes 16-0-3

Recess at 7:58 to howl; called back to order at 8:06

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB67 - Resolution Amending Article V, Section 23 of the ASUM Bylaws
 - a. Rinck: This is my first resolution, I'd love to hear some comments. The formerly known as KRELF committee has voted to take on the Sustainability Committee name. I motioned to table this so we could hear back from the Kless family, and they were in support of this.
 - b. Kiefer: It's a simple name change that helps student recognize what it is. I encourage everyone to pass this.
 - c. Resolution passes 19-1-0
- b. SB72 - Resolution Amending the Student Group Recognition and Funding Process to be Categorical
 - a. Flanagan: Ever since I've joined ASUM, there have always been issues with recognition. After an intense final budgeting session, I thought to take on the responsibility as chair of BOMO to help change this. The reason it looks the way it does is because this is what the majority of the board wants. I do recognize this has flaws, and fixing student group recognition is a complex process that might not be handled by one passionate senator and a resolution. There have been criticisms, and this resolution is not ready to pass. I hope this resolution can serve as a starting point and get people involved.
 - b. Anderson: there is a lot of misinformation, especially about the law school groups and sports groups who cannot change their bylaws. I don't think the sport student groups were properly notified. This is a major change.
 - c. Tarallo: this major change should not be made over Zoom and hopefully if we vote it down, and we can create a version that is actually equitable.
 - d. Fulton: This is a conversation we need to have. We need to be making these changes. But watching the work the board has made, I will be abstaining.
 - e. Rinck: I would like to see more categories, where we can better address the needs of those groups. Academic groups seem like a they were being attacked, and it was a sticking point for me.
 - f. Durnell: This is easily one of the most democratic ways I've seen a resolution written and I want to commend the author for that. I am glad the author presented the concerns first. There are a lot of things that need to be ironed out. I am hopeful because of the passion and energy this senate has had, so I think we can better redefine the recognition

process. I am so happy to see that everyone is talking about this, regardless of this not going through. This was an impressive semester-long project. I plan on reading through governing documents over the summer.

- g. Flanagan: I would ask some that some of the criticism become more constructive. I would like to know what I can do differently. I get there are some mistakes, but I want to know how to go forward. I also prefer meeting in person.
- h. Flanagan-Gregory Move to strike national affiliation on Line 90
 - i. Flanagan: This is one of the big things I have heard feedback on. I heard this is one of the biggest issues student groups had. This is a change I wanted to make for when this resolution is referenced in the future.
 - ii. Parsons: With the national affiliation comes disagreements in membership requirements with ASUM, what do you do there?
 - 1. No idea.
 - iii. Anderson: This does not do what it is needed to do. This is like putting a bandaid on a broken dam. It sounds like you haven't done your research or talked with student groups. "Examples include but are not limited" is too vague.
 - iv. Durnell: I agree with the amendment. It sounds like this amendment is made because of conversations with student groups.
 - v. Anderson: I am worried about the vague language. It doesn't do enough to help.
 - vi. Flanagan: That's not reason enough to vote this down.
 - vii. Durnell: In your conversations, was it this specific part or was it the whole section?
 - 1. Flanagan: Just this specific part
 - 2. Durnell: then this is perfectly reasonable and accommodating to the requests of group
 - viii. Parsons: Just with this amendment, I have some concerns about national affiliation, but if the intent of this resolution to allow national groups barriers to entry, then it goes against the purpose of the resolution
 - ix. Amendment passes 9-7-4
- i. Belcher: I've been thinking that the idea of inclusivity might have been taken too far. It should not be a consideration after they have been recognized. Discussion after recognition is not healthy. I do think some

things should be allowed to be exclusive, like GPA requirements for honors societies.

- j. Johnston: I concur with President Belcher. It should be set up on the recognition side, not the funding. It's a weird way of doing it. I am in the minority on that.
- k. Parsons: I want to applaud the author and the sponsors. BOMO has done a lot of good work, and I appreciate that we are trying to incentivize inclusivity. Tonight, in this form, its not ready to be passed, but this is a discussion that needs to be had. There needs to be a more streamlined process. I like Senator Rinck's idea. The bylaws are vague as heck.
- l. Kiefer: I agree with Senator Rinck, and I think things need to be more on the recognition side, but it also doesn't matter if its on Zoom. We should be expecting fall to be on Zoom. There is a need for this, and I appreciate the amount of work the author put into this.
- m. Anderson: I was hoping to do this in the fall with more discussion. This is something the new business manager and interested senators need to work on.
- n. Tarallo: I am more in favor of ASUM leaving student groups alone. There were a few actions I thought the senate took that I felt were overreach. I understand the desire to reward groups, but some groups just can't. This resolution has far too many shortcomings.
- o. Flanagan: Thank you to Senator Rinck for his suggestions. This is actually very similar to the stuff Senator Nelson brought up when we first brought up these discussions. I do think we need to have some things with funding, but there are issues and concerns with favoritism. There's a lot to figure out. There is something there in that plan. It needs a lot more thought. I understand the concerns on doing recognition and funding together, but from what I understand the argument to be, it sounds like you want us to just not recognize a group who would present a funding concern. I think we should recognize as many groups as possible. This was to allow more exclusive groups to exist on this campus.
- p. Durnell: One thing I think could benefit the process is possibly constitutional review to add members to our boards. This might strengthen the recognition process. It's the most doable with people here. The recognition process also takes a lot of groups at one time and makes detailed analysis becomes difficult and overbearing. That could be drawn out. I also think its important to explore whether groups are exclusive by choice or because of other regulations. I do want to

stress that groups being recognized informs their budgeting. They go hand in hand.

- q. Tarallo: On the topic of recognition, I don't like the idea of just recognition and then telling them we won't give them money. It's not fair, to be sneaky and deceptive. One other thing, please don't abstain from voting because you don't want to come up with a yes or no. Do it only if you have a serious conflict of interest.
- r. Rinck: I appreciate the rich dialogue the senate has had tonight, but I will be voting no. I think there is value to recognizing more student groups, regardless of funding. They would feel less legitimate, and it can dissuade students from forming their smaller clubs. I also think the senate has a high level of experience right now, but the fall won't have the same level. We need to have more dialogue before we elect a new senate.
- s. Resolution fails 0-18-2
- c. SB73 - Resolution Amending Article V, Section 13 of the ASUM Bylaws
 - a. Nelson: I am hoping to include our sustainability coordinator Maddy Jones as a nonvoting member of our transportation board. I am amending the bylaws to change the make-up to allow more flexibility. There are still up to 10 spots if there are more interested parties. We've had issues where we didn't have 5 voting members. I have also condensed it from 5 subsections to 3 and deleted some repetition
 - b. Nelson-Glueckert UC Called Motion to bold "a" on line 166
 - i. Motion passes
 - c. Resolution passes 20-0-0

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Durnell: Resolution Supporting the Creation of a COVID-19 Student Group Relief Application
- b. Anderson: Resolution supporting the creation of transitional housing units for survivors of domestic or sexual violence at the University of Montana
- c. Glueckert: Resolution amending the ASUM bylaws to address the role of chairs who are also candidates

11. ADJOURNMENT

Fulton-Anderson UC Called Motion to adjourn at 9:05 pm