Meeting called to order at 6:01pm

Roll Call:

**Review Previous Meeting’s Minutes:** A change to the bicycle safety portion of the minutes by Combs. Motion to approve the minutes of February 9th, 2012 by Lake seconded.

**Public Comment:** No public comment from the floor.

**Presentations:**

**Montana Wilderness Association-Ben Goldstein:** He is here on behalf of the Montana Wilderness Association. Looking to reverse the Clinton road less rule. This bill would open certain land to negative environmental impacts. This is to provide an opportunity for public discourse, the committee doesn’t plan to take a side on the issue but rather give the public a voice at an open forum.

Bernard raises the question of why this bill is being proposed in the first place. Abeh wonders what the impacts would be on agricultural laws such as grazing. Lake notes that this is a sensitive issue and we should focus on whether or not this issue should be opened to a public forum not whether we agree with it or not.

**Auxiliary Services-Tom Stump:** Last summer there was a presentation on the renovations to Langford and Hapner halls. The renovations begun over the past summer, after meeting with students it was noted that they wanted to have a public space to enjoy leisure. There will be an addition to Langford of several showers, a group study area, a lounge area, and more bicycle storage. To Hapner the renovations will be as follows: the students wanted to have a outside seating area, the addition of a billiards room, cooking area, and an addition to the men’s restroom with a new shower.

There will be an addition of 10 feet to Hapner and a few feet to Langford for the new lounge area. Blake questions whether or not the new addition of the bike areas will be covered or not? There will be an additional meeting room and additions and renovations to the movie and laundry rooms in Langford. There will also be a renovation made to the work out room and an addition of glass windows. Lake wonders where the funding is coming from? The funding comes from a loan given by the board of regents. Haskell wonders why new rooms are not being added.

**Blue and Gold Ball-John Stiles:** Campus entertainment really supports this supplemental. This is a philanthropy event and it will support the boys and girls club. Floerchinger wonders why the supplemental is being presented to ASMSU after campus entertainment spent their own entire budget. Rogala notes that this is a sponsorship not a request from campus entertainment.

**Budgeting Presentations:**

**Campus Entertainment-John Stiles:** Campus entertainment is planning on an increase of income. There will be a new change to the stipends for the directors. Copycats increased their budget by $200 dollars
to accommodate more printing availability. Marsh wonders about the stipend changes due to the vast
dollar amount change.

**Elections-Healy Lyons:** The elections budget in the past was really small so there have been several large
changes. Haskell wonders how beneficial it will be to video tape the elections on Tuesday. Jake notes
that this will be extremely beneficial for students who are not able to attend in person. Rogala wonders
why we are paying the exponent to film the debates, is it not apart of their mission statement currently.
Bandstra notes that two students have already approached the office about being able to view the
elections online.

**Spirit-Laura Frazee:** Homecoming and Cat/Griz. The new things will be 2 new bonfires that cost $2,000
dollars per Bonfire totaling an overall increase of $4,000. There was a large increase to the Copycats
budget but have significantly cut the cost to their advertisement budget so the increases balance out.
Professional consulting services has decreased quite significantly. The services provided by campus have
increased a lot due to the bonfires. The facilities fee includes the lumber, labor, and refreshments. Food
has been cut in half from last year. Townshend wants to understand better the service Saturday’s
concept.

**Exponent-Eric Dietrich:** They currently have a 60 person staff, 60% of students were satisfied with the
printing and product of the exponent. Hoping to use the budget for this year as a baseline for the
student fee for next year. There is an overall increase to the revenue of the exponent of $5,000. There is
a donation wall that has recently been added to the website for the exponent. Looking to develop an
app for the exponent in order to possibly generate some more money for the exponent. Advertisement
is expected to bring in additional money to the exponent as well. The stipend distributor has been
removed to save money.

There will be labor adjustments with an addition of new art director, multimedia editor, stipend
position adjustments, and additional per item pay. There will be additional costs to accommodate for
new equipment. The stipend for editor in chief, manager editor, and business manager are hoped to be
moved to tier 1 instead of the current stipend they receive now. Addition of a $2,000 increase for art
manager. Budgeting in summer stipends for the editor in chief of the exponent. There is a summer
edition so there is a stipend for the staff for the summer. Trying to close the gap in pay and remove the
hierarchy. Off campus printing decreased, increase in minor equipment, and an increase in minor
software.

Townshend is curious about the plan for building the reserve. The plan is to not spend all the
money in this year’s budget so there is some wiggle room for next year. Marsh wants to clarify if the
amount the want as an increase to their budget is the amount that they hope to receive from the
student fee from future years. Rogala wants to know why the elections $450 is not in the current
exponent budget? The exponent believes that this is a complicated issue and doesn’t know how to
answer this question. Blake notes that page before the centerfold specifically says advertisement. The
next page is content from the exponent. That is why it comes out of the elections budget and goes to
the exponent. He feels that it should be in the exponents mission to cover elections. Videos are the only
online content. Being able to produce online is the direction we are headed. Rogala notes that the exponent is $5,000 under and wants to know if there will be adjustments made to accommodate this. Jackson wants to know how much ad revenue comes from ASMSU that number is apart from the budgeted amount.

**Unfinished Business:**

**New Business:**

**2012-R-05:** Townshend would like to make an amendment to this resolution in line 17 to strike, “Ninety five were in favor of conservation efforts.” All the Sponsors (Rogala, Townshend, Bandstra, Marsh, Floerchinger) agree with the striking of this statement. Bernard motions to discuss seconded. Vote: 18/0/0 motion passes.

**Supplemental:**

**Veterans Banquet:** Lake wants to note that this is to support a veteran’s appreciation dinner. There has been a shortage of funds and wants ASMSU to support the men downstairs. Wants to address Joe Griffin, Rogala motions to approve seconded. Rogala wants to know the total cost and Joe notes that it will be around $5,000 in total. Lake notes that the number addressed by ASMSU was an adequate amount. Rogala wants to know if we funded a resolution for the flagpole in the past. Direct response from Blake is that ASMSU definitely paid for the flagpole. Vote: 17/0/1 Lake abstains. Motion passes.

**Spirit:** Motion to approve by Scafide seconded. Haskell notes that anytime a program goes out of their budget it should come out of their reserve and not out of ASMSU. The amount will be totaling $800 for the T-shirt exchange. Marsh notes that the T-shirt exchange is something that she is in support of. The senate would be in charge of the exchanges. Non-sporting spirit event this is a great way to ensure that everyone can be involved. Lake agrees with finance board and believes that we should remain at the current amount.

Rogala wonders what happened to last year’s t-shirts because she wonders if we could use remaining old t-shirts to use at the exchange. Bernard notes that he loves this is ASMSU PR. How do we address if students want us to use this money. Haskell responds by saying that by electing senators that is how there voice is being heard. Marsh wants to hopefully bring this to a student t-shirt design contest. Lake wants to know how many t-shirts. Marsh is unsure about the exact number of t-shirts. Rogala wants a gorilla from street team to help advertise?

Haskell wonders were the 1000 dollars comes from. Marsh responds 100 t-shirts for about $10 per t-shirt. Because of printing the price was lowered for the misprint. Lawson notes that at finance board this was discussed and also wonders if students are actually willing to exchange their t-shirts. Thuringer wonders what are the qualifications for the shirts?

Lake wants to note that she likes the idea of the long sleeve. McKay wonders if there is an ability to know how many shirts each individual can have. Murakami notes that we are off topic. Thuringer
wants to know how MSU will feel united under one t-shirt? Motion to previous discussion vote: 18/0/0 Motion to approve the supplemental 14/2/2 Lake and Marsh abstain.

**Elections:** Motion to approve by Floerchinger seconded. Haskell notes that finance board does not support this. Blake notes that they went over budget because their budget was done incorrectly not because of a misuse of funds. Lake agrees but still believes that it still should not come out of the supplemental. Haskell notes that there will be $1,500 left from the reserve. Motion to approve the recommendation of finance board Vote: 18/0/0 Motion carries supplemental fails.

**Blue and Gold Ball:** Scafide motions to approve, seconded. Finance board agreed that this was a good use of student funds. The whole goal is to bring students together for a black tie affair and all the fraternities and sororities have taken this on as their spring fling event. Bernard wants to know if RHA will be involved. Abeh notes that this is a cohesive event so who all is involved? The spirit, football, and basketball team will all be involved.

Scafide is in high support of this event and thinks this is a good opportunity to get everyone on campus involved. The committee will not be asking the office of the president to be involved. Mains is also in support of this and believes that this is a great opportunity to get alumni involved. Bernard wants to know what the marketing plan is? Facebook will be really beneficial to this event. Murakami notes that advertisement is really important to this event. Motion to approve by Senate President Lawson. Vote: 18/0/0 motion passes.

**Tunnels of Oppression:** Motion to approve by Murakami seconded. Lake wants more of a definition of what this event actually entails. Students will be more aware of the issue of oppression on campus. This is a small amount of money and it notes that we support students. Student groups include the voice center. Haskell notes that finance board voted to approve this supplemental. Point of information we have to over ride finance board. Motion to override finance board by Marsh seconded. Amendment to the amount by 14 dollars, Senator Duker is opposed of moving forward to vote. Vote: 18/0/0 Motion carries.

**Admin. Reports:**

**President-Blake Bjornson:** Cell phone ban will be implemented tomorrow. This also applies to bikers. Board of regents in Dillon and Blake will be in Washington D.C. Sexual Assault summit will be on the 3rd of March and tangible outcomes are expected. This is a good opportunity for us to become informed. Student recognition needs students to help review applications this will be a three hour ordeal of reading student investment logs on March 23rd this will be during senate meeting so encourage others. College of business planning sessions please go on February 22nd.

Had a really interesting discussion about student health insurance. Blue cross will be in the red; this will hopefully not increase student fees. Listened to 31 different budget proposals over the past two
days. Spoke with the philosophy group and the conversation led to why do the ASMSU elected representation.

**Vice President- Joey Steffens:** Not able to present.

**Business Manager-Lauren Jackson:** The total supplemental remaining is $22,622.23. Looking into spirits budget in accordance with the mistakes made. Looking into previous supplemental in order to accurately do budgeting.

**Senate President-Jenny Lawson:** Days of dialogue is coming up Feb 22-March 2. The tunnel of oppression is looking for volunteers.

**Senate Vice President-Dillon Haskell:** Currently looking through supplemental histories. Looking through article 4 of the bylaws, it will benefit everyone to have them be up to date. Finance board is looking good. MSU is currently having an issue with the number of students in comparison to classroom space. Senate input would be really influential here. How are you going to provide more space for the increasing number of student’s? We only utilize 84% of our classroom space. Those on stipend review is ready for a meeting sometime in the near future.

Marsh notes that decreasing the time period in between classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 15 minutes to 10 minutes. Consensus on whether or not students are in favor of this or not? Scafide notes that it would add 30 minutes to a student’s day. Moved to informally vote on whether to have a 10 or 15 minute. Students overall were in favor of the 10 minute passing period. Finance board has reviewed all budgets and will present on March 8th. Budgets will be discussed through the next five meetings following their presentations. Rogala wants to know if there is no longer a day long of budgeting? This is to allow for a more efficient process. Bandstra wants to know that Haskell will be the liaison from senate to finance board.

**Senate Reports:** Townshend 16 people participated, this will be highly beneficial for Dani. McKay met with leadership institute and one of their members is now volunteering his time. Thuringer joined a relay for life team and encourages everyone to know. Bernard met with Fallon and is having multiple events in the procrastinator. There will be guest speakers that will be in attendance. Met with John Stiles in relation to Reno 911 as well as several entrepreneurs being involved. Pass around sign up sheet to be posted for the Leadership Institute.

Lake needs a vote on tabling (an effort through awareness for senators to meet there constituents). Informal poll taken. Lawson notes that he was late due to the food bazaar. Rogala CSAC rocky mountain power shift there will be 25 students in attendance. Townshend wants to have senators to encourage students to vote next week. Is it ok to bring ipads to encourage students to vote? Need to ask Healey. Duker renovations to computer lab passed for the recommendations. Marsh wants to note that there are new additions to the bylaws and adjustments to the budget.
**Announcements:** Rogala wants to note that you should come to the Vagina Monologues and it should be fun. Online survey that senators need to be aware of this and voice their student opinions. McKay notes that she found the college of business and emailed it to the list serve.

Scafide motions to adjourn seconded.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:58pm**