ASUM SENATE AGENDA
September 25, 2002 - 6:00 p.m.
UC 332-333

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - September 18, 2002
4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. Senate Appointments
   b. Board of Regents
   c. Coke Contract
   d. Voter Guide
   e. Occupancy Standard
   f. Other

6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT
   a. New Senators
   b. Committee Appointments
   c. Committee Needs - Students-at-large
   d. Basketball Seating
   e. Griz Sport Council
   f. Press Conference - Wednesday, October 16
   g. Dinner - Thursday, October 17
   h. Absences
   i. Senate resignation
   j. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT
   STIP - Pending
   Travel Special Allocation - $17,500
   Zero-based Carryover - Pending
   Special Allocation - $16,000
   a. Special Allocation Request - Student Escort Services $20,591/$0 - in committee
   b. SB8-02/03 Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 14.0 - in committee
   c. Amnesty International Special Allocation Request - $1,304/$1,304
   d. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   To see a list of resolutions with the action taken on them noted and the resolutions currently being considered in their entirety, please go to http://www.umontana.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm
   a. SB3-02/03 Resolution in Support of Dead Week - in committee
   b. SB9-02/03 Resolution regarding Accessibility at the New Housing at South Dornblaser Field
   c. SB10-02/03 Resolution on Free Speech Area - in committee
   d. SB11-02/03 Resolution to Create UM African Week

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

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On leave Fall Semester
Chair Schilke called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. Present: Swan, Schilke, O'Loughlin, Alvarez, Burwell, Delamater, Frost, Hankinson, Lane, Lee, Loendorf, Mendrey, Naasz (6:14), Ouedraogo (6:09), Price, Rosenleaf, Welsh, Wilcox, Wolff, Wollersheim, Yao and Zhou.

The meeting minutes for September 18, 2002, were approved.

Public Comment
*ASUM Childcare Director Marcia Ronc, displayed the Alumni Director's Award trophy Childcare won for their homecoming float.

The Chair recognized the presence of Ouedraogo.

*Betsy Hands, Bob Giordano and Crissie McMillan are working on a proposal for the new housing that will be built at Dornblaser to make it sustainable, accessible and favoring a community atmosphere. They distributed their draft proposal.

The Chair recognized the presence of Naasz.

President's Report
a. A motion by Swan-O'Loughlin to approve the Interview Committee's slate of nominees for Senate positions passed. The new Senators are Sophia Rena Alvarez, Dustin Hankinson, Alex Rosenleaf, and Rob Welsh. Vice-president Hollmann presided at their swearing-in.

b. Swan summarized the Board of Regents meeting held in Butte last week, which involved operating budgets, the legislative session and tuition surcharge, among other things. See him for details.

c. No signed document has been seen for the Coke contract, but it appears to be a done deal. Students are disappointed that so many decisions affecting students are made without student input. Some think the "jumbotron" is contradicting the "University is poor" message, and perhaps it should be advertised that it wasn't purchased until the money was available through donations and advertising contracts.

d. SPA is working on a voter guide. Director Jennings will need help.

e. City Council passed the occupancy standard, which was then vetoed by Mayor Kadas. The Council failed to override the veto.

f. Swan discussed the contingency fund - what it is, how it came to be and uses for it. Talk to him about any ideas for its disbursement.

Vice President's Report
a. Schilke congratulated the new Senators on their appointment.

b. The following slate of committee appointments was approved on a motion by Swan-Wilcox: Housing Board - Alex Rosenleaf, Chair; Library Archives - Alex Rosenleaf; ASUM Affairs - Paige Whitehead; UC Board - Paige Whitehead; SPA - Stacey Phillips; ASUM IT - Eric Joscelyn; Graduate Appeals - Jason Paronto, Mara Baldwin; Transportation - JoAnna Wollersheim.

c. Students-at-large are needed for committees. Senators were asked to encourage friends to apply.

d. Additional basketball seating will be available for students. There will be a Griz Sports Council meeting October 10th at 7 p.m. in the Adams Center lobby. Students should show up with ideas for incentives to attend the games.

e. A press conference regarding new seating and other changes will be held October 16 at 2 p.m. On Thursday, October 17, at 6 p.m., there will be a party at the Press Box for invited student leaders.

f. Senators were asked to attend their committee meetings. An unexcused absence counts as 1/3 of a Senate absence for Senators.

g. Cody Melton resigned his Senate position, and Schilke read his letter expressing his frustration that not all Senators are committed to their
duties as Senators. A discussion followed as to why there had been five resignations already this year, though two were because one had been hired as SPA director and the other received an internship at another location.

Business Manager's Report

STIP - Pending
Zero-Based Carryover - Pending
Travel Spec. Allocation - $17,500
Special Allocation - $16,000

a. Student Escort Service Special Allocation request for $20,591/$0 - in committee.
b. SB8-02/03 Resolution to Amend Fiscal Policy 14 - in committee.
c. Amnesty International made a Special Allocation Request for $1,304. The Board of Budget and Finance recommended the full amount. Wilcox-Swan moved to amend the amount to $500. They agreed on a request by O'Loughlin to amend the amount to $652. After a previous question call by Hankinson, the motion failed. After a previous question call by Swan, original motion passed.
d. O'Loughlin reported that the ice cream social was a success, and she thanked the Senators who attended.

Committee Reports

a. ASUM Relations & Affairs (Zhou) - No meeting time has been set.
b. Board on Membership (Lee) - Many recognition forms were approved except for membership lists. The final roster has not yet been received from the Business Services.
c. Interview (Wolff) - They met Sunday and selected four new senators for approval. She asked her committee to meet briefly after the current meeting to plan for the selection of another senator.
d. SPA (Price) - They distributed voter information at dorms. They are working on a voter guide. They are focusing on the coming elections. He thanked SPA Director Jennings for his hard work.
e. UC Board (Naasz) - They will meet tomorrow at 3:30 in the Alumni Board Room.
f. University Affairs (Lane) - A new chair and Senator are needed for the committee. SB3 and SB10 are in committee. SB9 and SB11 received "do pass" recommendations.
g. COT (Wollersheim) - The committee needs a new chair.
h. ASUM IT (Frost) - No meeting has been held.
i. Transportation (Mendrey) - RAs are needed on the committee.
j. A sign-up sheet was circulated for tabling and clip-boarding.
k. Suggestion Box (Mendrey) - Nothing was in the box to report. The box needs to be more visible.
l. Housing Board (Rosenleaf) - Members were asked for schedules.

Unfinished Business

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a. SB3-02/03 Resolution in Support of Dead Week - in committee.
b. SB9-02/03 Resolution regarding Accessibility at the New Housing at South Dornblaser Field was moved by O'Loughlin-Wilcox. A friendly amendment by Wilcox to amend the last paragraph by replacing "a" before "priority" with "the top" was accepted, as were typo corrections by O'Loughlin. After a previous call by Price, the motion passed.
d. SB10-02/03 Resolution on Free Speech Area - in committee.
e. SB11-02/03 Resolution to Create UM African Week was postponed for a week on a motion by Wilcox-Frost.

New Business
a. Resolution to support better campus relations
b. Resolution on Coke prices
c. Resolution on I-145
d. Resolution to amend Fiscal Policy
e. Resolution on University housing
f. Resolution on Contingency Fund and surcharge

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:54.

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
Resolution regarding Accessibility at the New Housing at South Dornblaser Field

Whereas, The University of Montana acknowledges the need for new off-campus housing due to increased enrollment trends.

Whereas, to help mitigate some of these needs, The University of Montana is making a good faith effort to provide new housing to students.

Whereas, the preliminary plans for the housing development at South Dornblaser does not include accessibility to all areas.

Whereas, the students of The University of Montana regard accessibility as a priority when new buildings are built and old buildings are renovated.

Whereas, The University of Montana is not required by the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (UFAS), an almost 30 year old law, to provide accessibility to the upper floors of three story housing units.

Whereas, The University of Montana is required by the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) to have an elevator in all new buildings that are at least 3 stories high.

Whereas, President George Dennison, in a memo to Hugh Jesse from Facility Services in 1993, committed The University of Montana to universal access design.

Whereas, fast tracking the development of new housing leaves The University of Montana open to potential lawsuits and future lack of accessibility for those who need it.

Therefore Let it be Resolved, that the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) strongly encourage the ad hoc building committee to regard accessibility as a priority when approving a plan for the new housing development at South Dornblaser. Further, the ASUM strongly encourages The University of Montana to follow the newer ADAAG, rather than the much older UFAS.

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