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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, March 21, 2012
College of Technology East Campus HB01 – 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 14, 2012

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Mountainside Chat
   b. Higher Education Forum – Yaicha Bookhout
   c. Tunnel of Oppression
   d. Constitutional Review Board decision
   e. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Committee Appointments and Removals
   b. Spring Committee Appointments
   c. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $13,160.10
   STIP - $187,887.94
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $1295.50
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $164,337.39
   a. Women’s Resource Center S.T.I.P. Request - $458.26/326.00
   b. UM Forum for Living with Appropriate Technology S.T.I.P. Request - $327.31/298.00
   c. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB44-11/12 – Resolution of Recognition
   b. SB45-11/12 – Resolution Regarding Socially Responsible Apparel

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
ASUM Senate Minutes  
Wednesday, March 21, 2012  
College of Technology East Campus HB01 - 6 p.m.

Chair Edmunds called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Present: President Gursky, Vice President Edmunds, Business Manager Sims; and Senators Bennett, Brown, Coon, Dantic, Dickmeyer, Gordon, Hohman, Klapmeier, Molgaard (6:09), Nielsen, Overturf, Patten (6:05), Selph, Simpson (6:18), Springmeyer, Suzuki, Williams, M. and Williams, T (6:18). Excused: Professor Smith. Unexcused: Senators Boslough and LaFortune.

The minutes from the March 14, 2012 meeting were approved.

Public Comment

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Patten.

  o David Wise, UM FLAT President, explained his group’s need for a cambro and urged the Senate to approve their S.T.I.P. request.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Molgaard.

President’s Report

  a. Mountainside Chat - none
  b. Higher Education Forum – MontPIRG is working with 15 other ASUM groups on a campaign to support affordability of higher education and is hosting an opportunity for students to tell MontPIRG what they want. President Gursky will be speaking and leading a discussion on why affordable higher education is important. The forum will be held March 22, 2012 at 7 p.m. in University Center 330/331.
  c. The Tunnel of Oppression went well and the Student Involvement Network is very excited. More information will be available next week.
  d. Constitutional Review Board (CRB) – The board ruled that SB38 was unconstitutional, but no decision was made on SB40 or SB41 and so the bills will go forward. The official decision will be available in one week.

Vice President’s Report

  a. Committee Appointments and Removals – A motion by Patten-Gursky to approve appointments and removals as a slate passed with unanimous consent (UC) on a motion by Nielsen (Exhibit A).

The Chair recognized the presence of Senators Simpson and Williams, T.

  b. Spring Committee Reports – ASUM is still planning on hiring a communications director, and the position has been budgeted for next year. One of the duties the position will have is creating a database of what committees are working on to help future
senators and committee members.

c. Vice President Edmunds urged the Senate to continue garnering Student-at-Large forms to fill open committee seats.

Business Manager’s Report
a. The Women’s Resource Center S.T.I.P. Request was approved for $326 on a motion by Suzuki-Gursky.
b. UM Forum for Living with Appropriate Technology S.T.I.P. Request was approved for $298 on a motion by Bennett-Molgaard.

Committee Reports
a. Transportation (Williams, T.) – The committee met the morning of March 21, to begin reviewing the long-range transportation plan that extends over five years, including the current year. It was observed that the committee has been accomplishing their goals as an agency in the current year. The committee outlined goals and objectives for next year and discussed the possibility of a “train campaign” for students on campus in the future.
b. University Center Board (Dantic) – The committee met March 16, at 2:30 p.m. and voted to approve permanent space allocations for advocacy student groups (i.e. ADSUM, Lambda, and the Women’s Resource Center). The committee also discussed the H-Vac and heating systems on campus.
c. Relations and Affairs (Suzuki) – The committee met on March 19, to vote on three resolutions. SB44 passed unanimously with a do-pass recommendation, SB45 passed unanimously, and SB46 was tabled for one week pending a discussion with the Provost. The committee also looked at the proposed referendum ballot language submitted by the currently not-recognized Students as MontPIRG group (Exhibit B).
d. Elections (Suzuki) – Two candidate teams for President/Vice President and two candidates for Business Manager have turned in their petitions. However, only 19 petitions for senator positions have been returned. The committee wishes to extend the Senate petition deadline to Wednesday, March 28, at 5 p.m. Changes to the election schedule will occur accordingly. Candidates already approved will attend the March 23, mandatory meeting and candidates approved after the original deadline will attend a mandatory meeting on March 30. A motion by Gursky-Bennett to approve the Senate deadline extension was approved by voice vote (VV). A motion by Suzuki-Bennett to extend the Business Manager and Executive deadlines to Wednesday in conjunction with bylaws was approved by VV. A motion by Gursky to require the Marketing and Outreach Committee to distribute senator responsibility outlines had no second. A motion by Sims-Patten to close Elections Committee failed by VV. A motion by Suzuki-Gursky for Marketing and Outreach to meet after Senate to come up with advertising was approved by VV. A motion by Sims-Patten to close discussion on Elections Committee was approved.
e. Academic Standards and Curriculum Review Committee (ASCRC) (Patten) – The committee is currently working on a resolution that came from the General Education Committee regarding mandatory foreign language. ASCRC disagreed with the wording of the current resolution and is attempting to rewrite a newer version.
f. Sustainability Board (Sprngmeyer) – The committee met Friday, March 16, at 11 a.m. and will meet Friday, March 23, at 11 a.m. (Brown) The committee is working on a Smart Buildings Initiative on energy efficiency and hopes to present to the Board of Regents, possibly in May. They also are aiming to get on the ASUM Senate agenda in April.

g. University Cabinet (Gursky) – There will be a University Cabinet meeting Friday, March 30, at 7:30 a.m. in University Hall 004. President Gursky urged the Senate to let her know if they want any items placed on the agenda.

h. Board on Members (Overturf): The board approved the Yemeni Student Association with a do-pass recommendation and had no recommendation for Students as MontPIRG. A motion by Sims-Patten to approve Yemeni Student Association passed by VV. The Senate began a review of the Students as MontPIRG bylaws (Exhibit C). A motion by Hohman-Patten to table Students as MontPIRG until after elections passed 11-9 by Roll Call Vote (RCV) (see Tally Sheet). A motion by Sims-Hohman to close discussion on Board on Members failed 8-11 by RCV (see Tally Sheet). A motion by Nielsen-Molgaard to reconsider tabling MontPIRG until after elections was approved by VV. A motion by Nielsen-Gordon to table Students as MontPIRG for one week passed 14-6 by RCV (see Tally Sheet). A motion by Nielsen-Gordon to close Board on Members passed by VV.

A motion by Williams, M.-Patten to reopen Relations and Affairs failed 7-13 by RCV (see Tally Sheet).

A motion to close Committee Reports by Nielsen-Bennett failed by VV.

A motion to close Committee Reports by Sims-Williams, M. passed by VV.

Unfinished Business

a. SB44-11/12 – A motion by Molgaard-Nielsen to approve the resolution passed, with UC called by Sims (Exhibit D).

b. SB45-11/12 – A friendly amendment was made by President Gursky to line 49, adding “Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved ASUM encourages and recommends that University of Montana collegiate licensing contracts seek socially responsible merchandise for all licensed University of Montana merchandise.” A motion by Dantic-Suzuki to approve the resolution passed with UC on a motion by Patten (Exhibit E).

New Business

Resolution regarding the Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund
Resolutions regarding Bylaws (6)
Resolution regarding strategic plan
Resolutions of recognition (2)
Resolution regarding Child Care
Resolution regarding awards
Resolution regarding University Center renovation and repair account
Resolution regarding Mountain Line
Resolution regarding partnership for all UM student athletes
Resolution regarding ASUM
Resolution creating season passes

Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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