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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, November 5, 2008
UC 330/331 – 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Mountainside chat with Candy Holt, University Center Director
   b. Enrollment Analysis presentation: Dave Micus, Jed Liston, Bill Muse
   c. Griz/Cat ticket alternative plan – Jim O’Day and Jim Foley
   d. 6 Mill Levy, Good until 2018! (56.3% across the state, 59.5% in Missoula)
   e. Women’s Center Thank You
   f. UM-City Council Luncheon – November 12, 12:00-2:00
   g. Other
6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. KGBA
   c. Other
7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $12,291.00
   STIP - $171,539.94
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION – $15,862.94
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $144,379.95
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. NEW BUSINESS
10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
11. COMMENTS
12. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Smillie called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: President Hunter, Vice President Smillie, Business Manager Gosline; Senators Brockman, Cheung, Dempersmier, Dusek, Fennell (6:04), Hamilton, Haupt, Kaliyeva, Kettering, Leftridge, Martin, May, Newman (6:04), Singer, Sjostrom, Spear, Wilke and Zolnikov. Unexcused Senator Stusek

The minutes for the October 29, 2008 meeting were approved.

Public Comment: The Kevin Hurley Show is tonight, November 5th, it will be in the North Ballroom at 6:30 p.m. tickets are available at the Source $3.00 with a Griz card and $5.00 without. There will be a Hip Hop Dance next Friday, November 14th.

President’s Report

a. Mountainside chats with University Center Director, Candy Holt. Candy passed out a sheet with a list of the different areas the UC Administration plays in the University system. One of the goals for Candy’s office is to make the U.C. ecstatically pleasing and to promote the UC as a place where people congregate, to work, eat, study or socialize. Candy talked about all of the different venues the UC has to offer, such as the post office, Massage, tanning, Verizon outlet and of course the store and the food court. Candy talked about their current initiatives and they are presently working on the budget which is due December 1st. The UC Administration is dedicated to fiscal responsibility. The Director said that student fees make up about 60% of the UC’s operating budget and income from rent for the stores and restaurant makes up the rest. The UC is looking at closing on Sundays and possibly closing earlier in the summer.

b. Enrollment Analysis presentation: Dave Micus, Jed Liston, Bill Muse, the group showed a Power Point presentation and said the University has seen increased enrollment and a higher caliber of students. There are only 9,800 high school students presently which will affect enrollment for us. The UM has seen a decline in WUE (Western Undergraduate Exchange) but we are seeing more Montana residents coming to the University. The more engaged a student is in college activities the better they will do, it was found that students that decorate their dorm room with personal things are more likely to stay in school, students that leave a lot of times are homesick. The groups told us that the online courses are evolving and this could evolve even more if they add degree programs to online courses. They want to recruit for graduation not just attendance. Financial reasons are the biggest factor in leaving school. The University strives to help the students find a connection and recruit for graduation not just attendance. Financial reasons are the biggest factor for students that leave. They have developed an early warning system and counsel students who are having a tough time in school. We have one of the highest graduation rates but 45% of graduates do not go into
their field, we need more jobs in Montana. Studies show that 3rd and 4th grade is when the child is influenced to go to college, we are working with Public schools to help students make the decision early on to go to college.

c. Griz/Cat ticket alternative plan - Jim O'Day and Jim Foley, are seeking help/suggestions from the ASUM Senate, we need to determine how to better administer the program, students will swipe their card for a ticket and then they do not attend the game. There have been a lot of complaints from people who see very few students in the student section; those tickets should be sold to people who want to attend. Senator Hamilton suggested charging the students for the tickets and then have a raffle at the game with the money and they must attend the game to be able to win the pot.

d. 6 Mill Levy, Good until 2018! (56.3% across the state, 59.5% in Missoula) President Hunter thanked the group, their efforts made a huge difference in passing this levy.

e. Women’s Center Thank You - President Hunter read a Thank You not from the Women’s Center.

f. UM-City Council Luncheon - November 12, 12:00-2:00 this is changed to 11:30 a.m. instead of 12.

g. Other

12. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals -
   b. KGBA - Senator Spear will represent ASUM at 8:45 a.m. on Thursday morning.
   e. Other

13. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT

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   COMMITTEE REPORTS -
   Senator Singer -
   Board on Member - unanimous consent Hunter/Gosline
   Wesley Foundation
   University of Montana Rowing Club
   Students of Wilderness and Civilization (SOWC)
   School Psychology Student Organization (SPSO)
   Linguistics Club
   Approved these five groups
   Board on Member
   Christian Legal Society - UM - tabled until next week

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

15. NEW BUSINESS
   a. Resolution Regarding Governing Documents
   b. Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy
   c. Resolution Regarding the Bookstore

16. COMMENTS

17. ADJOURNMENT - Senate adjourned at 8:32 p.m.
Committee Reports

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New Business:

a. SB- 21 Resolution Regarding Painted Lines on Campus Drive -Tabled for more research
b. SB-22 Resolution Regarding the Creation of an Online Registry for Mold Documentation - moved by Singer, passed by roll call vote 21-0.
c. SB-23 Resolution supporting Legislative Changes to the Landlord Tenant Act - added "specifically in regard to 70-24-201 and 70-24-303" Hunter/Hamilton unanimous by Gosline
d. SB-24 Resolution Regarding Additional Damages for Withholding Security Deposit - passed unanimously
e. SB-25 Resolution Supporting Online Voter Registration - moved by Hunter passed unanimously
f. SB-26 Resolution regarding the Opportunity Maine Program - passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business: Resolution Regarding Withdraw, Resolution Regarding the Book Store.

Comments
The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

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