**Montana Associated Students (MAS)**

**Conference Call**

**March 29th, 2015**

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*Conference Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7031*

**Roll Call**

**Present:** Cody Meixner, Delaney Hansen, Levi Birky, Holly Capp, Sonja Choriki, Baudry Metangmo, Jamie Nelson, Kerry Lombard, Tim Bouchard, Samantha Fell, and Asa Hohman.

**Review Previous Minutes**

* Holly moved to approve the 03/02/16 MAS meeting minutes
* Cody seconded this motion

**Unfinished Business**

**New Business**

* Student Regent Position- Delaney
  + **Initial questions will be emailed out tonight**
  + **All changes to these questions must be submitted by Thursday, March 31st**
  + **A list of final questions will be emailed out on Friday, April 1st**
  + **Delaney will contact the applicants regarding a time that works good for the conference call**
  + **Stay tuned for details**
* First Year Seminar Discussion-All
  + Campus progress:
    - MSUB- not ready to move forward
    - MSU- not ready to move forward
    - Tech- not ready to move forward. There is general support but they are not ready to make a firm decision
  + Present the resolution with UM edits to your campuses and be ready to vote on this matter by the next MAS conference call (April 12)
* Tuition Freeze Discussion-All
  + UMW- in support of lifting the tuition freeze
  + MSUB & Tech- half and half
  + UM- in support of increasing tuition
  + Moving forward:
    - ASUM will pass a resolution, opposing a tuition freeze to be used as a model for all campuses
    - MAS may write a resolution, depending on each campuses response, during the next MAS meeting in Havre
* MAS Budget & Dues-Ted
  + N/A
* MAS Retreat Agenda-Delaney
  + A revised agenda will be sent out in the next few days, please send all suggestions/changes to Delaney ASAP

**Executive Cabinet Reports**

* President-Sonja Choriki
  + Thanks for being on the call
* Vice President Internal-Delaney Hansen
  + Let’s maybe try to get something done this year…?
* Vice President External & Treasurer - Ted Nesmith
  + Not here

**Campus Reports**

* **MSUGF:**
* **U of M:** 
  + FY17 budget has been approved
  + Senate approved a $9.00 fee increase to cover all accounts
  + Looking at a huge shortfall for FY18
    - Trying to be proactive about this budget shortfall coming up
  + Campaign season has is underway
  + Cody has begun transition meetings to prepare all candidates
  + First year seminar pilot program is going great
    - Students are responding well to the program
    - Looking at 15 sessions for next semester
* **MSU:**
  + In the budgeting process
    - No fee increases this year
  + Administration does not think the tuition freeze will be implemented next year
  + First year seminar- administration is against it
    - They feel it can’t be incorporated into the curriculum
* **Miles City:**
  + Senate is currently running through elections
    - In a crisis
      * Senate is broke
      * They have an emergency rollover fund for senate that has over $15,000 in it
* **MSUB:**
  + Working on budgets
    - Will vote on them on next week
  + Elections are over
  + Working on transitions and updating transition plans
  + Working on re-structuring newspaper for success
* **Tech:**
  + Fee increase will be going to BOR next month
  + Will be opening up the pool in the fall
    - Looking at combining pool manager and Intramurals director positions
* **UMW** 
  + Recent passing of Intramurals director/student senator, Colton Rohlf
  + Campus Recreation Room will be open to students soon
    - Will be dedicated to Colton Rohlf
  + Elections are next week
  + New Provost, Deborah Hedeen was hired
  + 4 faculty members that were on a 1-year contract were not renewed, which caused a campus uproar