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Associated Students of Montana State University Billings

Tuesday, October 7, 2025 - Meeting Minutes

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I. CALL TO ORDER- Vice President Sneigoski calls the meeting to order @6:30pm ROLL CALL

PRESENT- Senator Andes, Senator Bamer, Senator Brady, Senator Foxley, Senator Husen, Senator Kern, President Kumar, Senator Merdanovich, Senator Pelatt, Senator Roberts, Senator Slade, Vice President Sneigoski, Senator Stone, Senator Whitley, SRO Hollenberg, Business Manager Ellery, Senator Hofer

EXCUSED- Senator Bookheimer, Senator Eichman, Senator Merdanovich ABSENT-

II. PROXIES (fill out absentee ballot)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

• 09/30/2025 Minutes

IV. GUESTS/REPRESENTATIVES

- Chancellor Hicswa (N/A)
- SAB Taylor
- Taco bar, crafts, drawing for beading kits (Round Dance Monday the 13th)
- City College Pop Up (October 15) light snacks
- Wednesday October 29: Haunted Hallways (RHA), costume contest (Petro Theatre 6-7PM), Halloween Dance (SUB Glacier 7-9PM), ASMSUB providing food and drink.

V. ADVISOR REPORTS

- Christine Whitlatch
- Impressed with City College senators with their meeting with the Dean.
- There will be a sign and office hours being set up at city college
- Surgical Tec applications are due next week.
- Christine Whitlatch states there is an artistic talent within the city college and her student produced a witch's broom. This made her think of having more artistic/musical events on campus, for student engagement.
- Senator Slade added that having TV dinners available in the lobby area could be a benefit.
- Dr. Gentry (ABSENT)
- Dr. Hayworth
 - Report of an increase in enrollment, 4,445 students between city college and university campus, increase of 2%
 - Press release to come out later this week
 - Northwest accreditations visit later this week, student leader forum, Thursday October 9, LA 205.
 - Tomorrow at 2pm in LI 241, open student forum.
 - Just Baked prices have been reduced by \$1. Voices have been heard.
 - October 16, The Great American shake Out, for earthquake awareness, a test of our emergency notification system.
 - Senator Hofer states "Professor reports he has not heard of any drop outs within his classes"
 - Senator Slade requested that vending machines be put in the dorms for students so that they do not have to order door dash, uber eats, etc.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• Business Proposal #1: Executive Committee Pay



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That the hours claimed by the Executive Committee be raised from 15 per week to 19 per week

- Senator Slade said that President Kumar works hard and so decreasing the hours should be off the table.
- Senator Brady motioned to dismiss the Business Proposal #1, and to create a committee to work with the business committee to change the By-Laws in accordance with what the current Executive Committee Pay is.
- Vice-President Sneigoski will be chair of this committee as stated in the By-Laws
- Senator Hofer proposed the timeline for this committee to be by the end of the semester.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- Bylaw Revision Proposal #1: The Retort
 - Senator Andes
 - O To get the Retort going is motioning to bypass the Retort By-Laws in order to get the Retort back up and running. This is to bypass the requirement for there to be an election.
 - Senator Andes motioned this.
 - Senator Slade seconded the motion.
 - The motion passed unanimously

X. EXECUTIVE & STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Vikash Kumar

- Clarified where the funds are coming from for the Executive Committee Salary.
- Events Update
- Senator Robert went to the Volleyball game
- Senator Bamer: Happy about the amount of people in attendance at the women's soccer games.
- Senator Kern: Also happy about the amount of people in attendance at the women's soccer games.
- Senator Brady: went to the city college pop up
- Senator Foxley: Went to the MSUB volleyball games, and also played in two volleyball games.
- Senator Hofer was absent last week, but she attended the Gilmore Girls and Cocoa event and stated it was cozy and fun.
- ASMSUB Committees
 - o Financial Board
 - o SSPR

Vice President Elijah Sneigoski

Business Manager Ellery

• Financial Board Meeting

Student Resolution Officer Hollenberg

• SSPR Meeting

XI. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

XII. SENATE & ACADEMIC CONCERNS

XIII. WORDS ON CAMPUS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT



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- Senator Roberts
 - TRIO has 35 openings
 - Send students to the TRIO office!!
- Christine Whitlatch will have a box for Socktoberfest

XV. ADJOURNMENT