



Associated Students of Montana State University Billings

March 11, 2019- Meeting Agenda

We strive for Leadership, Involvement, Sustainability, and Service

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

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT- President Keltner, VP Merritt, SRO Kurkoski, Senator Bautista, Senator Boumediene, Senator Garman, Senator Jessen, Senator Neff, Senator Peterson, Senator Robertus, Senator E. Smith, Senator Unzaga, Senator Wheelock.

EXCUSED- Bus. Mgr Shay, Senator Breeden, Senator D. Smith

ABSENT-

III. PROXIES

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-2/25/2019

V. PRESENTORS/REPRESENTATIVES-

Regent Martha Sheehy

- Works as a lawyer in Billings and has sat on Board of Regents (BOR) for 5 years (7-year term)

- BOR has constitutional authority of the entire MUS (Montana University System)

- Some Duties of the BOR include:

- Balance the school system and avoid duplication of programs

- Ensure there is no overlap between Bozeman and Missoula (referred to as the two “streams”)

- hire/fire the presidents of the flagship schools, MSU and University of Missoula

- Hire/fire the Commissioner of Higher Education

- Work with the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education (OCHE) to discuss proposed policies

- Review fee proposals

- There is an existing debate about the MUS resources being used more centrally rather than each college being its own

- BOR is the only board in MT that is in the constitution

- BOR was recently fined for discussing the 6 Mill Levy during a meeting; Sheehy sued and is winning because the regents should not be considered public employees.

- Current priorities of the BOR:

1. Obtain the tuition-freeze money

2. Obtain money for infrastructure

3. Achieve higher transferability between schools in the MUS

- Also wish to work on the organizational structure. Trying to manage resources based on interest, not on distance. Currently building a portal for all MT students to utilize after taking the free ACT in high school.

- Also need to attempt to align the calendars across the state.

- Student Regent position: described as the most important regent on the board and involves a 1-year term. Usually the regent comes from MSU or Missoula. Chase Greenfield, MSUB Student Engagement Coordinator, participated as the Student Regent, passing a process bill and helping to hire of Seth Bodnar (President of the University of Missoula).



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VI. ADVISOR REPORTS –

- Chancellor Edelman
- Dr. Melinda Arnold
- Kathy Kotecki
 - Kimberly Hayworth has been selected as the new Vice Chancellor for Student Access and Success
 - There have been conflicting email deadlines for graduating seniors to order regalia and to register for commencement. One said order by tomorrow and another said March 15th. The deadline tomorrow may be for faculty.
 - Additional conflicting deadlines concerning registration for the Leadership Dinner on April 4: March 5th, March 10th, and March 25th have all been seen.
- Dr. Paul Pope
- Lance Mouser
 - Fall registration opens next week (March 18th)
 - Extended campus is moving to City College and a taskforce will be formed.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. EXECUTIVE & STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Halle Keltner

- Fee Proposal: Senate needs to create a resolution to formally accept the fee proposals.
- MET Transit Update: Tyler will help with promotional materials.
- Ad Hoc Committee: Senators can still join.
- Senator D. Smith had to withdraw from ASMSUB due to being promoted at work.
- Summer Senate: one meeting each month over the summer, only if something comes up that needs ASMSUB approval.

Vice President Savannah Merritt

- BOR/MAS Update: discussed retention and enrollment issues, bill that would take 15,000 students off of Medicaid (by requiring students to work 80 hours a month to meet criteria and reapply for Medicaid the next year), and the BOR approved MSUB's new mission and vision statements
- ASMSUB Elections March 27th and 28th: Senators who didn't apply are needed to help table for the election



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- EC Applications Fall 2019 Due April 5th

Business Manager Kaelen Shay:

- Financial Board Meeting Tonight 6pm in the Madison Room
- New financial board request

Student Resolution Officer Taylor Kurkoski

- SSPR Meeting Tonight 6pm, Gallatin Room
- Snowbowl March 19th 5pm in Banquet A&B: required event for senators

XI. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

XII. SENATE & ACADEMIC CONCERNS

- Last day to drop classes without instructor permission March 13th
- Registration for Fall 2019 Semester begins Monday March 18th
- Last day to apply to graduate Fall 2019 Semester Friday March 22nd

XIII. WORDS ON CAMPUS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Jackets, Java, and Jams Tuesday March 12th 5-7pm
- Lip Sync Battle Wednesday March 20th 7:30pm, Rimrock Café
- Club Connections March Meeting and Workshop, Wednesday, March 13th, 3:30-4:30pm SUB Missouri
- Service Saturday March 16th 9:30am, SUB Atrium
- Master calendar can be logged onto with D2L login and events can be created
- Drama Night: 6th floor of LA building, March 15 and 16 (Friday and Saturday) at 7-8pm
- Science bowl happened last Saturday; Billings West took 1st place and will go to nationals

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

XV. ADJOURNMENT