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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 9, 2009

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Mountain-side Chats:
      - Candy Holt, University Center Director
      - Douglass Coffin, Vice President, University Faculty Association
      - Jason Christ, Operations Director, Montana Caregivers Network
   b. Board of Regents attendance/excuse notes
   d. Endorsement of Choose Responsibility “Get Real” campaign
   e. Events:
      - David Leeson lecture: “Photos That Move and Speak: The Decisive Moment Extended,” 9/21 at 7 p.m. in the UC Theater.
   f. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. Students First
   c. Office Hours
   d. Student Groups
   e. Resolutions
   f. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION – $18,000.00
   STIP – $209,782.62
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION – $18,000.00
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER – $166,461.24
   a. ADSUM Special Allocation request – $192.00/$192.00
   b. Staff (Marlene Hendrickson) STIP request for travel $2410.40/$2410.40
   c. Camas STIP request – $325.00/$325.00
d. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB1-09/10 Resolution regarding Arabic Minor
   b. SB2-09/10 Resolution regarding Constitutional Initiative 102
   c. SB3-09/10 Resolution amending House Rules: Conflicts of Interest in Voting

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
ASUM SENATE MINUTES  
Wednesday, September 16, 2009  
UC 330-331 – 6 p.m.

Chair May called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Present: President Fennell, Vice President May, Business Manager Armstrong; Senators Barhaugh, Brewer, Chuang, Davis, Dusek, Guilhemotnia, K. Kettering, M. Kettering, Kilts, Mariani, Rhea, Rose, Smartt, Stovall, Summers, Torti, Wilke and Williams. Senator Engum was excused.

The minutes from the September 9, 2009 meeting were approved.

Public Comment
* Daniel Viehland of Students for Choice spoke in favor of SB2-09/10. He explained why he is opposed to Constitutional Initiative 102 (CI102) and asked for passage of SB2.
* Michael Paine, Program Advisor of Leadership Programming, Student Involvement and Leadership Development, announced several upcoming events taking place in the University Center, including Student Groups 101, 6 p.m. 9/17 in UC330, weekend films, and the appearance of Brent Weinbach, comedian, 9/16/09 in the UC Theater.
* Eddy Zimpel, President of Planned Parenthood and Advocates spoke in opposition to CI102 and in support of SB2.
* Sandra Nokes of the Women’s Resource Center also spoke in support of the resolution (SB2) and in opposition to CI102.

President’s Report
a. Those Senators who were able to make it prior to the evening’s Senate meeting were treated to a great tour of the UC by Candy Holt, director of the UC.
b. Mountain-side Chats:
   1. Candy Holt, Director of the University Center, showed a PowerPoint presentation with a wealth of information about the University Center.
   2. Douglass Coffin, Vice President of the University Faculty Association (UFA), and Anne Rooks, Assistant Professor of Sociology, spoke about the UFA and its role as the faculty union in protecting the rights, and advocating on behalf, of U of M faculty. As part of the Advocacy Campaign to make higher education a priority in Montana, the UFA emphasizes the need for a college education for all as a basic public education right.
c. There will be no Senate meeting 9/23/09 because of the Montana Associated Students and Board of Regents meetings. Senators were asked to indicate their definite intention
to attend so that transportation could be arranged. President Fennell encouraged Senators to attend, as the projected 3.2 million dollar deficit will have a variety of negative impacts on students.

d. Applications for the Student Political Action director opening are due 9/18 by 5 p.m. If there are enough candidates, an emergency Senate meeting might need to be called for next week.

e. If there is no emergency meeting, the next Senate meeting will be 9/30. It will be preceded by a tour for Senators of the current “Capture the Moment” photography exhibit by Barbara Koostra, Director of the Montana Museum of Art and Culture. It was agreed to request that the tour start at 5 p.m. instead of 4:30 p.m.

f. President Fennell personally (not on behalf of the Senate) endorsed a statement in support of the October 10th & 11th, 2009 National Equality March on Washington D.C. (Exhibit A) Senator Davis mentioned that three scholarships to attend the event are available.

g. President Fennell personally endorsed another statement in support of the Get Real campaign regarding responsible alcohol use. (Exhibit B)

h. As the first non-dorm Condom Access for Responsible Encounters (Care) Representatives on campus, President Fennell and Vice President May passed around a bag of condoms which Senators were welcome to help themselves to.

Vice President’s Report

a. There were no new committee appointments.

b. The new designs for the Students First campaign brochure and sticker were projected and will be emailed to Senators. (Exhibit C) The Senate will be formulating a plan for getting the word out about the campaign and the Alumni Association has expressed interest in helping out. Vice President May hopes to make it a state-wide campaign through the Montana Association of Students (MAS).

c. A signup sheet was passed around so Senators could sign up for their two-hours, per-week office hours which will begin 9/21.

d. Two student groups, the Animé Club and the University Crafters, were invited to share information about their activities. Cody Putzier and Jennifer Feakes spoke about Animé, a particular style of animation from Japan. Fiona Jallings and Emma Kleinworth described the various hand-made creations and skill-sharing the University Crafters specialize in.
e. Vice President May reviewed for the Senators the formatting and procedure for submitting resolutions.

Business Manager’s Report

SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $18,000.00
STIP - $209,782.62
TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $18,000.00
ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $166,461.24

a. ADSUM’s Special Allocation request for $192.00 was forwarded to Senate by Budget and Finance for same. Barhaugh-Wilke moved to amend and change the amount to $150.00. Davis-Summers moved to amend the amount to $180.00. Unanimous consent was called by Rhea, which met with objection. The motion to amend the amount to $180 failed 10 – 11 on a roll call vote (see Talley Sheet). Davis-Fennell moved to table the request. Unanimous consent was called by Guilhemotonia, which met with objection. The motion to table passed 17 – 4 on a roll call vote (see Talley Sheet).

b. The STIP travel request for ASUM Accountant, Marlene Henderson, for $2410.40, and recommended by Budget and Finance for same, was approved following a previous question call by Brewer.

c. The Camas STIP request for $325.00 was recommended by Budget and Finance for same. A previous question called by Rhea was defeated 10 – 10 – 1 on a roll call vote (see Talley sheet). The STIP was approved following a motion for unanimous consent by Fennell.

Committee Reports

a. Relations and Affairs (Dusek) - SB1, SB2 and SB3 received do pass recommendations.

b. Student Political Action (Williams) - the position of Student Political Action Director (SPA) is still open.

c. Board on Members (Wilke) - UM Folklore Society and Mount of Olives were approved for recognition on a motion from Dusek-Rhea.

d. Strategic and Budget Planning (Fennell) - has met to discuss how to deal with the projected 3.2 million dollar deficit.

e. Interview (Barhaugh) - there have been no applications for the SPA Director position. Deadline for applications is 9/18. Committee members were asked to keep Sunday open for possible interviews.
Unfinished Business
a. SB1-09/10 Resolution regarding the establishment of an Arabic minor was moved by Dusek-Armstrong and approved with unanimous consent on a motion by Fennell.
b. SB2-09/10 Resolution regarding Constitutional Initiative 102 (Exhibit D) was moved by Davis-Barhaugh and passed 19 - 1 on a roll call vote (see Talley Sheet).
c. SB3-09/10 Resolution amending ASUM House Rules in order to address conflicts of interest in voting was moved by Wilke-Barhaugh and passed 15 - 5 - 1 on a roll call vote (see Talley Sheet).

New Business
a. Resolution regarding the National Equality March on Washington, D.C.
b. Resolution regarding Montana Equality Now
c. Resolution amending ASUM Bylaws
d. Resolution regarding water
e. Resolution amending Personnel Policy
f. Resolution regarding Montana Wilderness legislation
g. Resolution amending House Rules

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

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ASUM Office Manager