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# **Associated Students of Montana State University Billings**

Tuesday, April 13, 2021- Meeting Agenda

We strive for Leadership, Involvement, Sustainability, and Service

I. CALL TO ORDER – Vice President Robin Cunningham calls the meeting to order at 5:00pm II. ROLL CALL

**PRESENT -** President Unzaga, VP Cunningham, Bus. Mgr. Williams, SRO Norris, Senator Boze, Senator Combs, Senator Davis, Senator Hubbard, Senator Bautista, Senator Ferestad

**EXCUSED** - None

**ABSENT - None** 

- III. PROXIES
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES 04/06/2021 Motion by Senators Bautista and Ferestad; Passed.

#### V. GUESTS/REPRESENTATIVES

- Ms. Darla Tyler-McSherry
  - J&J vaccine clinic was cancelled today until the complications are investigated.
     Still other vaccinations available.
  - Low numbers of cases this semester. Symptomatic testing is still ongoing. Sen
     Davis recommended that student health releases information on why the clinic was cancelled and the vaccine was halted to properly inform the students.

#### VI. ADVISOR REPORTS

- Dr. Paul Pope
  - Dean of liberal arts and social sciences resigned recently and is being replaced by an interim, who will serve for a year, allowing for a full nationwide search for a full-time replacement.
- Mr. Lance Mouser
  - Reminded us that it is the last week of classes and looks forward to next fall.
  - Sen Bautista asked a question about grading and possible quotas regarding passing/failing students. Response from Dr. Pope and Mr. Mauser; there are no quotas but if there is a regular occurrence of a high number of failing students, there may be an evaluation following certain appeal procedures.

## • Dr. Hayworth

- Congratulated the senators on their accomplishments and how well we have discussed and developed who we are and what we represent.
- Athletic director, has resigned. There will be a nation-wide search to fill this
  position. VP Cunningham recommends some topics that should be considered
  when interviewing new candidates.
- Provost search has invited 3 candidates to campus. Chair of the search, would like to invite students to the process. Looking for 1 student per candidate. Dates are Monday April 19<sup>th</sup> 12-12:45, (SRO Norris), Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> 12-12:45 (Sen Davis), Tuesday April 27<sup>th</sup> 12-12:45 (VP Cunningham, Possibly).
- Fall 2021 we will be open in the fall. Not online only. Should return to most precovid functions.
- Looking to feature summer changes on the website with things like the furniture changes.
- Cap and Gown ordering has ended but extras are available while supplies last.
- Vendors came and reviewed the vending machines again with no updates on their malfunctions. Possibly going to change vendors and update covid policies.
- o Extended stay programs over breaks program could be re-launched next year.

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 HB #102, open carry law including university campus', OCHE is looking for feedback from students on this bill.

#### **VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

#### Financial Bill #10: Amendment to the Summer Budgets: Senator Combs

To amend the Summer Operations Account and the Summer Activities Account; That the sum of four hundred dollars be reallocated from the Travel-Student Legal Svs. Conf line item to a new line item called the Retort Editor In Chief index 630185; That the sum of two hundred and sixty eight dollars be reallocated from the Travel-Student Legal Svs. Conf line item to the SAB Chair line item index 630185; That the Sum of two thousand four hundred and thirty two dollars be reallocated from the Travel-Student Legal Svs. Conf line item and the Travel- Regents & MAS meetings index 630185 to the Executive Projects line item in the Summer Session Activity Account index 630183.

Bus Mgr Williams explains the bill and the changes to the summer budget.

- Discussion
  - None
- Public Comment
  - None
- Vote
  - o Unanimously for passing the bill as written.

#### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

# X. EXECUTIVE & STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### **President James Unzaga**

- Appreciated the work done this year and the effort from each senator.
- The science building tour was great, and he is excited to see it implemented.
- Marketing professors have been helping to market ASMSUB and MSUB in general
- Paint colors have been chosen for the game room and a meeting is scheduled tomorrow.
- The legal services office is going to be converted to a senate game room.
- Public Game room arcade system is on the way.
- Please reach out to James if you have any questions or need any help.



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## **Vice President Robin Cunningham**

- Thanked the senators for the year and appreciates all the changes he has seen in ASMSUB
- Furniture has been ordered.

#### **Business Manager Williams:**

- Thanked the senators for the work done as well.
- Ordered a TV and wall mount for the game room.
- Believes we have set a new standard for the work that can be done by ASMSUB.

#### **Student Resolution Officer Norris:**

- Tabling next week is mandatory, 30-minute slots.
- Re-doing the office this summer, available to senators to help.

#### XI. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### **XII. SENATE & ACADEMIC CONCERNS**

- Senate Dinner. Advisors are invited as well.
- Senate Awards were handed out to each senator for their efforts this semester.
- Class ends in 9 days and graduation is in 18 days.
- Handover of the Gavel from Current VP Cunningham to Entering VP Norris who will take over the rest of the meeting.

#### XIII. WORDS ON CAMPUS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

XV. ADJOURNMENT
Motion by Senators Boze and Ferestad; Passed at 5:40