Call Meeting to Order at 6:00 pm

Roll Call

Review Previous Minutes

- April 19th – Minutes postponed until Sept 13th

Public Comment

Presentations

-AVP Robert Lashaway and MSU Police Chief Robert Putzke: MSU Parking:

There was a discussion about a parking garage last spring but there was little support from faculty and staff for the garage. There was a presentation made to the president’s executive council about two weeks ago on this exact presentation.

They would like to be back on the agenda to work through this process and hope to be successful throughout the rest of this project.

This parking garage is going to have to come strictly from fees. This garage cannot come from state money or tuition dollars. The permits, citations, and pay lot are the cumulative funds that will be able to fund this particular project.

The total annually that these three funds collect is approximately $1,868,997. There are three surveys that are conducted for this effort:

(1) Customer Survey, there was general satisfaction with this particular survey. Most students do not use the pay lot. Majority students say that they would not mind paying a little more for a parking garage. (2) Utilization Survey, most students would prefer to use the closest lots to campus. (3) Peer Survey, peer prices for parking vary from $96-$279, higher than the survey average, the amount of parking citations written MSU was the lowest.

The MSU campus population/space: better than average in the survey. Parking capacity, there are approximately 500 spaces empty during the peak demand.

Current Issues: The potential parking structure, pave south fieldhouse lot that will begin construction by summer of 2013, evaluate re-opening Harrison to 11th, and student/security related items (to evaluate in the fall 2012). Looking to see if there are any people interested in an evening escort service.

Parking Structure: The popular perception is that MSU should have a parking garage. The students agreed that they would be willing to pay the estimated $25 extra to be able to gain access to the garage. The range per space is estimated to be around $17,000 per space.

French: You mentioned paving the south field lot, so what will happen to the F lot?

Lashaway: He is not certain. He is going to have to take the proposal to the Regents and ASMSU before it was passed.
Putzke: The idea is that they would have a group golf cart that would be centrally located on campus to drive the students to their desired location.

Lake: There was some concern about the traffic flow from the parking garage, have you guys talked about possible solutions for that yet?

Lashaway: We have not discussed it yet?

Duker: The parking garage is not going to benefit the students in the problem area.

Rogala: There has been a problem with the hanging passes?

Putzke: The only change is that they have created more spaces.

Karimian: Has it been thought to use the parking as a visitor or pay lot?

Lashaway: It has been considered no final decision has been made. This however might be an option.

Horn: For the regents meeting half the back parking lot was taken and many students were really upset.

-Alex Nusbaum: ASMSU Productions- Filling in for Ryan and will be here for the rest of the year. The events that they did this year so far were Catapooloza and tailgate spot at the first football game; The issues they are having is there gear had to be moved from storage into their van and their hoping to solve this problem by selling old gear to buy some newer gear.

Unfinished Business

New Business

-2012-R-14 Nondiscrimination Policy 703:

Duker: moves to approve seconded.

French: Can we get a copy of this somewhere?

Karimian: Have we had contact with them at all?

Duker: Yes I have had direct contact, hopes to be the first to pass this resolution. The other university is on board and hopes that it will be passed. This is to achieve family bathrooms on this.

Abeh: Legally if this is implemented at the university are we liable if the changes are not immediate.

Rogala: Was Dillon, Great Falls, Billings involved in the discussion?

Duker: No but we are in the process of getting their opinions on the matter.

Bernard: There is no legal issue.
Rogala: So if ASUM does not approve the bill will fail. We are not liable for anything other than a recommendation.

Lawson: Previous question seconded.

Motion to approve: 13/0 Motion carries.

Admin Reports

-President: Kiah Abbey: Restoring the M needs more leaders it will be next Saturday so please help us out. Those of you planning on re-running reserve the 6th and 7th of October for a retreat.

She is looking for people to be on the Romney Renovation committee so let her know. Also looking for a chief technology director if your interested let her know. “Friends of the Library” has a board and she would like for some senators to volunteer. Spirit Gear needs male models for the week of Homecoming.

The strategic plan was passed yesterday which is really exciting. There has been a policy change with missing class professors are now required to allow students to miss class if you are in good standing in the course.

Club lockers are in the works. Sustain dialogue is a really good segway for the resolution we just passed. 3 Senators are needed to sit on the club funding board.

-Vice President- Lindsay Murdock: Parent Family weekend October 12-14th just put it on your calendar. They are going to need volunteers for the light walk and this is about a 2 hour commitment please let Lindsay know if you are interested. Thank you to those of you who helped out at the tailgate any ideas please see Lindsay.

-Business Manager-Brandi Higgins: We ended up coming in $51,000 over budget. There were some receipts that did not come through. There was $14,000 that was transferred into the reserve. There will be an internal audit that will have the goal of internal good practices and fees are being spent in the way that they were intended to be spent. Wants to educate the new program directors. They are also talking to the daycare because the fees have not been taken care of properly. She wants to have increased interaction with senators to avoid having this discussion in Senate. Spending student dollars appropriately. Printing in the office has gotten a little out of control. Recycled paper is more expensive so be mindful.

-Senate President-Jenny Lawson: Start setting up meetings with your committees please get started on this fairly quickly. You are required to meet with your committee at least twice a month. Elections are coming up and the deadline is the 10th. Teach for America, students of any major can go and teach. Title 9 passed over the summer and Matt Caires will come and talk about that. If you are a mandatory reporter please report anything that a victim will tell you.

Senate Vice President- Dillon Haskell: Finance board will be meeting sometime soon. You will be hearing from Dillon sometime soon.

Senate Reports:
Rogala: Sustainability center only has one student manning it right now. So let her know if you can help. Looking to put ash trays around the perimeter of campus.

McKay: Family bathrooms will be included in the new college of business building. The deadlines are waking students up because they are starting at 6:30.

Townsend: The bylaws look great, Blake did a lot of work this summer. There is an issue with who has the ultimate authority and they don’t want to have just one person responsible. The hiring authority should have the firing authority as well. He believes that this is the best way to use this system. How much say does senate want to have?

Bernard: Thinks this is a good idea.

Murdock: Creating a more concrete system is something that we are working on right now.

Karimian: Streamline needs employees to aid the driver.

Senate Announcements:

Lake: Forward Montana registers people to vote; they are looking for volunteers to help people get people registered to vote.

Rogala: Montana Ethic project are live on the web so you should go watch!

Meeting Adjourned: Lake moves to adjourn at 7:46 pm.