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SB75-14/15: Resolution Regarding KRELF Bylaws

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Whereas, ASUM has taken on the responsibility of housing the KREL (Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund) Committee;

Whereas, ASUM needs to create bylaws for the KREL committee within section four of the current bylaws entitled “Committees and Boards”;

Therefore, Let it be Resolved, that a new section be created, entitled section 26. KREL Committee;

Therefore, Let it be Further Resolved, that the following bylaws be added to section 26.

Article IV – Committees and Boards

Section 26. KREL Committee

A. The KREL (Kless Revolving Energy Loan Fund) Committee shall be composed of 10 voting members, of which 2 will be members of the ASUM Senate, 5 will be students-at-large, 1 will be a representative from Facilities Services, 1 will be a faculty member from Environmental Studies, and 1 will be a faculty member from the Missoula College. Non-voting members of the boards shall include the ASUM Sustainability Coordinator, who serves as chair, and a representative from the Office of the Vice President of Administration and Finance. The KREL Committee will meet at a minimum of once monthly. Sub-committees will be created as deemed necessary by the board with members from the KREL Committee.

B. The committee shall be chaired by the ASUM Sustainability Coordinator. The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the committee as a non-voting member and will only vote in the case of a tie. The Chair or her/his designee notifies the Committee members of meetings, coordinates and approves meeting agendas with the committee members. The Chair will act as facilitator and mediator during the committee meetings and will be responsible for holding meetings to the agenda in a timely fashion.

C. A quorum of ½ of the Voting Members plus one must be present in order to vote on official matters including approval of projects, allocation of funds, and changing of Bylaws.

D. Duties and functions of the KREL Committee will include:

   a. Review project applications and determine allocation of funds.
   b. Provide feedback for all project applications.
   c. Develop and distribute a Request for Proposals at least twice a year.
d. Actively solicit project proposals, i.e., conduct outreach and assist applicants in preparing fundable proposals.

e. Build financial resources and campus support for the fund through methods in addition to lock-in fees.

f. Develop campus and local partnerships and increase community awareness of KRELF.

g. Coordinate with University Administration, Student Affairs, Facility Services, Auxiliary Buildings Managers, and Academic Departments.

h. Any other duties as determined and implemented by the committee with a simple majority of voting members.

E. The KRELF Committee will present to the ASUM Senate once each semester to inform the Senate of the projects approved by the committee and of the current state of the KRELF budget.

F. Funds from KRELF are allocated from 87.5% of the Sustainability Fee. The KRELF Committee will have complete oversight over the allocations of this money with support from the Office of the Vice President of Administration and Finance. Neither the ASUM Business Manager nor the Board on Budget and Finance shall have any oversight over the allocation of KRELF Funds.

G. The ASUM Sustainability Coordinator, in coordination with the KRELF Committee, shall present a full evaluation and a specific five-year strategic plan to address identified student needs every five (5) years.

Passed by Committee: __________________________, 2015

Passed by ASUM Senate: ________________________, 2015

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Sean McQuillan Sarah Smith
Chair of the Senate Relations and Affairs Chair