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SB34-19/20: Resolution Amending the Student Music Union Bylaws

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Resolution Amending the Student Music Union Bylaws
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Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) oversees all recognized student
groups;

Whereas, Twenty of those student groups are a part of the Student Music Union (SMU);

Whereas, SMU has the responsibility of overseeing all ASUM student music groups;

Whereas, Article IV Section 15 subsection A-D of the ASUM Bylaws currently reads;

A. The Student Music Union shall be composed of all ASUM recognized music groups.

B. The Student Music Union Board shall be composed of one (1) ASUM Senator and one
representative from each recognized Union group. Five group members shall be elected as
President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and President Elect. An ASUM Senator will
chair the committee. The ASUM Business Manager and the Chair of the Music Department
will serve as an ex-officio, non-voting members.

C. The Board shall oversee the operation of music organizations, coordinate activities, and
maintain relationships with the University and the community. The Board shall apply to the
ASUM Senate directly for funding on behalf of member organizations and for administrative
purposes.

D. Each member organization shall be responsible for maintaining direct contact with the Board
through their representative with regard to activities. Each group will also be responsible for
submitting line item budget requests to the Board for preliminary approval and assessment;

Whereas, Article IV Section 15 of the ASUM Bylaws as it stands is outdated and does not reflect the
current operations of the SMU;

Whereas, The SMU wishes to have its Bylaws changed to reflect how the Union functions to date;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That Article IV, Section 15 now reads;

A. The Student Music Union (SMU) shall be composed of the music groups that have
received recognition from ASUM as a student group and have been approved for
admission into the SMU by a majority vote of the SMU Executive Board. Each
group shall have an elected President and Treasurer to represent them in the
Union.

B. ASUM shall appoint one (1) Senator to serve on the SMU Executive Board as the
ASUM Liaison.
C. The SMU shall consist of the SMU Assembly, the Executive Board, the Presidents’ Board, and any other committees deemed necessary by the SMU President.

D. The SMU Assembly shall be composed of all members of SMU groups who shall elect the SMU Executive Board and student group representatives.

E. The SMU Executive Board:
   a. The SMU Executive Board shall be responsible for overseeing the activities of its groups, and keeping relations with ASUM, the University, and the Missoula community;
   b. The SMU Executive Board shall apply to the ASUM Senate directly for funding on behalf of the members of the Union;
   c. The SMU Executive Board shall be composed of:
      1. The SMU President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and President-Elect as elected by the SMU Assembly.
      2. One (1) ASUM Senator, who shall serve as the ASUM Liaison to the SMU as the chair of the SMU Executive Board. The ASUM Liaison to the SMU is responsible for providing a committee report to the ASUM Senate meeting following a meeting of the SMU Executive Board.
      3. The ASUM Business Manager, who shall serve as an ex-officio, non-voting member.
      4. The Senator-Liaison and President-Elect shall serve as non-voting members.
      5. The SMU Secretary who shall be responsible for taking minutes for the SMU Executive Board meetings.

F. The SMU Presidents’ Board:
   a. The SMU Presidents’ Board shall be the representative body of the SMU.
   b. The SMU Presidents’ Board shall be composed of
      1. The voting members shall be the SMU President, and the elected Presidents from each SMU recognized group.
      2. The non-voting members shall be the SMU Vice-President who shall chair the Board, the SMU Secretary who shall take the minutes, and the SMU President-Elect who shall observe the operations of the committee.

G. The SMU shall be additionally governed by the SMU Constitution when not contrary to ASUM governing documents;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this resolution be sent to Gwen Coon, ASUM Office Manager; Marlene Hendrickson, ASUM Accountant; Kenzie Carter, Student Group Coordinator.

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Resolution Passed: 22 Yes 0 No 2 Abstentions