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ASUM SENATE AGENDA March 15, 2006 UC 330-331 - 6 p.m.

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES March 8, 2006
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Students First!
- b. Other

6. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Committee Appointments/Removals
- b. KBGA @ 8:30 a.m. Thursday
- c. ANSS Panel Thursday, April 11th @ 9 a.m.
- d. Senate Recognition Banquet April 27
- e. Senate Reception May 3rd @ 5:30 p.m. in UC330-331
- f. Available Awards: Student Excellence, Sentinel Service, Outstanding Student Leader
- g. Brad's Statement
- h. Brad's Birthday
- i. Other

7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT STIP - \$116,890.32 SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$8,700.21 ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$116,042.03 <u>SPECIAL ALLOCATIONS</u> a. Japan Club - \$1,500/\$1,500 (3-0-1) b. Graduate Student Assoc. - \$302.50/\$302.50 (4-0)

c. Students for Choice - \$238/\$238 (4-0)

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d. Big Sky Taekwondo - \$4,106.40/\$4,106.40 (4-0) e. Other

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8. COMMITTEE REPORTS
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9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. SB24-05/06 Resolution regarding Bikes on Campus in committee
- b. SB33-05/06 Resolution for Partnership to Promote Tolerance and Prevent Violence Condemning Violence
- c. SB37-05/06 Resolution of the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) to Oppose the Stop Overspending Constitutional Initiative (CI-97)- 5-0 do pass
- 10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

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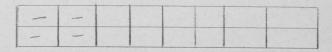
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ASUM SENATE MINUTES Wednesday, March 15, 2006 UC330-331 - 6:00 p.m.

Chair Venetz called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m. Present: Venetz, Pavlish, Abaidoo, Buchman, Cox, Dawson, Duncan, Epperson, Hagen, Helling, Henderson, Hogue, Hunter, Jacobson, Knobloch, Nalty, Pipinich, Samuel and Sparano. Excused were Oram, Prongua and Prosperi. Unexcused was Cederberg.

There were no minutes to approve.

Public Comment - None

President's Report

a. Venetz read a statement from President Cederberg stating his support for SB37. The Students First! materials were distributed to the Senators for posting around campus.

Vice President's Report

a. Senate approved the following committee removals: Elections - Jessica Prongua, Bryce Bennett; Relations and Affairs - Solveig Listerud; ASCRC -Kari Samuel. Senate approved the following committee appointments: Elections - Brent Epperson, Ashley Sparano; UC Board - Allie Harrison; Relations and Affairs - William Selph; ASCRC - Jed Cox, Casey Hogue. b. Duncan will represent ASUM on KBGA Thursday morning.

The Chair recognized the presence of Senator Epperson, who was inadvertently overlooked during roll call.

c. A sign-up sheet was circulated for Senators interested in serving on a panel for Admissions and New Student Services. d. The Awards Banquet will be at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 27, in the UC

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e. Venetz has arranged for a reception in honor of the new Senate April 3rd at 5:30 p.m. in UC330-331.

f. Leadership Development is accepting nominations for the following awards: Student Excellence, Sentinel Service, Outstanding Student Leader. g. Venetz read President Cederberg's statement under his report. h. Venetz announced that Cederberg's birthday is today and wished him a happy one.

Business Manager's Report

STIP - \$116,890.32 SPECIAL ALLOCATION - \$8,700.21

ZERO-BASE CARRYOVER - \$116,042.03

a. Japan Club's Special Allocation request for \$1,500, recommended for same by Budget and Finance, passed.

b. Big Sky Taekwando's STIP request for \$4,106.40, recommended for same by Budget and Finance, passed.

c. Graduate Student Association's Special Allocation request for

\$302.50, recommended for same by Budget and Finance, passed.

d. Students for Choice's Special Allocation request for \$238, recommended for same by Budget and Finance, passed.

e. Senators interested in attending the 7:30 a.m. breakfast tomorrow are invited to attend.

Committee Reports

a. UC Advisory Board (Helling) - They discussed the proposed new bookstore, the COT bookstore, the repair and renovation fund and planned purchases.

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b. Relations and Affairs (Pipinich) - SB33 as amended was given a do pass recommendation.
c. Campus Safety Ad Hoc (Nalty) - They will meet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday and discuss SB33 if passed.
d. SPA (Buchman) - SB37 was given a do pass recommendation (5-0).
e. Transportation Board (Samuel) - Missoula In Motion asked for continued support from the Board. They discussed the Glacier Park busses contract.
f. Registrar Search (Helling) - There will be an open forum with a candidate from 11-12 tomorrow in UC330.
g. Board on Membership (Hogue) - Senate approved the recognition of Northern Rockies Model Arab League.

Unfinished Business

To see a list of resolutions in their entirety with the action taken on them, please go to: www.edu/asum/government/resolution.htm

a. SB24-05/06 Resolution regarding Bikes on Campus - in committee b. SB33-05/06 Resolution for Partnership to Promote Tolerance and Prevent Violence condemning Violence (Exhibit A) was moved by Cox to be approved with unanimous consent, which met with objection. A motion by Knobloch-Cox to move the fourth whereas so as to be the first "Therefore" clause to read: "Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that Whereas, ASUM condemns these attacks;" passed. A motion by Hogue-Pavlish to delete "and proactive" in the second "Therefore" clause passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Cox. The main motion as amended passed with unanimous consent on a motion by Cox.

c. SB37-05/06 Resolution of the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) to Oppose the Stop Overspending Constitutional Initiative (CI-97) (Exhibit B). A motion by **Knobloch-Nalty** to insert as the first whereas "Whereas former Montana Board of Regents Chair John Mercer has stated that the State already underfunds its universities" failed after a previous question call by **Cox**. The main motion passed with unanimous consent on a motion by **Dawson** after a previous question call by **Hagen**.

New Business

a. Resolution to amend Bylaws Article III, Section 2

- b. Resolution to amend Bylaws Article IV, Section 4
- c. Resolution to amend Bylaws Article V, Section 2
- d. Resolution to amend Bylaws Article V, Section 7
- e. Resolution on the mural in the LA building
- f. Resolution regarding the University's promotion of the flat spot
- g. Resolution to amend Elections Bylaw Section 2
- h. Resolution on student evaluations
- i. Resolution on freedom of speech in the oval

j. Resolution for student representation in the Board of Regent selection process

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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Carol Hayes ASUM Office Manager

Exhibit A

SB33-05/06

Resolution for Partnership to Promote Tolerance and Prevent Violence Condemning Violence

Whereas, recent violence in the Missoula community has prompted student concern about the safety of our community and campus; and this resolution,

Whereas, the work of promoting tolerance and understanding should be an ongoing effort;

Whereas, there have been several violent attacks on members of the community; against individuals in recent months,

Whereas, ASUM condemns these attacks;

Whereas, it is the duty of ASUM to lead on issues facing The University of Montana and the Missoula community;

Whereas, ASUM has the authority to begin a dialogue among students groups, government entities, community leaders, and University administrators to prevent future violent attacks;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that Whereas, ASUM condemns these attacks;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the ASUM Senate will charge the Campus Safety Ad Hoc Committee to explore opportunities to partner with appropriate stakeholders both on campus and throughout the community to find effective and proactive methods to ensure the safety of Missoula residents;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved that a copy of this resolution will be sent to the Campus Safety Ad Hoc Committee, the President of The University of Montana, the Mayor of the City of Missoula and the Commissioners of Missoula County.

Whereas, ASUM fully supports the prohibition of violence against individuals and supports the UM conduct code,

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that ASUM condemns violence in all its forms against all individuals in the UM community and beyond.

Authored by: ASUM Relations and Affairs Committee Senator Jake Pipinich

Sponsors: Senators Denver Henderson, Kari Samuel, Bill Oram

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SB37-05/06

Resolution of the Associated Students of The University of Montana (ASUM) to Oppose the Stop Overspending Constitutional Initiative (CI-97)

Whereas, Republican State Representatives Mendenhall and Butcher and State Senator Joe Balyeat filed CI-97 with the Secretary of State on February 3, 2006, that would create an artificial, arbitrary, spending cap on the Montana Legislature;

Whereas, a similar Initiative was adopted in Colorado, entitled the "Taxpayer's Bill of Rights" or TABOR, which was subsequently passed:

Whereas, TABOR has devastated Colorado particularly in the areas of economic growth, education, and healthcare, resulting in Coloradans' decision to suspend TABOR in a special election in November 2005:

Whereas, in 1991-92 Colorado ranked 35th in spending on higher education as a share of personal income, but under TABOR that number dropped to 48th;

Whereas, an artificial barrier puts an undue strain on state-sponsored programs, and the Montana University System, including The University of Montana, is such a state-sponsored program;

Whereas, the strain on these state programs results in lower appropriations that stifle real growth or, in the worst case, fails to recognize that growth is happening;

Whereas, the appropriation for the University of Colorado in FY 2004 was roughly the same as it received in FY 1995 due to the TABOR spending cap even though the University had an additional 4,927 students;

Whereas, the failure of the state government, for whatever reason, to allocate money to higher education is the single greatest cause for tuition rising in the Montana University System;

Whereas, the lack of state support for The University of Montana is already lower than it ever has been at 37% placing a heavy financial burden on students;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that ASUM strongly opposes CI-97 and encourages other student unions to oppose the initiative as well;

And, Let It Be Further Resolved that ASUM encourages students at The University of Montana and the Montana Board of Regents to oppose CI-97;

And, Let It Be Further Resolved that ASUM directs the Student Political Action Committee and the Student Political Action Director to take steps and make recommendations towards defeating this approved wilk ananimous consent initiative.

Authored By: ASUM Business Manager Vinnie Pavlish

Sponsored By: ASUM Senators Kari Samuel and Josh Buchman