

## Associated Students of MSUGF-COT

### Weekly Minutes 1-16-2013

- Senator Sign-up
- Call to order
  - Charlie called the meeting to order at 4:30
- Roll Call
  - Officers: Charlie Brown, Kat O'Brien, Joshua Archey, Dustin Spivey
  - Senators: Casey Anderson, Jared Anderson, Patrick Broadhurst, Damian Carolan, Bevin Chippewa, Jordan Cundiff, Andrew Gould, Brandon Gould, Brittany Douglas, Cody Hocker, Ember Hunter, Chad Ledbetter, Diana Olson, Cody Pardue, Nikole Pierce, Kathleen Pipinich, Timothy Reese, Devan Resler, James Ryan Jr., Alex Sonnemaker, Michael Thom, Bennington Ward, Erin Withrow.
  - Excused: Kirsten Bryson
  - Unexcused:
  - Advisors: Pat Schoenen
  - Visitors: Dr. Wolff, Joe Barr, Kelli McDonald, Katie Zignego
- Approval of Last Meeting Minutes
  - James moved to approve the minutes with the changes “Jarod” to “Jared” change of “with the changes of” to “as written” in the approval of minutes and add the time “5:00pm” to the adjournment all of the minutes dated 12/05/2012
  - Jared seconded
  - Motion passed unanimously
- Officer Reports
  - Charlie- checked and answered e-mails and phone calls, attended Board of Regents, attended the flag raising, ordered objects for new logo roll-out, attended executive meeting, and ordered food for the meeting.
  - Kat- held office hours, created agenda, checked and answered e-mails and phone calls and attended Board of regents, met with SEAP advisors, attended executive meeting, met with advisors.
  - Joshua- checked and answered e-mails and phone calls, filed receipts, worked on the budget, collected S.E.A.P. jars, met with advisors, and attended executive meeting.
  - Dustin- checked and answered e-mails and phone calls, typed minutes, attended executive meeting, met with Dr. Wolff, met with advisors, and filed paperwork.
  - Dr. Wolff gave a brief campus update.
- Committee Sign-up
  - Please Sign up for committees
  - Curriculum committee- needs one more volunteer.
  - Publications- Katie made up some post cards for new student orientation
- Old Business
  - Dental Hygiene- Project Homeless Connect Update

- They informed us of the project homeless connect and would like student government to help man a table for the event. They would also like to provide a hot meal. The event is on January 26<sup>th</sup> 9:00am-3:00pm. Charlie asks that they fill out a monetary request for our next meeting.
  - Chad Ledbetter- Constitution update
    - Chad spoke on possible revisions to the constitution. The name of the “Associated Students of Montana State University Great Falls College of Technology (ASMSUGF-COT)” to “Associated Students of Great Falls College Montana State University (ASGFC MSU)”. Volunteers are needed to help revise our association’s constitution.
  - Chad Ledbetter- Non Discrimination Policy
    - Chad discussed that other student governments want to change a policy in within the student government. He proposed a change to the constitution to add an article, “Article XVI. Section I. Non-Discrimination of Students.” We would like the school to adopt these changes into their policy as well.
    - Andrew moved to approve a student survey with the change of the word “protection” to “inclusion” involving the adding/changing of the Non-discrimination policy to be sent out to the students.
    - Pat seconded
    - Motion Passed unanimously
  - At 5:10 Charlie removed himself from the meeting and handed it over to Kat O’Brien.
    - Kat now has the floor.
- New Business
  - BOR Debrief
    - Pending the legislation the Board is intending on doing yet another two-year tuition freeze.
    - In the legislation they are trying to decrease dropout rate and increase the amount of teachers that have Masters Degrees in order to teach dual enrollment courses.
    - Next BOR is March 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. Please contact an executive with interests of attending.
    - Please contact our representatives to express our want for the tuition freeze.

- Action plan
  - We would like to have an action plan for the senate for the semester.
  - The Dean would like to see intercommunication between our school and UGF.
  - Katie would like to see more fundraisers
  - Tim would like to see a focus on gaining school pride.
  - Tim would also like to start a new student mentorship program.
  - James would like us to throw a benefit concert for the children's receiving home
    - He presented a band from California that he would like to headline the event.
    - He proposed a few other options
    - Katie said we need really good advertisement to get the desired turnout.
    - Niki urges James to pursue multiple band options and not just the one he has in mind.
- James Ryan- gift certificate
  - January 31<sup>st</sup> we have the roll-out and would like to provide a \$100 gift card to the Montana Club as a door prize.
  - Erin moves to purchase a \$100 gift card to the Montana Club as a door prize to the roll-out event on January 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - Jared Seconded
  - Passed unanimous.
- Open Discussion
- Adjournment
  - Tim moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:00pm
  - Jared seconded
  - Motion passed unanimously