ASMSU Senate Agenda – November 29th, 2012
SUB 235

APPROVED – 1/17/2013

- Call Meeting to Order at 6:02 pm
- Roll Call
- Review Previous Minutes
  - November 15th, 2012
  - Move to approve by French.
  - Seconded by Horn.
  - Motion passed.
- Public Comment
- Presentations
  - Year of Engaged Leadership
    - Phenocia Bauerle, Tom Calcagni, Carmen McSpadden

Townshend: I would like to welcome Dr. Ali Abizhev from Kazakhstan. We’d like to welcome him here at ASMSU. To Phenocia Bauerle, Tom Calcagni, and Carmen McSpadden, thank you for coming here to present tonight.

McSpadden: We are delighted to be here on behalf of The Year of Engaged Leadership. It is a campus wide initiative put forth by President Cruzado. It came out of a couple of years of conversations as well as the Strategic Plan. In front of you is a handout. Read over it, think about it because you have many colleagues around the table so you can ask questions.

Calcagni: We are delighted to be here tonight. I have met a lot of you and am looking forward to getting to know the rest of you. Thanks for having us tonight. The Year of Engaged Leadership came out of an idea President Cruzado had to make MSU a leading university academically and in leadership. Why is this important? I started my career in TV. I have watched media change a great deal with addition of the internet and other technology. The speed at which information comes to us is remarkable. Leadership requires the ability to work very closely with other partners and, in effect, if you want to have influence on policy, programs, or ideas, you must be able to demonstrate leadership. President Cruzado is looking to this initiative to prepare all of you for this changing world that is evolving every day.

McSpadden: So short-term, this came out of a conversation a couple of years ago from all leadership programs on campus, including your program, the Leadership. There are dozens upon dozens of leadership programs in each other the colleges here at MSU. The also came from the Strategic Planning Council. Out of the Strategic Plan came the idea of leadership, engagement, research, integration, etc. So a large part of this Year of Engaged Leadership is launching out Strategic Plan because it plays into several components of that plan. Let’s look at what this may look like in terms of a year. These concepts came out of the Greenleaf Institute and we’re using them as a framework for discussion next year.

Bauerle: We want MSU to become a leading institute in leadership. To do this, it’s not just about looking at club presidents, Senators, things like that but rather looking at all different aspects that most people have within themselves. We want to rethink that and look at how many leaders we have at MSU. It’s about making all of these students who don’t realize they have these virtues within them to help them
realize that and that we’re all important to this campus. It is based on Greenleaf Foundation who came forth with this particular leadership idea. These specific characteristics are what they use and we will be framing our year with that. There are ten characteristics for ten months. There is a list of them all on your handout. From that we will look at what fits at MSU. Do these all fit, might something else fit better? From that, we can build our own definition and system of leadership in this climate.

Calcagni: Something that was very attractive about this model is that you can find a lot of different rankings of leadership. We were trying to figure out how we would organize this year and what would provide the framework. Some of these characteristics fall in traditional business models but some are a little softer, more on the side of growth and personal enhancement. This is by no means what we are now going to do. This is intended as a format to talk about this next year.

McSpadden: So several are already way into this. For those of you who have been a part of our Leadership Fellows Program, you have some experience with this. Within your own Senate there are 6 or 7 of you who can speak to this idea of turning inward in terms of leadership development. You get this from the Leadership Foundations course and from the capstone as well. This absolutely ties into the Strategic Plan, our school’s Mission Statement, and our engagement goals in a huge way. The details are there in front of you. We want to spend the last few minutes on how it impacts ASMSU and what your goal is and what your charge will be to be a part of this. We hope the attributes of servant leadership will show up in ASMSU and that you will continue to develop those attributes in the coming year. You are all servant leaders. You are here voluntarily and provide service to students of MSU. You have a desire to serve. We want more than that. Imagine an entire campus empowered the way you are. Imagine service is beyond resume-building and rather is about doing good. That’s a piece of this program next year.

Calcagni: I want to touch on a line that strikes. This is really about focusing on the needs of others. This is not necessarily about standing up in front of meetings and talking. It’s about the ability to one-on-one be a leader. To help others improve, as a parent, a colleague, a mentor, or a friend. There are so many ways we can help others as servant leaders.

McSpadden: The next few slides are all about a characteristic set. Think of how difficult it is at 6pm to listen and stay connected in a meeting. A leadership characteristic is the ability to stay present wherever you are. Listening can be huge, and this is just one of many important characteristics of leadership. This next slide is about ASMSU and the program and event ideas that ASMSU can do to support the Year of Engaged Leadership. You already have the Leadership Institute which is great and we’re going to make sure ASMSU and the LI are shining examples of the kinds of deliverables to students that are of the highest quality.

Baurle: Almost anything going on this campus has things pertaining to leadership. We have the mentorship program. We will have them discuss what some of the impacts of that are. We will have speakers and things like that. A lot of what we do falls within these characteristics and this is about helping structure them and reimagining how we classify these. There are many options and this is a small list. It’s not just listening and hearing but looking, for example, at how it relates to being a nurse or looking at service learning opportunities or how it might relate to being an engineer.

Calcagni: Just to clarify, we are using this to determine what characteristics might be appropriate for MSU. For example, I think listening is important but that isn’t necessarily the end goal here. Listening leads to perception. I’d like to raise that question. Is listening really what we’re talking about or are we talking about teaching leaders to be perceptive enough to listen to a coworker? We’re at a 30,000 foot
level right now. This is your first exposure and we understand this is not an easy thing to grasp in a short presentation.

McSpadden: I know Lindsay and Kiah are already working on an inventory. Could you touch on that a bit?

Murdock: We are moving forward with getting Program Directors to figure out what programs they do from year to year that would fall in with these goals. There are some events they put on year to year that would be consistent with this initiative. We are also doing an audit on those to make sure ASMSU is included in every step of the way.

Abbey: So examples of those things may be Senate elections or Upheaval, events that happen every year that involve leadership on this campus.

Calcagni: University Communications was tasked with promoting the high visibility, high impact events. This is a mockup so I will assure those of you that see that the Dalai Lama is coming, we don’t yet have him lined up. We’re trying but we’re not there yet. This is a work in progress and I appreciate your patience and be sure to ask questions if you have them.

Lamm: Thank you for coming. I wanted to encourage you to really push promoting this and showing it to students to make sure students are aware. We have had conversations about smoking ban and we really have to push these campus wide events and make sure they are being shown. I am sure you will do a fantastic job with this.

Calcagni: We will rely on your advice on how to best do that, so feel free to contact us with ideas.

Mains: Do you have any specific ideas of how you will pinpoint certain colleges while still keeping it a campus-wide initiative?

McSpadden: The deans have all been tasked with creating their own inventory on student centered ideas around the kinds of things they will bring forth. Several of them have already delivered dozens upon dozens of ideas.

Rowe: Thank you guys for coming. I’m curious about the characteristics. Are they set in stone?

Baurle: Yes, they are set in stone. We will talk at end of the year about what has worked well and what hasn’t been as beneficial. The months are set in stone.

Calcagni: Cruzado sees this as being very transformative for this university. It’s a year but we hope it goes on from there.

Rowe: What do you think, for next year, about innovation being one of these themes?

McSpadden: Why not have that with the Year of Engaged Leadership?

Calcagni: Maybe that will be a characteristic that we will see come out of this and recognize that this is something that we really want to focus on here on this campus.

McSpadden: We will be working on getting the word out about this initiative a lot. Part of what is so exciting about this is those end of the year discussions. We can talk about what the five most important characteristics of leadership are here at MSU or what do you believe are the eight most important? There are dozens upon dozens of characteristics. This is just the start, the framework.
Lake: Thanks once again for being here. Are there any examples of other schools that have done this?

Calcagni: There are a number of schools with phenomenal leadership programs. To my knowledge, I don’t know anyone’s done exactly what we’re going to be doing. I think this will create interest on this campus and also in the national media and academia as a whole.

McSpadden: This is about actually having a campus wide conversation. We’re not modeling after anybody.

- Office of Activities and Engagement – Kathy Tanner

Tanner: Some of you I’ve met, some of you I haven’t. I am the Director of the Office of Activities and Engagement. Michael invited me to come tonight to give you a brief update. Last spring it was decided that we would merge Student Activities and Community Involvement into one office. The merger became official July 1. It has been kind of crazy since then but in a good way. We’ve been super busy, and I’ll give you some quick highlights. We currently have 185 clubs registered on campus. The rolling funding seems to be going well. 31 clubs have been funded with $16,000 so far from the student organization fee. We have $35,400 in the pot including $20,000 you threw in. Our projects have been very well attended. 90 students have gone to Service Saturdays thus far. We’ve had tons of students involved and we whooped the Grizzlies butt in the food drive. That was a great day. That’s been really exciting. We have about 200 students enrolled in AmeriCorps positions. These students are engaged in service by virtue of courses they are taking and they are awarded money for their education for the service they do. It’s an amazing program that we brought from the Office of Community Involvement that is continuing to grow. Last year we had students earn $343,964.00 collectively. Those are some big numbers. We invest one full time employee in running that program. We have the biggest AmeriCorps program in the state of Montana. We’re proud of that and want to keep that up. We currently have 4,625 full time employees. We’ve been working on a Giving Tree and putting together the Day of Student Recognition. We’ve taken all of our programs and merged them. Our biggest challenge is figuring out workloads and making sure that what we’re asking staff to do is doable. Money is always a challenge but we seem to be doing okay with that right now. We are in the midst of Strategic Investment Proposals and OAE is submitting two. One is supporting student engagement and one is supporting faculty and staff engagement. I have already shared them with Kiah and Lindsay and I would love to hear feedback. We always appreciate your support. The proposals are for $170,000 for student involvement and $65,000 for faculty and staff involvement. We’re looking at investing in a tracking tool. There are some amazing software programs out there which we’ve been learning more about and they are the type of thing that once you get it, you’ve got it. We would be able to say, for example, that by 2019, we did hit our target. We have set some very lofty goals for all of us to be actively engaged. Some of the stuff we’re working on and we’re barreling forward. This year is our steep learning curve year. We’re feeling our way through and doing our best. We’ve done some Strategic Planning to help us map out the future. At the end of the year, we’ll look at where we’re investing financial and human resources. We’ll look at what fits, what doesn’t, and who else might want to take certain things on.

Lake: Thanks for being here. I have two things. Do you see any major issues with the turnover and I was wondering if there is anything we can be doing as Senators to help support you in this transition time?

Tanner: We have had no major problems with turnover. Change is tough and I get when people make decisions because something that is happening may not fit for them. We are able to be supportive of people who need to step away and we’ve managed to keep all of our balls in the air. It’s been interesting
at times but we’re a good team. You have helped out a lot, and at this point I’d just like to get to know you all better. My office is open 99% of the time so come visit! Let’s get to know each other. I want to build some trust with this group of people. When things went down last spring it went down abruptly and some people were pretty shaken. Again, I can understand that. We’re heading in a great direction and I think we have a

Abbey: I want to commend you and your staff. You have done a phenomenal job this fall. It has been great working with you professionally and personally. Kathy is a great person to go to and talk to about anything. I am continually impressed with you and your staff and how thoughtful and deliberate you are on addressing student concerns. I know you have been dealing with some family emergencies and you’ve been doing a phenomenal job.

Thuringer: Thank you so much for coming. I have some questions on the software you discussed. Who would be inputting data? I could see it becoming yet another thing that students needs to do.

Tanner: We’re looking at three products. Collegiate Link, Angel something (Microedge produces it), and Orgsync. Orgsync is most interesting of the three. I’m not very technologically savvy and I’ve been figuring it out! There are different ways the software can be integrated into what we already have going on campus. You can chose to have it set up so that it’s tied into MSU’s Portal so students wouldn’t need an independent login. I say they’re banner compatible but the tech people use a different term. Essentially we’re asking for money to do some serious research and get other people involved to see what’s the best fit for us. If a student organization uses that tool to communicate with people, when they post an event, it automatically posts to the organization’s Facebook page. There are some really interesting and cool advantages to Orgsync which is why I keep coming back to it.

Scafide: For the student benefit, is it essentially an online resume? Why would faculty use it?

Tanner: Students would be able to get a co-curricular transcript from this tool. If we put everything students were involved in on the transcript, it’d be out of control. We’ve been wanting to figure out a way for students to track extracurricular activity in a way that is digestible for graduate schools, employers, etc. The reposting component is huge. There are lots of reports that a lot of different people could run. Clubs could do summary reports to see how much money they raised, how many people came to a specific event, how many people were served, etc. Faculty can use it in same way. There’s going to be an expectation that faculty are engaged and that they are checking off some of the boxes the provost is expecting them to check. I am glad there is this much interest and when we get the funding, I will make sure we get on an agenda to bring more information to you. It would be super if we have some of you involved in finding the best tool for MSU.

- ASMSU Films – Chantell Bury

Bury: I just have a few things to talk about, some upcoming events and where our budget is. Last year during October we had a little over 1,000 people in attendance. Our heavy hitters were Harry Potter and The Help. October this year has been slightly smaller because we didn’t get as much of a turnout for Transamerica and Moonrise Kingdom as I had hoped. There are still a few days left in November. We’re playing Ted and The Campaign so I imagine we’ll end up with a bit over 600 people for the month after the next two days. Rocky Horror Picture Show was a success! We had over 160 people show up on Friday and 142 people on Saturday and raised over 600 pounds of food. We also were able to get the food to the food back the Sunday after which was nice so it wasn’t lying around in the office. Hopefully next year we’ll have more volunteers for cleanup. I wish I could’ve had more of you, so hopefully next year. For the fall we’re looking at about $18,000 for films and a little over $15,000 for the spring. That doesn’t
include the three after spring break. We had three movies that we were supposed to watch last spring that came into this fall so our budget will definitely be close. We’ve spent almost $5,000 for last three films and we hope to keep it right in that dotted line because we have two extra films to pay for this year. These are some of the films for next semester: *Looper, The Perks of Being a Wallflower, Argo, Cloud Atlas, Wreck it Ralph, Lincoln* (which we will be playing during President Lincoln’s birthday week), *The Master* (which wasn’t in the theater here in Bozeman), we’ll have a horror movie, *Sinister, Les Mis, The Hobbit* after Spring Break. In March, we’ll have *Wreck it Ralph* playing for free for Family and Grad Housing. We did it November during the Sunday matinee and we had a good turnout from FGH as well as for families around town. The Sundance Film Festival is in January. We’re sending Colin, our manager, there to see if we can have a mini MSU film festival. He’s looking at hotels and such right now and he’ll be making a presentation to you. If we can’t get that, we’ll try to do something in the summer or at the beginning of next fall. Last year we did the Pro-Expo. We had a really good turnout and showed Tim Burton’s *Batman*. This year, we’re showing *Pokemon* because we grew up with that and I still have friends in my classes that play Pokemon so hopefully that will bring in some people. We also have a 35mm of *Power Rangers* so we might do a double feature.

- **ASMSU Spirit – Laura Frazee and Gabe Francisco**
  
  Frazee: For those of you who don’t know, I’m on a boat next semester traveling the world. I’ll be thinking of you. We’re trying to decide what to do with position while I’m gone. There are a few events in the spring semester. We have the Cat Griz basketball game which I have mixed feelings about and the big thing that is very important and a huge part of my job is Homecoming selection. We have talked and Lindsay is willing to do that for me and so we’re setting that up and looking to give her $350 from my stipend to do it. That is the current plan and we’re still putting that together so if you have questions, email me and we can talk about it. We’re also here to talk about NACA. I went to NACA mainly hoping to get some Homecoming ideas and PR ideas. I went to one session on PR with Isaac and one school was talking about ways they were able to get their campus involved. They have a campus pub for entertainment. Monday they have open mic, Tuesday is karaoke and so on and the schedule is the same week to week. It’s really consistent and they attract better crowds that way. That is something we can look at here. We were talking about using Leigh Lounge because we probably won’t get a pub on campus while we’re here. By having a consistent schedule, people will know when that stuff is happening which could really help us. Another cool thing they do is a lot of TV commercials. They have TVs on campus with commercials. They put stuff on Facebook, Twitter, whatever! That is a really good idea. We don’t do videos but we have a bunch of TVs on campus and in the SUB. They belong to various people and we could talk to them about utilizing the TVs other than to show what is happening in SUB. Streamline could show stuff as well because they have TVs now. I’d like to have more dances, DJs, and things like that because students like to dance and they don’t get to very often. Something else that was mentioned was that this school has a block party on Greek row. They have 3 DJs, it’s sponsored by Red Bull, and it’s basically a giant party for the freshman. What a great idea! I know MT Tech has a concert at the first Saturday of Orientation. It would be really cool to do something like this and open that up to everyone, maybe do it on the mall. It’s just something I’m throwing around. If you liked any of those ideas, email us.

Francisco: I was also at NACA. I did what we call blocked booking so I tried to talk to other schools and get them on board so we could sign up for the same acts and get them for better prices. I talked with Carroll, MSU Northern, Montana Tech, Northern Idaho, Eastern Washington, and Wyoming. Sadly I didn’t seem U of M there. We actually have an event tomorrow. Chris Cunningham and Story Hill. If you haven’t checked them out, please do. That’s tomorrow at noon in the Leigh Lounge. Geoff Keith and
Kayvon are both college aged comedians that we have booked. They’re very topical and comedy for our age so we’re excited for that. Another band we’ve booked is Aces Up, a rock country band from Eastern Washington. We’re looking at February 7th for him. Another speaker we found was really cool. His name is Michael Hixson and he was in the World Trade Center when it was hit. He is blind and he trains leader dogs and his dog led him and 35 other people out of the towers. So he speaks and does lectures and such and he’s been on Animal Planet, PBS, and lots of cool stuff. Another guy we’re really excited about is Cass Haley. He was the runner up on America’s Got Talent and we is a rock, reggae, and acoustic artist and we got him for $1500 because we block-booked him with other schools instead of his normal price of $5,000. We’re also looking at having a Mardi Gras party on February 12th. Chantell Bury’s band, TBA, local bands, etc. will be performing. We also got a really good deal at NACA. I’ve signed this contract so we also have a specialized shirt deal that I got a code for at the conference.

Frazee: We can purchase 200 shirts with the same screen print and if we do, we get them at the cost of buying 2,000 shirts so that could be about $3 per shirt.

Francisco: That can be used by anyone on campus so let people in clubs and such know because I am willing to give that code out.

Stiles: So who is doing Spirit?

Frazee: From January to the end of March, there will be no one. From March to the end of April, Lindsay would do this.

Murdock: And to clarify, I will be out of office at this point.

Frazee: I talked to Colleen and Brandi. They said to bring it up and we don’t think it will need to be voted on so this is the plan for now. If you have problems with that, we can address them.

Murdock: Funding isn’t an issue. I’m willing to do it either way. Homecoming is a big deal and it needs to be moved forward with. I’m willing to do it no matter what.

Townshend: We will revisit this topic at a later date.

Stevens: Thanks for coming and your dedication in the past few months. You’ve done a great job and I’m looking forward to some of the event ideas you now have.

Brown: First thing I’d like to point out is that this is Bryn’s bet, not mine. He’ll be singing. So you’re probably wondering why the Student Body President and Vice President are wearing blue and gold. I was the ball boy for the Bobcats growing up. I was the ball boy when Travis Lulay was QB. You guys should be proud because we’re wearing your colors tomorrow. My parents are proud and they’re boosters to MSU. I want you to know I was here when it was bad. I was 11 before the Cats beat the Griz in my lifetime. They had lost 16 years in a row. So celebrate their success, I’ll be rooting them on top a national championship, and take their success with a grain of humility. The Cats would need to win 34 more years in a row to beat the Griz. We’ve been playing for 112 years and the total series is 70-37, with the Griz winning 70 games. The largest win was in 1904 when the Griz beat the Bobcats 70-0. The
longest years was when the Griz beat the Bobcats 16 years in a row from 1986-2001. That was broken in the legendary 10-7 game in 2001. I’d like to leave you with that and Bryn has a story about the Cats.

Hagfors: The only one that comes to mind is when Zack’s brother got left in microwave for ten seconds and he’s never walked the same again. You’ll have to excuse me here, I didn’t actually see the sheet music so the whole pitch thing might not be here.

Murdock: This is the one time I will not let any of you sign along. He has to do this by himself.

Hagfors: I would also like to disclaim that I do not affiliate with any of his past. No love for the Bobcats and I feel dirty. I’ll be at the game; cheering for you guys and I’ll cheer for Montana.

Sings Fight Song.

Brown: What were we going to talk about? We have a few collaborative things. We want to work closely with Dani Clark and your Executive Team in this upcoming legislative session. We have a great relationship with ASMSU and, game day aside, we work with you closely and really enjoy that relationship and it’s important that we maintain that relationship in Helena. We’ve hired a lobbyist as well to be working with us there. We’ll be here talking about a few things this weekend. I’ll be working with Blake on a Smart Buildings Initiative to increase energy efficiency across the whole university system. We want to be advocates for efficiency and make sure that we are doing things that are good for the environment. It’s a fiscally smart move to reduce waste on inefficient buildings and we’re working hard on that process. We’re meeting with Terry Leist tomorrow on a budget mechanism to reinvest savings into future energy projects. We wanted to give a shout out because we have something on our campus called a Revolving Energy Loan Fund which is paid for through student fees. It works as a fund that is available to student projects toward energy efficiency projects and you can get a loan from that and the energy savings pays back into that loan. It would work really well on this campus because you have such a great Engineering Program and we wish we had that because we have a bunch of tree huggers and you have Engineers coming out of your ears so you have the hard skills to pump out Engineering projects. We got the idea from a national conference from Harvard a few years ago and it’s becoming a trend across the country and we’d love to help you guys do this because it would just fly because you have all of the student expertise in the world to make this work. We’ll be talking with some of you about this after. We’re interested in restructuring our Senate because we currently have 26 at-large Senators and we think the concept of diversifying representation is a great one. We want to know what your challenges have been and what has worked well and hopefully build support to do a similar thing.

Hagfors: Last night we held our own Senate meeting, in that meeting we talked about adding a legislative agenda in support of LGBTQAI. While our group has declared that supporting that group is very important, we tabled that resolution. We feel this is a fight worth continuing on with and would like to see our two bodies in solidarity. We’re continuing to push for that and if anyone in this body would like to join on to that effort, we’d be very interested.

Brown: To clarify, we passed a similar resolution about changing the Board of Regents policy months ago. This is a different resolution about making that a legislative effort.

Hagfors: That fight was very much won on the regent level. The other thing I’d like to talk about along the lines of the Revolving Energy Loan Fund is to get MUS to talk about student generated fees on an annual basis and review those yearly. This would enable us who only serve a one year term to see the fruit of our labor. If anyone is interested in that, contact Kiah or I. In closing, it’s fun to give you a hard
time but it’s more fun for you because you’re the majority right now. I have to say it’s been awesome to collaborate closely with you, especially those two. You have fantastic leadership and a great institution and we look forward to being well connected with each other and moving forward. We can learn a lot from each other and avoid reinventing the wheel which will help make both bodies more efficient.

Townshend: Thank you once again. I think it’s cool that we can have decent conversations. It’ll be super important that we’re working together with the upcoming Legislative Session. Be thinking about how we can work with U of M and these guys because the more we work together, the more change we can accomplish in this session.

Rowe: What was the score of the last Cat Griz football game?

Brown: 16-7

Stiles: What bet did you lose?

Hagfors: It was my bet. I initiated it and I take full ownership. I was that guy and called Lindsay out and challenged her that the loser of the game would go to the other school and sing the other school’s fight song. I also did that when we had a losing record.

Bjornson: For the record, I sang the U of M fight song last year.

Hagfors: I decided not to go with the President this year because I was afraid he’d switch affiliation on me.

Abbey: Thank you so so much for being here. We are setting phenomenal tone that ensures that this relationship continues. I appreciate you guys humiliating yourselves, or rather allowing yourselves to be humiliated. Thanks for informing us of what you’re working on. I’d like to call out senators who are working with U of M right now. Cara has been working on a Strategic Plan Initiative with Zach, and Katie has been working on another mass project where fees will be reviewed with someone from ASMSUB as well. This relationship will be great in making sure both bodies pass Regents’ priorities for legislature. Thanks to everyone for making sure this relationship continues.

Howard: Do we get an encore?

Finance Board Policy – Erica McKay

McKay: You should all have a copy. I hope you read it. I’ll take that as we agree on a lot of it. We haven’t had a finance board for a really long time. We’ve never had a document that lines out what we should be doing, so that is what this is. Everything will be looked on at a case by case basis. Exceptions can be made deemed valid. I know it’s been a long day of presentations and with this last one, we get to fight. Notice this document says shall, never will. Requests will always be typed. One of our duties as ASMSU is to promote leadership and to provide opportunities for students to grow in professional and personal ways. Requesting money in a professional way is great. Typing requests is essential. Everything has to be sponsored by an ASMSU program director. We had issues last year with the Blue & Gold Ball. It was not directly affiliated with ASMSU. Certain events definitely further our missions and goals, however, so we want to make sure we are representing students in a vocal and financial way. So having the sponsorship of a Program Director will be required from here on out. In the past, if a President approved of a request it would go to Finance Board. That was great because the President usually were responsible and know what they are talking about. From here on out to make sure the Administrative Council is agreeing on the whole, that will be brought to all of our admin meetings so you know it’s just not coming from Kiah
or Lindsay or whoever but from the entire body. Everything under $300 will go straight to the Admin Council and they will make those recommendations to you. However, only 10% of the supplemental funds will be allowed to be used on these supplementals that are $300 or less. If they spent $3,000 in two months, no more of those will be allowed. That is a bit of a check and balance on what the Admin Board is thinking. Hopefully this will increase effectiveness and efficiency. We will continue to use an alternating schedule. Finance Board will meet the week before Senate sees it so you will have time to go over proposals, talk to program directors, and do what you need to do. We’ll be holding meetings every other week in the fall semester and we’ll meet more often in the spring and pick apart every cent. The Presentations will be given by the ASMSU program directors. Our idea was that our program directors should be passionate about these and very informed. Senator Stiles was a great example when he was CE Director. He was involved from beginning to end, knew all questions. There were some specifics he didn’t know so we highly recommend the beneficiary comes to those board meetings as a supplement so our meetings can be more productive. We have just a few more policies that we’d like to have from year to year. We will do no retroactive funding. We’re not a credit card company, people need to plan these things out and put thought into it. Also, we won’t be looking at requests not sponsored by an ASMSU program director. We will not supplement on overspent budgets. We had issues with that last year. The supplemental you will see tonight sparked this last item. Most of the things ASMSU helps are ongoing events that are brought to us by the students and not owned by the university, so we’re going to try to stay away from institutionalized programs. Having out Business Manager take minutes has been great, so we will continue to have that person take minutes and distribute them within no more than two days.

Vanata: I haven’t been receiving emails.

Townshend: We will review this after. We will look over this document again in the spring. Get information to Senate Vice President McKay as soon as possible.

McKay: It’s important that we all agree on this because we have tasked this board with giving you responsible and accurate recommendations and if you don’t agree with what we’re working under, we have a separation between what we want to get done. We all need to agree on this as a good foundation to work off of.

Reid: I just want to say that I can tell this is really well written and that you have put a lot of time into this.

McKay: Thank your Finance Board members. The people you have appointed are very responsible and are doing a very fantastic job. Email me thoughts, comments, concerns, suggestions, anything like that!

• Unfinished Business
  o 2012-R-19 Support for Campus Safety Advisory Board
    ▪ Sponsors: Hannah Mains, Cara Thuringer, Simone Scafide

Thuringer: move to take 2012-R019 off the table.

Seconded by Scafide.

Townshend: Discussion on 2012-R-19.

Thuringer: Move to amend current document to replace with proposed document.

Seconded Scafide.
McKay: Move to amend proposed amendment: scratch “every last Wednesday” on line 19
Seconded Scafide.

Townshend: Discussion on amendment?
Rowe: Is this an amendment of amendment?
McKay: Yes.

Placard vote: 20/0/0.

Townshend: Discussion of proposed amendment?

Stevens: I move to amend line 13 to strike “one IRHA representative, on fraternity/sorority representative, and one at-large representative” and insert “and three at large representatives.”
Seconded by Stiles.

Scafide: One of the concerns we had about at large is how we appoint those. We’d be concerned there wouldn’t be enough diversity among representatives and I don’t think we can guarantee there is three Senators if there is not an application process.

Stiles: We do need to have an application process. Opening it to at large enhances the talent pool we can pull from and will open up more options. We can still have the same people represented; it’s just a technical wording.

Thuringer: I guess I’d like to explain why we did this. We wanted to make sure we explicitly stated that we include representation of students who live on campus, close to campus, and somewhere that was lacking. IRHA is on campus and has its own set of issues. Fraternity/sorority houses are closer to campus and have a high concentration of students biking or walking to campus. At large would hopefully be someone commuting by car or who rides the Streamline or something like that.

Mains: With the seat for IRHA, I talked to IRHA president and it would be great for her to be on that board. Having that body work with our body would be a great step forward in our relationship.

Stiles: Again. We’re closing off options by specifying this in the resolution. We are not servicing the student body by that logic. We encourage people from all of these groups to be on the board which is why we will have three seats and by keeping it open we will really service student safety.

Stevens: The entire intent of modifying this, as John has spoken to, is to give everyone on this campus an equal opportunity to be on this board. We shouldn’t close off doors to any person because we already have a Greek on this board, for example. I strongly support three at large senators.

Reid: Everyone will still have equal opportunity to be on this board. What if the three reps all came from IRHA? We won’t get equal representation if we don’t specify.

Mckay: I would like some clarification from authors. The three distinctions are: Senate, IRHA, Greek. Does this at large student exclude from those groups? I have a similar fear to Reid. If these distinctions will be made, are those restrictive in that if we must have a Senator who is not Greek and strictly ASMSU? What about the at large person: can they be Greek?
Scafide: We will make sure we have representatives from on-campus housing, either ResLife or Greek. We want to make sure at least one or two of those representatives represent students on campus. We want to leave the rest as open as possible. ASMSU Senators can possibly fulfill multiple requirements.

McKay: I would say having all at-large seats would not make a difference in who’s represented because if you don’t restrict it, you’re going to get all of the same demographics.

Howard: We’re trying to get the best people on the board. It doesn’t matter if it’s fraternity, sorority, or IRHA. We want people who want to be there. Lots of Senators are RAs, Greek, etc. We might as well have it be three open seats so we can get a more diverse group.

French: Move to previous questions.

Seconded by Howard.

Vote: 15/4/0. One abstention.

Townshend: We will move to an immediate vote to strike “one IRHA representative, on fraternity/sorority representative, and one at-large representative” and replace with “and three at large representatives.”

Vote: 8/11/0. One abstention.

Townshend: Amendment fails. Back into discussion on proposed amendment.

Vanata: I move to amend an addition too line 27. After Faculty Senate, I’d like to include “Director of Facilities”.

Seconded by Scafide.

Mains: One of the things I was going to amend was associate VP of Students is wrong, it’s associate VP of Facilities. Instead of Director, it’s the Associate Vice President because he wants to work on this.

Townshend: This is probably not 100% up to par. In line 9 when you said Associate Vice President for Admin did you mean Vice President for Finance and Administration? Who did you mean?

Mains: Bob.

Townshend: Were you referring to Bob Lashaway?

Mains: Yes.

Okay. In line 26, when you said Associate Vice President of Students, who were you referring to?

Mains: That’s the one I want to replace with Associate Vice President of Facilities.

Townshend: Would you be willing to accept those additions in same amendment?

Vanata: Yes.

Seconded by Horn.

Stiles: Move to table this legislation until we can get this grammatically correct and we all can get on the same page. This legislation still needs a lot of work. I motion we discuss it after break.
Seconded by Reid.

Vote: 13/5/0. 2 abstentions.

Townshend: We will discuss this in the first Senate meeting of the spring on Jan 17th. We have no further unfinished business. Now to new business.

- New Business
  - 2013-Funding-8 Marching Band
    - ASMSU Spirit: Laura Frazee

McKay: Most of what we discussed should have been in Business Manager Jackson’s email that you all read. Pros: They are students like everyone else here at ASMSU. ASMSU benefits from their services quite a bit with the parade, homecoming, etc. They benefit a huge mount of people affiliated with MSU. Cons: They are funded through Music Department and they are largely supported by Athletic Department as well. We believe this would fit better financially under that organization as far as asking for financial support. It is a voluntary choice for them and they are an institutionalized program. Starting to support institutionalized programs is a slippery slope. They are already established and have support elsewhere. We also didn’t have enough information to move forward with this. The Program Director was not able to make it to meeting, nor was representative from the Marching Band. All of our questions went unanswered. The other problem we found was that it was not event specific. It was essentially asking for money and not specifying what it would go to. And it’s not for something ASMSU is specifically involved in. This resolution failed in the Finance Board meeting with 6 nays, one abstention. Our faculty member didn’t feel he had enough information to vote. We suggested that we budget into Spirit’s annual budget a line item that can show our support financially by supporting the Marching Band with a donation when they play at our events. We want to send a message that we love what they do and how they do it and that we really appreciate when they play at our events, but this is not the right avenue to say that. In further years, we hope to address this more efficiently and effectively.

French: Move to approve.

Seconded by Mains.

Lamm: I would like to support this if it had a specific purpose. I agree with McKay on that.

Thuringer: Where does the marching band get their funding?

Murdock: Partially from the School of Music and partially from Athletics.

Jackson: From the information we reviewed, the Department of Music is their main sponsor. They have approached the Athletic Department for more money and they made it clear the band is not their first priority.

Kostelnik: When I marched from 2000-2004, most of the funding was from the School of Music. We would get additional supplemental from Athletics when they were feeling generous or when we needed something extra. It was not my understanding that they regularly gave us money.

Thuringer: So currently there is no student fee money going to this with the exception of the School of Music?

McKay: On Thuringer’s point, I also want to caution this body that it’s not our place to approve supplemental funds based on where we understand their funding is coming from. Disregard that
thought. It wouldn’t be responsible when voting. I would like to point out that this did come to me as a request for a sousaphone. However, that would have made it a capital request. I did not feel it was appropriate to make this a capital request because we have that reserve account to invest in ASMSU and our programs. I’m welcoming contention to that idea. That’s what this resolution started as.

Stevens: It’s important to speak on our knowledge, or lack thereof. The biggest argument is that we collect student fees for ASMSU and ASMSU-related programs. Our intent is to serve a wide variety of students and not to take away from the money we received for programs and put it back toward tuition money everyone has to pay. We must be more fiscally responsible for our actions. Using our budget that was allocated for events to fund the marching band is not responsible because those are student fees.

Horn: I’d like to echo that. I don’t think it’s AMSU’s responsibility to buy equipment for any college or school. This needs to go through the school itself or the university and maybe they need to raise their budget. It is not our place to buy them equipment because then we’d set a precedent. How do you differentiate if someone needs a SMART Board? Is that okay? It seems like we’re trying to slide it under as something else.

Stiles: What sets me back with approving funds for this is no one is here to support this. No one presented at Finance Board which caused some frustration to that Board. No one is here at this meeting after we told them we’d like to have a presence. We have learned that Cruzado was possibly kicking in some funds so the Board was also gun shy because we don’t know what their needs are to obtain additional items. That’s why I’m voting against this.

Thuringer: I’d like to clarify that it’s great that we support the Marching Band in some way but this is not way we ought to do it. It is not college specific. There are suggestions of alternate ways to deal with supporting them and there are some better options. This sets a weird precedent and I’m not comfortable with it.

McKay: I do have very set intentions to work on this with Jackson, Higgins, and Laura to adjust our Spirit Budget for next year. This is not correct avenue to meet these needs. I would like to recognize President Abbey. This was brought to her and I’d like to hear your side.

Abbey: Number one I’d like to say that last spring we did give $1000 from the supplemental fund to support the Taylor Planetarium Renovation. The Marching Band came to me. The Marching Band is not being adequately funded. Another alternative here is possibly writing a resolution that states that we support the success of the Marching Band and encourage the institution to adequately fund them. They have duct-taped instruments. Instruments have metal mouthpieces. Their coats leak. They can’t afford warm enough clothes. Two of their members got frostbite last season. We do need to find some way to support students who are dedicating so much of their time, which is the original purpose of this resolution. We are trying to say that ASMSU supports the Marching Band. While this is a way to say it financially, it can be just as meaningful if we do it using our affluence on campus. This body had gone to multiple other sources of funding. Athletics told them it is not their priority right now. They could put a proposal up the ranks and do a capital campaign with the Alumni Foundation, but the bureaucracy is slow unfortunately. So they came to me and told me they’ve exhausted their resources. They need $55,000 of new equipment. Student Success has put in $4,000 and President Cruzado has offered up $10,000. This is a way we can thank the people in the Marching Band. It is important that we cheer them on and volleyball, basketball, and more! Thank you for thoughtful and deliberate consideration of this supplemental.
McKay: I will not support this tonight, and I will be putting forth budget recommendations for next year. Rest assured this is not being pushed under the rug.

Lamm: Is this a time sensitive request?

Erica: From my understanding, the original idea was to get the sousaphone. Currently, they are borrowing one from the high school that is being held together by duct tape. It’s not necessarily that they won’t be able to perform tomorrow.

Abbey: The $14,000 already collected has taken care of some immediate needs. The band wasn’t even going to go to Cat-Griz because they couldn’t afford transportation and they were able to go. They have 6 brand new sousaphones that Eckroth music ordered for them but they can’t be used until the band pays for them. However, this would provide instant gratification for the band.

Lamm: I want to change my position. This is a small portion of our supplemental. It’s amazing what a chunk of money can do to lift the spirit of the Marching Band and to show our support. We always say we’re going to do all this stuff and it often doesn’t happen. I’m not saying it’s not going to. However, the band is a powerful source of spirit for all students and it’s a very tangible thing.

Scafide: How soon would they have access to the money?

Jackson: There is a chain of people it needs to go through, but they could possibly get it over break.

Scafide: I do agree this went through the wrong way. We discussed that the Finance Board policy is in case things come up. But I’m looking at it as ASMSU should support its students and student body. I would rather have them get the sousaphone now, especially since the football team is doing well. We should support school spirit, the football team, and this school rather than wait for the spring. The bottom line is this is a cause we all feel is worthy. We support the Marching Band and school spirit. The students get something from this.

Stiles: We need to look at this because they are so heavily tied to Athletics. This can set slippery slope and it’s a large portion of our supplemental account. Unfortunately I can’t see a direct need for ASMSU to intervene. They haven’t done their research and they need to come to ASMSU prepared. If they were here and invested I would not be so opposed. However, I do not think we can take that much money from our account and I would not feel comfortable telling our students we are fiscally responsible if we passed this.

Scafide: Move to previous question.

Seconded by Mains.

Vote 19/0/0. One abstention.

Townshend: We will move into an immediate vote. Voting in favor of this is going against Finance Board so we would need a 2/3 vote. If you vote no, it only requires the majority.

Vote: 2/18/0. Supplemental fails.

- Admin Reports
  - President – Kiah Abbey

Abbey: I don’t have a lot tonight. I have a quick update on Board of Regents. It went very well. MSU was the star of the show. We gave some great presentations. MSU Northern made a great presentation
about their campus. The nondiscrimination policy was brought up and put on the record. Christian did talk about it in his opening comments. We spoke about creating an implementation plan committee, and I will hopefully be meeting with him next week when he comes into town so we can talk in person. We spoke about the nondiscrimination policy stuff in the luncheon with the students and the Regents. There was a lot of public comment on it. A woman even came from Seattle to do commentary on it. The news coverage has been phenomenal. The *Exponent* did a great job covering it this week. There was also a story online in the *San Francisco Gate* which is exciting. We made the national news kind of! There is some very interesting commentary online on all of the articles so look at that. The controversy is always interesting to see. That’s it for the Board of Regents stuff. We’re still working on the annual review of student generated fees. Bryn and I have a mockup of that resolution that we hope to bring to this body in early spring. Senator Reid has been working to make sure the activity and gym fees of students who are getting their degree from this campus but are going to school on a different campus are going to the campus where they are currently taking classes. We want to make sure all of those fun time fees are going to the campus students should be having fun on. There’s a project Joe Thiel and I are working on which is a Student Experience Lab on campus. It would be a research course focused on student experience issues, reviewing the efficiency of financial aid, things like that. It would be fairly malleable and would be a cool opportunity to get an academic review of the projects we are working on. The fourth thing we’re working on is aligning all election times for the different bodies. We have an exciting thing happening on campus: Random Acts of Shakespeare. Please sign up. It’s a study break for students and research shows that students who take breaks perform better and retain more knowledge. We will be having them every five hours. There will be random readings of Shakespeare and anyone who wants to come and participate can do so. They will be quick, 3 minute readings, very dramatic, and props can be involved if you are interested. So keep your eyes open when you’re in the library studying. There was a poster for teams for a nerf gun fight war in the gym this Saturday. If you’re interested in putting together a team, it’s $5 per team, up to six members, and it would be a great way to show our support of other campus organizations and play some games.

Howard: Do you have to have your own nerf gun for this?

Abbey: Oh! It says “bring your nerf gun and your friends for an epic tournament.” So I’m sure you’ll all run to Walmart for that because the zombie apocalypse is coming in a few weeks and you want to be prepared.

Vice-President – Lindsay Murdock

Murdock: We had a Romney Renaissance meeting earlier this week. We talked about who will decide who gets to go into Romney and how we will decide that. We settled on an RFP process and we’re meeting next week to firm this up. We would give vision of Romney and do an entire campus callout to have people who are interested present to us. They would tell us “this is how we want to use Romney and this is how we will represent that vision.” We’ll come up with an evaluation process to determine who should use the space and present it to the Provost and President to make a final decision. We’ll firm that process up next week during our meeting and the campus callout will be soon after. If you’re a member of a group or work for an office on campus who is interested in this at all, make sure to relay that information along to them. We’re still moving forward with the Outdoor Rec hiring. We have lots of awesome candidates. Make sure you are there for Mike’s retirement party next Thursday, December 6th from 3-5 in the Leigh Lounge. He has done a lot for this organization and we want to send him out with a bang. The Junior One Acts are Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Doors open at 6:45 and they start at 7:30. It would be awesome to recognize the students you serve. Upheaval was earlier this week and it was super cool. Thank you to all of you who filled out the 360 evaluations for us. We received some really
thoughtful feedback. Thanks for giving us both positive and constructive feedback. Yes, Josh, I did remember a quote. I will be getting a new genre of quote for next semester. Tonight’s quote is “Listen without defending and speak without offending” (Drake). Also, I received some feedback from someone who came to the Open House last night. It was a really cool event but it was weird because I feel like a lot of the ASMSU people stood in a circle and it escalated into this huge debate on ASMSU stuff. So this is something to be careful of and I am just as guilty of it. These Open Houses are intended to network with constituents and help them understand our organization and how we can help them. Make sure to reach out to them when they come into office. Just be aware of that so people feel like we’re approachable and that they can talk to us.

Business Manager – Lauren Jackson

On that note, I’d like to remind you that you all do share an office space with Legal Services and the Operations Manager and it can be awkward when issues escalate into fights. It’s highly inappropriate for our office setting. The supplemental fund is still at $29,708.80. The Reserve Fund is at $504,984.09. There have been no changes. Questions for me? Have a great break!

Senate President – Michael Townshend

First I’d like to announce that three of our Senators will not be returning next spring. Senator Horn is going back to Maryland to finish his student teaching. Senator Scafide will be doing her thesis and student teaching back in New Jersey. Senator Lake will be accepting a lot more responsibility as the Vice Wing Commander for Air Force ROTC. It’s sad we’re losing them but we hope you’ll be in touch with ASMSU and thanks for all you’ve done. Those three seats will be open starting December 6th so we will begin the appointment process so replacements can be figured out by early January. We have two seats in EHHD and one At Large. The holiday party will be December 6th at 6pm in the Lindley Center. It’s up on the hill by hospital. If you’re interested in carpooling, talk to other senators. There will be a white elephant gift exchange. If you want to participate, bring a gift. Also, it will be a potluck. There is a sign up sheet for food in the office on the board. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Reid: I heard this is going to be formal and ugly sweater.

Townshend: It will be ugly sweater.

Abel: Are these supposed to be gag gifts?

Townshend: It can be whatever. There is no theme. It doesn’t have to be gag gifts. We talked about Articles 3 and 4 of the Bylaws this week. It’s a slow process but we’re getting through it. We won’t be having a meeting next week but we’ll be working on articles 5 and 6 over the next few weeks and meeting about those in January. Those are some big ones. Tiffany, what are those?

Kostelnik: Article 5 is Senate Standing Rules and 6 is programs.

Erica: Not anymore.

Kostelnik: Yeah. I’ve got the new version.

Townshend: Well I’ll let you guys now. Senate rules are going to be important so I’ll send those out. Please look at those. Erica and I will send out a survey a lot like what Kiah and Lindsay did to discuss how we’re doing. We’re looking for feedback on how you feel Senate is going. We will have lots to do in the spring semester so fill that out. We’ll send it out soon. Please be thinking about how we want to use our ballot. The ballot will be open March 5 and 6 for President and Vice President. There are also some
potential fee changes and different items on there. What we’re looking at is if the ballot is a formal or informal thing to see if we can have programs use it to poll students across campus. So please think about that. On that note, elections will be same as this last October. We had talked about moving it to spring and that’s still up for debate but we’re going to leave them in the fall for now because we don’t have time to make those changes. I have been asked to speak on behalf of office staff. Please remember not to overuse the printer and copy machine for personal use. Remember you have free money to print on campus. Also, please don’t rummage through the front desk. There are personal and confidential items in there so please don’t go through that. Ask the front desk people if you need something because they can get it for you. There are also supplies for us on table by printer and in the cabinet. Remember to be respectful when people are in the office asking questions. It is hard for the front desk people to answer questions if senators are being loud and asking for help at the same time. As Business Manager Jackson said, I heard some good discussions in office today, but don’t go too far and attack people. Let’s remember to be respectful of people. I think that’s a general life rule.

- Senate Vice President – Erica McKay
Open house attendance was really cool. There were more people than last time, lots of senators and extra people. It was really cool so let’s keep that going. In terms of the listening session, I didn’t see many of you there. There were four people there for the longest time. I think you really do owe President Abbey and Vice President Murdock for the way they represent our organization. We had a few concerned students and they handled themselves maturely and responsibly. Make sure you tell each other thank you. Pats on the back are great. We had a great finance board discussion. I appreciate that you’re taking the time to look into those so thanks for that. I’d like to see that be adopted in the first few weeks of the next semester so let me know if you have any questions about that. With Finance Board, we’ve spent $15,000 of our $34,000. We usually get lots more requests in spring so we will probably run out of money which is sad so think of that when you’re approving items. $20,000 was put into the line item from Senate last year and it’s a huge lifeline for them so keep that in mind. I went to the Streamline Advisory Board Meeting and we need to seriously discuss how we want to move forward with that in this body. We currently have three seats on that board and we’re just not showing up to the table. So talk to each other about that, talk to Colleen, talk about what we want to be doing. We want to make sure we are really following through with our commitments and I understand people have classes but let’s focus on making sure we’re showing up to those meetings. Maybe we need to drop a few of our seats. There are alternate options so think about that over break. Look out for article 6 which is elections. There will be a big discussion with elections. It is very pivotal for this organization and we had a great discussion on that at our Open House, though it probably wasn’t the most appropriate place for that, and I’d like to further that and get everyone involved. Congratulations on making it into the San Francisco Gate. We’ve shown that what is going on here in Montana is progressive on a national level. Thanks to all for your hard work. I know it’s been a tough, busy semester. You guys are very good representatives of the student body and I’m continuously impressed with your conversation and actions every day. Thank you for all of your hard work on the behalf of your student body. We have a lot of force behind us coming out of this semester and I hope we can bring that into the next semester and get even more done. I hope everyone has a great, great break and I will see everyone in the ugliest sweater I can find next Thursday.

- Senate Reports
Lamm: To continue on with the Streamline. I talked to David, the Director of Transportation, today and we talked about adding an airport route close to break time. It would take some more finances to do. They just got a 100,000 grant but it’s still a work in progress. If you’re interested in this, let me know.
He’s still working on the numbers but he should have hard data for you soon. We’re trying to get to the point where the Streamline is at the county level. We’re feeling some resistance. It’s been hard to talk to the country representatives and try to get them to put it on the ballot but we’re working on taking steps forward to get the student voice heard with county reps. I don’t know if you saw on Facebook or not but I made like 140 cookies for football team and I guess it started something. They were all super appreciative of us and I would like to keep doing it for all of our sports teams. I am willing to teach you how to cook so if you want to do that, let me know! It really affects our athletes in a positive way.

Stevens: Luke and I met with RSF. The biggest thing on our radar is that RSF is operating over capacity. There are roughly 1000 unfulfilled locker requests. We’re trying to get an addition to the Sports Center. Melanie emailed me rough numbers. It would be about $1.9 million dollars for the addition. The reason that number is so high is because we also have to pay for water, heating, and things like that in addition to the lockers. It’s a big issue because there have been lots of thefts at RSF so this is something we need to consider. Keep it on your radar. Let me know if you have questions, concerns, anything.

Schaff: Tomorrow there will be setup for the KGLT music swap at the Fairgrounds. That will also be taking place on Saturday. There is lots going on this weekend and lots of people need help so email volunteerbozeman@gmail.com if you can help out with set up tomorrow. Anything you can do to help this weekend would be greatly appreciated.

Vanata: I’ve been going to LI meetings. There will be a Strategic Plan meeting on Sunday. Kiah will be there. It’s from 3-6pm. I saw a few senators signed up. Carmen McSpadden, the Director, is really interested and determined to be involved in taking this Year of Engaged Leadership on as part of their mission. Be there Sunday. There will be food and drinks. If you have questions, talk to Kiah or I, email me. An LI scholarship was donated by a previous LI associate. They gave to LI to award it and they want it to go to an associate to thank them for how much hard work they put in. They get paid 10-15 hours a week but they sometimes put in up to 40 hours when there’s a big event. It’s really a labor of love working in there so they want to reward them for doing that. Be there on Sunday in SUB168.

Abeh: I met with Eric Vann, the Elections Director, and discussed other things that he was looking at doing. The bulk of his position is at the beginning of the year. He’s looking at potentially restructuring elections and other things that would help promote ASMSU to students to have a better voter turnout. He’s talked about forums and debate type things. There could be mixers with your Senator and opportunities to allow students to get to know us as a body. The goal is to get awareness out so that when we do have elections again, we’ll have better turnout with students. If you have any ideas, let me know.

Thuringer: Hannah Safford wanted me to let you know that Upheaval went super well. Lots of guilds were very excited with the turnout and it went well despite some kinks. They did get their quote for renovations. That will be starting December 7th and will be done by Friday, January 11th. She was able to get everything that was in the original request and under budget. If you see her, give her a high five because she’s awesome.

- Senate Announcements

Stiles: I went to parking appeals today. We’re supposed to have 2 or 3 Senators there. 4 of us were present, me and 3 other ladies that are very stringent about upholding parking tickets so be careful where you park.

Townshend: How many seats do we have?
Stiles: They told me we have two or three.

Vanata: Giving away free student tickets at the end of the basketball game tonight. If you swipe your Cat Card, you could get free tickets to the football game this weekend. Scafide: Move to adjourn.

Seconded by Thuringer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.