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1 **The Associated Students of the University of Montana**
2 **Resolution Removing the Sustainability Board from the Bylaws**

3 **February 11, 2022**

4 **SB84-21/22**

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7 Whereas, The Associated Students of the University of Montana (“ASUM”) is governed by its
8 Bylaws;

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10 Whereas, Article IV, Section 14 currently reads:

11 ***Section 14. Sustainability Board***

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14 (1) *The Board shall be composed of nine (9) voting members, of which three (3)*
15 *shall be Senators, three (3) shall be students-at-large, and three (3) shall be*
16 *either Senators or student-at-large receiving priority. The Director of the*
17 *ASUM Sustainability Center shall serve a non-voting member of the Board.*

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19 (2) *A Senator and the Sustainability Coordinator shall co-chair the Board.*

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21 (3) *The Board shall ensure that student interests are considered in the ASUM*
22 *Sustainability Center’s priorities, advocate for sustainability policies and*
23 *interests, and hold stakeholders on passed resolutions regarding*
24 *sustainability accountable by following up.*

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26 (4) *Duties and functions of the Board shall include:*

27 (a) *Ensure that student interests are considered in creating policies and*
28 *projects within the ASUM Sustainability Center by helping the*
29 *Sustainability Coordinator decide on these matters;*

30 (b) *Act as a liaison between Senate and the ASUM Sustainability*
31 *Coordinator to communicate sustainability interests;*

32 (c) *Advocate for sustainability interests generated from the Committee to*
33 *the Senate where appropriate;*

34 (d) *Draft resolutions pertaining to sustainability needs and advocacy,*
35 *follow up on previously written resolutions, and hold stakeholders*
36 *accountable.;*

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38 Whereas, Most ASUM committees are concerned with the internal administration of the
39 association;

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41 Whereas, The Sustainability Board has been largely inactive for the past few years;

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43 Whereas, The time Senators volunteer towards ASUM should be rewarding and fruitful;

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45 Whereas, Senators may, and often do, pursue initiatives pertaining to sustainability without
46 needing to collaborate with a committee;

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48 Whereas, On September 8, 2021 the Senate passed SB06-21/22 Resolution Striking Eight ASUM
49 Committees from the Bylaws and Repurposing the Sustainability Board¹;

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51 Therefore, Let It Be Resolved, That Article IV, Section 14 of the Bylaws be struck;


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53 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That subsequent sections in Article IV be renumbered as
54 appropriate;

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56 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That all instances of the ASUM Sustainability Board be
57 removed from the ASUM Governing Documents;

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59 Therefore, Let It Be Further Resolved, That this Resolution be sent to Alex Berna, ASUM
60 Secretary; Gwen Coon, ASUM Office Manager.

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63 Passed by Committee: February 13, 2022

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65 Passed by ASUM Senate: February 16, 2022

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69 Elizabeth Bowles,
70 Chair of Relations and Affairs

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Canyon S. Lock,
Chair of the Senate

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72 Passed 17Y-0N6A.

¹ Durnell, Noah; Lock, Canyon S.; Rinck, Jack; Gudmundsson, Tor; and Ververis, Nicholas, "SB9-21/22: Resolution Striking Eight ASUM Committees from the Bylaws and Repurposing the Sustainability Board" (2021). *Senate Resolutions, 2007-Present*. 912.
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