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1 **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Amending Personnel Policy 4.31 (Legal Director Position Description)**

3 **April 19, 2019**

4 **SB58-18/19**

5 **Authored by: Daniel Parsons, ASUM Senator;**

6 **Sponsored by:**

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8 Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) is composed of agencies that
9 provide services for students;

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11 Whereas, ASUM Legal Services provides dynamic and affordable legal services to the students of the
12 University of Montana;

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14 Whereas, The ASUM Legal Director is essential to providing these services, and their knowledge of the
15 office and these operations is essential for members of ASUM to properly regulate ASUM Legal
16 Services;

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18 Whereas, Current Personnel Policy regarding the Legal Director position does not provide for an effective
19 feedback loop between the Director and the Legal Oversight Board;

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21 Whereas, Section 4.31 of Personnel Policy currently reads:

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23 • *4.31 Legal Services Director. The Legal Services Director shall act as legal counsel to ASUM*
24 *and shall, as allowed in the Legal Service Bylaws, provide legal services to recognized groups*
25 *and organizations. The Director shall manage the activities of ASUM Legal Services, act as*
26 *supervisor for all Legal Services classified employees and coordinate policies with the ASUM*
27 *Legal Services Committee. The Director shall supervise interns and manage the case load of*
28 *individual students coming to ASUM Legal Services for assistance. The Director shall assist with*
29 *legislation as needed, issue legal opinions to the ASUM Senate, and represent the ASUM in Court*
30 *when permissible. Preparation of an annual budget, in coordination with the Legal Service*
31 *Committee, shall be included in the Director's duties.;*

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34 Whereas, The Legal Oversight Board could provide more effective oversight if it had access to material
35 pertinent to the operations of ASUM Legal Services;

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37 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That Section 4.31 of Personnel Policy be amended to read:

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39 • *4.31 Legal Services Director. The Legal Services Director shall act as legal counsel to ASUM*
40 *and shall, as allowed in the Legal Service Bylaws, provide legal services to recognized groups*
41 *and organizations. The Director shall manage the activities of ASUM Legal Services, act as*
42 *supervisor for all Legal Services classified employees and coordinate policies with the ASUM*
43 *Legal Services Committee. **The Director shall submit a monthly report to the Legal Oversight***
44 ***Board detailing material relevant to its oversight roles.** The Director shall supervise interns and*
45 *manage the case load of individual students coming to ASUM Legal Services for assistance. The*
46 *Director shall assist with legislation as needed, issue legal opinions to the ASUM Senate, and*
47 *represent the ASUM in Court when permissible. Preparation of an annual budget, in*
48 *coordination with the Legal Service Committee, shall be included in the Director's duties.;*

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50 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this resolution be sent Lou Villemez, ASUM Legal Director.

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Passed by Committee: April ~~22nd~~ 19th, 2019

Passed by ASUM Senate: April 24th, 2019

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