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1 **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Amending Article V, Section 3 of The ASUM Bylaws**
3 **July 15th, 2020**
4 **SB 23 - 20/21**

5 **Authored by: Jonathan Karlen, ASUM Senator; Christian Pfeifer, ASUM Senator; Vincent**
6 **C. Tarallo Jr., ASUM Senator;**

7 **Sponsored by: Ethan Hanley, ASUM Business Manager; Maggie Bornstein, ASUM**
8 **Senator; Noah Durnell, ASUM Senator; Jack Rinck, ASUM Senator;**

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

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13 Whereas, ASUM Fiscal Policy and bylaws delineates all fiscal matters of the ASUM office and
14 student 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, Article V, Section 3 of the ASUM Bylaws outlines the duties and responsibilities of
20 the Board on Budget and Finance;

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22 Whereas, Article V, Section 3.C of the Bylaws currently reads:

23 *C. A quorum shall normally consist of five (5) members of the Board.;*

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25 Whereas, The quorum requirement for the board is flexible and does not state whether this
26 includes the chair;

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28 Whereas, Article V, Section 3.D of the bylaws states:

29 *The Chair shall act for the Board in its absence, subject to its review. During the summer*
30 *and winter breaks the Chair is required to email the Senate with all requests and wait for*
31 *a minimum of two (2) days before taking fiscal action.;*

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33 Whereas, Article V, Section 3.D is unclear in delegating the role of the Business Manager and
34 Senate in taking fiscal action when the Senate is not in session;

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36 Whereas, The oversight of student-derived funds should not be reduced because of the time of
37 year;

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39 Whereas, Oversight mechanisms would be better placed in Fiscal Policy;

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41 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That Article V, Section 3.C be amended to read:

42 *C. A quorum shall ~~normally~~ consist of five (5) members of the Board. **This quorum***
43 *requirement shall include the chair as being present.;*

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45 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That Article V, Section 3.D be amended to read:
46 *D. The Chair shall act for the Board in its absence, subject to its review. During the*
47 *summer and winter breaks the Chair is required to email the Senate with all requests and*
48 *wait for a minimum of two (2) days before taking fiscal action unless a different*
49 *procedure is noted in Fiscal Policy for certain transactions.;*
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51 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this resolution be sent to: Gwen Coon, ASUM
52 Office Manager; Marlene Hendrickson, ASUM Accountant; Bailey Durnell, Student Group
53 Coordinator.
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56 Passed by Committee: _____, 2020
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58 Passed by ASUM Senate: September 30, 2020
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63 Noah Durnell,
64 Chair of the Relations and Affairs Committee

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Ethan Hanley,
Chair of the Board on Budget and Finance

Patrick James Flanagan,
Chair of the Senate