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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, April 11, 2012
University Center 332/333 – 6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 28, 2012

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Mountainside Chat:
      1. Sharon O’Hare, Director, Office for Student Success update
   b. Commuter Alley – ASUM Transportation
   c. Strategic Plan
   d. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT

   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $13,160.10
   STIP - $190,973.91
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $813.50
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $164,337.39

   a. Model Arab League Special Allocation Request - $300 - 1000/555
   b. ASUM Legal Services S.T.I.P. Request - $4959/3306
   c. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Edmunds called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Present: President Gursky (6:10), Vice President Edmunds, Professor Smith; and Senators Bennett, Boslough, Brown (6:04), Coon, Dantic (6:04), Dickmeyer, Gordon, Hohman, Klapmeier, LaFortune, Molgaard, Nielsen, Overturf, Selph, Simpson, Springmeyer, Suzuki, Williams, M. and Williams, T. Excused: Business Manager Sims and Senator Patten.

The minutes from the March 28 meeting were approved.

Public Comment - none

Vice President’s Report

a. Appointments and Removals – Vice President Edmunds proposed the addition of Randy Koehler as a Student-at-Large to Board on Members, as well as an alternate on the Interview and Legal Oversight Committees. VP Edmunds also proposed the removal of Senator Dantic from the Outreach and Marketing Committee. A motion by Williams, T.-Bennett to approve appointments/removals as a slate passed by Voice Vote (VV).

b. Vice President Edmunds handed out invitations to a ceremony and reception to honor the senators (Exhibit A). Any senators interested should RSVP with Julie DeSoto by April 18.

c. Interviewing for a new Sustainability Coordinator will begin shortly, with some candidate recommendations from Stacy Boman, the current Coordinator. Any senator wishing to be part of the process should contact VP Edmunds.

d. The music and sports unions are planning a Student Group-a-thon on April 25, from 11-2 p.m. on the Oval. Kung Fu Kongress will be performing from 12-1 p.m. The event is being held to support a student group fee and also for recruitment and promotional purposes. Information tables for all of the music and sports groups will be available, as well as any additional groups that wish to participate. VP Edmunds asked the Senate to help in spreading the word to their student groups. VP Edmunds recommended using the event as an opportunity to promote voting and asked that the senators and agencies make an appearance.

e. The President’s Office is sponsoring a pizza party for outgoing and incoming senators in the University Center Game Room. There are three possible times (Monday, May 7, from 12-1 p.m.; Wednesday, May 9, from 3:40-4:40 p.m.; and Thursday, May 10, from 12-1 p.m.). VP Edmunds asked the senators to e-mail him by noon on April 13, if any of the times do not work for them. Anyone interested in attending should RSVP with Julie DeSoto.
President’s Report
a. Mountainside Chat - Sharon O’Hare, Executive Director of the Office for Student Success, updated the Senate regarding a proposed change in the add/drop dates at the beginning of semesters. The current course-add deadline is academic day 15, with a proposed move to academic day seven. Students can still add classes after day seven, but only by consulting with the instructor. The course-drop deadline will remain the same.
b. Commuter Alley - ASUM Transportation - tabled
c. Strategic Plan - tabled
d. President Gursky reminded the Senate that there are only two more weeks to finish any new business senators wish to put forth.

Business Manager’s Report
a. A motion by Suzuki-Gursky to increase line 621 of the Model Arab League’s Special Allocation Request by $100 passed by VV. A motion by Gursky-Suzuki to approve the request as amended for a total of $655.00 passed by VV.
b. A motion by Gursky-Dantic to approve ASUM Legal Services’ S.T.I.P. Request for $3306 passed by VV.
c. Business Manager Sims is on an excused absence to attend a training.

Committee Reports
a. Transportation (Williams, T.) - Walk and Roll Week will be starting soon and 200 volunteers are needed for two-hour slots. Senator Williams, T. passed around a signup sheet and urged his fellow senators to participate.
b. Board on Members (Overturf) – The Board approved two new student groups, Simple Truth and the UM Student Chapter of the Montana Recreation and Parks Association, with a do-pass recommendation. A motion by Gursky-Suzuki to approve the recommendations as a slate passed with Unanimous Consent (UC) on a motion by Williams, T.
c. Student Political Action (Nielsen) – April 19 will be voter registration day, alongside the Dierks Bentley concert. Volunteers are needed for the event. On April 23, from 7-9 p.m. there will be a debate between the College Republicans and College Democrats.
d. Elections Committee (Suzuki) – There are 27 senate candidates still in the race, as well as two candidates for business manager and two teams for president/vice-president. The committee is working to organize two forums. If the Senate has any questions for the candidates to answer in the forums, Senator Suzuki asked that they contact him.
e. College of Technology (COT) (LaFortune) – The committee met to discuss elections outreach on the COT campus and would like to work with the Outreach and Marketing Committee to help maximize the votes from COT students.
f. Childcare (Coon) – The committee will be meeting at 9 a.m. on Friday, April 13, to discuss the director position and the possibility of rewriting the job description.
g. University Center (Dantic) – The committee is working on a University Center resolution that will come before the Senate next week. The director of the University Center will attend the meeting to talk about it the bill.
Unfinished Business - none

New Business
Resolutions of recommendation (6)
Resolution regarding UC repair-renovation fee account
Resolution regarding student groups and organizations
Resolution regarding student athletic support and season passes
Resolution regarding bike parking
Resolution regarding Child Care
Resolution regarding Women’s Center
Resolution regarding strategic plan
Resolution regarding UM drop/add policy
Resolution regarding ASUM student success
Resolution regarding KRELF
Resolutions amending Bylaws (2)
Resolution regarding Smart Buildings Initiative
Resolution regarding partnering to support all student athletes
Resolution regarding ASUM

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

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