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1 **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Amending Section 6.0 of Fiscal Policy**
3 **July 21, 2020**
4 **SB 9 - 20/21**

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10 Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) is bound by its fiscal
11 policy;

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13 Whereas, ASUM Fiscal Policy delineates all fiscal matters of the ASUM office and student
14 groups;

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16 Whereas, During the summer of 2020, a working group met to completely revise the ASUM
17 Fiscal Policy;

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19 Whereas, Section 6.0 of Fiscal Policy outlines ASUM student group recognition procedures and
20 repercussions;

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22 Whereas, Section 6.2 of Fiscal Policy currently states:

23 *6.2 Any member organization not in compliance with Item 6.1 may face disciplinary*
24 *action as stated in Item 21.0 of the Fiscal Policy, unless this requirement has been*
25 *previously waived by the Senate.;*
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27 Whereas, Section 6.1 of ASUM Fiscal Policy ensures that students groups do not receive ASUM
28 funding until they are recognized by the Board on Member Organizations committee (BOMO)
29 and the Senate;

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31 Whereas, Current practices of ASUM entail only funding student groups if they have been
32 recognized by BOMO and the Senate, which does not comply with Section 6.2 as it currently
33 reads;

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35 Whereas, Section 6.3 of Fiscal Policy currently states:

36 *6.3 Any member organization not in compliance with Item 18.3 may be denied*
37 *recognition by the Board on Member Organizations or the ASUM Senate. Organizations*
38 *denied recognition for this reason shall not be eligible for ASUM funding until they have*
39 *complied with The University of Montana's Policy regarding off-campus accounts,*
40 *gained recognition from the Board on Member Organizations and approval from the*
41 *ASUM Senate;*
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43 Whereas, Section 18.0 of Fiscal Policy was previously restructured so that Section 18.1 currently
44 possesses policy previously outlined in 18.3;

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46 Whereas, Section 6.4 of Fiscal Policy currently states:

47 6.4 Student groups that received no ASUM funding during the previous Final Budgeting
48 and have carried over a negative balance from the preceding fiscal year are not eligible
49 for ASUM recognition until the negative balance is corrected."
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51 Whereas, Student groups may carry over a negative balance from the previous fiscal year
52 regardless of whether or not they received ASUM funding through Final Budgeting;
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54 Whereas, Language in Fiscal Policy that limits repercussions on a student group's recognition to
55 only those groups who did not receive funding from ASUM during the previous fiscal year
56 prohibits ASUM's ability to take action for student groups who did receive funding through final
57 budgeting but still carry over a negative balance;
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59 Whereas, Amending Section 6.0 of Fiscal Policy may help alleviate controversies amongst the
60 Senate regarding student group recognition procedures;
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62 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That Section 6.2 of Fiscal Policy be amended to read:

63 6.2 Any member organization not in compliance with Item 6.1 may face disciplinary
64 action as stated in Item 21.0 of the Fiscal Policy, ~~unless this requirement has been~~
65 ~~previously waived by the Senate.~~ ;
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67 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That Section 6.3 of Fiscal Policy be amended to read:

68 6.3 Any organization not in compliance with Item 18.31 may be denied recognition by the
69 Board on Member Organizations or the ASUM Senate. Organizations denied recognition
70 for this reason shall not be eligible for ASUM funding until they have complied with The
71 University of Montana's Policy regarding off-campus accounts, gained recognition from
72 the Board on Member Organizations and approval from the ASUM Senate.;
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74 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That Section 6.4 of Fiscal Policy be amended to read:

75 6.4 Student groups that received no ASUM funding during the previous Final Budgeting
76 and have carried over a negative balance from the preceding fiscal year are not eligible
77 for ASUM recognition until the negative balance is corrected.;

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79 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this resolution be sent to: Gwen Coon, ASUM
80 Office Manager; Marlene Hendrickson, ASUM Accountant; Bailey Durnell, Student Group
81 Coordinator.
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84 Passed by Committee: _____, 2020
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86 Passed by ASUM Senate: August 26, 2020
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90 Ethan Hanley, Patrick James Flanagan,
91 Chair of the Board on Budget and Finance Chair of the Senate