Meeting called to order at 6:05pm

Roll Call: Absences- Sen. Vollmer

Review Previous Meeting’s Minutes:

Public Comment:

Chad Dawson and Zack (?) video- Analogy of 5000 for a chassis, 10000 for a body, and 15 for a drive. The video can be viewed at www.mesamontana.org. They are currently working with PBS to broadcast this. Freshman seminar classes are using it as curriculum.

The “Exponent” came out today, copies will be left at the door.

Introduction of the Assistant Dean Erica Swanson- She is the liaison of student success and ASMSU Body. I am always here and will address any questions. Better communication and issues.

The Dean of Students position will be reopened. We are creating a job description, and creating committees. We would like a few volunteers from the ASMSU Senate to be on the committee and be involved in the process. Hire date not posted, but prospects, we hope, will be here in April.

Sen. Smith- Will the new hire have a similar salary?

Erica Swanson- We have not confirmed the salary yet.

ASMSU Student Legislative Director Andrew beck- In Helena, today in the Education Appropriation Subcommittee- $32.5 million cuts, diesel center cut and PBS are included in this also. This is a big concern, although it’s not gone for good, it can be brought back up in the session.

Clarification in the “Exponent” on first page: letter to the editor. We have low student participation, busses run up to Helena to get students there- we just need more scheduled times. It’s very important for students to talk to our legislators. Tuition- they are very willing to listen. They are farmers, ranchers, businessmen and women etc- they’ve been in our shoes. You will make a difference. ASMSU office is set up to contact the legislators, also letters to them. Accessibility and funding- what is important to students. I encourage you to do this.

Questions? Feel free to contact him stateleg@montana.edu

Sen. Smith- based on info from Commissioners office- cuts are about 36%, majority party wants 5%, cutting budget for higher education from 36% to 37%.

Andrew Beck- We will be available to address this and others. A school wide email was not sent. 2 years ago, we had a Rotunda MSU Day. Sending students march 9th and we still do that. We would like larger school wide participation. Letters to reps- we’re pushing for it in Freshman Seminars. Eric Fischer,
ASMSU president, has written a letter outline specifically for writing to legislators. On the left side of front desk, pick up copies, pdf also available.

Doug Steele is the MSU lobbyist- his presentations are effective.

Call your legislators as soon as possible. Words makes a difference to them, they can change tuition. Deductions can change across the board.

Presentations:

Budget Presentations-

Of Student Activities Patty McGown- We are now going into 3rd year. We account for all student activities and appropriate money for those activities.

Every student pays 3 dollars to us a semester that go into two accounts- Funding Boards Committee is given $2, and Program Support is given $1. Account 431366- the accounting intern would do accounting for both budgets.

We are very conservative in budgeting and under allocate, by $5000 a year. How we allocate: five member board- three at-large and 2 senators. There are 170 clubs- very high this year. We solicit all clubs and see if they want to apply in the funding board. $1000 and above for next year.

Program Support Fund- is allocated during current fiscal year and some clubs who don’t budget can ask for that money, first come and first serve, unless used for something they usually don’t fund.

Right across the hall

20-23 clubs, we didn’t allocate all. We save $500 for a cushion, and building up that account- next year they will be up to funding. Fund from 20-60 clubs, almost half of all clubs.

Going paperless, students have asked for it. We work via email and codes.

Clubs include: Indian, Lacrosse, Baseball, Hockey, Friends of Local Foods- going to supply onions for food services next year- sustainable, SIFE (Students In Free Enterprise, competitions), Accounting (Alaska Trip), Cycling, Rugby, Climbing.

Sen. West- As far as allocating, we should have a consensus- straight forward with funding. We should approve- sports clubs require lots of money- really helped them out. Engineers Without Boarders ask for money, it’s great for their events.

Brandy Murray- Patty has her own separate student activity fee, for students with 7 or more credits. She is not asking for any additional money. Gretchen asked for more money last year.

PT Dawson-All presenters are accessible if you have questions.
Phyllis Bock- Legal Services Director, ASMSU Attorney and Advisor–classified employee supervisor. My budget includes: Salary and benefits, computer, legal books, licenses that I am required to have, conferences-for attorneys who do the same thing she does at other colleges, office supplies.

One big event is when the Montana Supreme Court comes to MSU and hears a real oral argument. Invites and parking for them, May 2nd 9:30pm in SUB ballrooms. Our Court is elected unlike most states, so they like to travel.

Sen. Smith-Where does the Court arguments come from?

Phyllis Bock- It comes from entertainment.

Capp- I’m confused about the $2000.

Brandi–It’s re-imbursement, and is supposed to be paid by another outside group. This happened during fiscal year changing, no change in the budget.

Carmen McSpadden- ASMSU Leadership Institute

Dani- An overview of what we do: Cat Tracker is created by us. Open House Annual- to see office and meet staff members. Freshman convocation- Kevin Connolly. Longitude and latitude photo reception with the Exit Gallery. Films-“Have You Heard From Johannesburg-The Bottom Line”, and then “Standing On My Sister’s Shoulders.” The Leadership Summit. MSU students who made differences. Evening with Geoff Bellman-ordinary team to an extraordinary team, 180 attendees. Maya Lou Angelou-Nov 1st, tickets sold out in an hour and a half, amazing turn out, health concerns, so she didn’t come. We want to reschedule

Kate-Upcoming events. Violence Prevention Institute. Two films “God Grew Tired of Us,” “Waiting For Superman.”

Kia- Dustin Lance Black-“Milk” screen writer, Academy Award winner, and LGBT activist. Signup sheet-senate gets 2 tickets per person for seating, front row.

Tom Brokaw- phenomenal- has talked to everyone from presidents to Dali Lama. There will be a master class with him too.

Conrad Anker- he introduces climbing with leadership skills, Khumbu Climbing School in Nepal. $5 for students.

Also ASMSU Presidential lunch debate, ComedyN, “Cuba’s Road to Literacy” film called “Maestra.” Terrorism is Not a Nationality-presents perspectives from students to eliminate stereo types. ASMSU Retreat.

Alex-Joey Steffens is liaison to the Senate.

Carmen- Update on Leadership Endowment. Started a few years ago and launched last year. How can we fund it? Not necessarily in the budget, we don’t have capacity for the great opportunities we could
have, not the foundation and we don’t have recruiters. Legacy is very important. It is a great $750,000 endowment goal. Please to announce, $16,000 given to endowment, we didn’t even start fundraising and people are giving.

Phyllis Bock is a donor- 5 year commitment to endowment.

Carmen was second- 5 year commitment.

We want you to reflect on legacy, another opportunity for students to fundraise, network and build long term relationships, learning skills. Local business are going to support it, annual fundraiser. You birthed an academic program- Leadership Fellows, last year. A year later, now 3 sections, next year 4 sections. Congratulate you guys.

Sen. Capp- You budgeted $4000, and why not this year or 2010?

Carmen- We have Corporate Sponsorship, and other sponsorships. As many co sponsors as possible, that one person can bring $50-100,000.

Sen. Capp- why only 80 dollars?

Carmen- It goes to the endowment- it might show up there. How do we generate relationships to endowment or go year by year with budget? If we don’t get a big speaker, like Angelou, then we lose money and sponsorship.

Sen. Capp- Why did advertising use only $1000, when budgeting $3000?

Carmen- It depends, if tickets sell out right away, then we do less budgeting. It is one reason we ticket events, because people might not come and we would lose money.

Sen. Capp- Education and training cost is $2200? And you spent $9000? Why is it so high?

Carmen- It could have been the Summit, or it could be a mistake.

Sen. Krueger- Question on building rent- in 2008-2009 there is rent budgeted, but 2010 and 2011 there is none?

Carmen- The SUB is charging for use of space.

Sen. Capp- There is $1500 for computer replacement, could it be used in another slot and is it really used?

Carmen- We have replaced one a year, for several years.

Smith- What is the scholarship of $1271?

    We have a foreign exchange student, and we have to pay him through fees, so it’s actually labor.

PT Dawson- What are printing costs? There is more spent than given, where is it coming from?
Carmen- It’s been quoted wrong, cat tracker also. We’re trying to be conservative with it, but we have to buy them back from bookstore. We will drop numbers for next year.

Sen. West- Employee travel is at zero? Have you not gone to conferences?

Carmen- Although it is much appreciated, and we want to use it, but outside sources send me places, so I try not to use it.

Also to take down Angelou advertising, employees had to be paid so employee wages was trashed. We want this budget to balance this year and have no overages. Professional development will go as student labor.

Email me and we will send you details. We are strategically holding 400 tickets for Tom Brokaw, we want at least 700 to 750 students see him.

Mary Bolick- Director of asmsu daycare on campus- Salary for teachers is locked into the University pay schedule. Paid hourly, different pay rates. They are classified employees. Teacher aides are all MSU students. We also have a temp hourly- 90 days a year to work for us, shane.

Utilities and building use, also maintinence. We do have USDA Child and Adult Food Care Program. It’s a federal program, similar to school lunch programs, but for preschoolers, pays for the food and give reimbursement.

We have slots for faculty and stuff. Daycare/preschool is also for students to sight and observe, works study students, volunteers, interns, class, professional experience.

We want to keep fees affordable. It’s a unique program and committee that asmsu sponsors. Its 2.5 to 5 years of age. We try to be the best we can be and be a high quality program and represent ASMSU well, and to represent MSU in a good light.

Sen. Capp: Dues and membership budget? It seems like it’s gone over.

Mary: Teachers are required to be registered, CPR, first aide. We are involved in a field test “Best Beginnings” of the State of Montana.

Sen.Welles-Line item 53859. What does that include?

Mary- The fees that parents pay to program.

Sen. Welles- We budgeted you $700 the past three years. Spending hasn’t come close and what is it for? Is there a need for it?

Mary- We used to use the university copy system, but not anymore.

Brandy-It needs to be reallocated. $742 taken out.

Nehmeh- What is the security protection expense?
Mary: Usually it’s for the security system on our building, but it comes out than what we ask for. $420 is what it should be.

We have a dance teacher, once every couple weeks, Native American Story Teller, raptors, guests that sometimes cost money.

Sen. Capp-This should be changed from 4000 to 1500.

Sen. Smith- What are your current rates? Or average rate compared to Bozeman.

Mary- What we charge is less to students than to faculty and staff. Because it’s with ASMSU, staff is $28/whole day, or $17/half day. A half day is 7:45am-1pm or 12pm-5pm. Student are charged $20/whole day and $13/half day. The State reimburses $32/day at 70th percentile.

Sen. West- What’s the other daycare’s rate on campus?

Mary- I don’t know. I will let Brandy know to tell you. We are licensed for 55 children. Very busy, but very structured.

PT Dawson: This concludes budget presentations for the meeting.

Sen. Steffens- move to recess for 5 minutes.


Reconvened at 7:33pm

Presentations Continued:


Representation Reform Project- voting body of 21 members. 10 elected in fall and 10 in the spring. Current issues in current system include low representation, and awareness which can be improved. Districts are detached from campus. Fall and spring seating is confusing and problematic. Low voter turnout, as of right now it’s 12%-18%. We can do better and get them more involved, to 20% or 30%. There is an accountability flaw.

Proposal: redistricting- Instead we divide 18 seats into the nine colleges and three seats are at-large. The Colleges and the seats they would get as of right now with our proposal: Agriculture (1), Arts and Architecture (2), Business (1), Education (3), Engineering (3), Letters and Sciences (4), Nursing (1), Gallatin College Programs (1), and University College (2).

How to allocate individual colleges: divide college # of students by total number of students, multiply by 18 and round it.

Accompanying changes-one election year at end of spring semester. Advantages- a more cohesive senate, administration and committees. This would address orientation, presentations etc with the
entire body. Only run for the district that you are in. (double majors may choose a district). If a district is not filled then it goes to at-large after 10 days, which is no different. Allocation to be revisited every 3 years.

Purpose is to be more representative, more excitement and possibly lead to higher turnout, students will feel their votes are necessary and effective.

More efficient and effective stronger lines of communication with staff and students, and give a central location for senators to meet with who they represent. Our bill is coming up. The public forum is not next week but week after

President Eric Fischer- Gallatin College could have seating, if the activity fee becomes mandatory. As of right now it is not.

Thiel- We felt as its new and receiving more funding, that we wanted to represent them.

President Fischer- What will be in place, if the administration and the senate is turned over?

Nehmeh- It’s not very likely.

Rogala- Senior Senators might be willing to stay on board at least until the new senators get a handle of the process.

President Fischer- Something needs to be in place, regardless of what happens, just for accountability of transition.

PT Dawson: I talked with the senators before the presentation, and they would like to keep to questions, rather than debate since this is not going to be voted on tonight.

Gallatin College doesn’t pay, what about grad students over 6 credits, do all grad students pay the fee?

How often would you reevaluate the numbers of each college because they fluctuate every year.

Sen. Steffens- We will do the re-allocation at least every two years for less confusion

PT Dawson-Will there be a cap so that everyone is represented?

Sen. Capp- Go back to list of colleges and seat numbers because it will be interesting to see what the current senators would fall under. (Some colleges are left unrepresented currently).

Sen. West- Have you consulted other colleges to see if others have considered this, to see if it works and the differences, if there are any problems to look out for in the future?

Sen. Thiel- No we have not consulted other colleges, but we used to be similar to this representation method- with college and class- but there was a large Greek population in the senate taking over.

Sen. Stevens- We should not have prejudice towards Greek, if we do then we have to prejudice against all clubs etc.
Sen. Thiel- That is a separate issue now, Greek is more arbitrary and less represented now than before. So we don’t prejudice against other interest groups.

Historically we had a sustainability initiative, and Greeks take great part in that, very strong. Sustainability is a great issue, and if there is a reason why with voting going up when we deal with it.

Greeks haven’t broken any votes, in his experience.

Sen. Nehmeh-suggestions?

Sen. Stevens- Changing system. And working together on it.

Public Participant- Greeks have had a strong pull on votes, but focusing on one group is not very fair, so it’s hard to make distinctions. Going by college can improve fairness and equality.

Sen. Stevens-purpose is to see what you like and don’t like. If you have comments and concerns let one of us know and we will work with you before the bill is brought up.

Vice President Amanda Diehl- If people on campus are not represented as much, what will you do to avoid that?

Sen. Thiel- Typically freshman who are undecided, so university studies represents on-campus students. We often identify more on people in our major than people who are on and off campus.

Sen. Nehmeh- I live in family and graduate housing and we still deal with campus issues, not dorm issues.

Sen. Steffens-I can still vote for on-campus issues and I am an off-campus representative.

Sen. Nehmeh-On-campus parking areas used by off campus students. If we had off campus senate, that could alleviate problem.

Sen. Stevens- a senate of 21, 3 living arrangements, and not as many are represented.

Sen. Lawson-what was the representation in 1997?

Sen.Nehmeh- We only have electronic data from the past, so from before then we could not attain the information.

Blake Bjornson(former greek senator, public participant)- it was easier for me to talk to my constituents than it would be for others, so I think this is a great idea.

President Fischer-but there is a spring election problem, an on-campus student can move off campus in the fall, but have the same seat when they have different priorities.

Discussion and presentation ended.

Unfinished Business: none
New Business:

Appoint 2 new senators, off campus- now

Appoint 2 new senators, at large- next week.

Sen. Rogala- What are the seats? Spring or fall?

PT Dawson- Both are fall seats. There are five applicants for the off campus seats.

Tanner Abudalah is a sophomore in political science, and has never been involved before. He wants students to give back to school.

Patricia Curren has never been involved. She is studying early childhood education and psychology, interested in projects for students.

John McHatten has never been involved, senior, business club, personal trainer, RHA, and AP mentor. He wants to incorporate in management to this position.

Blake Bjornson has been involved before, as senator and assistant pro-tempore.

Paul PJ Colmick is a senior, and has been involved. He was senator in 2007 and 2008 as on campus, hopes to increase off campus participation in on-campus activities. He was ARD at South Hedges.

3 at-large apps that are still open.

Family/Graduate Housing –

Pamela Frasier- accounting background. She is an international representative to MSU, a girl scout leader, and very involved.

Family/Graduate Housing: first vote- unanimous

Dawson- lets generate questions.

QUESTIONS:

If elected what are your goals to bring to ASMSU?

What are major flaws in ASMSU system and what would you like to change?

What does ASMSU do?

What do you want to do with budgeting and are you familiar with parliamentary procedure?

Pamela Frasier- I work in ITC, with surveys and evaluations, live on-campus with son who will go next year. I take Spanish. Accounting degree, and I would be proud to be a part of this, I am also on international committee for thej university.
1. ASMSU is a student organization that funds lots of things. Very active and lots of representation.

2. I want to bring in a different perspective and ideas and represent also the older sector.

3. You are doing a great job with the leadership, but to help structure.

4. Account numbers you look at, she is number three in international accounting, helped business and Apple Inc. in the beginning, and European accounting.

Students are biggest part of the university; Cruzado is awesome to be on board and a great leader. She wants to participate as student and staff.

PT Dawson- She is running uncontested, so vote to get her in place.

VP Diehl- She called to have fee added to her account today. Is that feasible?

Sen.-Not an issue

Sen. Welles: move to appoint Pamela. (seconded)

Dawson: open to discussion.

Wheeler: she is a good person to have on board.

Welles: no reason we should not give her an opportunity.

PT Dawson: suspend bi-laws

Welles: “dump truck voting” (seconded) 17/0/0

Voting for Pamela: 17/0/0

PT Dawson: send in Tanner

Tanner is applied because lots of students are unhappy with representation, since no one was running he would give it a try. Planning on law school. Good experience. Help pass good bills.

1. The student body and activities and groups.
2. Give students representation, and be there for them. Help for budgeting.
3. Misrepresentation. Being available more often, office hours, going out and talking to them.
4. Budgeting-high school. Accounting major when he started here.

Patricia Kern- Dallas, at SMU police dept. security, volunteering, and housing. Freshman.

1. All student programs and how you interact, funding.
2. I am a disabled student and speak for them, (legally blind) and older students.
3. Very impressed with first meeting. I don’t see many flaws yet, everyone seems to get along most of the time.

Wants to be involved and wants to volunteer and help and try again if not elected.

John- not present.

Blake Bjornson- excited to be back, already helping out, budgeting, previous member. Many great ideas

1. Institution to represent students. Link from students to admin and give leadership opportunities
2. How we use funds in campus entertainment, misuse.
3. Huge lack of representation, less delegation and more communication with constituents
4. Lots. Assistant pro tempore last year and senator year before, chair of finance board last year.

Fight for the cause and hope to rejoin.

Paul Colmick- (he goes by PJ)-senior in civil engineering, ASMSU freshman year as on-campus senator and participated in remodeling issues with procrastinator, and outdoor recreational center and SOB barn renovation. Came back because he feels more invested now.

1. Associated Students of MSU. Elected body of students, how to spend their money and be most effective for them
2. Huge growth in student body, more access to facilities, effective use of any surplus.
3. Redistricting issue is very interesting, more identity with college than the whole university, big flaw.
4. Parliamentary procedure- not much. Budgeting- president of MSU transportation of MSU engineers. We have endowment that i have to deal with. Travelling to conferences, and fundraising, working with sec and treasurer.

He will apply again if not elected.

Sen. Welles: move to discussion of off campus?

Sen. Mohr: vote for top two then vote again?

President Fischer: vote for top one.

Sen. Stevens: We need to remind prospects who do not win that there is another election next week.

Sen. Capp: Blake has more experience, but keep mind open to PJ, he does still have experience.

Sen. Smith: Blake is no contest; he has already been putting many hours in to asmsu.

Welles: he is already working and not yet a senator again. I wish there were 2 seats, but PJ is still an option next week.

Stevens: Between the two, Blake will use it better than PJ.
Sen.- move to end discussion and vote. (seconded)

Vote to vote: 17/0/0

Vote

Tanner: 0

Patricia: 1

Blake: 13

PJ: 3

PT Dawson: You can apply for at large, and also spring elections are coming up soon too.

SWEARING IN NEW SENATORS: (BY PRESIDENT ERIC FISCHER)

Dawson: Assistant pro-tempore position will now be placed.

Bjornson: decline

Thiel: accept

Krueger: accept

Smith: decline

Mohr: decline

QUESTIONS:

1. What is the roll of apt?
2. Why do you want to be apt?
3. Do you have the sufficient time as apt?
4. What future plans and improvements do you have as apt and do you plan to run again in a month?

Sen. Krueger- elected last march, has gotten more involved. And wants to be more involved.

1. My duties would be co chair on finance committee. Constitutional committee co chair.
2. I enjoy senate, and I would be more involved in the office and help me reach my goals.
3. I do have enough time only taking 12 credits this year, only Tuesdays and Thursdays.
4. Yes I will run again. Get more organized, joining exec branch. Finding funding for more committees.
Sen. Thiel- Engineers Without Boarders, and honors program etc. Interested because he wants to stay involved. Better orientation for senators, improve ways of representing. Liaison, and office hours to hold to commitment in bi-laws.

1. Largest function is finance board, with supplemental requests. Helps pro-tempore and takes over the duties if needed.
2. I want to be involved and bring changes. Would enjoy the opportunity to focus more with a leadership position.
3. 17 credits, least credits ever taken, he is busy but he feels very rewarded and would definitely put in the time.
4. Plans would be redistricting to better represent. Creating a class structure for global studies program, and give the senate a greater hand in that; also improving programs and other programs that students want. Yes he would likely run again.

DISCUSSION:

Sen. Steffens: both have two years left, hard decision. Both would do an incredible job, comes to personal preference. Win either way.

Voting to vote: 16/3/0

Final Vote

Krueger: 9

Thiel: 8

Move to approve new Senate Secretary

Approved by Smith

Seconded by Stevens

Discussion: None

Voting to approve new hire: 17/0/0

Next item of business:

Sen. Lawson: move to postpone/table until next week

Seconded: Sen. Mohr

Vote on table: 17/0/0

Next time: cat/griz pizza party

250 pizzas at the game. Free to students who come to the game.
Smith: move to approve

Seconded: Sen. Steffens

Bri: women’s game is at 2:05 and the pizza will be ready after women’s game in Schroyer. Bobcat Club will have DJ and free t-shirts. Advertising has been going on for 3 weeks. Email was today.

President Fischer: We were waiting for approval from board, and email was sent out to list serve.

PT Dawson: entertain a motion? None. Approve

Vote to carry: 14/2/1 motion carries

Next item:

Alaska trip. Since they are not a club, they wanted to move under the accounting club, but they missed the date. Patty said she would let them apply. Lots of time.

Sen. Stevens: postpone indefinitely

Seconded by Sen. Mohr.

Bjornson: should not be postponed to lack on the job.

Sen. Capp: Postponing indefinitely because it does not involve ASMSU anymore and so it will not be brought up again, not to end early.

Dawson: Entertain a motion? None. Vote on this table.

17/0/0

Next item:

Senate Office Hours Accountability Act

Sen. Capp: We all have office hours, but we don’t tell anyone when they are. Students would benefit from this, move to suspend rules and not postpone until next week.

Seconded by Sen. West

Dawson: vote to discuss

17/0/1 (Nehmeh)

Sen. Smith: Move to approve

Seconded

Sen. Steffens: amend to who deems them appropriate.
Sen. Capp: Pro tempore keeps track of office hours.

Sen. Steffens: with drawn

Sen. Mohr: Line 19- office hours, not if you work on homework instead.

Sen. Rogala: if you are present, then your are available to do ASMSU duties.

Sen. Mohr: friendly amendment “to be available to work on” instead of “to work on”

All accepted amendment proposition

Sen. Bjornson: “hold at least 2 office hours per week during the operating office hours of asmsu” lots of stuff happens in there, and if not present then they miss out.

Sen. Nehmeh: in my case, I pop in the office randomly to talk with all senators, and I feel I put many more hours than these two hours, and how should we hold people accountable for the hours.

PT Dawson: we have a guaranteed “hour” which students can find us.

President Fischer: it doesn’t have to be the same each week, I have a calendar for the week so that students can see it.

PT Dawson: do people feel strongly about pro-tempore keeping track of hours?

Sen. Steffens: its making ourselves available, we are almost all there more often than those hours.

Sen. Capp: a bill is introduced one week, and the next week it is voted on. If we suspend the rules, then we can vote on it tonight. It’s a harmless bill that helps students. The point isn’t to get you to spend more time in the office, but its our way of making time for people to come talk to us.

Sen. Stevens: withdrawn

Sen. Steffens: two offices hours, clarify, a friendly amendment at least two office hours per week in fall/ spring semesters

Sen. Capp: clarification of wording

All accept amendment.

Voting to vote: 15/2/0

PT Dawson: voting on approving this bill as stated

Vote on 15/2/0 (Wheeler and Bjornson against)

Sen. Capp: motion to adjourn
Sen. Bjornson: it’s been awhile but there are still items on the agenda that we have to finish. We need to do our job and not be irresponsible.

Sen. Nehmeh: I have a job to work on, not just to leave.

PT Dawson: clarification about accountability act.

Sen. Smith: there should not be debate.

Vote to vote 17/0/0

Vote to adjourn early 1/16/1 (west abstains)

Admin Reports:

President Fischer: as spring rolls on, longer meetings will happen.

April 16th-chico?

Tomorrow: Ground breaking of stadium construction.

Cat/griz double header this weekend.

Student alumni applications passed around; if you have questions you can ask me or Nate Carroll.

Mobile vet center-free Feb 1st afternoon, and

MSU Idol: Feb 18th

If you sign up for reserved seat for lectures, show up if you say you are going to, it looks bad on ASMSU Senate when there are empty front seat chairs.

“Call to question” has been used loosely, it’s a tool to be utilized if conversation is going round and round. It’s been used many times tonight, it does not need to be used. Call for discussion. Hopefully it continues to improve.

VP Amanda Diehl: please volunteer: ASMSU Friday Extravaganza, Feb. 4th 1-1:45.

Call from office of int’l programs. Feb 19th is International Foods Bazaar. ASMSU sponsors it with $1500. Signup sheet.

Employee recognition banquet in March- faculty and staff who students believe have done great work. Two students on the board. If you want to nominate, it needs to be decided by tomorrow.

Blood drive was Wednesday and today, goal was 50 pints, and we got 70 yesterday, and I do not know the numbers for today.

Furniture vendors for seeing what students think for new dorm furniture in front of Langford and inside.
Business manager Bryn Thrasher: extra budgeting sheets (for new senator)

I will be in my office a lot because of budgeting coming up Brandy too. Email us. I have every receipt since July.

PT Dawson: I plan to next week cut into this and move along business, with Roberts rules of orders. Senator mentor program- Welcome Pamela and Blake. Pamela’s mentor is Blake and we will meet and have an orientation.

I would like to meet all of you, and sign up for a time that works for you. I will buy, coffee, lunch whatever.

We have a bill coming through, who is on con audit committee, Sen. Stevens and Sen. Steffens, I am not sure if we need others to fill your spots of con audit to oversee the bill.

Sen. Stevens: yes it does violate constitution.

PTDawson: I will assign 3 new con audit members. Sen. Smith, Mohr, and Thiel. Two of you will oversee that bill.

Sen. West: thank you for the time you have put in the last week and a half, PT Dawson.

APT Krueger: Amanda and I attended sports committee meeting. Lots of little changes in policy. I have been working with athletic clubs on “four hours” rule resolution, they will now continue practicing. I will post my office hours.

**Senate Reports:**

Sen. Rogala: parking advisory committee, a presentation might be coming to us because they were denied by a committee in Montana Legislature.

Table hours in the SUB- starting Monday Feb. 7th. Senators need to be present at least 2 senators a timeslot with 3 time slots rotating every week.

Sen. Bjornson: do it at least 2 times in a semester.

Sen. Nehmeh: I am on committee representing graduate students, I teach labs and PA, it doesn’t have to be required. Appointment by ASMSU administration.

Sen. Mohr: APT and I went to sports and fitness meeting. chemical evacuation, no formal details yet, wall pads are up dojo, in HHD 100 classes, group fitness-racquetball, swimming etc could become new classes.

Sen. West: we discussed budget issues, and I have meeting minutes meetings are 3:30 to 5, every 4th Tuesday

Sen. Wheeler: we got to the nursing meeting late, $100 to loan out to a woman who is a student.
Sen. Steffens: Leadership Institute-Tom Brokaw, and Dustin Lance Black. Please attend.

Sen. Nehmeh: we are trying to promote Black as much as possible, he’s not as popular as we thought.

Sen. Steffens: I am helping with the reforming tobacco policies.

PT Dawson: I had many senators coming up to me asking if I need help, and I am very appreciative. Thank you for being willing to help.

Wheeler: move to adjourn (seconded)

10:45pm adjourned.