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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, April 23, 2008
UC330-331 - 6 P.M.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - April 9, 2008 and April 16, 2008
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

5. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (as amended)
 - a. Kaimin Business Manager - Joe Licitra
 - b. Walk 'n Roll Week
 - c. Elections Snafu
 - d. Amy Faxon
 - e. Noise on the Oval
 - f. Hello Walk
 - g. Barbara Hollmann Award
 - h. Elections Committee Report
 - i. Pizza Party - Carol's Announcement
 - j. Other

6. **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**
 - a. Committee Appointments/Removals
 - b. KBGA
 - c. Other

7. **BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT**

STIP - \$136,916.55

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$113

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$110,287.06

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$3,829

 - a. Transfer of Funds: Travel Special Allocation to Special Allocation \$500 6-0-0
 - b. ASUM Legal Services' STIP Staff Travel - \$2,928.50/\$2,929 5-0-0
 - c. University Crafters Special Allocation Request - \$266.02/\$100 6-0-0
 - d. Student for Choice Special Allocation Request - \$2,200/\$513 6-0-0
 - e. Other

8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - a. SB43-07/08 Resolution in Support of The Healthy Montana Kids Plan - do pass 5-0-0
 - b. SB44-07/08 Resolution amending House Rules

10. **NEW BUSINESS**
11. **COMMENTS**
12. **ADJOURNMENT**

ASUM SENATE MINUTES
Wednesday, April 23, 2008
UC330-331 - 6 p.m.

Chair Ness called the meeting to order at 6:04. Present: President Leftridge, Vice President Ness, Business Manager Henderson; Senators Chapman, Cossitt, Cox, Dodds (6:06), Effertz, Fennell (6:06), Ferguson, Fulton, Gosline, Harrison (6:07), Herrera, Hunter, Morrison, Nalty, Newman, Smillie and Tabibnejad. Unexcused were Kiki and Rand.

The April 9, 2008 and April 16, 2008 meeting minutes were approved.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senators Dodds, Fennell and Harrison.

Public Comment

*Students for Choice is having two fashion shows at the Wilma Theatre Friday, May 2nd.

*ASUM Business Manager candidate Jose Diaz spoke about the alleged discrepancies in his campaign expenditures. He does not agree with the Election Committee's recommendation that he not be able to take office if elected.

*Kevin Nalty distributed paper for Senators to write a short letter to 12-year-olds living in an Iraqi orphanage.

*UC Director Holt thanked Senate for serving on student government and presented the executive officers with a certificate of appreciation.

President's Report

a. Leftridge introduced the new Kaimin Business Manager Joe Licitra. Licitra said he was learning about processes and financial records.

b. There was an election snafu - a senatorial candidate's name was accidentally left off the ballot - which resulted in a shutdown from approximately 8:45 a.m. until noon to rectify the situation. Students who had voted before the shutdown were able to revote.

c. Amy Faxon, ASUM Kaimin reporter, was praised for her journalism and was presented with a fluorescent light bulb.

d. Music and other audio have been allowed on the Oval between 12 and 1 p.m. in the past, but that is being reassessed, as there are now classes during that time. This may lead to a policy change. Input is welcome.

e. The "Hello Walk" tradition on the sidewalk in front of Turner Hall, where "hello" was written with chalk in many languages, is being revived and will be held Saturday, May 3, at 10 a.m. This is being sponsored by the Foundation and Alumni Boards.

f. UC Director Candy Holt was selected to receive The Barbara Hollmann Administrator of the Year Award, which will be presented next week.

g. Elections Committee Chair Gregory presented the recommendation of the Committee with regard to ASUM Business Manager candidate Jose Diaz's campaign expenses (Exhibit A). **Dodds-Chapman** moved to uphold the recommendation. A previous question call by **Dodds-Fulton** failed. A motion by **Newman-Henderson** to consider the question as to whether he

overspent separately from the action to be taken if he is found to have overspent passed. **Henderson-Chapman** moved to uphold the Committee's decision that he had overspent. **Leftridge-Chapman** moved to amend the decision on overspending by deleting "between \$107.14 and \$134.16" and inserting "\$121.25." **Fulton-Tabibnejad** moved to amend it by replacing "\$107.14" with "\$98.97" and deleting "spending over the allowed \$100 campaign limit." A previous question call by **Fennell-Chapman** failed. After a previous question call by **Tabibnejad-Chapman**, the amendment failed. A previous question call by **Cox-Morrison** on the original amendment failed.

A recess was called to obtain the original receipts turned in by Diaz and distribute copies.

Upon review of the original receipts Diaz submitted, the amendment passed 8-5-4 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet) on a motion by **Leftridge-Chapman**. After a previous question call by **Henderson-Effertz**, the Committee's decision that Diaz had overspent passed 10-2-5 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

Henderson-Effertz moved to uphold the Committee's recommendation that Diaz not be allowed to take office if elected. A previous question call by **Effertz-Cox** met with objection. **Tabibnejad-Cox** moved to amend the recommendation to read: "Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that Jose Diaz make an apology to the student body at a time to be determined and take down all promotional materials within an hour of the passage of this motion." After a previous question call by **Henderson-Leftridge**, the amendment failed. A previous question call by **Cox-Effertz** failed. **Tabibnejad-Fennell** moved to amend the recommendation to read: "Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that Jose Diaz hand out as many fliers as he originally handed out promoting his candidacy stating that he overspent by \$121.25, thus gaining an advantage over his opponent Alex Gosline." **Fulton-Fennell** moved to amend the amendment to read: "Therefore Let It Be Resolved that Jose Diaz spend 21.25 hours performing community service on campus, that he not be reimbursed for any campaign funds, and that he remove all of his posters and replace them with a poster explaining the situation." After a previous question call by **Tabibnejad-Chapman**, the amendment to the amendment failed. After a previous question call by **Leftridge-Cox**, the original amendment failed. A motion by **Tabibnejad-Newman** to amend the recommendation to read: "Candidate Diaz shall be credited with 21.25 percent less votes than he receives during the election" failed after a previous question call by **Henderson-Leftridge**. After a previous question call by **Fennell-Cox**, the original recommendation failed 10-4-2 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet). **Newman-Henderson** moved for a revote on the original recommendation. The revote on the original recommendation failed 10-4-? on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet). (Gosline recused himself.)

Five-minute recess

Morrison-Tabibnejad moved to appeal the Chair's ruling that abstentions count in a two-thirds vote. After further research of Robert's Rules of Order, the original 10-4-2 vote passed, with abstentions not counting.
h. Hayes took a straw count of who would be able to attend the pizza party on May 6 at 5:30 that President and Mrs. Dennison host.
i. Leftridge distributed honor cords to the Senators.

Vice President's Report

- a. There were no committee appointments/removals.
- b. Senator Nalty will represent ASUM on KBGA Thursday morning.

Business Manager's Report

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$113

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$110,287.06

TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$1,231

STIP - \$136,916.55

- a. Budget and Finance's recommendation to transfer \$500 from Travel Special Allocation funds to Special Allocation funds passed.
- b. ASUM Legal Services' STIP Staff Travel request for \$2,928.50 and recommended for \$2,929 by Budget and Finance was approved for same with unanimous consent on a motion by **Cox**.
- c. University Crafters' Special Allocation request for \$266.02 and recommended for \$100 by Budget and Finance was approved for same with unanimous consent on a motion by **Leftridge**.
- d. Students for Choice's Special Allocation request for \$2,200 and recommended by Budget and Finance for same passed.

Committee Reports

- a. SPA (Harrison) - There will be a concealed weapons forum next Wednesday at noon in the UC.
- b. Housing (Harrison) - They have completed their business at this time.
- c. Strategic Planning and Budgeting (Morrison) - They talked about the evaluation of the academic community.
- d. Relations and Affairs (Hunter) - They selected UC Director Holt to receive the Barbara Hollmann Administrator of the Year Award. SB43 and SB44 were given unanimous do pass recommendations.
- e. Arts & Sciences Dean Search (Leftridge) - The last candidate was on campus for an interview.
- f. Transportation (Smillie) - Drawings for Walk 'n Roll Week will be held at noon Friday for the bike and other door prizes.
- g. Tabibnejad said the graduate 3-credit decision will be taken up in the Fall.
- h. Associate Provost Search (Henderson) - Final candidate visits are complete.

Unfinished Business

- a. SB43-07/08 Resolution in Support of The Healthy Montana Kids Plan (Exhibit B) was moved by **Nalty-Henderson** and passed 14-1 on a roll

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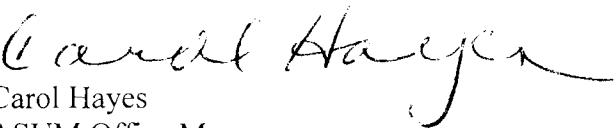
call vote (see Tally Sheet) after a previous question call by **Fennell-Gosline**.

b. SB44-07/08 Resolution amending House Rules (Exhibit C) was moved by **Gosline-Fennell** and passed 14-1-1 on a roll call vote (see Tally Sheet).

New Business - None

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 a.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carol Hayes".

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager