



Associated Students of Montana State University Billings

Monday, April 20, 2015- Minutes

We strive for Leadership, Involvement, Sustainability, and Service

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 –4/13/15- Approved

V. GUESTS/REPRESENTATIVES

- **Judy Williams, Student Legal Services**

- Report on the number of student consultations on new matters / subject breakdown
- Survey was sent out through Survey Monkey 50% of students said their legal issue was causing them stress.
- One student commented: This could be one of the most important services offered at the university. More importantly, the staff is utterly competent and thoroughly skilled. They are the reason the office is so productive. I thank them from the bottom of my heart.
- If you know anyone who has a legal issue please refer him or her to Judy!

- **Kaja Anderson, Inter-tribal Indian Club**

- The Powwow photos are still being developed they will be ready in about 2 weeks.
- Data is being collected still from the Powwow
- They had 179 dancers which is up from last year
- They had 2,588 for audience by door count which is also up from last year
- They had 78 volunteers, this is down from last year but they stayed and helped for longer periods of time.
- They also had 13 drum groups which is also up from last year

- **Amanda Thurston, SKILLS USA**

- They were in Havre, MT last week for their competition
- They had a 6 hour competition
- Diesel and Automotive both placed 2nd
- A lot of first year students went and are helping the club grow!

VI. ADVISOR REPORTS –

- **Chancellor Mark Nook**

- Take care of yourselves
- Thank you for everything you've done for this institution
- Go to the provost forums please this week and next

- **Dr. Joe Oravec**

- Please remember to take care of yourselves during these last few weeks of classes
- Dinner is at Dr. O's house at 6:30pm on Saturday April 25th if you need the address please ask Sonja or Valerie



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- **Bring your year end reports for the Chancellor and Dr. O on Saturday answer questions on the back of Dr. O's business card. 1) What have you learned about yourself by being apart of ASMSUB? 2) What can MSUB do a) more of, b) less of, c) differently.**
 - Please attend the provost forums if you can this Wednesday and next Monday and Wednesday if you can
 - Thank you for all your hard work!
- **Kathy Kotecki**
- Club Connections had 23 students attend their first meeting
- **Dr. Bill Kamowski**
- Good luck these last few weeks and congrats to the graduates!
 - Advice: get sleep for exams and don't cram!
- **Joy Barber**
- For Diversity Initiative's "Be Kind Week" they are selling cookies on both campuses in the SUB and Tech Commons from 11-1pm on Tuesday April 21st sold for \$.77 to women and \$1.00 to men to represent the current difference in pay between genders. The actual Equal Pay Day was April 14th.
 - The cookie sale is a fundraiser and awareness-raising event, which involves the Diversity Initiative Group (DIG), the Financial Education Program, the Women's and Gender Studies Center and the American Association of University Women (AAUW). The Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs' office has generously decided to sponsor this event, and all proceeds from the sale will go to DIG.
 - The WAGE Project: www.wageproject.org

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

FB#34: Travel funds for Drama Club: Senator Wyatt Powell

That the sum of \$2990.00 be allocated from Contingency index #630200 to Drama Club, index #601092 for travel funds to attend Broadway 101 workshops in New York City, NY, July 7-11, 2015.

Transportation costs:	\$ 5040.00
Meal expenses	\$ 1224.00
Other costs:	<u>\$ 1150.00</u>
Total:	\$ 7414.00
Less money raised:	<u>(4424.00)</u>
TOTAL REQUEST FROM STUDENT SENATE	\$ 2990.00

*Financial Board recommended to amend Drama Committee budget (2014-15) to move \$2990.00 into a travel line item.

Voting: 11 for, 0 against, 1 abstaining

IX. NEW BUSINESS



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- **Oath ceremony**

X. EXECUTIVE & STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Daniel Barnhart/Sonja Choriki

- Lobby Day- Was Friday April 17th – HB13 Tuition Freeze
- **Provost Forums- Monday April 20, Wednesday April 22, Monday April 27, and Wednesday April 29 at 5pm in McMullen Room 305**

Vice President Sonja Choriki/Baudry Metangmo

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- **Summer Senate meetings: May 11, June 15, July 13, Aug 10; 5:15pm, Bridger Room**
- End of year dinner, Saturday, April 25th @6:30pm, Dr. O's house
- Ushers (5) needed for Commencement, May 2, 8:30am, Metra
- **Senators: clean out your mailboxes and turn your binder/clicker**
- May MAS retreat/BOR, May 18-22, Kalispell
- Fall Senator openings: 3-Freshman; 8-Senator-at-large; 1-graduate; 1-CC
- Fall Senate meetings: Mondays, 5pm, SUB Beartooth, starting Sept. 14th
- **Fall Senate retreat: Sept. 18-19**

Financial Board:

- Matthew Green:
- No meeting this Thursday
- We started with \$18,432 in contingency and we have left \$9,927

Public Relations:

- Jamie Slaugh:
Relay for Life BBQ, Wed., April 22, SUB Atrium-11am-1pm, need 2-3 volunteers by 10:45am (co-sponsored with HEROES), cost \$5 (KFC bowl)
- **Volunteers for Skyview Falcon Finale on May 31st from 12-3am**

Sustainability Committee:

- David Fredrickson:
- **Campus Cleanup, Friday, April 24th – BBQ to follow leave at 8:30am for City College and be there by 9 am for University Campus**
- Lights Out, April 24-27
- The play went well and they will be performing at Dr. O's house on Saturday

XI. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Undergraduate/Graduate Research: Senator Alex Shin
Approved travel funds (\$145.72) for Elizabeth Mullins and Chris Baus to attend the MT Academy of Sciences conference in Butte, April 10-11



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XII. SENATE & ACADEMIC CONCERNS

- **Summer Orientations: June 4-5; June 18-19; July 9-10; July 23-24; Aug 6-7**
- **Leadership Day: Thurs., Sept. 3- New Senators and Executive Cabinet members**
- **Residence Halls open: Sunday, Sept 6- Movers and Shakers**
- **Welcome Week: Sept 7-11**
- **Classes begin: Wed., Sept. 9**

XIII. WORDS ON CAMPUS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Matthew Shepard is a Friend of Mine showing Tuesday April 21st at 7pm in Petro Theater

Women and Gender Studies open house is from 3-6pm on Tuesday April 21st

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Drama Club is performing from 1:30-3pm on Saturday April 25th and from 5:45-7pm on Sunday April 26th in Petro Theater and it's FREE! Please come!

Wednesday April 22 de-stress Laser Tag in the Gym

7pm Wednesday April 22 Pie Dr. Nook or an RA in the face in Petro Hall

XV. ADJOURNMENT 5:54pm