ASMSU Senate Meeting Minutes for October 4th, 2012

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Roll Call: Excused-none

Review Previous Meeting’s Minutes:

September 27th, 2012

Move to approve the previous minutes made by: Mains

Seconded by Vanata

Public Comment:

Phyllis: The Streamline committee will be emailing you tomorrow, please look for it. They are going to take a Streamline survey October 8th and 9th; it will be passed out on the bus.

Erica Swanson: Parent family weekend is this next weekend and we will have approximately 1000 family member on campus. I encourage you to wear your name tag. Please help them out and answer any questions that they may have. We want to invite you to an after-hour social at the Museum of the Rockies. This will be from 5:30-7:30 on Friday October 12th

Presentations:

- Chad Satterlee: NDAA Legislation, Section 1021

No presentation was given.

- Walter Bazinger: New College of Business Building

Bazinger: We are giving you a sneak peak of what we want the new college of business to look like. The first drawing you are seeing is the southwest elevation. It is broken up into two main components: administrative offices on the red side; the metal side will house the classrooms and a café. The first floor will have a public forum and collision space for students and faculty to meet. The classrooms will have removable walls to make them bigger and provide multi use. The second floor will have a multiple discipline learning center along with more collision space. We want to incorporate a lot of glass to provide visibility. The building is a sculpture that shows what is on the inside through the design on the exterior. The third floor incorporates collaborative space for people to work together, also a family room as well as a unisex restroom for parents coming with kids. The fourth floor will have collaborative work rooms more classroom space and open faculty spaces. The building is intended to be sustainable and photovoltaics on the roof. This will be connected to the campus utilities system. We are looking at ground source wells to help with the heating and cooling of the building. This will be the most energy
efficient academic building on campus. Some spaces can be changed from formal to informal. The glass wall will have a map of Montana inscribed into it.

French: What is the average size of the classrooms?
Bazinger: About 40

French: How many of these size classrooms will there be?
Bazinger: There are four 40 and then the rest are in the 30 and twenty seat range.

French: Will the café be part of the University Food Service?
Bazinger: There is some discussion about this going on about various options for that versus a third party franchise or possible a Starbucks coffee kind of option. This is still being investigated.

Lamm: How many faculty offices are going to be in the building?
Bazinger: 51 including the open spaces.

Lamm: Is there a need currently on campus for all of those offices.
Bazinger: Those are current needs for the business faculty.

Thuringer: I love the design and the collision spaces. Are there any computer lab rooms?
Bazinger: No, the thought is that those spaces will go away in the future. Although, a room could be changed into one if it is needed.

McKay: Henry and I surveyed a bunch of business students last year and 95% of those kids didn’t want the computer labs.

Bazinger: There will be lots of wireless in the new building.

Thuringer: Do you know the total cost of the whole building?
Bazinger: The total project budget is 18 million.

McKay: We went to the design team yesterday and requested that the family bathrooms were included. Thank you for putting those in there and cooperating.

Stiles: Could the café be used as a learning experience for the business school?
Bazinger: No, the thought was that this wasn’t the business school’s primary enterprise purpose.

McKay: The deans were the ones who weren’t satisfied with that idea.

Goldstein: I wonder how that glass will hold up with the hail.
Bazinger: The glass will be tempered and shielded in many cases; it should survive most average storms.

Horn: How are you going to address the ADA requirements for safety?

Bazinger: There is an elevator, main stairs, and two fire stairs.

Jackson: How many computers are you thinking of having in the open spaces?

Bazinger: I’m not sure right now, but there will probably be about 10 to 15.

Lake: What was the bidding process on this; do you have a contractor in mind?

Bazinger: We do have a contractor; this isn’t a low bid process. It is a partnership between a design team, the owner and a construction manager. We solicited proposals from the construction community to those who could build the building and provide pre-construction services. They give us a proposal based on their experience and their overall fee. The university then decides who they want to do the project.

Abeh: How exclusive to business students do you anticipate this to be?

Bazinger: One of the missions of this building is to bring more colleges together and interact with business students and faculty.

Rowe: Is there an estimated completion date?

Bazinger: We are looking at June of 2015. We cannot start construction at this point because we do not have legislative approval from the state of Montana; although, we do have the Board of Regents approval. We expect to have all of the documents done by March or April.

Scafide: I would like to propose that we only take two more questions from the Senate.

Lamm: What is the possibility for having space available for student programs and organizations offices?

Bazinger: Right now all of the space has been assigned. The budget couldn’t accommodate all of the space that was wanted for those offices. Currently there is only student office space for programs and organizations of the College of Business.

Thuringer: What will the operating cost of this building be?

Bazinger: We are hoping that once it is built that is will be lower than 10 dollars per square foot per year.

Oak: Will there be any public art in the building

Bazinger: There is consideration of this and this will be determined more when the building is being built.
• Jake Losinski: Joint City Council Meeting

Losinski: I am here to talk with you about the joint ASMSU and City Council meeting. It is on Monday October 29th from 6-8pm. This will be a two hour meeting where you can discuss each other on how you feel about certain issues. I want to meet with you to get an idea of what you think would be important to discuss. Last year topics discussed included: the downtown parking garage and Streamline park and ride.

Goldstein: Are you looking for us to have issues that we think would be relevant to discuss?

Losinski: Yes

Goldstein: I think the parking garage should be one of them.

Townshend: Are you going to talk with them about some of the issues so they can do some background on them first?

Losinski: Yes, this meeting doesn’t occur until the 29th but we need to have this to them by the 18th.

Thuringer: Can we talk about where the community would like to see new residence halls built?

Losinski: This is a really great opportunity for you guys and if you have anything at all I suggest you bring it up.

Vanata: Can we get your contact info?

Losinski: Certainly, my email is: asmsulegliaison@montana.edu

• Gabe Francisco- Alex and Julia: Campus Entertainment

Julia: We have three events in which the booking process has been finalized. A week from tomorrow we will have a new concert in the Leigh Lounge. In November we have Cure for the Common. We are finally able to book both a band and a venue at the same time. We are working on getting student bands to open for them. We are starting to look into stuff for next semester. At this point we are just looking at getting these events done.

Alex: For next semester we are looking at getting more national acts. Gabe is in the process of getting Blue Scholars. I asked them to only charge us 8,000 dollars. All ticket revenue would go to a charity of their choice. We are in the process of getting a rail jam organized.

Lamm: I would love to see a spring outdoor concert.

Vanata: I am curious what led you to choose the events for this fall?

Julia: We are trying to be more collaborative with the students. We not only want their input but to get them involved as well.
Unfinished Business:

New Business:

- New Senator Swear in - conducted by Kiah Abbey
- Senate President and Vice President Appointments

Senate President

Thuringer: I nominate Senator Townshend

Stiles: I nominate Senator French

Scafide: Will the two candidates please leave the room? We come up with five questions to ask and appoint five senators to ask the same question the same way for each candidate. We have questions from last year that we can use and or revise. Questions from last year:

- How are you involved on MSU campus besides the Senate?
- How do you think you would be able to act as a role model and provide assistance to senators?
- What would you like to incorporate into this position to make the Senate more productive?
- What is your level of expertise with parliamentary procedure?
- How many hours a week do you have for this position?
- What is your past experience in managerial duties?

Mains: Could we add something like: what are your goals of this term as president?

Scafide: Do we want to set a limit on five questions and work from there?

Senate body: Yes.

Scafide: Do we want to have “what are your goals” as one question?

McKay: I would say yes.

Scafide: Our first question is: What are your goals that you would like to accomplish if you receive this position?

Mains: Am I asking that question?

Scafide: Would you like to ask that question?

Mains: Sure.

Thuringer: Do we have any questions asking, what is the purpose behind this position?

Scafide: Would we like to make that our second question?

Senate body: Yes.
Thuringer: We can incorporate time into that too.

Scafide: How would you like to word that question?

Vanata: Hannah, in your question could you say “goals or improvements”?

Mains: Yes.

Thuringer: The question could go something like: What do you feel is the purpose of this position and how much time do you have devote to Senate President?

Goldstein: Could we use the question with parliamentary procedure?

Scafide: That will be question three; would you like to say that one?

Goldstein: Yes.

Vanata: Can we make that question broader?

Reid: Maybe we could incorporate experience or leadership into that question.

Lake: I think we should steer away from the by-laws because I feel like one candidate, as we know, has a lot of knowledge of them.

Stiles: We need to leave the by-laws out because they are being rewritten.

Thuringer: I think it is important for them to have knowledge of the by-laws. I think that is a valid question.

Goldstein: I agree with senator Thuringer.

Lake: I don’t feel like is it a fair question.

Reid: It could give the other candidate time to explain what he knows as well.

Scafide: The senate body decided through unofficial vote that it is a fair question to ask. Who wants to ask that question and how would it be worded?

Goldstein: What previous knowledge or experience do you have of the senate by-laws and parliamentary procedure that would be applicable to your position as senate president?

Scafide: Are there any ideas for a fourth question?

Vanata: I will take the question: How do you think you would be able to act as a role model and provide assistance to senators?

Scafide: Is there a fifth question someone would like to ask? The one we haven’t touched from last year is: How are you involved on MSU campus besides the senate?
Rowe: I will ask that one.

Scafide: Senator Goldstein will you please bring one of the candidates in?

**Senator Townshend**

Opening Statement: Hello everyone, I am Michael Townshend. I am a senior in mechanical engineering with a minor in aerospace engineering. This is my second term as a senator. I have put a lot of work into the by-laws as you may know. I has been really fun, I have enjoyed learning about ASMSU. I feel like I have grown a lot over the past year in my position as senator.

1) Mains: What would your goals and improvements be if you receive the senate president position?

My main goal is to increase transparency within ASMSU. Specifically as Senate President I would like to work on senate accountability. I want the position of senator to be more prized and respected. Also I would like to work on inclusion throughout campus. I would like to see increased interaction with two years schools across the state, especially our own school here.

2) Thuringer: What do you believe this position entails and how much time do you have to devote to senate president?

I am expecting a lot of work to be necessary to do the job justice. It says seven office hours a week aside from the meeting. I am expecting to give close to 15 hours a week. I am currently taking 16 credits and getting my pilot’s license. I hope to have my pilot’s license by the end of October, so I will be able to dedicate a lot of my time to the position.

3) Goldstein: What previous knowledge or experience do you have of the senate by-laws and parliamentary procedure that would be applicable to your position as senate president?

I can speak to the by-laws a lot because I have spent a lot of time on them. It hasn’t been just me, I want to give everyone else credit who has been working on them. I have read them and dissected them as well as reconstructed them as best as I could. I understand parliamentary procedure from being in senate. I understand how senate interacts with the by-laws.

4) Vanata: How do you think you would be able to act as a role model and provide assistance to senators?

I think I’d be able to act as a role model because I am going to be able to meet people on their level. I want to learn from all of the senators and their constituents. It is a two way street for this position. That’s how I want to be a role model. I am open to suggestions and I will be a leader.

5) Rowe: How are you involved on MSU campus besides the senate?
I am a part of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity which I have been a part of for a few years now. I was the Vice-President of programming last year. I worked with campus and sorority/fraternities to plan events. I am in engineering and know a lot of engineering students. I am able to interact with them extensively. I have been able to utilize Bozeman for the great things it offers.

Closing Statement: Once again, I am Michael Townshend. I really appreciate this opportunity to give my speech on why I think I should be Senate President. I would really like the position and I hope that you vote for me. I am very excited. It is going to be a good year for Senate whether I am elected or not. Thank you.

Senator French

Opening Statement: Hello, I am Charles. I have been a senator for three terms, I started as a freshman. I joined Senate because I wanted to know how my money was being spent. I figured it out. I sat through two finance sessions, it was pretty interesting. That was the main reason; I also wanted to figure out what it was all about. I have had the opportunity to do that. I have had the opportunity to sit through a lot of meetings. It has been fun to know everyone.

1) Mains: What would your goals and improvements be if you receive the senate president position?

My goals toward improvement would be more efficient flowing of the senate meetings. I would have presentations be more condensed presentations because in my experience in public speaking, if you can say something in ten you can say it more concisely in five. Everyone’s time here is valuable, including the presenter as well as those listening. There is no good reason for meetings to run for two hours with two things on the agenda. Efficiency would be my main goal. I’d also like to have more exposure to the student body. I’m not sure how though because this has been a problem for the past two years. I would like to explore more options for this problem.

2) Thuringer: What do you believe this position entails and how much time do you have to devote to senate president?

I believe that the position entails running the meetings, encouraging the senators to fulfill their assigned duties, and constituent interaction. It takes a lot of time I am sure. I have holes in my schedule and holes that could be exploited more. I have adequate time to do this job efficiently and well.

3) Goldstein: What previous knowledge or experience do you have of the senate by-laws and parliamentary procedure that would be applicable to your position as senate president?

Well, exposure to ASMSU by-laws, I have had the chance to read them a couple of times over the past two years. I have sat on Senate for two years and finance board. Prior to coming to the University I was the 4-H President of my club for two years and involved with Boy Scouts.
4) Vanata: How do you think you would be able to act as a role model and provide assistance to senators?

I would hope that I already behave as a role model because that is my goal as being an upstanding person. I always try to act as if people are watching because they are. I am just a senator but people notice. I had the opportunity to go to the bonfire and I brought my name tag because it was an ASMSU event. Nobody else had their name tag and there were some interesting yet awkward situations that were going on. I said “Hey, knock it off”, and they did because I had a nametag. They were scared because they didn’t know how to handle that, but the fact is we as students have been elected by the student body to be role models. I try to behave like that on a daily basis.

5) Rowe: How are you involved on MSU campus besides the senate?

Senate is my main student involvement. In the past I have averaged 18-20 credits a semester. Outside of class, ever since I was a freshman, I have poured myself into Senate.

Closing Statement: I hope you guys make a great choice. I know Michael is an excellent candidate. Just choose who ever best suits you. I look forward to being on Senate this year regardless of the outcome. Thank you.

Discussion:

Lake: I move to discuss the candidates.

Lake: I think they are both very strong candidates. The one thing that I would say is I see Senator Townshend pouring more of his time and expertise into Senate. Not to say that Senator French hasn’t done that but I see a lot of dedication out of Senator Townshend as far as ASMSU goes.

Thuringer: I would like to echo that. He puts a lot of work into getting to know ASMSU as a body and I think that experience has given him a unique position to lead. Not to say that Senator French doesn’t have that same talents or abilities but I just think that Michael is current with his knowledge of by-laws, sitting at meetings and knowing parliamentary procedure. I just think that he is a little bit better exposed to our by-laws.

Mains: I also think Townshend is a great resource. He knows the by-laws. He knows the organization inside and out. He would be a great attribute as the Senate President.

Goldstein: I am very impressed with how French wants to expedite the meetings and making it a more efficient process. Regardless of whom we choose I think we should pursue this idea of efficiency.

Vanata: For all the new senators could we have description read or even some insight from our last president. I recognize Jenny Lawson.

Jenny Lawson: There are two parts to the job. The micro aspect is the personal relationships with senators, meeting with committees, and making sure you have what you need to succeed as senators.
The macro aspect is the more visible aspect, running the Senate meeting, and correspondence with outside members of the University.

McKay: Read the job description of the President of the Senate.

Stiles: Read the duties of the Vice President and President of the Senate out of the by-laws.

Vote for President of the Senate: Townshend: 15, French: 1

Scafide: Thank you to both senators who ran. At this time the Senate would like to appoint Michael Townshend as Senate President.

**Senate Vice-President**

Horn: I nominate Senator McKay

McKay: I nominate Senator French

Reid: I nominate Senator Scafide

Scafide: I do not accept

Rowe: I nominate Senator Howard

Townshend: Would the candidate please step out into the hall. Do we want to keep any of the questions from the previous appointment process?

Thuringer: Do you want keep my question and just replace President with Vice-President?

Scafide: I think we should keep all of the questions but change parliamentary procedure to finance board. Can we read through them all again?

Lake: I think it would be good to ask how they would support the President.

Vanata: I think that would be appropriate to fit it into my question.

Townshend: Senator Goldstein would you please bring in one of the candidates.

**Senator French**

Opening Statement: I’m not sure what to say other than I have sat on finance board for the last year and a half. I have gone through a budgeting session in full. I have seen how to preside over finance board. When I joined senate to see how the money works it was the best way for me to do it. I went line by line through the budget. I would like this better because it is more focused on the finance aspect of the Senate.

1) Mains: What would your goals and improvements be if you receive the senate vice-president position?
I like how finance board has been run, it is pretty low key. I got to know the faculty and senators on finance board pretty well. I don’t know what improvements I would make; I like how it is being run currently.

2) Thuringer: What do you believe this position entails and how much time do you have to devote to senate vice president?

I believe this position entails, not only presiding over finance board, but to fill in for the President, interacting with the programs and being a productive force with the executive branch of ASMSU.

3) Goldstein: What previous knowledge or experience do you have of the senate by-laws and finance board that would be applicable to your position as senate president?

Not to reiterate but I have been on finance board and have sat on Senate. I feel like I have an adequate understand how finance board works along with the by-laws.

4) Vanata: In what ways would you work to support both senators and the senate president?

In preparation for meetings there are specific goals that each senator has. I would help get things on the agenda and setting up meetings with other faculty and staff. I would do whatever is necessary as Vice-President.

5) Rowe: How are you involved on MSU campus besides the senate?

You have already heard that.

Closing Statement: I think this would be an exciting opportunity. I think that Michael and I would make a great team. I would like to see the changes of the by-laws. I would be able to make a large contribution to that and the Senate and ASMSU as a governing body.

Senator Howard

Opening Statement: I am interested in the Vice-Presidency because I have managerial experience. I am good at motivating people and I think I could bring good energy to the position.

1.) Mains: What would your goals and improvements be if you receive the senate vice-president position?

Overall, I think I would try to get things to run more smoothly and efficiently. We need to get as much done as possible and not spending too much time on one group. I would bring enough energy to all the positions that it would make people more motivated to get things done.

2.) Thuringer: What do you believe this position entails and how much time do you have to devote to senate vice president?

Among it being the Chair of Finance Board and Constitutional Audit I think it is a middle management position. It is partially the voice between the administration and student body. I think
I could do a good job at providing that voice. I’m only taking 14 credits and I can always make more time.

3.) Goldstein: What previous knowledge or experience do you have of the senate by-laws and finance board that would be applicable to your position as senate president?

I am a club President and I have dealt with the club finance applications before. As for the by-laws I have asked Senator Townshend for a copy of what he has so far for the new by-laws so I can get to work on understanding those as quickly as possible.

4.) Vanata: In what ways would you work to support both senators and the senate president?

I like to think I’m a very friendly guy and I’m very good at getting senators motivated to get done what they need to get done. I’m good at keeping people focused. I have a ton of energy and can help people with whatever they need help with.

5.) Rowe: How are you involved on MSU campus besides the senate?

I have class and I am a club President. I have a ton of friends who are club Presidents. I am very in tune with what is going on around campus.

Closing Statement: I think I would be a great Vice-President. I have a lot of energy. If you come to me with a question or a problem and I don’t have the answer, I’ll find someone who does. I’ll put down what I am doing to help you and make you my top priority. I think I could bring some good changes to Senate.

Senator McKay

Opening Statement: I am a senator for the College of Business. This will be my second term as a senator. I got involved because I didn’t feel like I was giving anything back and I wanted to. I found ASMSU and I researched it a lot and it looked like something that I would really enjoy. I was right, I love this position. I love being able to talk to students about what we can change. We are lucky enough to be able to do that here.

1.) Mains: What would your goals and improvements be if you receive the senate vice-president position?

I sat on finance board last year and we made a ton of improvements. The budgeting process and policies need to be improved. We need to be put under a microscope. How do we do this and how are we dividing up student’s money.

2.) Thuringer: What do you believe this position entails and how much time do you have to devote to senate vice president?

This is my number two priority; my first is being a student. This is really a passion for me. This is an opportunity to me, not a job. The main job of the Senate Vice-President is to be the chair of the
Finance Board. With that comes understanding the policy, speaking to the people and finding out what they want from us financially. As well as being open to you guys and your suggestions.

3.) Goldstein: What previous knowledge or experience do you have of the senate by-laws and finance board that would be applicable to your position as senate president?

I have been reading over Senator Townshend’s shoulder a lot on the changes to the by-laws. I read them when I was first appointed and that a very long process. It is fundamental to being able to do our jobs well. It is critical to understand them. I did Finance Board last year. I am a business student and this is what I like to do. Last year I was also on the funding board.

4.) Vanata: In what ways would you work to support both senators and the senate president?

I am here first and foremost as a friend. It is important for this body to have good working relationships as well as personal relationships. I would make myself very available to all of you and students that want to talk to me. Senator Townshend is very capable for President and it is my job to be there as a support role for him.

5.) Rowe: How are you involved on MSU campus besides the senate?

I have been a part of a lot of search committees. I am an AdvoCat. I’m in a lot of the College of Business clubs to get to know people better. I am also a member of the Honors University.

Closing Statement: ASMSU took off in my life and I didn’t expect it to be this big of a passion. I love what we stand for and that we have the ability to speak out. We are here to help students and to make this a better place.

Discussion:

Scafide: I move to previous question. I think that all three candidates will grow to be or have been amazing senators. Howard shows a lot of promise as a senator but I have seen how good the other two candidates have been in the previous years. McKay has put so much effort into this. I think that she would be amazing for the Vice-President position. She has probably done more in the past semester than some senators do in one, two, or three terms.

Vanata: I would like to echo Scafide. I just want to stress the importance of experience and effort into ASMSU. Please weigh that in your decision making.

Vote: French-2 McKay-13 Howard-0

Townshend: At this time I would like to appoint Senator McKay to the Vice-President position. We will now move into Finance Board appointments.

- Finance Board Appointments

Scafide: I move to table the Finance Board appointments until next meeting.
Seconded by Vanata

McKay: We have a lot of supplementals in right now that need attention from the Finance Board.

French: I feel like we need to get going again. I would be willing to advocate not having speeches and just asking “why do you want to be on Finance Board”. No one would have to leave the room and it doesn’t have to be a dump truck vote. It can be quick, effective, just get it done. I don’t think we should table the appointments.

Thuringer: I recognize Lauren Jackson

Jackson: These positions don’t really need too much experience. Mostly you are just deciding where student’s money is going. This needs to get going now. I would like to have a Finance Board meeting before the month is over.

McKay: I call to previous question.

Townshend: We will now vote to table the Finance Board appointment process till next week.

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Townshend: The motion fails.

Scafide: I move discuss the appointments to Finance Board

Seconded by Lake

Thuringer: How many positions are open?

Townshend: We are going to start from scratch for Finance Board. The by-laws say that there needs to be at least three senators on the Finance Board of the six ASMSU members. I recommend four.

Lake: I nominate Senator French

McKay: I nominate Senator Stevens

Stevens: I nominate Senator Stiles

Reid: I nominate Senator Howard

Townshend: Point of information; the meetings for Finance Board are on Wednesday at 6pm.

Lake: I nominate Senator Goldstein

Townshend: I think first of all the way that it is written in the by-laws is very confusing; it says at least three senators. To be nominated you have to be approved by a majority vote of the Senate. You don’t have to vote for someone. We need to decide how many spots we want first.

Vanata: For clarification, can they all be voting members?
Townshend: Yes.

French: In the past we haven’t had students on the Finance Board that were particularly vocal; I would hope that would change. On that note, I would hope that we would allow more than one slot. So I say that we limit it to four or three.

McKay: Would the Finance Board composition rise if we chose to appoint four senators?

Townshend: It would stay at six ASMSU members.

Reid: Could we have five?

Townshend: Yes, we could have any number of senators up to six.

McKay: I recommend we cap it at four. I think it is really important that since we are spending student’s money that we include a voice that isn’t of this body.

Mains: Maybe we should just stick to three; the other voices need to be heard as well.

Lake: We are elected by constituents to be their voice.

French: In the past we upped it to three senators last time. Senate has their say here. I feel like it should be left at three.

Scafide: I move to amend the previous motion and limit it to three senators.

Horn: I think we should stay with the three senators. That way we can even the playing field. We don’t want to overpower the other students on the Finance Board.

McKay: I would like to recognize Jim Luebbers.

Luebbers: I think it works well with three senators and three students.

Thuringer: How easy is it to fill the student spots?

French: They submit applications and the President of ASMSU will select them.

Thuringer: Will we be able to appoint more senators later if those positions aren’t filled by students?

Townshend: Yes, we would have to appoint another Senator. We will now vote on the amendment which is to appoint three senators to the Finance Board.

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Townshend: The motion has been amended to appoint three members of Senate to the Finance Board.

Stiles: I move to previous question.
Lake: Can the candidates have a minute to say why they want to be on Finance Board?

Townshend: Yes, let’s start with Senator French.

French: I would like to be on Finance Board again because I know how it works. I don’t want to say I want the job because I have had it before. If someone is excited about it I am more than happy to give it to them.

Stiles: Finance Board is a great opportunity. I think I would bring a unique perspective. I have seen ASMSU almost in full circle now. I would bring a lot of assets to that inside knowledge. In addition I work on a daily basis with finance and budgeting.

Howard: I am an economics student. This is the main reason I got involved with the Senate this year so it would be really motivating to do good things.

Stevens: I am majoring in business finance. This is my passion and what I love to do. I’d love to get to know you all more and be a part of the process.

Goldstein: I am a political science major. Echoing what Senator French brought up earlier about a need for interactive experience where we are having an open discussion at the meetings; I think I demonstrate this. I pay attention and I dissect the arguments. I get to the heart of the issues. That is the kind of attitude that I would bring to Finance Board.

Townshend: Now we will move into voting. You can list up to three names for voting. You must have the majority vote of the Senate.

Vote: French - 14 Stiles - 10 Howard - 9 Stevens - 15 Goldstein - 6

Townshend: At this time I would like to appoint Senator French, Senator Stiles, and Senator Stevens to the Finance Board.

- Constitutional Audit Appointments

Townshend: We will now move into the Constitutional Audit appointments. Read the duties of the Constitutional Audit Committee out of the Constitution.

Scafide: How many senators can be appointed?

Townshend: Three.

Lamm: Can this be tabled until the next meeting?

Townshend: If there were a motion so, yes.

Thuringer: I move to nominate three senators to the Constitutional Audit Committee.

Seconded by Senator Stevens.
Rowe: I nominate Senator Howard

Scafide: Don’t you have to be a senior senator to be appointed?

Townshend: The constitution does not specify that you need to be a senior senator.

French: I nominate Senator Scafide and I nominate Senator Vanata

Reid: I nominate Senator Goldstein

Lake: I nominate Senator Rowe

Rowe: I decline

Mains: I nominate Senator Thuringer

Townshend: Will each candidate please say why they would like to be appointed to the Constitutional Audit Committee. We will start with Senator Scafide.

Scafide: I think that bills are one of the most important things we pass or reject as a Senate. I think this is extremely important and I would like to make sure it is constitutional when we audit them.

Howard: I do have a fair amount of experience with examining bills or legislation and comparing them to the constitution and other by-laws. I do have the experience.

Goldstein: I am new to Senate but I find that things like following the rules are paramount importance in this kind of situation. Not to say that I am overwhelmingly familiar with the Constitution yet but I will give it my all to understand and be familiar with it.

Vanata: It would be an honor to be a part of this committee. I find myself very dedicated to anything that I become committed to. I would make sure that I am prepared for a position like this. I have already started reviewing the Constitution and by-laws. Some people may say that I like to follow rules too closely.

Thuringer: I have had the opportunity to have read both the Constitution and by-laws a couple of times. I have things I would like to change and would like to discuss this with all of you.

Townshend: We will now move into the appointments. You may vote to up to three names and it requires a majority vote of the Senate to be appointed.

Scafide-12 Howard-9 Goldstein-8 Vanata-12 Thuringer-9

Townshend: I would like to appoint Senator Scafide and Senator Vanata to the Constitutional Audit Committee. We will now have a revote for the third position. You may only vote for one person.

Howard-8 Goldstein-6 Thuringer-4
Townshend: Since there was not a majority of the Senate a runoff vote will determine the last position for the Constitutional Audit Committee.

Goldstein-6 Howard-11

Townshend: At this time I would like to appoint Senator Howard to the Constitutional Audit Committee. We will not move into the appointments for the Funding Board.

- Funding Board Appointments

Stiles: I move to table the Funding Board appointments until next week.

Seconded by Senator Horn

McKay: This is a similar situation to Finance Board. We need to try and expedite this process.

Lake: I echo what McKay said.

Thuringer: Keep in mind that some of the complaints from constituents are that we don’t do anything. Tabling this puts off those students who are waiting for funding and it says that we would rather get out of here ahead of time.

French: I move to previous question.

Seconded by Rowe

Townshend: We will now vote on the motion to table the appointments for the Funding Board until next week.

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Townshend: The motion fails.

McKay: I move to appoint the new Funding Board members.

Seconded by Oak

Townshend: We will not move into the appointment of three members to the Funding Board. This vote will be the top three senators with the most votes; it won’t require a majority of the Senate.

Howard: I nominate Senator Reid

Reid: I decline.

McKay: I nominate Senator Howard

Lake: Can you read the description of Funding Board?

Townshend: I recognize President Kiah Abbey
Summarized by Abbey

Scafide: I nominate Senator Goldstein
Mains: I nominate Senator Thuringer
Thuringer: I nominate Senator Mains
McKay: I nominate Senator Stevens
French: I nominate Senator Oak
Oak: I decline
Lake: I nominate Senator Lamm
Lamm: I decline
Scafide: I nominate Senator Rowe
Rowe: I decline

Townshend: Will the five candidates please give a quick description of why they would like to be on the Funding Board. We will start with Senator Howard.

Howard: I am a club President and I am familiar with the process. I think I would do well with the given experience I have.

Goldstein: I am also the President of a club on campus. The idea of students getting the proper amount of funding is a very important thing. We need to make sure that happens in a responsible manner.

Thuringer: I am currently serving on the Funding Board and I would really like to continue. I am in a number of student organizations and I think having the experience more on the senator's side of things will benefit it.

Mains: I would like to be a part of this because I am also involved in a ton of committees and clubs. Funding is very important and a lot of the time those decisions change. It is really important to get to know why they need it.

Stevens: I am majoring in finance. I would like to be able to apply my knowledge. I have been on the other side and have received money from the Funding Board. I have seen how great funding can improve a club. I am on the Montana State lacrosse team and we have received money before from the Funding Board.

Townshend: We will now move into the appointment process. You can write up to three names on a piece of paper. The top three votes will be the appointed members.
Vote: Howard-8 Goldstein-13 Thuringer-11 Mains-9 Stevens-11

Townshend: I would like to congratulate Senator Goldstein, Senator Thuringer, and Senator Stevens on their appointments to the Funding Board.

Admin Reports:

- President- Kiah Abbey

Abbey: I have a couple of projects that I need some Senators to take on. The first one is the north and south intermural gym remodel. Over the summer the director of intermurals approached us about how they have been unkempt and lack school spirit. A lot of our constituents utilize them and we put a lot of money into them so they need to be in better shape and show some more school spirit. They have requested a senator to advise them through that process and to help them move forward with the process of adding more spirit. They are looking at redoing the floors and putting a bobcat logo in the middle of both basketball floors. The south gym will also have its basketball hoops replaced because right now they are unsafe. In total all of this is $5,500. These revisions will be done over winter break when students are gone.

Howard: I am interested in that.

Abbey: On October 17th from 1-3pm there will be a club fest. I recommend that all of you attend. Additionally we will be doing some phone banking where you will call the President of a few clubs to make sure they are sending representatives. They will be talking about club funding and increasing the amount of clubs. This will be in Ballroom B. If you are the President of a club let me know and I will cross you off of the phone list. We have another committee that we need a liaison to, which is the MSU Library Committee. Let me know if you are interested in serving on that. They meet Monday’s over lunch. I need two senators to sign up for the Student Leader Networking lunch. It is on October 16th from 11-1pm. It will be located in SUB 253. Vice-President Murdock and I were approached by facilities to talk about the motor pool. These are the cars you can rent out if you are affiliated with MSU and can take for MSU activities. They are discussing getting rid of the motor pool. They are wondering if we would like to see their presentation. I will let them know to get on the agenda for next week. I need a senator to latch onto the student organization fee. It encourages the expansion of more clubs and the number of students participating. There aren’t enough funds to support all of the current clubs so they are talking about increasing that fee. I may even be doubled. Right now the fee is $3.10 per semester. Please let me know if you are passionate about increasing this fee. I will move forward for a committee about raising that fee. Play Hard, Work Harder is a campaign about getting people excited about ASMSU. You will be contacted in the next few weeks to get your picture taken to make posters to hang around campus. Please be aware of this. Next Saturday at the home game there will be a game day card stunt. It will be at the beginning of the second quarter.

- Vice President: Lindsay Murdock
I need two volunteers to help Casey Wells, who is out late night Streamline coordinator, to hang a bunch of posters next week. It would be whenever you can get to it. I need two other volunteers to come before and to help fill bags and to also clean up after the Rocky Horror Picture Show. The packing would be during the day and cleanup would be around 11pm. In order to reach out to more students we, Kiah and I, are going to do listening sessions in all of the residence halls. The first two will be next Tuesday and Wednesday at 6pm. One will be North Hedges and the other will be in South Hedges. We are looking for senators to attend those with us. Let me know if you have that day open. It would be really great if each senator could attend at least one. I would like to remind you about the upcoming White House Project. If you are interested let me know and ASMSU will cover your five dollar fee. The career fair is next week. Please encourage your constituents to attend. Oct 19th is an MSU Friday and we will have a sort of club fest. This will be from 1:05-1:45. I need some volunteers to work that event. Please meet with your program directors. On October 10th there will be an annual campus security walk. They will be figuring out where on campus there needs to be increase lighting. They will meet in SUB 168 from 7:30-9:30pm. I need some volunteers for that. One Land, Two Stories will be at 7:30 in the Ballroom. This is a free event and I encourage you to go.

- Business Manager- Lauren Jackson

Jackson: We have a few supplementals that will be coming soon. One has to do with productions; another is coming from Admin, and one from REC Sports and Fitness. We will be advertising the finance board spots. Hopefully we will be able to appoint those members soon. We have $30,000 in supplemental money. There was only one approved over the summer. So there is currently $29,720 left.

Vanata: How will you be advertising the Finance Board spots?

Jackson: They will be put up on My Cat Careers.

- Senate President- Townshend

Thank you for appointing me to this position. I hope I can do you all a good service. I will be sending out a comprehensive email by tomorrow night. It is going to go over everything I think we need to cover. Please read it. There may be incentive for you to reply to me. See you at the retreat on Saturday.

- Senate Vice President- McKay

I encourage you to find out what ASMSU is all about. Talk to anyone and ask for help. One Land, Two Stories is a really incredible experience and it is free. There is a master class and main event. They have extended and invite to all of us senators to attend the master class. If you sign up for reserved seating please be there. The master class is at Monday at 5pm in Wilson. The event itself is Monday at 7:30pm in the SUB Ballroom. Bhutto is happening Wednesday, October 10th. It is about the first woman to lead a Muslim nation and was assassinated. It is a 6:30 in the procrastinator.

Senate Reports:
Scafide: I met with the daycare. They are working on either their second or third star of the five star levels.

Lake: I will be working on getting your business cards for this semester. Please put your information down on the sheet.

Announcements:

Mains: Letters and Sciences College Reps, we were invited tomorrow to the student councils members. It is with our new Dean. It will be at 12pm at Wilson Hall, room 2257. They really stress that we attend because they want to meet us.

Scafide: If you are a senior or if you like kids it [Teach for America] is a really great opportunity to help impoverished children. Please talk to me if you are interested.

Vanata: The Career Fair will have close to 150 employers coming. They are all really excited to be here. It is October 11th from 9-3pm. Career Services will do mock interviewing and resume critiquing. My sorority is having the annual Run for the Roses is October 13th at 8:30 am. Funds raised will stay in Montana.

Goldstein: Students for Tester is having one of our first meetings tomorrow at noon.

Thuringer: Meet with the Dean of your college because it is required by the by-laws. Also please go to the career fair.

Horn: I asked the Director of Marketing to come next week so if you any questions about tickets for football games you can ask him at the meeting.

Adjourn Meeting:

Move to adjourn the meeting: Scafide

Seconded by Mains

Meeting adjourned at 9:26 pm