1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes – March 2 and 3, 1993
4. Public Comment
   a. Karen Hatcher – Mansfield Library
5. President’s Report
6. Vice President’s Report
   a. Committee Appointments
   b. Diversity Award
   c. Honors College Student Forum
   d. Centennial – ASUM Barbeque
7. Business Manager’s Report
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Chair Cook called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. March 10th. Present: McCleary, Cook, Hummel, Anderson, Betts, Flanigan, Gneiting, Greene, Keller, King, Larson, Metcalf, Ogle, Panasuk, Petersen, Redenius, Ruff, Thorgrimson, Watson, Wetterling and Wooley. Unexcused: Mason, Redhorn.

The minutes of the March 2nd and 3rd meetings were approved as written.

Public Comment

Mansfield Library Dean Karen Hatcher gave an update on library issues.

Mick Womersley of the Western Montana Mountain Rescue Team encouraged senators to vote in favor of his $750 Special Allocation request. Mick, Jamie Lennox, Drury Carr, Susan VanRooy, Lila Clemshaw, John Dillon, Stewart Allen and Darin Austin spoke in favor of the Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act.

Shawn Fast introduced himself as a UC Executive Board nominee.

Two senatorial candidates were not verified by the Elections Committee. They introduced themselves and encouraged senators to reinstate them as candidates.

President’s Report

a. Information on the election with regard to MtPIRG will be in mailboxes by Friday.

b. An office improvements memo will be sent to the UC Executive Board.

c. McCleary and Hummel will attend a meeting on the administrative assessment tomorrow morning and will report on that at a later date.

d. McCleary will be attending a Campus Development Committee retreat on the campus master plan from 10-4 tomorrow.

e. Lobbyist John McCarthy reported that the new business building will be delayed for two years.

f. McCleary will attend a collective bargaining meeting on Friday. The student complaint procedure should be left intact.

g. A hearing on the parking lawsuit will be in District Court.

h. McCleary and Robb will attend the Helena Regents meeting March 22/23.

i. Few Missoula students attended the Helena rally, but the postcards were everywhere.

Vice President’s Report

a. The following committee appointments were approved: Mike Burke, Brandon Byars - ASUM Elections Committee; Glen Zeller, Molly Waiden, Lora Tibo, Julie Smith - University Council on Sexual Assault; Shawn Fast - Student-at-large on UC Executive Board.

b. A flyer on the Diversity Award is in the office.

c. An Honors College Site Forum will be held from 12-1 in the UC Mall on Wednesday, March 24.

d. In April Senators and Executives in period dress will be serving at the Centennial barbecue on the oval.
Business Manager's Report

a. Phoenix STIP request for $1770 tabled.
b. U of M Dance Dept S.A. request tabled due to lack of recognition form.
c. ASUM Administration $30,000 request for office improvements tabled.
d. Western Montana Mountain Rescue Team S.A. request for $750 passed.
e. Betts motion to suspend the Bylaws to deal with the Phoenix STIP request passed. Hummel motion to table and go through Budget and Finance failed. STIP request of $1770 passed.

Committee Reports

Chair of Elections Committee Thorgrimson reported that the candidacy of Heather Gneiting/Shannon Petersen (pres./vice-pres. candidates) was not validated due to lack of joint petition and clarity of office running for. After hearing testimony from the affected parties, a Metcalf motion to validate them and put them on the ballot failed.

Thorgrimson reported that she stopped validating signatures for senatorial candidate Tom Cotton when she noticed the lack of information on office running for. After hearing testimony from Tom Cotton, Senate voted to have Thorgrimson continue the validating procedure. If all is in order, then Tom Cotton will be a candidate.

Thorgrimson reported that senatorial candidates Jack Leuchman and John Tomazelli were not validated due to an insufficient number of signatures. The candidates did not receive a cover letter with their petitions and were not aware that they should have additional to ensure validation. A Metcalf motion to allow them 10 minutes to secure additional signatures which, if later validated, would put them on the ballot as senatorial candidates, passed.

A 10-minute recess was called.

A motion by McCleary to allow Gneiting and Petersen to obtain another petition and secure 100 signatures by noon tomorrow (Thursday) for validation passed.

Metcalf reported that the Northern Rockies resolution was approved unanimously by the University Affairs Committee.

King of the UC Executive Board requested that Senate indicate whether they wanted to vote on a resolution to ban smoking in the UC or put it on the ballot as a referendum. Senate indicated they favor the latter approach.

Larson circulated a proposal to the Faculty Senate Student Conduct Code Review Committee from the Student Conduct Code Committee (Exhibit A). Larson reminded Senators of the Honors College Site Forum.

Keller requested last minute input from Senators on the debit card, as the final draft will be presented tomorrow morning at 8 a.m.

McCleary gave SPA's report that University appropriations in the House are finished. McCleary will present a proposal at the next Senate meeting with ASUM's stand on fees, enrollment, etc.
Old Business

a. Office Improvements Resolution - Withdrawn.
b. Resolution to Prohibit Smoking in the University Center - Tabled.
c. Resolution in Support of the Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act (Exhibit B) - Passed with a friendly amendment by Flanigan.
d. Resolution to Establish a Conduct Code for Student Government - Tabled.

New Business

a. Resolution on Bylaws Election Amendment
b. Resolution on Elections Procedure
c. Oath of Office Resolution
d. Resolution to Clarify ASUM Position on Budget Cuts
e. Resolution to Approve MtPIRG Referendum.

Comments

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager
II. STUDENT RIGHTS

[Delete subsections A. through H. describing specific rights, and substitute the following.]

The University of Montana recognizes that its students retain the rights provided by the United States and Montana Constitutions, federal and state statutes, and other applicable University policy, while attending the University. The provisions of this Student Conduct Code are intended to be consistent with these rights, and to limit or restrict only conduct that goes beyond the responsible exercise of these rights recognized by law.

The following rights are specifically recognized and implemented in this Student Conduct Code:

[Here include the sections on Right to Confidentiality and Right to Due Process, as stated in the December 1992 Draft, redesignated as subsections A. and B.]

Proposal to Faculty Senate Student Conduct Code Review Committee
March 10, 1993, Joan Newman, Legal Counsel
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NORTHERN ROCKIES
ECOSYSTEM PROTECTION ACT

As Montana, the United States and the World approach the 21st century, primary forests throughout the world continue to be deforested by industrial and commercial activities, threatening the existence of indigenous peoples and driving to extinction of untold numbers of species, and

As the public becomes increasingly aware of the scientific fact that the biological ecosystems which support all life forms are unravelling, and that the continued survivability and health of the planet requires humankind to act now to reverse these unsustainable, life threatening trends, and

Whereas, the American people recognize that less than five percent of primary forests native to the U.S. are still intact and that only one percent is protected by law, and

Whereas, some of the largest remaining tracts of native forest and bio-diversity still thrive in the Northern Rockies, and

Whereas, billions of dollars in American taxpayer subsidies given to timber, oil, gas, livestock, and mining interests has substantially contributed to unsustainable development and destruction of public resources at a tremendous cost to future generations, and

Whereas, the Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act will protect threatened ecosystems and the great diversity of species that depend on them for survival, and

Whereas, the NREPA designates 1,301 miles of wild and scenic rivers to protect an irreplaceable, life-sustaining resource, and includes an additional 154 miles or river for study, and

Whereas, the NREPA respects native peoples' access to traditional lands and the practice of their cultural and spiritual rights,

Whereas the NREPA protects free-roaming populations of grizzly bear, gray wolves, woodland caribou, salmon and trout, bald eagles, bighorn sheep, bison, trumpeter swans, elk, goshawks, pine martens, fishers, lynx, pileated woodpeckers and many other species, and
Since the Wilderness Act of 1964, Montana has been one of only two states not to have passed a wilderness bill to protect its wildlands. This divisive issue has been debated in Congress and in Montana for well over a decade, polarizing our citizens and paralyzing our representatives. As you know, during last year’s 102nd Congress this issue came very close to being resolved. It is perhaps likely that next year’s Congress, led now by only yourself and Senators Conrad Burns and Max Baucus, will finally pass a wilderness bill. However, should a bill pass similar to the "compromises" proposed last year, it will be a result of impatience, frustration, and transient, out-of-state, extractive interests, rather than of a sincere dedication to the ecological sustainability of our wildlands and to the long term future of economic prosperity in Montana.

Fortunately, now that the closely contested election between you and Ron Marlenee is over, you have the political clout to offer a viable alternative to the Burns-Baucus compromise by supporting a wilderness bill which would protect our greatest natural heritage. Such a bill must recognize the biological integrity of ecosystems, which require millions of acres of land to support sustainable populations of large mammals such as the grizzly bear. The Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act (NREPA) introduced to Congress on September 9th, 1992, by Representative Peter Kostmayer (D-PA) is such a bill. This unique, precedent-setting wilderness bill includes portions of five northwestern states and protects five ecosystems: the Greater Glacier, Cabinet/Yaak/Selkirk, Yellowstone, Hells Canyon/Wallowa, and Salmon. This bill is based on bio-regions rather than state boundaries, scientific sustainability rather than election year politics. The alternatives are clear: either less than 1.2 million acres of compromised "rock and ice" wilderness, releasing five million acres of roadless land to extractive use, or a comprehensive ecosystem bill which preserves for our future both a healthy environment and a healthy economy.
The potential political ramifications of supporting a bill like NREPA may be substantial. It will require a representative of vision, courage, and political skill, capable of resisting the influences of millions of dollars of political contributions made by such multi-national corporations as Chevron, Plum Creek, and Champion. More significantly, it will mean convincing farmers, ranchers, and other traditionally conservative citizens of this state that wilderness is a multiple-use resource for all Montanans, and that economic prosperity in the State will rely in the future more upon sustainable wildlands recreation than upon a declining timber industry. For example, Dr. Thomas Power, the Chair of the Economics Department at the University of Montana, recently submitted that if wilderness protection were to be extended to virtually all of the remaining U.S. Forest Service roadless areas in the Northern Rockies, only about one-tenth of one percent of all jobs in the region would be directly lost due to reduced timber harvest. Furthermore, given the continued growth of the region, the economic cost of preserving about 20 million acres more of wildlands is equal to the number of jobs generally created in a three-week period (The Networker, Vol. 4, No. 3, 1992, p.8). The underlying premise of Dr. Power's work is that the future vitality of the economies in the Northern Rockies is linked to its ability to hold people and businesses, attracted more by beauty and recreational opportunities than by raw materials. Dr. John Craighead, named by the National Geographic Society as one of the top 10 scientists in the world for the 20th century, also recently endorsed NREPA. In testimony submitted to the House Public Lands Subcommittee, he claimed that future wilderness legislation must be based on "long term social gains rather than short term expedience, ecosystems rather than fragmentation and exploitation." As an educated and concerned humanitarian, you should be guided by scientific and economic facts, not by selfish special interests. Despite the difficulties you may face, you have an obligation to our State and our nation, and to the natural world, which with each passing year is becoming more and more endangered.

November 3rd marked a new beginning in the way we perceive the future of our human and natural resources. Now, as the only elected Congressional Representative of the State of Montana, you have the ability to finally resolve the wilderness issue. It is our hope that you will seriously consider reintroducing NREPA, or something very similar to it, next session. If possible, join with Senators Max Baucus and Conrad Burns to develop a real compromise that works for Montana and establishes an example for the rest of the nation. If they won't cooperate, strike out on your own with clear decisive leadership. Never forget that you have a primary responsibility to posterity and to both the sustainable ecology and economy of our region.

The Associated Students of the University of Montana
Drafted by Shannon Petersen
Whereas the NREPA protects native flora, with over 350 plant species of special concern identified within their natural and unique ranges in the Northern Rockies, and

Whereas the NREPA supports the long-term rehabilitation of fragmented public lands and damaged fisheries through the creation of a National Wildland Recovery Area, and

Whereas, the NREPA establishes the Wildland Recovery Corps, thereby creating sustainable jobs for a healthy regional economy, and

Whereas, the students of UM are concerned about the continued biological health and economic well-being of the State and its effect on the quality of life in Montana,

THEREFORE, THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA FIRMLY RESOLVE TO SUPPORT THE PASSING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTHERN ROCKIES ECOSYSTEM PROTECTION ACT.

Sponsored by:  J. P. Betts
               Patrick McCleary