Minutes for ASMSUN Student Senate Regular Meeting December 8, 2008

Kristiny Lorette called the Meeting to Order at 5:12.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Roll call was taken by sign-in log.

4. Reading of the Minutes

*Adoption of the Minutes

5. Old Business:

A) Director of Sustainability:

*Letter proposing position was read and passed around the table for signatures.

B) Donaldson Hall:

*Heating system failed, antifreeze was put into the pipes so they won’t break.
*Suggested using Donaldson as a lab for plumbing and electrical students. Also to use donated boilers in Donaldson before the floors are ruined.
*Spike suggested contacting Bob Knolt and Laurence Schlotfeldt they would like to help with Donaldson.
*Spike also suggested going to the Havre Daily News and let them know what is going on to inform the community.
*Jim Potter will be going in the radio to talk about Donaldson.
*Kristiny, Jordan, and James will be contacting people about Donaldson.

C) Building Reports:

*Christi spoke to the Chancellor about issues in the science department and received a good response.
*Kristiny mentioned that if anyone ever threatens a person with their financial aid over an issue to come speak to her about it and it will be taken care of.

D) Imagine Northern Reports:

*Environmental committee made $3.50 on recycling cans.
*Student Family Housing had a movie night recently, but there are no reports back from the physical plant.

6. New Business

A) Gamble and Stearns visit Dec 16 at 11:35am in Crowley: Please Attend
*Will address the new chancellor search.

B) Advising Night: this Wed 6-9 in the library basement

*For continuing students not just incoming freshman.
*Kristiny proposes that the Senate provides money for food and balloons.
*Kristiny will make up some big posters and put up the balloons to draw student’s attention.
*Vote was unanimous to team up with the advising center.

C) Spike Presentation:

*Brought a report for the Senate on different conservation information.
*Northern has been verbally approved for a wind turbine.
*Would like to use the turbine as a teaching tool because it is an older model and may not have too much life left in it.
*February 5 as a Focus the Nation Day this would be a National Teach In.
*Spike also gave some figures on the costs of keeping computers and vending machines running constantly.
*Computers need to be shut down at night and the costs of keeping vending machines running needs to be looked at.

7. Officers Reports

A) Business Manager

i) SIFE Angel Tree Annual Request:

*Last years senate voted to always give $1000 to SIFE.
*Need to vote whether or not to add this to the Senate budget.
*Senate decided to take SIFE as a yearly request not added to the budget.
*If SIFE gets their paper work into the Senate the Senate will have an emergency meeting on Thursday to vote on it.

B) President

i) Meeting with Chancellor about Student Complaints

ii) UAC:

1) Inclement Weather Policy
   *Students sometimes travel long distances in bad weather only to find their class has been cancelled.

2) Section 600: Student Affairs
601.4 RELATIONSHIP and DATING VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT AND STALKING POLICY revised and guidelines to be added.
*Kristiny will be helping with the guidelines.

iii) Other:

*Student Orientation will be January 13.
*My Portal will be changing next semester.
*Kristiny requested the budget for student fees.
*Kristiny looked into the costs of putting a projector into the meeting room, it would cost between $800-$1200.

C) Vice President

i) IOC: Christmas Party Dec 11 4:30-6:30
*Dinner in SUB cafeteria.

8. Committee Reports

A) Program

i) Talent Show Dec 4 Cancelled

*Talent Show postponed until maybe February 5.
*Kristiny asked if program would take on Focus the Nation.
*Trevor would like to think about it, an answer is needed before Trevor leaves for Christmas Break.

B) Media

i) Yearbook

ii) Newspaper

iii) Radio

C) Recreation

9. Special Orders

10. Adjournment

A) Please stay for White Elephant Gift Exchange

*James moved to adjourn 6:07 pm.