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1 **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Regarding Board of Regents Policy Change (940.3 Section 4)**
3 **April 8th, 2019**
4 **SB55-18/19**

5 **Authored by: Alex Butler, ASUM President;**
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7 Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) is recognized by the
8 Board of Regents as the student government for all students at the University of Montana per
9 Board of Regents Policy 506.2;

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11 Whereas, Current Board of Regents Policy 940.3 Section 4 reads:

12 *“A. The budgets and funds in the possession of the associated student government*
13 *associations of the Montana University System, including student activity fees, shall be*
14 *allocated by only the officials of the respective student government. These allocation*
15 *processes will be pursuant to the Associated Students Constitution of the campuses, as*
16 *approved by the campus’s chief executive officer. No impairment of existing contractual*
17 *obligations shall occur in the allocation of such funds.*

18 ***B. Students enrolled in the Law School are exempted from paying the regular student***
19 ***activity fee. Such students shall, however, pay the Law School activity fee as provided***
20 ***by Item 210-108, April 14, 2969.”;***
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22 Whereas, Current students enrolled in the Alexander Blewett III School of Law pay a portion of
23 the student activity fee, but currently receive the same services that a full fee-paying student
24 receives;

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26 Whereas, ASUM believes that all students attending the University of Montana should pay the
27 same student activity fee, regardless of what college they are enrolled in;

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29 Whereas, ASUM, pursuant to Board of Regents Policy 940.3 Section 4A, maintains oversight of
30 the student activity fee at the University of Montana;

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32 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That ASUM recommends the following changes to Board of
33 Regents Policy 940.3 Section 4:

34 *“A. The budgets and funds in the possession of the associated student government*
35 *associations of the Montana University System, including student activity fees, shall be*
36 *allocated by only the officials of the respective student government. These allocation*
37 *processes will be pursuant to the Associated Students Constitution of the campuses, as*
38 *approved by the campus’s chief executive officer. No impairment of existing contractual*
39 *obligations shall occur in the allocation of such funds.*

40 *~~B. Students enrolled in the Law School are exempted from paying the regular student~~*
41 *~~activity fee. Such students shall, however, pay the Law School activity fee as provided~~*
42 *~~by Item 210-108, April 14, 2969.”;~~*
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44 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That ASUM recommends that all students enrolled at the
45 Alexander Blewett III School of Law pay the full student activity fee at the University of
46 Montana;

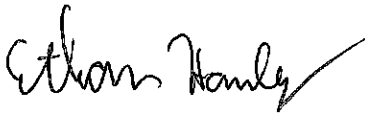
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Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That ASUM supports the ability of the Student Bar Association (SBA) to maintain their own additional fee;

Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this resolution be sent to the following: Summer Carmack, President of SBA; Paul Kirgis, Dean of the Alexander Blewett III School of Law; Ona Renner-Fahey, Faculty Advisor of ASUM; Paul Lasiter, Vice President of Operations and Finance; Jon Harbor, Executive Vice President and Provost; Sarah Swager, Vice Provost for Student Success; Kelly Webster, Chief of Staff; and Seth Bodnar, President of the University of Montana.

Passed by Committee: April 12th, 2019

Passed by ASUM Senate: April 17, 2019


Ethan Hanley,
Chair of Relations and Affairs


Mariah Welch,
Chair of the Senate