



Associated Students of Montana State University Billings

February 25, 2019- Meeting Agenda

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I. CALL TO ORDER – Vice President Savannah Merritt called the meeting to order at 5:00pm

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT- President Keltner, VP Merritt, Bus. Mgr. Shay, SRO Kurkoski, Senator Bautista, Senator Boumediene, Senator Breeden, Senator Jessen, Senator Neff, Senator Peterson, Senator Robertus, Senator Unzaga, Senator Wheelock

EXCUSED- Senator Garman, Senator Smith

ABSENT-

III. PROXIES

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-2/4/2019

V. PRESENTORS/REPRESENTATIVES-

-MET Transit: Rusty Logan

-Travel training: They are willing to come in (for free) at beginning of the semester or academic year to teach students about the system, show them how to read the schedule and catch a bus.

- New AVL system to track buses in real time; the link to download the app is on their website, Mettransit.com

-Billings has 19 fixed routes (large buses) and also paratransit (for those with disabilities).

-Routes connecting the university and city college campuses pulse every 30 minutes, with the fastest route (24-Poly) at 18 minutes.

-Current student fare: \$1.50 cash fee or a \$20 pass

-Stewart park transfer center utilized with crosstown route, bus 7 and 5a. The Met-Link route provides access to downtown (via N 27th street).

-Less service on weekends: pulses hourly rather than every 30 minutes.

-there have been several requests for later bus services (past 6:20pm), but are trying to work around the budget

*ASMSUB is interested in running a pilot test to garner interest among students. It would be similar to marketing the ski tickets we sell. Possibility of a 3-month pass created specifically for students

*It is important to provide students without cars access to Billings; directing students to take in downtown Billings will also expose them to more culture and open the community up to them

-Kim with OUT:

- Group went on a trip to Kansas for convention
- Learned about restructuring an organization, marketing, promotion, and getting into a more political aspect on campus
- Want to implement gender-neutral bathrooms and gender-neutral floors (including restroom and shower facilities).

-The Retort:

- Inquiring about funding to have issues printed.
- Contingency request; will need to meet with financial board.

VI. ADVISOR REPORTS – Chancellor Edelman



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-Dr. Melinda Arnold

-Dr. Arnold will be the Interim Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management until the end of the semester

-Strategic Program Alignment:

Phase I: 49 programs being phased out

Phase II: (ends April 30th) Will be going over data for the initial alignment and making sure the programs meet student and workforce needs

-Board of Regents Agenda: the presentation of mission and vision statements.

-Kathy Kotecki

-Expanding student population

-Tomorrow and Wednesday: having students in specific demographics share how they were recruited to gain more insight in the student experience.

-Dr. Paul Pope

-The University of Montana School of Law wants more programs involved in the developing 3 + 3 program at MSUB. The model is set up and there will be an informative presentation scheduled within the next month.

-Students in the program will finish in 3 years at MSUB (at least 90 credits), apply to U of M School of Law with the same application as other students, and once accepted, their first year of law school transfers back to MSUB to finish their 4 year degree.

-Lance Mouser

-Summer registration is open

-Extended campus is moving out to city college. City college dean is putting together a task force for that.

-Science expo is March 22nd in the MSUB gym. Judges are needed (and will be provided dinner and training) to judge the elementary school projects.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

FB#27 Travel Funds for Miglena Ivanova to attend the Western Psychological Association Annual Convention in Pasadena, CA: Senator Unzaga

That the sum of \$1,000.00 be allocated from Contingency index #630200 to Miglena Ivanova, for travel funds to attend the Western Psychological Association Annual Convention in Pasadena, CA April 25 through April 28, 2019.



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Transportation Expenses:	\$540.00
Meal Expenses:	\$123.00
Lodging Expenses:	\$705.20
Other Costs:	<u>\$75.00</u>
Total:	\$1,443.20
Less Money raised:	<u>\$443.20</u>
TOTAL REQUEST FROM STUDENT SENATE:	\$1,000.00

FB#27 moved to Financial Board.

X. EXECUTIVE & STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Halle Keltner

- Ad Hoc Committee: to handle ASMSUB bylaws
*Motion to create an Ad Hoc Committee to handle this issue. VP Merritt is forming the committee with volunteer student senators: Senator Neff, Senator Unzaga and Senator Bautista. VP Merritt will reach out at a later time.
- Met Transit: senators' duty to show support for the trial run; discretionary funds that President Keltner and VP Merritt have access to will go toward the trial run (previously used on the armory on campus).
- Diversity: Nasty literature has popped up on 8th floor of Petro; most recent hate posters were found 2 weeks ago. Posters can be taken down if lacking a stamp of approval and taken to the dean's office of that building. Dr. Lynn and President Keltner are planning to pull together a Celebration of Diversity. Multicultural club has written a statement of inclusivity.

Vice President Savannah Merritt

- Spring Applications for Senate (this includes Pres/VP) are due Friday, March 1st by 5pm. Elections are March 27-28.
- No Senate Meeting March 4th, Spring Break Week
- All the funds for Undergraduate/Graduate Research have been given out for this year, 4 recipients, through a special committee. About \$350 allocated to each group to go to conference and come back to report.

Business Manager Kaelen Shay:

- Financial Board meeting tonight 6pm in the Bridger Room

Student Resolution Officer Taylor Kurkoski

- SS/PR Meeting tonight 6pm in the Gallatin Room
- Childcare Scholarship Applications due Friday March 15th
- Snow Bowl March 19th. Dinner starts at 5pm, trivia at 6pm. Sign your team up by March 15th. 4 students and 1 staff/faculty per team. This is the mandatory event for senators to attend.

XI. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

-Strategic planning committee is focusing on student recruitment and retention.



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XII. SENATE & ACADEMIC CONCERNS

- Registration for Summer 2019 is open.
- Communication about campus events: Facebook messaging works for all senators; could also create an event on facebook and perhaps give more reminders.

XIII. WORDS ON CAMPUS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Spring Break Week Monday March 4th through Friday March 8th, no classes
- Student Forum VCSAS (vice chancellor for student access and success) Candidate Tuesday February 26th 3pm, LI 148, and Thursday in LI 148 at 3pm
- Free SAB Dinner in Rimrock Café Tuesday February 26th 5-7pm; don't need to show proof of meal plan. It is for all students with student IDs.
- Microwave Chopped Tuesday February 26th 6pm, Glacier Room
- Grad Fair at City College Wednesday February 27th 11am-1pm, CC Commons
- Grad Fair at University Campus Thursday February 28th 11am-1pm, Glacier
- Student Forum VCSAS Candidate Thursday February 28th 3pm, LI 148
- Women's Basketball Game Thursday February 28th 7pm, Alterowitz Gym
- Women's Basketball Game Saturday March 2nd 7pm, Alterowitz Gym
- Student Leadership Award Nominations due Wednesday March 20th, link below to nominate.

<https://ems.msubillings.edu/EmsRegics/2019lrpawardnominations>

- Leadership Dinner for students; April 4th at 5:30pm
- Drama night, March 15 and 16; there will be 4 acts showing
- TRI week; free cake
- Lip Sync battle; kicks off March 20, finale on April 17th. Every Wednesday between those dates in the cafeteria as part of Late-Night Dining. Teams can be from 1 to 8 people.

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

XV. ADJOURNMENT