



## Associated Students of Montana State University Billings

Monday, March 9, 2015- Minutes

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**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Vice President Sonja Choriki called the meeting to order at 5:03pm

### **II. ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT-** President Barnhart, Vice President Choriki, Business Manager Green, SRO Slough, Sustainability Coordinator Fredrickson, Senator Boender, Senator Cherry, Senator Coomber, Senator Focht, Senator McKinney, Senator Powell, Senator Shin, Senator Sorenson, Senator Sutton, Senator Thomas, Senator Wyatt, Senator Dicharry

**EXCUSED-**

**ABSENT-**

**III. PROXIES-** None

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – 2/23/15- Approved

**V. GUESTS/REPRESENTATIVES-Chad Schreier, Jackets & Co.-** 60% of the books bought end up going back to the publisher and 40% from sales. They want to reduce what they're ordering upfront so 60% doesn't go back to publisher. They pay more for access cards. The average markup on books is 22%-25%. They are having an open house on March 18<sup>th</sup> for faculty members and an MBS representative will be there to talk to them about purchasing books for classes and how they can purchase inexpensive materials for students. They do have a scholarship for the department that gets all their orders in on time and no one has ever received it. **An idea for us to consider is a student driven textbook rental through the bookstore.** Other universities have programs where students pay \$150 total for books. Their highest margin is with headphones and their lowest margin is books.

### **VI. ADVISOR REPORTS –**

**Chancellor Mark Nook-** BOR was last week and they talked about our budget and the Chancellor gave a presentation which you can see on the MAS website. The regents are helping us with policies that could be affecting our university. Our institution is different from other because we have a large enrollment of part-time and non-traditional students. We need more 18-24 year old students. PLA- Prior Learning Assessment helps people move forward in their degree. Student fee approvals will be done in their next meeting in May in Kalispell, MT. Also, **KYYA will be broadcasting tomorrow morning from 6-8am and the Chancellor, President Barnhart, and Dr. O will be on!** Lastly, take care of yourself this is a stressful time!

**-Dr. Joe Oravec-** Balance school and extra activities. Ask us any questions you have about student fees! Outstanding Faculty dinner this week on Thursday. **Dr. Pagano going away party Wednesday March 11<sup>th</sup> 3-5pm in Rimrock Café Banquet A&B.**

**-Kathy Kotecki-** Phoenix Center got a part-time coordinator Morgan M.

**Leadership Recognition April 14<sup>th</sup> at the Depot**

**-Dr. Bill Kamowski-** Resolution for student fees.

**-Joy Barber-** **National Advisory Board Thursday at City College.** Leadership Recognition has a new award for Academic Leadership.

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS- Student Fees-** Thoughts? No negative feedback from students and they would be ok with increasing fees more. President Barnhart will write up a draft for the resolution.

### **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**



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### IX. NEW BUSINESS

**SB#7: Bylaw change: Senator Chelsie Coomber- Moved to ADHOC Committee**

(Sustainability Coordinator to Student Services/Public Relations Coordinator)

bylaw copy in office – please review and initial

**FB#27: Funds for COB Student Advisory Board: Senator Rachel McKinney**

That the sum of \$322.50 be allocated from Contingency index #630200 to COB Student Advisory Board, index #630402 for the annual COB Student Appreciation Day held in April.

Other costs: (door prizes, food)	\$ 742.50
Less money raised:	<u>\$ (420.00)</u>
<b>TOTAL REQUEST FROM STUDENT SENATE</b>	<b>\$ 322.50</b>

**Forwarded to Financial Bd committee**

**FB#28: Travel funds for SKILLS USA: Senator Joseph Wyatt**

That the sum of \$875.00 be allocated from Contingency index #630200 to SKILLS USA, Index #630840 for travel funds to attend the state SKILLS USA competition in Havre, Mt, April 13-15, 2015.

Transportation costs:	\$ 550.00
Meals	\$ 897.00
Lodging	\$ 761.00
Other costs: (registration)	<u>\$ 840.00</u>
Total:	\$3048.00
Less money raised:	<u>(2173.00)</u>
<b>TOTAL REQUEST FROM STUDENT SENATE</b>	<b>\$ 875.00</b>

**Forwarded to Financial Board committee**

**FB#29: Travel funds for Inter-tribal Indian Club: Senator Arthur Cherry**

That the sum of \$439.75 be allocated from Contingency index #630200 to Inter-tribal Indian Club, index #630189 for travel funds to attend the Denver March Pow Wow from March 19-22, 2015.

Transportation:	\$ 505.97
Meal expenses	\$ 680.00
Lodging expenses:	\$ 663.78
Other costs: (registration)	<u>\$ 90.00</u>
Total:	\$1939.75
Less money raised:	<u>(1500.00)</u>
<b>TOTAL REQUEST FROM STUDENT SENATE</b>	<b>\$ 439.75</b>

Comments: Senator Cherry- Opportunity for inter-tribal to travel and see how we can make our POWWOW's bigger and more successful.

**(FAST TRACKED!) 11 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions – Forwarded to Fin Bd Committee**



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### X. EXECUTIVE & STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### President Daniel Barnhart

- BOR/MAS report- Washington D.C.- APAC Policy Conference, lobbying on Israel's behalf, Prime Minister of Israel spoke. Helena, MT- Annual fee review introduced. (Student government fee reviewed every year instead of every 2 years.)
- Regent appointment- 3 applied and it was extended for the third time to get more applicants it is now open until **April 16<sup>th</sup>**. The student who is selected sits on BOR full time and it's not paid. They help make policies for universities and they vote and are equally heard. Their travel is paid for to the meetings.
- **Outstanding Faculty dinner, Thurs., March 12<sup>th</sup> 6pm, Northern Hotel**
- Pres/VP forum, March 11<sup>th</sup>, Sub Atrium, 11:30am- 12:30pm (debate questions to President Barnhart by Tuesday March 10<sup>th</sup>)  
March 12<sup>th</sup>, CC Commons, noon – 1pm

**IF YOU ARE NOT RUNNING FOR NEXT SEMESTER PLEASE SIGN-UP TO RUN ELECTION STATIONS!!! Sheet is in the office.**

**Senator Focht- Senator Bi-Weekly parking pass!**

#### Vice President Sonja Choriki

- Senate Elections: March 18-19
- Need Senators (who are not running) to help work election stations
- Vote online: [www.msubillings.edu/vote](http://www.msubillings.edu/vote)
- Senator of the Month
- Make sure you are logging your senate hours!
- **Again, Dr. Pagano's going away party is tomorrow from 3-5pm in Rimrock Café in Banquet A&B.**

#### Financial Board:

- Matthew Green: Meetings-after Senate
- Finalizing budgets
- Meet with Inter-tribal Indian club Thursday at 7am

#### Public Relations:

- Jamie Slaugh: Meetings – after Senate
- Hope everyone had a great spring break!

#### Sustainability Committee:

- David Fredrickson: Meetings – after Senate

### XI. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS- None

### XII. SENATE & ACADEMIC CONCERNS

- **Fall registration begins – March 16th**

### XIII. WORDS ON CAMPUS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **2015 Leadership Recognition Awards – nominations due March 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Online at: [www.msubillings.edu/studentlife](http://www.msubillings.edu/studentlife)



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**Event - April 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Softball Homerun Derby Thursday at 5pm**

**Phillips Advisory Board Meeting was Tuesday March 10<sup>th</sup>- Tech Buld. 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Floor**

**XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**XV. ADJOURNMENT- 6:22pm**