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The Associated Students of the University of Montana
Resolution Regarding ASUM Elections Bylaw Change
February 9th 2018
SB49-17/18
Authored by: Bailey Carpenter, ASUM Senator;

Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) seeks to maintain the fairness and competitiveness of its elections process;

Whereas, Article V, Section 3, Letter G of the current ASUM Bylaws reads:
1. “President-Vice president team: The maximum expenditure allowed is $150, with or without a primary election.
2. Business Manager: The maximum expenditure allowed is $100, with or without a primary election.
3. Senators: The maximum expenditure allowed is $75, with or without a primary election.
4. Candidates may choose to be reimbursed for campaigning expenditures to the amount of $10, dependent upon receipts following the General Elections. Expenditures exceeding $10 will be matched 50% by ASUM. Total ASUM contributions shall not exceed $37.50 for Senate candidates, $50 for Business manager candidates and $75 for President/Vice President candidates. All claimed expenditures for reimbursement must have receipts. Expenditures without receipts will not be matched by ASUM;

Whereas, The current financial expenditures limit has not changed since the year 1992;

Whereas, The rate of inflation has increased since the last time the bylaws were changed;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That Article V, Section 3, Letter G of the ASUM Bylaws be amended to read:
1. President-Vice President team: The maximum expenditure allowed is $200, with or without a primary election.
2. Business Manager: The maximum expenditure allowed is $150, with or without a primary election.
3. Senators: The maximum expenditure allowed is $75, with or without a primary election.
4. Candidates may choose to be reimbursed for campaigning expenditures to the amount of $10, dependent upon receipts following the General Elections. Expenditures exceeding $10 will be matched 50% by ASUM. Total ASUM contributions shall not exceed $37.50 for Senate candidates, $75 for Business Manager candidates and $100 for President/Vice President candidates. All claimed expenditures for reimbursement must have receipts. Expenditures without receipts will not be matched by ASUM.

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That these bylaw changes take effect starting on July 1, 2018.

Passed by Committee: ____________May 1st____________________, 2018

Passed by ASUM Senate: ____________________________, 2018

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Grace Dunnehoff Brenna Love,
Elections Committee Chair Chair of the Senate