

ASUMW Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2021

Call to order

Roll Call

Present: Brock Doty, Jacob Kunze, Laci Wiggins, Maggie Dean, Jacob Christenson, Sydni Rogers, McKenna Kindel, Jordan LeCompte, Katelynn Peterson, Shelby Smith, Chloe Hanser, Megan Tews, Abigaile Randolph, Breanna Humphrey, Teagan Miller, Hayden Mosness, Keeley Fitzgerald, Iola Else.

Guests: Allison Reinhardt, Dr. John Xanthopolus, Interim Provost Jenny McNulty, Dean Nicole Hazelbaker, Chancellor Beth Weatherby.

Approval of Minutes:

Senator Tews moved to approve meeting minutes. Seconded by Senator Kindle.

Amendments and Changes to Agenda:

Jacob Kunze added MAS Lobbyist Allison Reinhardt to the agenda.

Guest Speakers:

Chancellor Beth Weatherby

Chancellor Weatherby spoke to the importance of communication and Zoom meeting capability. Spoke to importance of weekly cabinet meetings. Expressed appreciation for student voice in cabinet meetings.

Vice-Chancellor McNulty

Talked about fire pits and suggested uses for them. Discussed schedules and summer schedule including introduction of X-Block. Additionally, the 10-week session will be split into two 5-week sessions. There will be a way to reserve a spot in the summer sessions.

MAS Lobbyist Allison Reinhardt

Student lobbyist for Montana Associated Students spoke on current projects and workload. This week she is working on HB 112, which is the gender bill that would ban transgender men from participating in women's sports. Noted that she has sent out a link for student input on HB 112.

New Student Concerns/Comments:

None.

Position Reports:

President Doty

Reminded to senators that individual senator meetings will start this week.

Vice-President Kunze

Reported that he is working on X-1 Grants.

Office Manager

Reported that Cares Act funding is available. If you have any ideas, please submit to Keeley.

Advisor

Welcome back and stay warm with the upcoming dangerous weather!

Activities

Laci Wiggins noted that Sunday was a ½ price ski day. Free ski day will be on February 15th. Also planning for Tuesday, February 9th Corn Hole Tourney at 5 p.m. in the Lewis & Clark Room. Also Bingo will be held on Thursday, February 11th from 6-7 p.m.

Intramurals

Hayden Mosness will be working the Corn Hole and Bingo events this week with Laci Wiggins.

Old Business:

Senate Event: Friday, February 12 at 6:00 p.m. at the Lion's Den.

New Senator: President Doty presented nomination for open seat on ASUMW. Doty nominated Rylee Nickodemus to the open senate seat. Rylee will present later this week. Tabled nomination.

New Business:

Medical Amnesty: Nicole Hazelbaker discussed a suggested Medical Amnesty policy similar to UM's in consideration of shared policies with complementing campuses. The policy allows for medical help to students who may be experiencing drug or alcohol use without fear of legal action. This is for students when there is a medical concern. This would be an additional policy and a protection for our students. ASUMW will review policy. Vote tabled to February 16 meeting.

Parking Lot: Nicole Hazelbaker has met with new facilities manager regarding parking lot painting. He has assured the line painting will be completed in June or July. Iola Else asked about provisions for horse trailer parking spots. Hazelbaker will check on possible spots for trailer parking. Plans are also in works for repairing holes as well. Budget will determine extent of repairs. Several senators also noted that the spaces are small and narrow.

Dining Services Gutter: Hazelbaker reported that the gutter issue near dining services is being taken care of. Facilities will continue to monitor the gutter until they can get it fixed. It has been deemed to not be a safety issue.

Safety Walk-About: Hazelbaker discussed annual safety walk-about with senate. Each year this is done to determine possible safety hazards on campus. The week of February 22 has been identified as a good week to hold walk about with facilities. Doty and Weber will head the committee and time/date.

Committee Reports

None

Fulfilling the Promise of X-1

None

Recognition of Accomplishment Across University

None

Announcements

Senate dinner will be on February 12th at 6:00 p.m. at the Lion's Den. Also noted that senators will be asked to schedule their individual meetings.

Adjournment

Move to adjourn by Senator Tews. Seconded by Senator LeCompte.