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ASUM SENATE AGENDA  
Mt. Sentinel Rooms  
March 4, 1992

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Public Comment
5. President's Report
  - a. Senate vacancy
  - b. Nancy Fitch
6. Vice President's Report
  - a. Health Insurance - Greg Fine
  - b. Committee Appointment
7. Business Manager's Report
  - a. Auxiliary Capital Plan
  - b. Ad Club
  - c. Chamber Chorale
  - d. Woodsman's Team
  - e. Lambda Alliance
  - f. STS Tutoring
  - g. Phoenix
  - h. Status of Accounts
8. Committee Reports
  - a. Board of Member Organizations: Student Community  
Artisan Craft Guild
9. Old Business
  - a. Space Allocation Resolution
  - b. Resolution on Residential Parking Legal Challenge
  - c. Policy Resolution
10. New Business
11. Comments
12. Adjournment

DATE March 4, 1992

## ROLL CALL

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ASUM SENATE MINUTES  
Mt. Sentinel Rooms  
March 4, 1992  
6:00 p.m.

Hollenbaugh presided over the first part of the meeting and called it to order at 6:08 p.m. Present were: Hollenbaugh, Wickstrom (6:15), Rosenthal, Boston, Dale, Greene, Greteman, Hummel, Krause, Kuntz, Lewis (7:00), McCleary, McKay, Oliver, Rathert, Redhorn, Singer, St. Peter, Wetterling and Zink. Excused was Barber. Unexcused were Hargesheimer and Tinsley.

The minutes of the February 26th meeting were approved as written.

**Public Comment**

Tom LaVoie of Lambda Alliance spoke on the group's request for a Special Allocation to be voted on later in the evening.

**President's Report**

Hollenbaugh announced that alternate Jennifer Greene has agreed to fill the Senate vacancy. Senate ratified her appointment.

The seating for students in Dahlberg Arena will not be changed.

Nancy Fitch spoke on a proposed survey of female students that the Rape and Sexual Assault Task Force would like to implement to determine the occurrence frequency and circumstances of assaults (Exhibit A). Fitch asked for ASUM monetary support of the project, citing that the Montana Board of Crime Control has pledged \$2500 so far and that she will be approaching UM administration for assistance.

**Vice President's Report**

Greg Fine spoke on the proposed self-funded student health insurance. It is still being considered but won't be implemented in the near future.

Wickstrom received Senate confirmation for the following committee appointments: Brad Belles, Auxiliary Services; Shelly Andres, Campus Safety and Traffic Board; David Hagan, William Maxwell, Graduate Council.

**Business Manager's Report**

Rosenthal reported on the status of the Special Allocation and STIP funds.

Senate approved a \$2000 special allocation request from Ad Club for their district competition.

(Senate suspended fiscal policy to consider special allocation requests from Chamber Chorale and the Woodsmen Team.)



Senate approved a \$1600 special allocation request from the Chamber Chorale for their trip to Vienna.

Senate approved a \$250 special allocation request from the Woodsmen Team for travel and miscellaneous costs.

Senate failed to approve a \$112 special allocation request from Lambda Alliance for copy costs. (A roll call vote was taken to determine whether there was a 2/3 majority vote needed to act on the request.)

Rosenthal will present a request from STS tutoring next week.

A proposed Auxiliary Capital Plan is available for review in the ASUM office.

Rosenthal read a report from Phoenix outlining their group's progress in getting back on track (Exhibit B). **Zink - St. Peter** moved to unfreeze their funds for this year with probation in effect until fiscal year end. Motion passed.

#### **Committee Reports**

Senate approved the Board of Member Organizations request to recognize The Student Community Artisan Craft.

Jackson Redhorn reported on the Ad hoc Computing Committee.

Paula Rosenthal reported on the Aux. Services Review Committee.

Pat McCleary reported on the Campus Development Committee's review of long-term planning.

Dana Wickstrom reported on the Student Affairs Advisory Council with regard to the Student Conduct Code revisions and the Campus Recreation fee.

#### **Old Business**

- a. Senate passed the Space Allocation resolution (Exhibit C).
- b. Senate passed the Residential Parking Resolution as amended by author Hollenbaugh (Exhibit D).
- c. Senate passed the Policy Resolution as amended by author Rosenthal (Exhibit E).

#### **New Business**

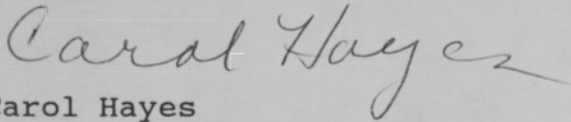
- a. **Redhorn - McCleary** introduced a resolution to promote hate speech education.

- b. **McCleary - Zink** introduced a resolution to support an historic district.
- c. **Zink - Rosenthal** introduced a resolution to support the rape and assault survey.

**Comments**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carol Hayes". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Carol Hayes  
ASUM Office Manager

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Proposal for a Study on the Prevalence of Sexual Assault Among  
Female Students at the University of Montana\*

There are very good reasons to believe that rape and sexual assault on university and college campuses is a problem that is much more severe than official statistics indicate. The lack of parental supervision, frequent sexual activity, widespread alcohol use, and peer pressure combine to greatly increase the potential for sexual assault on campuses. While both men and women can be victimized by sexual assaults, overwhelmingly, the victims are female.

On the campus of the University of Montana, very few rapes or sexual assaults are reported to the Office of Campus Safety in any given year. Yet Women's Place, a local off-campus rape crisis and treatment center provides many female UM students with service for sexual assault (88 in 1990). Underreporting of sexual assault is very common. Unfortunately, many women who are assaulted blame themselves or are reluctant to report the offense because of embarrassment, fear of retaliation, or unwillingness to involve the police. Sexual assaults that occur during dating situations are thought to be especially unlikely to be reported.

Given the problem of underreporting, little is known about sexual assaults on this or any other college campus. The official statistics on campus sexual assaults are known to be grossly inaccurate. The few relatively sophisticated studies of campus sexual assault were done at colleges very different in character from UM.

In its recently completed report, the task force that was appointed by President Dennison to study sexual assault at UM strongly recommended that an effort be undertaken to gather comprehensive information regarding the prevalence and incidence of sexual assault on this campus. This information is needed in order to devise educational and other preventative measures, to help Campus Safety in its law enforcement efforts, and to provide better treatment for victims. It is important to know, for example, how often sexual assaults occur, under what circumstances they are most likely to occur, who are the most likely victims of sexual assault, the role alcohol plays in such assaults, and whether there are particular locations on campus that are more dangerous than others. Further, unless the prevalence of sexual assault at UM at present is known, it would be impossible to figure out later on if any of the programs that might be implemented to address the problem of sexual assault have done any good.

It is difficult to gather reliable information on sexual assault. Only a fraction of victims officially report the incident and there are good reasons to believe that the experiences of those that do report are different from those who do not. Consequently, it is impossible to draw an accurate picture of sexual assault at UM by collecting information from the few victims willing to come



forward. Likewise, the use of convenience samples (e.g.: students in a particular class or those approached by interviewers at a particular location) will not result in accurate information.

The most accurate way to gather the needed information would be to send (via the mail) a victimization survey questionnaire to the entire female student population at UM (approximately 5000 students). In this victimization survey, respondents would be asked to anonymously recount any incidents in the last year in which they were the victim of a sexual assault. In this way it will be possible to compile the survey results and draw a fairly comprehensive and accurate portrait of the incidence of sexual assault on campus.

Victimization surveys are not inexpensive and a victimization survey of sexual assault presents special problems that tend to increase the costs. The nature of the crime of sexual assault requires that a large number of persons be surveyed since the chances that any one person is the victim of a sexual assault in any given year is fairly low. Also, given the sort of the information sought, it is anticipated that multiple follow-up mailings will be necessary in order to get a sufficient proportion of those surveyed to respond. Consequently, the projected total cost of the project (including the data analysis and report) is about \$13,500. A tentative budget that details projected costs is appended. While it would be preferable to survey all female students, it would still be possible to do a fairly accurate survey by questioning a smaller sample. It would be feasible, for example, to survey a sample of approximately 2500 students which would decrease the cost of the study to about \$8,500. If various segments of the campus community were to contribute, the costs to any particular segment would be rather low. In addition to money that is raised on campus, the Montana Board of Crime Control has informally expressed interest in contributing towards a study of sexual assault at UM.

Sexual assault within the campus community is a serious problem that has very serious consequences for students and for the campus community as a whole. In addition to the physical trauma, victims suffer psychological damage that can interfere with their ability to complete their studies. Even women who have not been the direct victim of a sexual assault may be fearful to the point that they are prevented from participating fully in the academic and social activities of the university. Security costs associated with sexual assault represent a drain on scarce university resources. For these reasons and others, the University of Montana needs to act decisively to address the problem of sexual assault. In order to address the problem intelligently, accurate information about sexual assault is needed.

\* This proposal was prepared by Daniel P. Doyle and James W. Burfeind, Department of Sociology in collaboration with the Student Health Service and UM Sexual Assault Task Force.



Tentative Budget

<u>Number of copies</u>	<u>Printing Cost</u>	<u>Additional Mail Items<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Outgoing Postage<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>Return Postage<sup>1</sup></u>
5,000	\$1,500	\$1,980	\$ 440	\$1,160
3,000 <sup>4</sup>	\$ 900	\$1,139	\$ 264	\$ 696
1,800 <sup>5</sup>	\$ 540	\$ 684	\$ 158	\$ 418
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TOTALS:				
9,600	\$2,940	\$3,803	\$ 862	\$2,274

PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION TOTAL: \$ 9,879

STIPENDS<sup>6</sup>: \$ 3,600

TOTAL COSTS OF SURVEY: \$13,479

<sup>1</sup> Includes cover letter on letterhead, postcard reply, and envelopes.

<sup>2</sup> Bulk rate (@ .11/ 4,000 units), with 1,000 to be sent through campus mail in first wave, based upon an estimate of 20% of the student population live on campus. In the same way, 2400 units @ .11 in second wave, and 1440 units @ .11 in third wave.

<sup>3</sup> No bulk rate (@ .29/4,000 units), with 1,000 in first wave requiring no return postage because of use of campus mail, 2400 in second wave, and 1440 in third wave.

<sup>4</sup> Based upon a 40% response rate--60% of the 5,000 original mailings, or 3,000, will require follow-up mailings.

<sup>5</sup> Based upon a 40% response rate--60% of the 3,000 sent in the second wave will require follow-up mailings--1,800.

<sup>6</sup> Stipend for 4 weeks work for two researchers @ \$1500 each and one research assistant @ \$600.

4 March, 1992

To ASUM Senate;

We are pleased to inform you that Phoenix now has a board as follows:

1. Brian Neilson, Jr.
2. Alice Hinshaw, Grad.
3. Jeff Cable, Sr.
4. Lewis Moseley
5. Donald Tobkin
6. Kandy Fox, Jr.
7. Alvin Fitzgerald
8. Tom Sebring Soph.
9. Winnie West
10. Frank Bushilla
11. DuWayne Stebbins

plus designated board members as follows:

1. President
2. Vice-President
3. Office Manager
4. Work Study Coordinator

presently the position of Work Study Coordinator is not filled; this position will be advertised. The other positions are currently filled by Steve Schultz, President; Hebi Brewster, Vice-President; Anne Floyd, Office Manager. Traditionally there has been a position of Director which would constitute a fifth designated board position, this is currently filled by Rodney Gauthier.

This board met Wednesday 4 March, prior to the senate meeting; we have appointed a by-laws committee as follows:

Alice Hinshaw  
Jeff Cable  
Alvin Fitzgerald  
Brian Neilson  
Debi Brewster  
Tom Schring  
Lauri Hull

The by-laws committee is mandated to provide an initial report to the board by Wednesday 11 March, 1992, which is the next scheduled board meeting. We have appointed additional small committees to deal with other problems Phoenix has been experiencing in recent months.

Respectfully,

Stephen C. Schultz

Steve Schultz, Phoenix President

Debi Brewster

Debi Brewster, Phoenix Vice-President

Aune Floyd, Office Manager  
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SPACE ALLOCATION RESOLUTION

Student Union Board is seeking ASUM's support of the revised criteria, guidelines, and application form for the Space Allocation process.



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## UC SPACE ALLOCATION

### GUIDELINES

1. ASUM student government and its direct units in existence for more than one year are eligible to apply for office space.
2. University Center space is subject to annual reallocation.
3. Student Union Board will use the University Center Space Allocation Criteria when considering space allocation; however, it reserves the right to entertain any request for space.
4. Retention of space in the University Center is not automatic.
5. Types of Space Available:
  - Suite: A suite of office per organization
  - Private: One private room per organization
  - Shared: Specific office hours in an office shared with two or more organizations
  - Gang: Access to space in a common room
  - Telephone
  - Storage Space
  - Office Hours
  - Bulletin Board
6. It is expected that allocated space maintain high utilization by assigned organizations. Offices will be subject to monitoring by the Student Union Board throughout the year.

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### CRITERIA

1. The extent to which the allocation would promote or maintain a diversity of interest of the student body, including representation of broadly based organizations.
2. The number of students the group actually serves in function. The level of interest and trends in the organization. The segment of the University community served.
3. The likely event of continued effective and efficient use of space.
4. Any other reasonable facts relevant to the usefulness of UC space allocations to the students of the University in general.

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## UC SPACE ALLOCATION

### Expectations of Groups with Assigned Space

1. Post Office Hours in visible and accessible location.
2. Staff office during posted Office Hours.
3. Keep space tidy, clean, and free of debris.
4. Maintain legible log of telephone calls, visitors, meetings (frequency and attendance), and special events (attendance).
5. Space is subject to periodic checks by Student Union Board.
6. Maintain adequate supplies of informational publications to distribute.
7. Space is at a premium. Use it well!
8. Space will be assigned annually. Groups currently occupying space who are not reassigned must vacate area within 30 days of notification.

# A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE LEGAL CHALLENGE OF THE RESIDENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT

Whereas: The University Homeowners <sup>Have been successful in expanding</sup> ~~are consider~~ are considering the expansion  
of the residential parking district. na district.

Whereas: The current district imposes excessive parking  
restrictions on the Students of the University of  
Montana.

Whereas: The University of Montana Students, Faculty, and Staff  
should not be forced to carry the entire burden of the  
parking problem.

Whereas: ASUM and University Administrators have made substantial  
efforts to reduce the Parking problem at the University  
of Montana.

Whereas: The parking areas around the University are publicly  
funded but not publicly utilized.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ASUM opposes the expansion of the parking district and demands a  
substantial revision of the current parking district.  
Furthermore, if no revision of the current district is made by  
April 1992, then ASUM will file a legal challenge of the parking  
district.

Authored and sponsored by;  
Galen Hollenbaugh, ASUM President



OBJECTIVE: To create a policy under which the Mountain Town Coffee venture will operate.

WHEREAS, Mountain Town Coffee <sup>is currently operating</sup> ~~has received approval to operate~~ on campus,

WHEREAS, Neither the University nor the business have signed a contractual agreement;

WHEREAS, There is no existing policy for an operation such as Mountain Town Coffee: a student-run business outside of the UC;

WHEREAS, Currently, there are no plans to create such a policy;

WHEREAS, A policy is necessary to protect the University and, more importantly, the students who have entered into this agreement;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED....

That the Associated Students request the UM Administration to draft a policy under which Mountain Town Coffee will operate. Input regarding this matter should be solicited by: UC Administrators, UM Administrators and ASUM representatives. Additionally, members of Mountain Town Coffee, the pilot business in this situation, will offer input on this matter.

Authored and Sponsored by Paula Rosenthal

