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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
February 2, 1994
Mount Sentinel Room - 6 p.m.

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes - January 26, 1993
4. Public Comment
5. President's Report
 - a. Vacant Senate Seats
 - b. Naming of new dorm - Ron Brunell
 - c. The Future
6. Vice President's Report
 - a. Committee Appointments
 - b. Announcements
7. Business Manager's Report
 - a. Order of Budgeting
8. Committee Reports
9. Unfinished Business
 - a. SB98 Resolution to Place Voting Procedures into House Rules - in committee
 - b. SB110 Resolution to Add Article 1, Section 1H to House Rules Re: Voting - in committee
 - c. SB115 Resolution to Take Position on Semester Calendar - in committee
 - d. SB118 Resolution for A Sustainable University Center - in committee
 - e. SB119 Resolution for A Sustainable Campus - in committee
 - f. SB122 Resolution to Revise Vice Presidential Duties
 - g. SB123 Resolution to Reference Executive Salaries in Fiscal Policy
 - h. SB125 Resolution Disapproving President Dennison's Actions Regarding UM Property at Fort Missoula
 - i. SB126 Resolution Disapproving UM Foundation and its Board of Directors' Actions Regarding UM Property at Fort Missoula
 - j. SB127 Resolution for Letter to Associated Students of North Idaho College
 - k. SB128 Resolution for Letter to Commissioner of Higher Education
 - l. SB129 Resolution to Support the "Opening Doors to Your Future" Conference
 - m. SB130 Resolution to Ensure Opportunity to Enter New Business
10. New Business
11. Comments
12. Adjournment

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
February 2, 1994
Mount Sentinel Rooms - 6:00 p.m.

Chair Flanigan called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m. Present: Betts, Flanigan, Hoffman, Arnold, Bear Don't Walk, Brown, Crowe, Deines, Farooqui, Grant, Gregory, Hammond, Katzman, Kuntz, Lindsay, Mather, Panasuk, Redenius (6:41), Reed, Schlosser, Tomazeli and Yellow Robe. Excused was Rogers.

The minutes of the January 26 meeting were approved as written.

Public Comment

*Representatives of the Wild Rockies Cooperative Market, Amnesty International, Students for Economic Justice, Division of Biological Sciences Organization for Advancement of the Graduate Program and U of M Outing Club student organizations encouraged Senators to recognize their groups.

*Laura Sliter of German Klub thanked the Senators for granting the group ASUM recognition.

*Debbie Wells of Student Honors Association told about the club's activities.

*Ross Best stressed the need for a public comment podium, spoke about the ongoing Betts' issue and reported that he sent a letter to the UM Foundation requesting the establishment of procedures to allow access to their meetings and documents.

*Nominees for various committees introduced themselves.

*Sam Mitchell expressed concern over graduate student representation on campus.

President's Report

- a. The nomination of Mary Ann Pierson as ASUM intern was tabled until next week.
- b. The nominations of Tye Deines and Joao Tomazeli as Senators and Susan Arnold as alternate were approved by Senate.
- c. Ron Brunell circulated architectural renderings of the new student dorm along with floor plans and submitted the proposed name of the new dorm - Robert T. Pantzer Hall - for Senator input. Senate approved.
- d. Betts submitted his resignation effective at 5 p.m. February 11. He plans to retain his committee appointments that are unrelated to the presidency.

Five-minute recess

Vice-President's Report

- a. The following committee appointment nominations were submitted to and approved by Senate: SPA and Student Computing - Jennifer Panasuk, Allison Grant; University Affairs - Susan Framness; University Affairs, Administration and Finance, Graduation Appeals, Academic Standards and Curriculum Review - James Kittman; Elections - Alison Redenius.
- b. A sign-up sheet for the Senate table was circulated.
- c. Flanigan announced a Washington, D.C., conference on diversity advancement to be held March 3-5.

Business Manager's Report

- a. Hoffman will present the order of budgeting and budgeting percentages at next week's meeting for approval.

Committee Reports

*Mather received approval from Senate to hold elections February 14-18 as needed to attempt to secure a 12% vote on referendums.
*Gregory moved to grant group recognition with academic category status for the Division of Biological Science (DBS) Graduate Student Organization. Senate approved.
*Gregory reported that the Family Housing Planning Committee considered bathroom designs for the new family housing unit.
*Brown introduced SB131 Resolution to Oppose Proposed University Funding Model under seconded motion status from University Affairs. A call of previous question by **Reed-Tomazeli** failed. A motion by **Hoffman-Farooqui** to table it in committee until an official document is received from the Governor's office passed.

Five-minute recess

*Hoffman reminded Senators that lobbying is from 5-11 p.m. February 22, 23 and 24.
*Panasuk reported that the UC anniversary party will be next week on Wednesday from 11:30-1:30. UC Board is supporting the Small World Festival. The architect selection meeting for UC renovations will be Tuesday, Feb. 15, at 8 a.m.
*Grant reported that the Minority Achievement Award Committee was planning a reception and discussing the award design.
*Redenius reported that the Athletic Committee is discussing solutions to the reduced athletic budget, cheerleader acrobatics with regard to liability and other issues.
*Redenius has the Bylaws and House Rules revised by ASUM Affairs ready for distribution in preparation for next week's consideration at next week's Senate meeting.
*Cox reported that they have a new Vice-Chair for CRB. The hearing on Betts' petition on his impeachment vote will be heard Thursday, Feb. 10, at 6 p.m.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB98 Resolution to Place Voting Procedures into House Rules - withdrawn
- b. SB110 Resolution to Add Article 1, Section 1H to House Rules Re: Voting - withdrawn
- c. SB115 Resolution to Take Position on Semester Calendar - in committee.
- d. SB118 Resolution for A Sustainable University Center - in committee.
- e. SB119 Resolution for A Sustainable Campus - in committee.
- f. SB122 Resolution to Revise Vice Presidential Duties - in committee. A motion by **Farooqui-Katzman** to take this out of committee failed.
- g. SB123 Resolution to Reference Executive Salaries in Fiscal Policy - as amended (Exhibit A). A motion by **Betts-Farooqui** to take this off the table passed. An amendment was offered by **Katzman** to consider SB123 in its original form. A previous question call by **Redenius-Crowe** passed 15-5. Upon immediate vote, the amendment failed. A previous question call by **Reed-Redenius** passed 16-5 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet). Upon immediate roll call vote (see Tally Sheet), the resolution passed.

- h/i. No objection was voiced to the **Arnold-Schlosser** request to consider the following resolutions as a slate: SB125 Resolution Disapproving President Dennison's Actions Regarding UM Property at Fort Missoula and SB126 Resolution Disapproving UM Foundation and its Board of Directors' Actions Regarding UM Property at Fort Missoula (Exhibit B). A friendly amendment by **Arnold** to add a second sentence under "BE IT RESOLVED" was accepted by **Reed**. **Reed** changed "President George Dennison" in SB125 to "the Board of Regents" with no objection. A friendly amendment by **Reed** to add "the spirit of" to **Arnold's** sentence was accepted by **Arnold**. A motion by **Grant-Katzman** to vote on each resolution separately failed. A friendly amendment by **Arnold** to add a final whereas was accepted by **Reed**. A call of previous question by **Farooqui-Redenius** passed 14-4 with 1 abstention on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet). Upon immediate roll call vote, the resolutions passed as a package 13-6 (see Tally Sheet).
- j. SB127 Resolution for Letter to Associated Students of North Idaho College (Exhibit C). A motion by **Grant-Lindsay** to remove the resolution from the table passed. It was agreed to limit debate to two times per person. A friendly amendment by **Redenius** to include the letter with the resolution was accepted by **Katzman**. (It was removed last week.) Friendly amendments by **Farooqui** and **Reed** to change wording and grammar were accepted by **Katzman**. A call of previous question by **Betts-Farooqui** passed 15-6 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet). Upon immediate roll call vote, the resolution passed 15-5 (see Tally Sheet).
- k. SB128 Resolution for Letter to Commissioner of Higher Education (Exhibit D). A motion by **Bear Don't Walk-Crowe** to remove the resolution from committee passed. A motion by **Crowe-Yellow Robe** for an immediate vote passed. Upon immediate vote, the resolution passed.
- l. SB129 Resolution to Support the "Opening Doors to Your Future" Conference (Exhibit E) passed.
- m. SB130 Resolution to Ensure Opportunity to Enter New Business at Senate Meeting - in committee

New Business

- a. Resolution to prevent Senators from voting for an ASUM group's budget if they are a member of that group.
- b. Resolution to support law suit to repeal the sexual deviation act.
- c. Resolution to accept revised House Rules.
- d. Resolution to accept ballot for special election.
- e. Resolution to accept 1994 Personnel Policy revisions.
- f. Resolution to establish plant fund for renovations.
- g. Resolution to repeal section of Constitution providing for executive session.

A motion at 11:07 p.m. to adjourn passed.

Carol Hayes

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager

EXECUTIVE SALARY REFERENCE

Whereas, there is no current reference to the executive salaries in the Fiscal Policy and,

Whereas, the ASUM Constitution provides for the compensation of executives with the Fiscal Policy only and,

Whereas, when Fiscal Policy was separated several years ago to create the Personnel Policy, executive salaries were inadvertently moved as well,

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED: that the ASUM Fiscal Policy read:

ITEM 26.0 Executive Salaries

26.1 All duties and salaries for the offices of President, Vice-President and Business Manager shall be delineated within the Constitution, Bylaws and policies of ASUM.

Sponsor: J. P. Betts

SB125

WHEREAS the Associated Students of the University of Montana believe that green or undeveloped space in Missoula should be preserved, and

WHEREAS this is especially true of such space owned by the University of Montana,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Associated Students of the University of Montana Senate do strongly disapprove of the actions taken by the Board of Regents as regards UM property on Fort Missoula.

SB126

WHEREAS the University of Montana Foundation mission statements reads, in part,

To enhance the University and Foundation image of trust and sound management by securing, managing and disbursing funds in a professional manner

and

WHEREAS the decision to sell the UM holdings on Fort Missoula at a price determined without public bidding smacks of corruption, and

WHEREAS the decision to sell the UM holdings on Fort Missoula at a price roughly equivalent to undeveloped property in Lolo smacks of stupidity, and

WHEREAS the decision to sell the UM holdings on Fort Missoula at all indicates a total lack of concern for the preservation of green space in Missoula, and

WHEREAS the aforementioned decision to sell the UM holdings on Fort Missoula thus both degrades the University and Foundation image of trust and sound management, and

WHEREAS it is a concern of ASUM that the spirit of the open meeting laws and access to public documents have been violated,

BE IT RESOLVED that the ASUM Senate does strongly disapprove of the actions taken by the UM Foundation and its Board of Directors. ASUM Senate is outraged by any actions taken by the U of M Foundation that are contradictory to the spirit of open meeting laws on the denying of access to any documents to students and members of the public.

Exhibit C

WHEREAS the Associated Students of North Idaho College (ASNIC) has denied recognition to the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Alliance, and,

WHEREAS this represents the first time in two years that any organization has been denied recognition by ASNIC, and,

WHEREAS the reasons given for this decision are unrelated to objective criteria, and

WHEREAS the ASUM Senate is opposed to this type of denial of equal protection and equal access,

THEREFORE the ASUM Senate approves the following open letter to the Associated Students of North Idaho College:

ASNIC:

Recently, we have been informed that the Associated Students of North Idaho College has decided to deny recognition to your college's Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Alliance. Apparently some members of the ASNIC student government felt that this organization was unnecessary and cast their votes to deny this organization the equal access to your facilities.

Your student government may have been swayed by claims that this was not a denial of fundamental liberties or of freedom of speech or assembly. When facilities are maintained by mandatory student fees and offered free to all who ask for them it is discrimination to single out one group who must pay special fees. There are many important rights ensured by the United States Constitution and by the States, including a right to equal protection, which includes the use of public facilities.

You and your colleagues may have believed that you were simply representing your constituents by denying sanction to a minority. You have stated that the Human Diversity Council and county government can sufficiently represent the interests of these students. But the Human Diversity Council refused to incorporate the goals of these students, and when the students sought to represent themselves, you chose to use your authority to stifle their activities. Any meaningful system of majority rule in a free nation and community requires implicit protection of the right of minorities both to exist and to express their own concerns.

You have said that you do not believe that the issue of sexuality should be on the forefront of the national agenda. Yet by denying equal rights to a group of your students, you have forced a lawsuit that has itself been a cause of national attention, and which will attract attention to an issue you believed should fade into insignificance. You have chosen to use the money of your students and your property tax payers to defend the cause of discrimination.

As the student government of a peer institution, the Associated Students of the University of Montana disagree with your decision and urge you to reconsider it.

Sincerely,

SB 128
Exhibit D

Lewis

Senators/Execs:

This is a copy
of the letter that
is going to be sent

to Dr. Baker. If
you have any
suggestions, etc.
please let me know

February 3, 1994

Dr. Jeff Baker,
Commissioner of Higher Education
P.O. Box 203101
Helena, Montana 59620-3101

Dear Dr. Baker:

The Senate of the Associated Students of the University of Montana is writing to request a follow-up statement to an October 15, 1993 letter of inquiry that our Senate sent your office.

The letter of inquiry asked the Commissioner the status of the transferability of credits from the Montana Tribal colleges to the Montana University system.

We requested a December 6, 1993, response. We have yet to receive any sort of response from your office via the postal service, telephone or telefax.

The Senate looks forward to your prompt and forthcoming response by February 14, 1994.

Sincerely,

J.P. Betts
President,
ASUM

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Senator,
ASUM

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SB 129
University Affairs

Resolution to support the "Opening doors to your future" conference

Whereas the job market for students graduating both this year and in the future is highly competitive and unfamiliar to most students and

Whereas the career services office in conjunction with the Advertising Club, U.M. Advocates, Alumni Association, Beta Alpha Psi, Career Consulting Program, Entrepreneurship Club, Foreign Student Services, and the MBA Association are putting on a conference to address some of the issues and concerns facing graduates as they try to find a job after college and

Whereas this conference is designed to benefit the students at the University of Montana and

Whereas all of the speakers for this conference will be alumni from the University of Montana as part of the kick-off for the new Alumni Career Consulting Program and

Whereas this conference deserves the support of the entire University community

Therefore be it resolved that ASUM supports this conference and ask President Dennison for his support as well.