CAMPAIGN REFORM ACT OF 1975/ASUM BYLAWS REVISION

DIVISION IV - ELECTIONS

ARTICLE IV. Campaigning

Section 1. Each candidate for official ASUM positions and each political party shall submit a campaign expenses statement, to include all personal, organizational and donational expenditures, to Elections Committee by the time the polls close on the day of the general election.

With each campaign statement, one copy of each campaign bulletin, flyer, poster and other printed items which may not be practically furnished to the committee, such as banners, large signs, etc., must be noted in the campaign statement to Elections Committee.

Section 2. Limits on total expenditures of all primary and general election campaign expenses shall be as follows:

(a) Central Board candidate/ $30
(b) ASUM officer candidate/ $100
(c) ASUM officer party slate (The presidential, vice presidential and business manager candidates of one party may combine expenses)/ $200 for two officers, or $300 for all three
(d) Party Limit/ $30

Section 3. Campaign Spending procedures include the following:

(a) A Central Board Candidate may not spend his allotted amount for the promotion of any candidate other than himself.
(b) An ASUM officer candidate may not spend his allotted amount for the promotion of any candidate other than himself, with the possible following exception:
(c) An ASUM officer slate may not spend its allotted amount for the promotion of any candidate other than those on the officer slate.
(d) A party must give equal prominence to all party candidates in each item upon which it spends part of its allotment, whenever it mentions any of its candidates.
(e) "Promotion," in parts a, b, c, is defined as writing, printing or otherwise representing a candidate, his name or initials, any picture, graphic, drawing, or other representation of him. Promotion does not include attacks or negative comments about an opponent.

Section 4. Any candidate who violates any provision governing elections shall be subject to disqualification by the Elections Committee. A disqualified candidate may appeal his disqualification to Central Board.
Section 1  Membership

A. Pub Board shall consist of nine members, who shall serve two year terms. The terms shall be filled so that four of the seats will be open in a given year, with the other five being open in the following year. Terms shall expire the sixth week of Fall Quarter, with selection of new members to take place between the third and sixth weeks of Fall Quarter. At that time two ex officio positions will be filled. The people in those positions will have every responsibility and privilege of the other Publication Board members except they will not be able to vote. Should a vacancy occur at any time in that year, the first ex officio member will fill that vacancy. The second ex officio member will then move into the first ex officio position. The second ex officio position will then be filled.

B. The selection process will be open to all who are interested, with the Central Board Faculty Advisor and the Pub Board representative having the only votes.

C. Pub Board members must be ASU members, and may not be members of Central Board, or on the paid staff of any ASU publication.

D. Any Pub Board member who has three unexcused absences may be removed by a majority vote.

E. No ASU member may serve for more than two terms on Pub Board. More than one-half of an unexpired term shall be considered one term.

Section 2  Chairperson

A. The ASU President shall designate one of the second year members of Pub Board as chairperson, unless there are no second year members, in which case the President shall appoint some other member. The appointment shall be subject to majority approval of Central Board. This appointment shall be made Fall Quarter following the appointment of new members.

B. The term as chairperson shall be one calendar year. No person may serve more than two terms as chairperson.

C. The chairperson shall call meetings, make recommendations, appoint subcommittees, enter into discussion, and preside over meetings. The chairperson may vote only to break a tie or to change the outcome of an appointment or removal.
D. Should the chairperson resign, the ASU President shall nominate an individual from the current Pub Board to complete the term, subject to the approval of a majority of Central Board.

E. The chairperson may be removed by vote of seven of the nine members of Pub Board. If the membership is below nine, no such action can be taken until the Board has been restored to nine. Central Board may overrule such a removal by a two-thirds vote. The chairperson may also be removed by a two-thirds vote of Central Board.

F. In the event that Pub Board business will continue during Summer Quarter, and the chairperson will be absent, the chairperson shall appoint a summer Pub Board chairperson from Pub Board, subject to majority approval of Pub Board and Central Board.

Section 3 Meetings

A. Pub Board shall meet regularly at a time convenient to the members or at the call of the chairperson, or upon request of four or more Pub Board members.

B. A quorum shall consist of five members.

C. If Pub Board business will continue during Summer Quarter, the Board shall arrange to continue operations, without regard to parts A and B of this section, if necessary.

D. All meetings of Pub Board shall be open to the public, except as consistent with the laws of the State of Montana. Executive sessions shall require approval of two-thirds of the members present.

Section 4 Function

A. Pub Board shall supervise all ASU publications and determine policy for them.

B. Pub Board shall examine and handle as it seems necessary all complaints about any ASU publication.

C. Pub Board shall accept, examine, amend, and approve or disapprove budget requests from any publication, and shall submit those budget requests it approves as a single Pub Board budget to Central Board, in accordance with ASU guidelines.

D. Pub Board shall have authority to shift funds among line items in each publication budget, but may not create new line items without Central Board approval. If Pub Board shifts funds among line items, it must report the shifts to Central Board. Pub Board may not shift funds from any one publication to another without approval of Central Board.
E. Pub Board shall select the editor and business manager for each publication under its jurisdiction, and shall appoint them to terms not to exceed one calendar year. Such appointments shall require at least six affirmative votes.

F. No individual may serve for more than two calendar years as editor or business manager, or in a similar position.

G. Pub Board may remove the editor or business manager of any ASU publication. Written charges will be provided to the employee in question, all ASU publications, and Central Board one week before Pub Board may take action.

H. ASU publications shall be defined as any publications referred to Pub Board by Central Board.
CENTRAL BOARD AGENDA
December 3, 1975

I. Approval of Minutes

II. Executive Session

III. Officers' Reports
A. President
   1. Big Sky Conference
      a. John Nockleby
      b. Ellen Anderson

B. Vice-President
C. Business Manager

IV. Appointments
A. Constitutional Review Board
B. Pub Board
C. Elections

V. Committee Reports
A. Elliott and Short on Pettit's proposal to reserve portions of fee increases for financial aid.
B. ASUM Accountant
   1. Procedures Manual
   2. Accountability Report
C. Incorporation: Brian O'Grady
D. Committee to review relationship with the University, (Short, Murray, Ribi, Warren, McGinley)

VI. Old Business
A. Pub Board by-laws

VII. New Business
A. Resolution establishing Program Council Review Committee
B. Resolution to allow individual students to earmark $5.00 of their student Activity Fee.
C. Campaign Reform Act of 1975: Rich Ecke
RESOLUTION TO ALLOW INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS TO EARMARK $5.00 OF THEIR STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE

We propose that Central Board consider a means of optional disbursement of student activity fees. The areas of this funding would be determined by CB, but the amount of funding would be determined through student input. The central issue of this proposal is the philosophy that students want a more direct means of deciding how their activity fee is spent.

The specifics of this proposal are subject to amendment, but at present are:

Each student when he registers would have an option to earmark a $5.00 portion of his or her activity fee to any of several areas which would be determined by Central Board. These areas though, would cover the entire range of the budget. For example, controversial programs should be eligible for funding in this manner as well as well established programs.

This group is made up of independent interested students:

Russ Murfitt
Paul Brandt
Mike Vettersneck

Introduced by: John T. Nockleby
Date: December 3, 1975

Action Taken:
1. Lacking no
2. Doesn't take into account various preferences & rankings thereof