Central Board Minutes
December 8, 1959

Absent: Martin, Lee, Pemberton

The meeting was called to order by President Ed Risse in the Silver Bow Room. The minutes were approved as read.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Risse thanked the Kaimin for its support on the public relations program. He said that the first Central Board meeting of winter quarter would be held January 6 at 7:30. He said that more Sentinel pictures would be taken at the second meeting of the quarter. Risse explained that Dr. Karpat, sponsor of the Model United Nations program, was asking Central Board's approval of ASMSU sponsoring of the UN program. He said that we would use the same financial resources used previously, so that the burden would not be completely on ASMSU. The main reason for the sponsorship is to make the program campus wide. He suggested that a special committee be appointed by Central Board to pick delegates to the UN Convention.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Hansen reported that the cash balance of the Activities Committee as of November 1, 1959 was $734.84; after disbursements of $659.71 the balance November 30 was $75.13. Hansen gave the following amendment to the budget:

A balance of $826.72 in this account will be transferred to an account entitled "Associated Women Students' Reserve". I move that funds in this reserve fund be used for the purpose of furnishing the AWS quarters. Any expenditures from this reserve fund shall be subject to the approval of Central Board except for any single items costing $25.00 or less.

Meyers seconded. Passed 15-0, Stone abstaining. Hansen read the following operating policy of Budget & Finance Committee:

1. Organizations desiring appropriations from the ASMSU Budget will be required to submit written requests one week prior to their personal appearance before Budget and Finance Committee.

2. During the presentation of the written request, they will be able to make a general statement concerning their request, but no questions will be asked at this time by the committee.

3. During their personal appearance, these organizations will have the opportunity to answer any questions that the committee has as well as explain in detail their request.

4. Organizations will submit their requests in the customary itemized budget form. However, when a written budget is not possible a performance budget will be required.

5. It will be desired that all organizations contact the ASMSU Business Manager prior to their appearance before the committee.
6. There should be 15 copies of the request available so that all committee members will be able to look at it.

7. At any time, Budget and Finance will have the permissive to delay action on any request due to lack of information—written or verbal.

In regard to the Sentinel, Hansen said that a committee (Sheila Roxler, Chairman, Sonny Bordon, Jim Johnson, Sandra Orr, Tom Mongar) was investigating the reasons for the proposed money increase, and that a report would be presented to Budget & Finance January 12.

Student Health Committee

Herb Anderson reported that student complaints about the Health Service were to be handled by this committee. He explained that each student has a staff of 30 doctors from which to pick, and that no one need be dissatisfied because of his doctor. He said that of the complaints from the doctors was that the students seemed disinterested in cooperating with them. Anderson urged the students to bring their gripes to this committee, which normally meets 3 or 4 times a quarter.

Student-Faculty Athletic Committee

Risse reported that meetings of this committee had been held September 29, November 17, and November 23. At the September 29 meeting the committee approved names of persons to receive scholarships for the coming year. The committee said that there was not enough talent to award all 18 minor sports scholarships. At the November 17 meeting it was reported that as of November 10 there was a $11,551.70 deficit in the budget. The Director of Athletics asked the coaches for a recommendation as to where to cut the budget. Jenkins replied by requesting 4 scholarships for transfer students. He was turned down. Dalhberg reported that the coaches didn't want a cut, and asked what kind of a program the committee wanted. The reply was one within the budget. A reported excess of equipment led to the motion to have equipment of the athletic department inventoried. Apparently there are no current reports available. The current deficit is $12,474.49 after a reexamination of the figures. Risse said that the committee lowered the $1,400 allocation for NCAA Convention to $300 and cut out NCAA swim meet, but stipulated that the swimming travel budget would not be further depleted. When winter quarter enrollment and scholarship figures are in, further cuts will be made. Risse said that there will be one more meeting this quarter to bring up the Central Board motion and several other important questions.

Keefe said that he had checked with the Director of Athletics, and had been told that the 18th scholarship had been appropriated to track. Risse said that this could not happen because such an action had to be approved by the committee, and it hadn't. Keefe said someone should investigate the situation. Risse explained that the budget had been cut on the NCAA meet in Alabama, but said that if some of the swimmers seemed like potential champions they would be able to attend somehow.
Student-Faculty Student Union Committee

Adams reported that the Student Union Committee plans to hire a full-time student activity director beginning next fall. This director will be replacing Bud Wallace's position in student activities. Student Union plans also include improvement of the activities room by addition of storage space and a master calendar.

Student-Faculty Campus Planning Committee

Jim Johnson reported that this committee had had one meeting with the President at which time the policy was outlined. He said that people with ideas and plans are urged to come before the committee. He said they discussed the New Science Building, Law Building, and LA Building. He said we should have more publicity about these buildings, especially the New Science Building. Brown said that more publicity about the New Science Building should be let out because it would dispel the bad feeling about the building. McGlashan said that the Kaimin couldn't get cooperation from the authorities, and that she needed a "spy system" to get information.

Adams moved that Meyer be appointed to Activities Committee. Hansen seconded. Passed 15-0; Meyers abstaining. Adams reported that the following student faculty committees had not met; Honor Program, Library, Museum, Religious Center, Interscholastics, Schedule B, Social Standards. Student Store Board had had no meeting since its last report. International Students report was unattainable because the chairman was unable to attend Central Board

Old Business

Meyers said he had an appointment with Dean Lory to find out what had happened to the ROTC situation. Lory said that it would come before the Curriculum Committee within a month, and that he would report to Risse about it.

Fact Finding Committee

Oberusler explained that the purpose of the committee had been to gather into one book all the rules and regulations of the University. She said that they had printed 38 copies to be distributed to Central Board, Deans, and people with jurisdiction with the hope that these people would correct the errors before it is distributed to the student body. After the errors are submitted a report will be submitted for approval to Central Board. Later the committee will put the rules in handbook form. Cogswell said he wasn't sure where the money would come from to finance the book, but that it was a good idea.

Ski Weekend

Meyers inquired about the Ski Weekend, and Risse said that he wasn't sure there would be a weekend this quarter because the Ski Club did not appear to be organized. He said he didn't think a weekend could be arranged at this late date.

New Business

Hansen said that there would be no college students at the University to go to the basketball game December 23, and moved that ASMSU invite the various high school and grade school students and cheerleaders in Missoula to the December 23 basketball game with Nebraska High school students will be admitted by activity cards. These
students will sit in the North Bleachers which are normally occupied by MSU students. Meyer seconded. Passed 16-0.

Food Demonstration
Brown asked what action Central Board was going to take on the food riot which took place in the Treasure State Room this evening. Cogswell said that much of what was said about the Food Service was erroneous. He said there was no basis for the reports of 17 cases of Trichinosis. He said that no more than 15 or 20 students were tossing food, and that the riot wasn’t too bad. It was definitely promoted by a specific group, and that a student, not the administration called the police. He said this method of complaint was disgusting because people can complain legitimately. Risse said that the students resent having to eat at the Lodge. He said that petitions were a more logical form of expression about this matter. Cogswell said that Food Service had trouble keeping costs down, but that the institution had a A-l rating. Risse said the students needed educating on such matters as cost per meal, etc. Brown said we should have an answer ready to counteract the bad publicity. Cogswell said we should sit back and accept it. Risse said we should not do this.

Stone moved that Central Board authorize Risse to speak the mind of Central Board and convey to the students what he considers to be the consensus of opinion on Central Board. Adams seconded. Passed 15-0, Cogswell abstaining. Meyers suggested a Central Board Committee go to Craig Hall tonight and bring back gripes from the students. Ulrich said that we should use the inside machinery of the dorm, the resident assistants, to do this job. He said that the main objective was to relieve tension in the dorm so that this riot would not happen again. Ulrich moved we call Frank Roberts and recommend his calling wing meetings tonight for the purpose of airing gripes about Food Service. Meyer seconded. Passed 16-0. Sankovich amended the motion to include the Freshman Women’s Dorm. Meyer seconded. Passed 16-0. Bradley and Ulrich are to acquaint Frank Roberts with the plan.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Tate
Secretary, ASMSU


Risse’s Statement to the Press

It is my opinion—and I have been authorized to speak for the Student Government—that actions of certain students at Tuesday dinner in the Lodge were reckless, and jeopardized the reputation of the University before the people of Montana. No good results
can ever come from such action. It is certainly no compliment to the dignity of college students.

The action apparently resulted from various grievances and dissatisfaction that had accumulated for some time, and came out during the tensions of pre-exam week. The channels for expressing complaints have evidently not been functioning very well. The Student Government has taken action by requesting living groups to arrange meetings in their organizations, so that any students with complaints can express their feelings.

Naturally, the importance of this incident has been overemphasized. It is certain that something can be worked out within the administration and student organization.