Montana Associated Students

January 20, 2019

7:00-8:00pm

Conference Call

(712) 451-0133, Access code: 632649

1. Call to order
   1. CTO: 7:03 pm
   2. Attendance: Mariah Welch, Hannah Johnson, Taylor Blossom, Hallee Keltner, Julius Scott, Ace Gianotti, Alex Butler, Gary Trotchie, Lizzy Thompson
2. Campus updates
   1. UM:
      1. New senator training, political action committee is very active
      2. Very busy throughout the next few weeks, afraid of being to much for senate
   2. MSU:
      1. A lot of turnover in new semester (senators, program directors, etc.)
      2. Approval for new club software that will help clubs keep attendance and apply for funding
      3. MSU debut in spring: record breaking attendance at events
   3. Great Falls:
      1. Senator recruitment
   4. Helena:
      1. Increased recruitment of senators with orientation sessions
      2. Marketing director has left, cannot email students directly
   5. MSU-B:
      1. loss of senators over break
      2. Head financial officer retiring
      3. Power of one week: mental illness and suicide prevention events throughout campus
   6. MCCC:
      1. First week of school success
   7. Tech:
      1. Not present
   8. Western:
      1. Not present on call
   9. MSU-N:
      1. Not present
3. Budget
   1. Dues paid from all schools except for MSUN and GFC
   2. Total budget from dues: $9,400
   3. Available funds in account: $11,900
   4. After expenses during session, expected end of session budget: $2,411
4. Calendar
   1. Feb. 12 - Capital Day
      1. Slogan: We heart higher education day
      2. All students welcome to capital, can meet with legislators, lunch with legislators
      3. MAS will provide information about do’s and don’t for students
   2. Feb. 21 - Day of Action
      1. MAS will provide additional material and class raps
   3. March 4,5 - Transmittal luncheon
   4. March 6 - MAS retreat
   5. March 7,8 - Board of Regents
5. Day of action slogan
   1. Invest in Montana’s future
   2. Fund Montana’s future
   3. Keep tuition low, keep our future bright
   4. Fund the freeze
   5. VOTE on one vs. two slogans for events (capital and rotunda days): two slogans will be kept (1 for each event, Capital Day, Day of Action) - approved
   6. VOTE on slogan for Day of Action: Invest in Montana’s Future
      1. MAS will provide advertising for campuses
      2. Alex (ASUM) suggests using past legislative media for slogan for rapid advertisement for schools (could be done within the next two days)
         1. Could act as placeholder until new graphic is completed by ASMSU
6. Deadline for transmittal luncheon room reservations and potential RSVP
   1. Feb. 5 deadline for room reservations and student RSVP
      1. RSVPs will be done through Google Forms
7. Student Directory
   1. How to contact school’s registrar for list of students and their hometowns
   2. Used as a recruitment tool for DAO and Capital day
      1. Letters to the editors
      2. Swing legislators Contact Taylor or SAm will comments, questions, concerns
8. Legislative update from Sam
   1. Statewide two pages of information provided by Sam:
      1. What Montana Students have at stake in the Legislative session
      2. Please distribute to students and have in offices for student questions
         1. Senates are responsible for printing purposes
   2. MAS legislative contact sheet:
      1. Day of Action planning
      2. How to tell students to contact legislators and how are their senators/representatives
      3. How to contact lawmakers
   3. PLEASE DISTRIBUTE BOTH PAGES TO STUDENTS!
   4. Congrats to MSUB for participation in session at their campus through contacting with legislators
   5. Forward Montana Call:
      1. Teletown Hall: Higher Education Funding
         1. Sam informed them about student debt, etc.
   6. Sam will be contacting GFC for Transmittal luncheon
   7. Reserved Old Supreme Court Chambers for Capital Day
   8. Tenant Rights
      1. Peggy Webb - Billings, MT
         1. Anti-tenant legislation
      2. Will be pro tenant legislation, Sam will provide information at a later date
   9. Hallee and Mariah will send out exact budget for approval by MAS members
   10. 6 Mill Sunset law repeal bill summary:
       1. SB 152
       2. Would not have to vote every 10 years
       3. VOTE on MAS stance on bill: approved, MAS will support this legislation
   11. Sam will bring forward information and proposals for potential tax increases
       1. Please reach out individual senates to inform students
9. Capital day planning (Feb. 12)
   1. Reach out to Mariah if there are concerns with transportation issues
   2. Schedule will be sent out soon by Mariah
10. General discussion/student concerns
    1. Look for email by Mariah with Sam’s budget
    2. Regent schedule is included in calender
    3. Student regent committee selection
       1. Taylor - Chair
       2. Members: please reach out Taylor ASAP if interested (email or facebook messenger)
11. Adjourn:
    1. 8:03 pm

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