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1                                   **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**  
2                                   **Resolution Amending Fiscal Policy**  
3                                   **2/15/18**  
4                                   **SB36-17/18**

5       **Authored by: Bailey Carpenter, ASUM Senator; Alex Butler, ASUM Senator; Katherine Cowley,**  
6                                   **ASUM Senator;**

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10       Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) value and encourage  
11       engagement with student groups;

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13       Whereas, Occasionally student groups fail to attend a Budgeting Information Session and thus do not  
14       fulfill the requirements of the current Fiscal Policy, which prohibits them from participating in the Final  
15       Budgeting process;

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17       Whereas, ASUM Fiscal Policy does not have a formal process for student groups to petition the Senate to  
18       be reinstated into the Final Budgeting process;

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20       Whereas, The current ASUM Fiscal Policy reads under section 9.6 Student Group Budgeting Information  
21       Session,

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23               *“Upon receiving the total appropriation figures for the coming fiscal year, the Board shall hold a*  
24       *minimum of one (1) mandatory student group information session, which shall be organized by and*  
25       *presided over by the Business Manager. At least one session shall be held during the second academic*  
26       *week of the Spring Semester. During this meeting, the Business Manager shall explain the budgeting*  
27       *procedure to participants and answer questions. Each student group that wishes to receive funding from*  
28       *ASUM must send at least one representative to at least one mandatory budgeting information session in*  
29       *order to be eligible to apply for ASUM funding during the Final Budgeting Session for the upcoming*  
30       *fiscal year.”;*

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32       Whereas, This new policy provides an opportunity for student groups to advocate for themselves;

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34       Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, ASUM amends section 9.6 Student Group Budgeting Information Session  
35       of Fiscal Policy to read:

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37               *“Upon receiving the total appropriation figures for the coming fiscal year, the Board shall hold a*  
38       *minimum of one (1) mandatory student group information session, which shall be organized by and*  
39       *presided over by the Business Manager. At least one session shall be held during the second academic*  
40       *week of the Spring Semester. During this meeting, the Business Manager shall explain the budgeting*  
41       *procedure to participants and answer questions. Each student group that wishes to receive funding from*  
42       *ASUM must send at least one representative to at least one mandatory budgeting information session in*  
43       *order to be eligible to apply for ASUM funding during the Final Budgeting Session for the upcoming*  
44       *fiscal year. A student organization deemed ineligible to participate in ASUM Final Budgeting for not*  
45       *attending a mandatory Student Group Budgeting Information Session may appeal to the Senate to*  
46       *participate in the Final Budgeting process if the student organization has submitted their Budget*  
47       *Request Form by the deadline set within the third academic week of Spring Semester . These student*  
48       *organizations must be notified of the aforementioned appeals process by the Business Manager no*  
49       *later than twenty four hours prior to the Senate meeting during the fourth academic week of Spring*  
50       *Semester. All appeals must be heard during Public Comment of a Senate meeting during the fourth*

51 *academic week of Spring Semester. This appeal must be confirmed by a two-thirds majority vote of the*  
52 *Senate under the Business Manager's Report during the meeting in which the appeal was heard.*

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57 Passed by Committee: \_\_\_\_\_, 2018

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59 Passed by ASUM Senate: \_\_\_\_\_, 2018

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65 Benjamin Kuiper  
Chair of Budget and Finance Committee

\_\_\_\_\_ Brenna Love,  
Chair of the Senate