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**ASUM SENATE AGENDA
WEDNESDAY MAY 04, 2022
University Center (UC) – 6:00 P.M.**

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Women's Resource Center Director Hiring
- b. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Election's Grievance
- b. SB116-21/22: Resolution Establishing a Paid Position in the Student Music Union
- c. Other

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- c. Committee on Equitable Education Special Allocation (Requested: \$170.00; Board Approved: \$170.00)
- d. Committee on Equitable Education Special Allocation (Requested: \$260.00; Board Approved: \$260.00)
- b. Mother's Day Reminder
- c. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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- h. SB114-21/22: Resolution Implementing a Super Awesome Fantastic Excellent Good Academic Space Program
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10. COMMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

**ASUM SENATE MINUTES
WEDNESDAY MAY 04, 2022
University Center (UC) 225 – 6:00 P.M.**

To view a Zoom recording of this meeting, please click [here](#).

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting Called to Order at 6:00 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Present: President Durnell, Vice President Glueckert, Business Manager Rinck; Senators Bell, Birdinground, Bowles, Curry, Gudmundsson, Hawes, Hawthorne, Heaton, Jolly, Kayne, Kiefer, Kuney, McKenzie, Northey, O'Neill, Salyards, Schaff, Shaver, Ververis, Wickum, Williams.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to Approve the April 20, 2022 Minutes by **Birdinground-BM Rinck**; UC Called

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Michael Layeux, President of Students for Sensible Drug Policy, spoke about upcoming initiatives and his appreciation for ASUM Senate support.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Women's Resource Center Director Hiring: I am happy to say that Erin Heaton is the new director. Erin had an exceptional interview amongst a competitive applicant process. Turn the heat-on as some might say.
- b. Other
 - a. It has been a pleasure having reports this year and serving with all of you.

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Election's Grievance
 - a. Ethan Hanley (Election's Coordinator): On Tuesday I was made aware by a candidate team that was the recipient of a third party endorsement by a member running for a House District in MT. The candidate team messaged the individual on the account that had shared the endorsement, which was taken down. The team notified me that they had done that. The committee confirmed that there was no violation. They completed the exact steps that candidates were asked to take in that situation, and the election's committee asks that you confirm that this was not a violation of the Bylaws.
 - b. Motion by **Gudmundsson-Williams** to accept the Election's Committee decision to confirm there was no violation; UC Called; Motion Passed 21Y-0N-1A.
- b. Election's Update given by Coordinator Hanley.
- c. SB116-21/22: Resolution Establishing a Paid Position in the Student Music Union
 - a. Authorship (BM Rinck): This resolution authorizes a transfer from Zero Base into the Music Union financial account, which is exclusively to be used to compensate the Music Union President for their work. This is written in a lot

of respect for Heidi Martin, the standing SMU President, who has done great work this year. The Sports Club Union has the same position available that can be accepted or declined, so I feel this is fair. From here on out, this will be something included in their budget instead of removed from Zero Base.

- i. Motion by **Birdinground** to add a hyphen on L4; Ruled Friendly
 - ii. Motion by **Ververis** to strike L50-51; Ruled Friendly
 - iii. President Durnell: I am really pleased that a resolution like this is coming up. We had conversations about using part of our ASUM allocated budget while I was in SMU to fund the President's position, but we had always decided that because there is limited funding available for student groups, we decided it was unethical to use that money for the President's position. In the future, I would encourage that you consider that the SCU President is subsidized, which is something that the SMU President does not receive. This is a great start, and although we cannot sustain this, we can propose that if they are not budgeting for it, that you advocate the Senate includes this as a paid position line. Otherwise, this position will only be paid through the next year.
 - iv. Kuney: Were any of the other non-union positions funded at \$12.00 an hour?
 - v. President Durnell: The other positions are funded at \$11.00, which is consistent with the student raise this year.
 - vi. Williams: To President Durnell- Why is ASUM not allowing the SMU to fund this position in the way academic groups may?
 - vii. President Durnell: SMU has had a tricky relationship with academics in the past, and the School of Music also does not have a lot of funds. Otherwise, it is fear that there is too much tie between the department and academic groups.
 - viii. Motion by **Williams-Gudmundsson** to add a comma after "President" in L18; UC Called
 - ix. Motion by **Ververis-Jolly** to approve.
 - x. ***SB116-21/22 Passed 20Y-0N-2A.***
- d. Other
- a. See Gwen for campaign reimbursements.

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

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a. Funding Requests

- a. Birding Club Zero Base (Requested: \$678.00; Board Approved: \$454.00)
 - i. Ververis (BF): Birding Club requested \$678.00 from Zero Base to pay for the previous fiscal year. We funded it at 67% in line with our recent funding because we felt it was equitable. We allocated it to the line items as you can see.
 - ii. Motion by **President Durnell-Jolly** to fund LI62214 \$48; UC Called
 - iii. Motion by **Birdingground-Ververis** to fund LI62817 at \$406.00; UC Called
 - iv. Motion by **Ververis-Jolly** to approve the request; UC Called
- b. InterVarsity Christian Fellowship Travel Allocation (Requested: \$3,021.00; Board Approved: \$1,937.00)
 - i. Ververis (BF): The board approved in the amount allowable under Fiscal Policy with the amount left for emergency travel. We felt it was appropriate to liquidate that amount for our last meeting.
 - ii. Motion by **Birdingground-Jolly** to approve the request in the board approved amount; UC Called; Discussion Called by Bell
 1. Birdingground: You did not raise your placard quick enough.
 2. Bell: Will the funds be given to them, and they can use that to their discretion? I thought we were not allowed to fund registration fees.
 3. Ververis: We are allowed to fund registration fees via travel requests.
 4. Motion Passed UC with 1A.
- c. Committee on Equitable Education Special Allocation (Requested: \$170.00; Board Approved: \$170.00)
 - i. Jolly (BF): This is a request for an event that already occurred.
 - ii. Motion by **Jolly-Birdingground** to approve in the board approved amount; UC Called
- d. Committee on Equitable Education Special Allocation (Requested: \$260.00; Board Approved: \$260.00)
 - i. Jolly (BF): This is the same concept as the previous event.
 - ii. Motion by **Jolly-Birdingground** to approve in the board approved amount; UC Called

b. Mother's Day Reminder

- a. It is Mother's Day Sunday, and you should all show thanks if you so choose.

c. Other

- a. Secretary Berna Birthday- August 24th ☺

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Elizabeth Bowles **Relations and Affairs**

The Relations and Affairs committee met for the last time on Sunday, April 24th at 12:00 pm to discuss 7 resolutions: Resolution Requesting ASUM Switch to Ecosia, Resolution Urging UM to Institute a Naloxone Policy, Resolution Amending the Bylaws to Require Ally Training for Executives and Senators, Resolution Amending Article V, Section 2(11) And Section 5(3), Resolution Demanding Free Tuition for the Bears Wandering on Campus, Resolution Requesting UM to Change the Mascot to a Raccoon, Resolution Implementing a Super Awesome Fantastic Academic Space Program. All resolutions went through minimal line level edits, before being unanimously forwarded to the Senate.

Danielle Pease **Equitable Education**

See attached PDF document: [Cmm. Eq. Edu. AY 2122 Report \(1\)](#).

- a. Birdinground (Diversity Advisory Council): We met on Monday and did not discuss any awards. We spent a majority of our hour discussing an incident within the College of Forestry, who had a hiring committee filled with BIPOC students. One of the students asked the interviewee a hard question about the indigenous lands of Yellowstone and involvement of tribal nations in their research, and they did not give a valid answer. Following the interview, the chair reached out to the advisors of the students and essentially asked them to keep their students in check. Wilena Old Person brought that up in committee and will keep in touch with those students; if anything else happens, then there will be actions taken against the chair.
- b. Kiefer (Humanities and Sciences Dean Search): The committee decided to not choose any of the applicants.
- c. Ververis (Gen Ed Ad Hoc): For those taking position next year that are passionate about it, it is very important to have an outspoken student voice on the committee.
- d. Gudmundsson (Gen Ed): The standing committee is seriously served for having a student involved as well, so please have an interested party serve there as well.
- e. Williams (Faculty Senate): FS is looking to hire someone to take their minutes next year, so email me or Camie Foes if you are interested.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB103-21/22: Resolution Encouraging the Native American Studies Department to Add More Indigenous Language Courses

- a. Authorship (Birdinground): I collaborated with Salena and added a couple of whereas clauses and additional language.
- b. Motion by **Bowles-Gudmundsson** to adjust the line numbers and remove extra space; UC Called
- c. Gudmundsson: Can you explain your thinking behind the therefore clause on L36?
- d. Birdinground: I did not include Native American students only, because Native American studies is for everyone.
- e. Gudmundsson: Would you be open to revisions to the language in the clause?
- f. Kuney: In terms of going forward with this, would the next step be getting the department on board and looking for professors who can teach those languages?
- g. Birdinground: Yes.
- h. Motion by **Hawthorne** for a slate; end L12 with a semicolon, amend L19 to read “ancestral”, amend L28 to correct the spelling of Bodnar; Ruled Friendly
- i. Hawes: This is a great idea and I commend Senator Birdinground.
- j. Motion by **Bowles-Gudmundsson** to add semicolons to the end of appropriate lines; Ruled Friendly
- k. Williams: To Birdinground- Can you clarify what you mean by the whereas clause on L22? Are you asking for those languages to be incorporated into the land acknowledgement?
- l. Birdinground: No, I am saying that the land acknowledgement is currently performative, and to honor it, more traditional languages should be included.
- m. Motion by **Gudmundsson-Kuney** to approve track changes; UC Called
- n. Motion by **Williams** to amend clause on L22-23 to read “UM should align its actions with” and strike “use”; Ruled Friendly
- o. Hawthorne: I feel it is redundant to reference the land acknowledgement on L20 and L22.
- p. Motion by **President Durnell-Birdinground** to approve.
- q. ***SB103-21/22 Passed Unanimously.***
- b. SB108-21/22: Resolution Requesting ASUM Switch All Search Engines to Ecosia
 - a. Authorship (Bell): I ran into a student talking about Ecosia and I promised I would write this resolution. It is a search engine like Google but they are not for profit and do not track searches, and they plant trees with any profits they do make.
 - b. Motion by **Gudmundsson-Ververis** to divide the question for the final track change
 - c. Motion by **Gudmundsson** to strike “Further” in L23 and include “Further” in L26; Ruled Friendly
 - d. Motion by **Gudmundsson** to accept track changes; Ruled Friendly

- e. Motion by **Salyards-Ververis** to amend L12 to read “when it is used”; Ruled Friendly
 - f. Motion by **Hawes** to uncapitalize “M” in L10; Ruled Friendly
 - g. President Durnell: I think it would be worth entertaining a larger resolution modeled similarly to this to carry on through the university.
 - h. Shaver: In case you are not convinced, this is a private company and they do not expose information through audits. It takes roughly 45 clicks with Ecosia for them to plant a tree.
 - i. Motion by **Gudmundsson-Kuney** to approve.
 - j. **SB108-21/22 Passed 20Y-0N-2A.**
- c. SB109-21/22: Resolution Urging the University of Montana to Institute a Naloxone Policy
- a. Authorship (Kiefer): I think this directly affects students and should have been addressed earlier. I did some research and naloxone is about 93% effective when administered, although there are new forms of fentanyl that are more potent that require additional doses of Narcan. I want to say that anyone can become addicted to drugs, and anyone can overdose, it is not just an addicts problem. We cannot pretend that students do not use hard drugs or that we are relatively safe because we are in Missoula. This is definitely happening on our campus especially given national and state trends of opioid overdoses. We do not have control over the larger forces to address the opioid crisis as a whole, but we do have real options that are easy and do not present liability concerns. UM officers do not always know what they are responding to until they are on the scene and we are entrenched in a stigma of substance abuse and fail to protect people, but everyone deserves safety and support. I think we all have a vested stake in caring for each other no matter what someone is struggling with.
 - b. Motion by **Ververis-Birdinground** to accept track changes; UC Called
 - c. Motion by **President Durnell** to add Amy Kinch, Deputy Chief of Staff, and to amend Kelly Webster’s job title to read “and Associate Vice President of Strategic Planning Implementation”; Ruled Friendly
 - d. President Durnell: I am happy to say it again, this is the best resolution I have seen. It is really incredible and I am proud to see this.
 - e. Motion by **Bowles** to correct name to “Gwen Coon”; Ruled Friendly
 - f. Motion by **O’Neill-Hawthorne** to approve; UC Called
 - g. **SB109-21/22 Passed 21Y-0N-1A.**
- d. SB110-21/22: Resolution Amending the Bylaws to Require Ally Training for Executives and Senators

- a. Authorship (Birdinground): This was a collaborative effort with Bekah Redinger, and it fills the gaps in the anti-bias training. Two trainings will help this organization.
- b. SB110-21/22 passed 17Y-3N-2A.
- e. SB111-21/22: Resolution Amending Article 5 Section 2(11) and Section 5(3) of the ASUM Bylaws Regarding Third-Party Endorsements
 - a. Authorship (Ververis): We felt this is the most efficient way of doing this rather than adding unnecessary sections to the election's bylaws. Having this one added statement and removing the informal hearing process was a better idea.
 - b. SB111-21/22 Passed Unanimously.
- f. SB112-21/22: Resolution Encouraging the University of Montana to Establish a Raccoon Sanctuary Instead of an Art Museum
 - a. Authorship (Heaton): *Shrieks in racoon*
 - b. SB112-21/22 fails 5Y-16N-2A.
- g. SB113-21/22: Resolution Requesting UM to Change the Mascot to a Raccoon
 - a. SB113-21/22 failed 3Y-15N-4A.
- h. SB114-21/22: Resolution Implementing a Super Awesome Fantastic Excellent Good Academic Space Program
 - a. SB114-21/22 tabled indefinitely by **Birdinground-Gudmundsson**
- i. SB115-21/22: Resolution Demanding Free Tuition for Bears Wandering on Campus
 - a. SB115-21/22 tabled indefinitely by **Ververis-Kiefer**

10. COMMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Motion to Adjourn by **Ververis-Gudmundsson**; UC Called; Objection Noted by Salyards, Birdinground.
- b. Meeting Adjourned at 9:50 pm