RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE
OF
THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Adopted 16 February 2017

Whereas, The current Common Hour Policy does not account for students who may experience conflicts with attending a common hour exams because of child care responsibilities, medical conflicts, or personal hardships; and,

Whereas, The President’s Committee on the Status of University Women (PCOSUW) is encouraging incremental changes to Montana State University Policy that will strengthen its commitment to work-family balance and serve as a model of a Family Friendly institution; and,

Whereas, Montana State University has a history of offering institutional and resource support to the programs and people it values; and,

Whereas, The PCOSUW believes that supporting pregnant and parenting undergraduate and graduate students is one such important value; and,

Whereas, The ASMSU University Constitution Preamble states, “We, the students of Montana State University-Bozeman, having rights to uphold and interests to promote, both for ourselves and for the university;” and,

Whereas, It is the right of students to be served by this University and the University’s responsibility to provide policies that reflect its regards to students’ responsibilities; now, therefore, be it,

Resolved, That ASMSU supports the following changes to the Montana State University common hour exam policy; and,

Resolved, Adding the clauses: 4.1.3. Has a personal hardship that prevents attendance (point 5 below would apply) (4.2 – 4.5 would apply), and 4.1.f. A pregnant or parenting student who has child care responsibilities or medical conflicts (4.2. – 4.50) would apply; and,

Resolved, Changing clause 5 to say, “Students who are official representatives of MSU who have regularly scheduled meetings or practices that conflict with a Common Hour exam or students who would experience a personal hardship in attending an exam including but not limited to, school sponsored club and group responsibilities.”

Bradley Jones – Senate Speaker