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## SB49-19/20: Resolution Amending Section 20 of Fiscal Policy

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1                                   **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**  
2                                   **Resolution Amending Section 20 of Fiscal Policy**  
3                                   **November 19, 2019**  
4                                   **SB49-19/20**

5                                   **Authored by: Zoe Nelson, ASUM Senator;**  
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7       Whereas, All monies held by the Associated Student of the University of Montana (ASUM) are  
8       administered by a Fiscal Policy regarding procurement, distribution, and expenditure of the  
9       ASUM Activity Fee;

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11       Whereas, According to Section 9.1 of Fiscal Policy, "ASUM shall allocate and monitor the use  
12       of the ASUM Activity Fee.";

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14       Whereas, The S.T.I.P. Interest (S.T.I.P.) account allows for the funding of one-time capital  
15       projects for on-campus investments;

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17       Whereas, Section 20, which outlines S.T.I.P. allocation policy, is in need of general update to  
18       eliminate repetition within the Section;

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20       Whereas, Section 20.10 is an exact replica of Section 20.6;

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22       Whereas, Section 20.6 states, "S.T.I.P. requests must have a value of at least \$150. Items that do  
23       not individually exceed \$150 may be grouped together until \$150 is reached.";

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25       Whereas, Section 20.6 has not been followed, in regard to grouping items, in the past couple  
26       years and should be adjusted to give the Board on Budget and Finance stronger guidelines and  
27       clear oversight for funding S.T.I.P. requests;

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29       Whereas, Considerations for bureaucratic inefficiency are inconsiderate to ASUM's Fiscal  
30       Policy;

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32       Whereas, Section 20.7 mandates that, "The Board shall recommend specific requests and submit  
33       them to the Senate for majority approval.";

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35       Whereas, Grouping items together has made it more difficult for the Board on Budget and  
36       Finance and the Senate to adequately assess and fund S.T.I.P. Requests;

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38       Whereas, Previous violations to Section 20.6 and 20.7 have enabled student groups to utilize full  
39       discretion over funding an array of items, stripping the Board on Budget and Finance and the  
40       Senate of fiscal oversight;

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42       Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That Section 20.10 be removed from Fiscal Policy;

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44       Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That Section 20.6 be amended to read,  
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46 *20.6 S.T.I.P. requests must have a value of at least \$150. Items that do not*  
47 *individually exceed \$150 may be grouped together until \$150 is reached.;*  
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49 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That Section 20.7 be inserted to read,

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51 ***20.7 Student Groups must submit a separate S.T.I.P. request for each***  
52 ***unique item.;***  
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54 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That the numbering be adjusted to reflect  
55 these changes;

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57 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this resolution be sent to Gwen Coon, ASUM  
58 Office Manager and Marlene Hendrickson, ASUM Office Accountant.

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60 Passed by Committee: \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

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62 Passed by ASUM Senate: January 22, 2020

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67 Daniel Parsons,  
68 Chair of the Board on Budget and Finance

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67 Ethan Hanley,  
68 Chair of the Senate

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70 Resolution approved unanimously