ASUM SENATE AGENDA
April 13, 2005
UC326-327 - 6 p.m.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 6, 2005

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. UM Productions Director confirmation - Elizabeth Wilhelm
   b. Athletic Deficit Reduction Plan Update
   c. Tuition and Fee notice
   d. SB66-04/05 Resolution to Censure Business Manager Cassie Morton
   e. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments/Removals
   b. KBGA - Thursday at 8:30 a.m.
   c. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   Special Allocation - $7,041.75
   Travel Special Allocation - $2,789.29
   STIP - $100,723.89
   Zero-Base Carryover - $53,557.99
   a. Zero-Base Carryover request for Campus Safety Information Cards - $720/$360 (4-0)
   b. STIP request for Women’s Hockey - $1,710/$1,710 (4-0)
   c. Special Allocation request for Missoula Footbag Alliance Freestyle Jam - $2,146/$1,656 (4-0)
   d. Special Allocation request for IFC Greek Week - $1,442/$1,442 (4-0)
   e. Special Allocation request for EAC Earth Day - $200/$200 (4-0)
   f. Special Allocation request for UM Objectivist Club - $588/$588 (4-0)
   g. SB63-04/05 Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 9.14 (4-0)
   h. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
To see a list of resolutions in their entirety with the action taken on them, please go to
http://www.umt.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm
a. SB56-04/05 Resolution to Include Office Hours in Attendance-based Honorarium
b. SB60-04/05 Resolution to Suggest a Name Change for the Student Escort Service
c. SB61-04/05 Resolution to Amend Article III of ASUM By-Laws
d. SB62-04/05 Resolution Opposing a Residential Development at the South Campus Area of The University of Montana-Missoula
e. SB64-04/05 Resolution Requiring a 2.5 GPA for ASUM Involvement
f. SB58-04/05 Resolution Supporting Bi-Weekly Pay for Student Employees
g. SB59-04/05 Resolution Thanking Mr. Richard Roehm for his Service
h. SB65-04/05 Resolution Encouraging the Purchase of Timber from Locally Owned Mills

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
# ASUM Senate Tally Sheet

## Senate Members
- Bryce Bennett
- Andrew Bisell
- Tyler Clairmont
- John Dawson
- Derek Duncan
- Nezha Haddouch
- Chris Healow
- Andrea Helling
- Casey Hogue
- Derf Johnson
- Britta Padgham
- Kim Pappas
- Josh Peters
- Rebecca Petit
- Jake Pipinich
- Ross Prosperi
- Jon Snodgrass
- Leslie Venetz
- Rob Welsh
- Nathan Ziegler

## ASUM Officers
- Gale Price
  - President
- Vinnie Pavlish
  - Vice-President
- Cassie Morton
  - Business Manager

## Faculty Advisors
- Professor Anderson
- Professor Ausland
Chair Pavlish called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Present: Price, Pavlish, Morton, Bennett, Bissell, Clairmont, Dawson, Duncan, Haddouch, Healow, Helling, Hogue (6:05), Johnson, Padgham (6:07), Pappas, Pettit, Pipinich, Prosperi (6:09), Venetz (6:07), Welsh and Ziegler (6:08). Excused was Peters.

The minutes for the April 6, 2005, meeting were approved on a motion by Pappas-Duncan.

Public Comment
*Dean Couture recognized ASUM Office Manager Hayes for her 15 years of continuous service to ASUM.
*Ryan Delany and Katherine Sportsman said that the censorship of Business Manager Morton is not deserved and felt it was a "slap in the face" to the Budget and Finance Committee.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Hogue.
*Kevin Flynn of the Men's Lacrosse Team thanked Senate for the goals purchased for the team and invited Senate to attend games this Saturday and Sunday at the River Bowl.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senators Padgham and Venetz.
*Ryan Knobloch reported that he is the new Lambda board president. He said that the queer prom and pride week were a success.

President's Report
a. Elizabeth Wilhelm was confirmed as the new UM Productions director on a motion by Price-Duncan.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senators Prosperi and Ziegler.
b. The Athletic Department deficit reduction plan is ahead of schedule. $200,000 will go toward reducing this academic year deficit, and football tickets for students will be reduced from $7 to $4 next year. If the trend continues, it is hoped there will be no ticket cost by FY07. Playoff funds will go to facilities and maintenance.
c. Looking at a fee sheet for next year, there are five fee increases that students did not know of. Fortunately they are minor increases.
d. SB66-04/05 Resolution to Censure Business Manager Cassie Morton (Exhibit A) was amended in committee by replacing "Article V" with "Article IV" in the sixth whereas and deleting the 11th whereas. The resolution was moved by Duncan-Helling. An objection to consideration by Johnson failed. After a previous question call by Welsh, the resolution failed.

Vice President's Report
a. Business Manager Morton will represent ASUM on KGBA Thursday morning.
Business Manager’s Report

Special Allocation - $7,041.75
Travel Special Allocation - $2,789.29
STIP - $100,723.89
Zero-Base Carryover - $53,557.99

a. A Zero-Base Carryover request for Campus Safety Information Cards was approved for Budget and Finance’s recommendation of $360.
b. A STIP request by Women’s Hockey for equipment was approved for Budget and Finance’s recommendation of $1,710.
c. A Special Allocation request for Missoula Footbag Alliance’s Freestyle Jam was approved for Budget and Finance’s recommendation of $1,656 by unanimous consent on a motion by Healow.
d. A Special Allocation request for IFC’s Greek Week was approved for Budget and Finance’s recommendation of $1,442.
e. A Special Allocation request for EAC’s Earth Day was approved for Budget and Finance’s recommendation of $200.
f. A Special Allocation request for $588 by UM Objectivist Club was increased by $55 for more advertising on a motion by Price-Morton and approved for the amended amount of $643.
g. SB63-04/05 Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 9.14 (Exhibit B) passed.

Committee Reports

a. UC Board (Helling) - Additional bike racks were approved. More locations are being considered. The elevator was repaired but burned up during testing. Elevator service is available via the freight elevator.
b. Ad Hoc (Helling) - The final report timeline has been extended to September. Meetings will continue during the summer. The Committee met with the ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center director about past, current and future projects.
c. Radio Board (Haddouch) - Jamie Bouchee is the new KBGA General Manager.
d. Campus Safety (Morton) - The Committee chose Griz Guard as the name to replace Escort Service.
e. Elections (Healow) - After deliberation, the Committee took no action on a grievance about a write-in’s poster. Senate approved the decision on a motion by Price-Helling.
f. SPA (Padgham) - HB435 proposes to cut scholarships from $3M to $1.5M.
g. ASUM Transportation (Pappas) - Volunteers are needed for Walk and Roll Week. More bike parking by the UC is being considered.
h. Relations and Affairs (Healow) - SB56 was given a “do pass” recommendation. SB62 and SB65 were tabled in committee.
Unfinished Business
To see a list of resolutions in their entirety with the action taken on them, please go to: www.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm

a. SB56-04/05 Resolution to include Office Hours in Attendance-based Honorarium (Exhibit C) passed on a motion by Healow-Dawson.

Five-minute recess
The following committee appointment overlooked in the Vice President’s report was made on a motion by Duncan-Bennett: Student Assault - Jess Callas.

b. SB60-04/05 Resolution to suggest a Name Change for the Student Escort Service (Exhibit D) was moved by Price-Helling. A motion by Welsh to approve the resolution with unanimous consent was objected to because the proposed name change wasn’t included. Morton-Price moved to amend the last sentence by deleting “an appropriate name to be decided at a later date” and inserting “Griz Guard,” the name having been forwarded from the Campus Safety Committee. A motion by Welsh to approve the amendment with unanimous consent was objected to. The amendment passed. The amended resolution passed after a previous question call by Welsh.

c. SB61-04/05 Resolution to amend Article III of ASUM Bylaws - in committee.

d. SB62-04/05 Resolution opposing a Residential Development at the South Campus Area of The University of Montana-Missoula - tabled.

e. SB64-04/05 Resolution requiring a 2.5 GPA for ASUM Involvement (Exhibit E) was moved by Pipinich-Helling. A motion by Healow to adopt with unanimous consent the amendment to delete “and employees” throughout the resolution and insert “and” before “Executives” in the last paragraph met with no objection. A previous question call by Bissell failed. A previous question call by Healow was objected to and failed on a vote. After a previous question call by Healow, the amended resolution failed.

f. SB58-04/05 Resolution supporting Bi-Weekly Pay for Student Employees (Exhibit F) was moved by Healow-Bennett. A motion by Johnson to adopt with unanimous consent met with no objection.

g. SB59-04/05 Resolution Thanking Mr. Richard Roehm for this Service (Exhibit G) was moved by Johnson-Bennett and approved with unanimous consent on a motion by Welsh.

h. SB65-04/05 Resolution encouraging the Purchase of Timber from Locally Owned Mills - in committee
New Business
a. Resolution on the athletic deficit reduction program
b. Resolution on ASUM equipment inventory
c. Resolution to revise campus dog policy
d. Resolution for Senator honorarium scholarship
e. Resolution on COT student assistant
f. Resolution to increase recycling fee
g. Resolution on 5th/6th/Madison Streets
h. Resolution commending Journalism School
i. Resolution on football package

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
Motion to Censure Business Manager Cassie Morton

Whereas, Business Manager Morton Has Violated Article V, Section 2 of the ASUM Constitution, granting senators general supervision of committees, and Montana Code Annotated 2-3-203, by asking ASUM Senators to leave Budget and Finance Meetings;

Whereas, Business Manager Morton Has Violated Article III Section 4 (b) of the ASUM Constitution by failing to personally maintain accurate records of ASUM finances, or exerting adequate oversight of these records;

Whereas, Business Manager Morton Has Violated Article III Section 4 (c) of the ASUM Constitution by failing to oversee the safekeeping of ASUM property, specifically ASUM laptop computers, and by failing to provide a mechanism to protect ASUM Property when being used by student groups;

Whereas, Business Manager Morton Has Violated Article III Section 4 (c) of the ASUM Constitution by failing to establish an adequate inventory system for student group property;

Whereas, Business Manager Morton Has Violated Article III Section 4 (d) of the ASUM Constitution by failing to present a complete fiscal policy to the senate for their approval this year;

Whereas Business Manager Morton has failed to enforce Article IV, Section 1, Point D of ASUM bylaws by failing to keep accurate attendance records for the Budget and Finance Meetings;

Whereas, Business Manager Morton Has Violated Article IV, Section 14 Point B of ASUM Bylaws, ASUM Personnel Policy 4.14 Point D, and Montana Code Annotated 2-3-212, by failing to provide the Vice President with minutes from meetings of the Board on Budget and Finance, and not having them available for viewing;

Whereas, Business Manager Morton Has Violated ASUM Personnel Policy 4.14 Point C by failing to establish adequate policy for her Chief Officer of Accounting position;

Whereas, Business Manager Morton Has Violated ASUM Personnel Policy 4.14 Point B by failing to have clearly posted office hours;

Whereas, Business Manager Morton Has Violated ASUM Personnel Policy 4.14 Point A by committing all above stated violations;

Whereas, Business Manager Morton has submitted proposals to the ASUM Senate with incorrect information, or a lack of information, delaying Senate action on these items;

Whereas, ASUM Executives hold a position of high visibility and should set an example for the rest of ASUM and all student leaders;

Therefore, the ASUM Senate recognizes the importance of Executives fulfilling all of their duties as outlined in ASUM governing documents and policies, and censures Business Manager Cassie Morton for violations enumerated above.

Authored by Senator Derek Duncan

Passed 4-13-05
ASUM Constitution

Article 5
Committees

Section 1. The affairs and activities of ASUM shall be handled through such standing committees as enumerated in the Bylaws and any other committee which the ASUM Senate shall deem necessary for the administration of ASUM.

Section 2. Committees shall be subject to the general supervision of the ASUM Senate, and new committees shall be brought before the Senate for approval.

Section 3. All chairs and members of these committees shall be recommended for appointment by the President of ASUM and confirmed by the ASUM Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

Article 3
Executives of the Association

Section 4. Duties of the Business Manager shall include:
(a) The Business Manager shall be financial manager of ASUM under the direction of the ASUM Senate.
(b) The Business Manager shall be responsible for keeping accurate records of the accounts of ASUM and all organizations receiving funds from ASUM.
(c) The Business Manager shall be responsible for overseeing the safekeeping of any ASUM property received by an organization or individual.
(d) The Business Manager shall chair the Board on Budget and Finance. The Business Manager shall submit a fiscal policy to the ASUM Senate for its annual approval.
2-3-203. Meetings of public agencies and certain associations of public agencies to be open to public -- exceptions. (1) All meetings of public or governmental bodies, boards, bureaus, commissions, agencies of the state, or any political subdivision of the state or organizations or agencies supported in whole or in part by public funds or expending public funds must be open to the public.

(2) All meetings of associations that are composed of public or governmental bodies referred to in subsection (1) and that regulate the rights, duties, or privileges of any individual must be open to the public.

(3) Provided, however, the presiding officer of any meeting may close the meeting during the time the discussion relates to a matter of individual privacy and then if and only if the presiding officer determines that the demands of individual privacy clearly exceed the merits of public disclosure. The right of individual privacy may be waived by the individual about whom the discussion pertains and, in that event, the meeting must be open.

(4) (a) However, except as provided in subsection (4)(b), a meeting may be closed to discuss a strategy to be followed with respect to litigation when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public agency.

(b) A meeting may not be closed to discuss strategy to be followed in litigation in which the only parties are public bodies or associations described in subsections (1) and (2).

(5) Any committee or subcommittee appointed by a public body or an association described in subsection (2) for the purpose of conducting business which is within the jurisdiction of that agency is subject to the requirements of this section.

2-3-212. Minutes of meetings -- public inspection. (1) Appropriate minutes of all meetings required by 2-3-203 to be open shall be kept and shall be available for inspection by the public.

(2) Such minutes shall include without limitation:
(a) date, time, and place of meeting;
(b) a list of the individual members of the public body, agency, or organization in attendance;
(c) the substance of all matters proposed, discussed, or decided; and
(d) at the request of any member, a record by individual members of any votes taken.
ASUM Personnel Policy

4.14 ASUM Business Manager. The Business Manager is required to carry out the duties for that office as outlined in the Constitution, Bylaws, Personnel Policy, and Fiscal Policy. The Business Manager shall:

- uphold all expressed policies, Fiscal Policy, Personnel Policy, Bylaws, and the Constitution of ASUM;
- shall establish and post office hours;
- should serve as chief officer of the accounting of ASUM and set policy for that office;
- be responsible for reporting all Budget and Finance recommendations to the Senate as well as reporting the fiscal affairs of ASUM upon request of any member of ASUM; The minutes of Budget and Finance meetings should be kept on record in the Business Manager's office;
- have the additional duty of advising the organizations funded by ASUM as well as oversee their budgets along with the ASUM Accountant and Office Manager;
- submit a budget for ASUM Administration in consultation with the ASUM President and ASUM Vice-President for consideration by the ASUM Senate during the annual budget process.
Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 9.14

Whereas, the ASUM Senate recently acknowledged the importance of final budgeting by changing House Rules to allow for impeachment of an unexcused absence at final budgeting;

Whereas, amending Fiscal Policy to reflect this change will reinforce the importance of final budgeting.

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) amend Fiscal Policy 9.14 to read:

9.14 Final Budgeting. Final Budgeting shall occur by the weekend of the seventh academic week. The Senate may, by majority vote, schedule Final Budgeting for more than one (1) day or on a Saturday. If the former option is chosen, specific categories shall be scheduled for budgeting each day not less than one week prior to the first budgeting meeting.

A. The order of the categories shall be written prominently at the front of the meeting area.
B. During the Final Budgeting Session, the Vice-President shall preside over the meeting. The Accountant and the Office Manager shall be present to record transactions of the meeting.
C. The total amount in the budgeted Senate Discretionary Account shall be prominently written in plain view of the meeting area. All motions to add or subtract funds from an organization shall be made into or out of this fund. No motion shall be made by the Senate to directly move any funds from one organization's proposed budget to that of another. Two motions must be made: First, to place funds from an organization's budget into the Senate Discretionary Account, and, second, to remove funds from the Discretionary Account into the proposed budget of an organization.
D. The Sports Organization Union shall be funded as a category, without regard to specific member organizations.
E. An unexcused absence by a Senator from final budgeting is automatic grounds for impeachment.

Authored by Senator Andrea Helling

Passed 4-13-05
Resolution to Include Office Hours in Attendance-based Honorarium Policy

Whereas, ASUM bylaws require Senators to hold one office hour each five-day week in the ASUM office;

Whereas, office hour requirements have not been fulfilled by all Senators in recent years;

Whereas, office hours are an effective way for Senators to stay in touch with their constituents;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that ASUM Senators are also required to attend their weekly office hours in addition to attending Senate meetings and committee meetings to receive their $100-per-semester honorarium;

Let It Be Further Resolved that each unexcused absence from a Senator’s weekly office hours will result in a $25.00 deduction from the possible $100 honorarium to be monitored by the ASUM Vice President;

Let It Be Further Resolved that to avoid a $25.00 deduction for an unexcused absence, Senators must verify their attendance at an office hour with the ASUM Vice President;

Let It Be Further Resolved that the ASUM Vice President keep documentation of each Senator’s office hours.

Authored by: Jesse Piedfort

Sponsored by: Senator Chris Healow

Passed 4-13-05
SB60-04/05 Resolution to Suggest a Name Change for the Student Escort Service

Whereas, the words “escort service” have a popular connotation implying inappropriate conduct;

Whereas, The University of Montana Student Escort Service does not engage in the inappropriate conduct implied by its name;

Whereas, The University of Montana President George Dennison has requested a name change for the group;

Whereas, President Dennison has agreed to help fund a campaign distributing cards with phone numbers for The University of Montana Student Escort Service and other campus safety divisions to UM students and staff;

Whereas, a name change would be appropriate before such cards are printed;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana urge The University of Montana Student Escort Service to change its name to an appropriate name to be decided at a later date.

Authored by: Gale Price, ASUM President

Passed 4-13-05
Resolution Requiring a 2.5 GPA for ASUM Involvement

Whereas, ASUM Senators and employees should be leaders outside, as well as inside the classroom.

Whereas, many ASUM Senators and employees are routinely absent from classes.

Whereas, some ASUM Senators and employees have grades that fall below the cumulative average student ≈ 2.6 GPA.

Whereas, good academic standing per the current requirement is only a 2.0 GPA.

Whereas, this low requirement for ASUM Senators and employees sets a poor example for other students on campus.

Whereas, a stronger grade requirement for ASUM involvement or employment will encourage Senators and employees to attend class regularly and produce in the classroom.

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that Article 7 section 1 of the ASUM Constitution be amended to require ASUM Senators, Executives, and employees to maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA in order to continue their affiliation with ASUM.

Authored by Jake Pipinich
Resolution Supporting Bi-Weekly Pay for Student Employees

Whereas, The University of Montana employs approximately 2,500 student employees in a variety of positions;

Whereas, currently student employees receive monthly paychecks from The University of Montana;

Whereas, monthly paychecks create unnecessary difficulties for students by extending their pay day periods;

Whereas, by paying students on a bi-weekly pay schedule The University of Montana would ease certain hardships for students;

Therefore Let It Be Resolved That we, the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM), support the adoption of a bi-weekly pay schedule for students;

Therefore Let It Be Further Resolved that the ASUM Senate sends the following letter to Rob Gannon, the director of Human Resources.

Dear Rob Gannon:

Recently, the Associated Students of The University of Montana took up the issue of student pay checks by endorsing a bi-weekly pay schedule for students. The Senate does understand the complexities of bi-weekly pay for students and that it may not be implemented for two or more years.

However, we are concerned about the current pay-schedule because of the difficulties it creates for students with such lengthy pay periods. Many student employees currently have to do such things as borrow money to pay their rent and food. We believe that this is an unnecessary burden for students who are already very busy.

We understand that the University is currently switching from a paper to electronic pay process and that with the increased efficiency there will be an opportunity created to have student bi-weekly pay. Because of this, we respectfully request that students' needs be considered by implementing a bi-weekly pay schedule. This would benefit students in innumerable ways.

We thank you for your cooperation and look forward to a bi-weekly pay schedule.

Sincerely,

The Associated Students of The University of Montana

Passed
4-13-05
Resolution Thanking Mr. Richard Roehm for his service

Whereas, Mr. Roehm was appointed to the Montana Board of Regents and served a seven year term as a volunteer;

Whereas, Mr. Roehm has supported the MUS system to the benefit of both students and faculty;

Whereas, during Mr. Roehm's term he was an ardent supporter of student rights by advocating for such things as low tuition, low fees, and an easy transferability of credits;

Whereas, Mr. Roehm supported increased pay for faculty across the Montana University System (MUS);

Therefore Let It Be Resolved That we, the Senate of the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM), thank former Regent Roehm for his dedicated years of service to the Board of Regents.

Authored by:
Derf Johnson, ASUM Senator

Passed 4-13-05