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ASUM SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, March 19, 2014
Missoula College West Campus: Room 11–6 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 12, 2013

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Student Regent Zach Rogala
   b. UM Professor Samir Bitar
   c. MAS Lobbyist
   d. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a. Senator of the Week
   b. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER’S REPORT
   SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $10,255.24
   STIP - $109,679.32
   TRAVEL SPECIAL ALLOCATION - $1,309.60
   ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - $112,794.67

   a. Honors Student Association Special Allocation Request -- $53.50/53.50
   b. UM-CAN Travel Request -- $398.00/2,673.00
   c. Young Life Special Allocation Request -- $280.00/560.00
   d. SCHWA Special Allocation Request -- $140.00/100.00
   e. Elections
   f. Other

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
   a. SB70-13/14 – Resolution Regarding Student Infrastructure Act
   b. SB71-13/14 – Resolution Regarding Critical Languages

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

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ASUM Senate Minutes  
Wednesday, March 19, 2014  
Missoula College West Campus, 6 p.m.

Chair Williams called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Present: President Hohman, Vice President Williams, Business Manager Hopkins, Professor Stark; and Senators Andersen, Batey, Bird, Chestnut, Easwara Murthi, Field (6:06), Foster, Gordon, Green, Hazen (6:24), Heimlich-Bowler, Kuhn, Lillquist, Moseri, McQuillan, Ormseth, Sewell, Seymour, Smith, Story, and Thiebes. Excused: Senator Dolezal. Unexcused: Senator Ho, Roddy, Thompson.

The minutes from the February 12, 2014 meeting were approved.

Public Comment
  o Aaron Folsom, Director of the Montana Public Interest Group (MontPIRG) addressed the Senate to update on current events that the group is tackling. He stated that there are 10 student interns, staff and the student board, that are all working on several proposals.
  o Zach Youmans, came to speak to the Senate concerning the food service out at West Campus. He stated that the food service was not adequate for the students that attend class at West Campus. He said that this was another way that the West Campus students felt disconnected from the UM Student Body.
  o Megan McKay, student with Montana Women Vote, spoke to senate about the 8th Annual Woman’s Policy Leadership Initiative on April, in Helena. She stated that there would be several workshops, including a salary negotiation workshop.
  o Sarah Hopkins, spoke to Senate about SB70-13/14 – Resolution Regarding Student Infrastructure. She stated that this would be beneficial to Greek and other off-campus student housing. The goal is to allow these houses to use charitable donations to improve infrastructure.

President’s Report
  a. Student Regent Zach Rogala came to speak to Senate about the Montana Board of Regents. First, he stated that there are now three new regents including Bill Johnstone and Martha Sheehy, so the Board is now operating at full capacity. Secondly, he stated that MAS submitted three names to the Governor for the Student Regent position. and the other is to not; Finally, he stated that the Student Default Loan Rates have grown, but still are comparable to the national average considering the influx of non-traditional students during the recession.
  b. Samir Bitar, UM Arabic Professor, came to address that Senate concerning the Arabic program and critical Languages at the University of Montana. He gave his story and addressed the Senate concerning SB71-13/14: Resolution Regarding Critical Languages.
  c. President Hohman spoke to the Senate concerning the funding of the MAS Lobbyist position. He gave two breakdowns for the funding:
    a. An even percentage input from every school involved,
    b. A $300 buy-in, with the remainder of cost divided by FTE.

A motion by McQuillan-Smith to approve the first funding model was made. Discussion was called. Previous question was called by McQuillan. A motion by Hopkin-Bird to amend the motion to cap the amount at $1300 was made. Discussion was called. Previous question was called by Andersen. The amendment passed by voice vote. The original motion passed 12-10-2 by roll call vote (See Tally Sheet #1).

Vice President’s Report
a. Senator of the Week is up for nomination by the Senate. The nominee will be announced at the end of Senate. (It was later announced that Senator Lillquist was the Senator of the Week.)
b. A motion by **Hopkins-Chestnut** to appoint Stevie Freund to Elections Board passed by voice vote.

**Business Manager’s Report**

a. A motion by **Hazen-Bird** to approve Honors Student Association Special Allocation request (Exhibit A) in the amount recommended ($53.50) was made. Unanimous consent was called by **Green**.
b. A motion by **Hazen-Andersen** to approve UM CAN Travel Request (Exhibit B) in the amount recommended ($398) passed by voice vote.
c. A motion by **Green-Chestnut** to approve Young Life Special Allocation request (Exhibit C) in the amount recommended ($280) passed by voice vote.
d. A motion by **Chestnut-Green** to approve SCHWA Special Allocation request (Exhibit D) in the amount recommended ($140) passed by voice vote.
e. Elections update was given by Business Manager Hopkins. He stated that there would be picture next week for advertising for elections. He stated that the students should be doing class wraps all of the times. He told Senators what they should be covering the basics and that office hours could be excused for three (3) class wraps with professor signatures.

**Committee Reports**

- **Marketing and Outreach (Batey)** – Marketing and Outreach Committee is talking to KGBA and Residence Life to advertise the upcoming elections. They made a poster, but spelled petition wrong, so look for the new one soon. Marketing help would be awesome from Senate: Please share on their Facebook pages.
- **Relations and Affairs (McQuillan)** – Relations and Affairs met on Monday at 6 p.m. in the ASUM Office. They saw two resolution and approved both without recommendation. Thanks to President Hohman for helping them to make quorum.
- **Sustainability (Lillquist)** – The Sustainability Committee met on Tuesday at 8 a.m. in the ASUM Office. They welcomed senator Theibes. The committee’s focus for the rest of the semester is Greening UM and an event during earth week.
- **Radio (Green)** – The Radio Committee met and elected a new General Manager; they elected the former KBGA Business Manager.
- **Student Political Action (Story)** – The Committee met on Monday in the ASUM Office. They will be holding a debate similar to last semester. The topics are probably going to be current events such as coal in Montana, Upsets in the Ukrain, and also might have surprise conspiracy debate. They are looking at it being a playground style debate instead of purely partisan. There will be no meeting next week, but the debate will be April 15, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. on the 3rd floor of the UC.
- **Childcare (Heimlich-Bowler)** – Childcare Oversight will be meeting Fridays at noon in the ASUM Office. At the last meeting, the committee met with Lorelea to talk about a Target baby shower and scholastic fund raiser.
- **Missoula College Affairs (Smith)** – Missoula College Affairs committee did not meet. There were not enough members present for quorum.
- **Elections (Hopkins)** – The committee will be meeting Mondays at 2:15 p.m. in the ASUM Office. Campaigning begins on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 12:01 a.m. in the UC. Window panes will be set aside separately for Executive Candidates. All elections policies will be made public as they start going forward with election season. It is recommended that those on senate that are
running for reelection should pick-up their petitions sooner rather than later in order to get an accurate count.

- Birthday Committee (Smith) – The Committee brought cupcakes for all of Senate. There had been three birthdays since last week.
- Campus Recycling (Ormseth) – The Committee met during the week. There are currently plans for Earth Week and new recycling bins on campus.
- Taskforce on Marketing the New Sexual Assault Policy (Andersen) – The Taskforce met on Friday at 2 p.m. in the ASUM Office. They discussed having a forum and getting a huge amount of public speakers to have in the middle of April.
- Publications Board (Hopkins) – The Board is still looking to hire the Editor-in-Chief and Business Manager of the Montana Kaimin. They will be meeting as soon as possible. Senate was told to please run.

Unfinished Business

a. A motion by Green-Chestnut to take up SB70-13/14 (Exhibit E) passed without objection. After a brief introduction by the author, a motion Lillquist-Hohman to approve was made. Unanimous consent was called by Foster.

b. A motion by Green-Foster to take up SB71-13/14 (Exhibit F) passed without objection. After a brief introduction by the author and sponsor, a motion by Hohman-Bowler was made. Discussion was called. Previous question was called by Lillquist. The amendment passed by voice vote. A motion by Chestnut-Hopkins to amend line 59 was made. Discussion was called. Previous question was called by Lillquist. The motion failed by placard vote. After discussion, previous question was called by Hazen and failed by placard vote. After discussion, a motion by Bowler-Bird was made. Discussion was called. Previous question was called by Thiebes. SB71-13/14 passed 19Y-3N-2A by roll call vote (See Tally Sheet #2).

New Business

Resolution Regarding Meal Plan Money
Resolution Regarding Student Directory
Resolution Regarding Student Conduct Code
Resolution Regarding Senator Credit Hours
Resolution Regarding ASCRC
Resolution Regarding Water Quality
Resolution Regarding Ballot Referendum Regarding KRELF
Resolution Regarding Ballot Referendum Regarding Pets in Student Housing
Resolution Regarding Food Service at West Campus
Resolution Regarding Meal Plans for West Campus
Resolution Regarding Dead Week
Resolution Regarding Snow Days
Resolution Regarding Fiscal Policy (12)
Resolution Regarding Vote of Confidence in Royce Engsrom
Resolution Regarding Meal Plan Usage
Resolution Regarding Dance Classes
Resolution Regarding Bylaw(2)
Resolution Regarding Constitutional Referenda (2)
Resolution Regarding Personnel Policy (4)
Resolution Regarding Abolish New Business

Comments
The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Gwendolyn Coon
ASUM Senate Secretary