October 3, 2011

ASMSU-N Senate Meeting


The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm on Monday, October 3, 2011. The pledge was recited by Richard. The minutes from the last meeting were read by Torrie and a motion was made by Bill and seconded by Richard that the minutes stood approved as read.

IOC Reports:

SIFE: Jaron reported that SIFE has adopted a highway and will be doing a clean-up of their highway on October 9, 2011. Last week SIFE sponsored a luncheon for members of Youth Build. He also reported that SIFE is beginning its own business where they are buying books from students and reselling them. The money raised will go to help support Havre Public Schools elementaries. SIFE also has a volleyball team in intramurals.

Chi Alpha: Laurel and Jim presented a request for funds to student senate from Chi Alpha. Chi Alpha sponsors many campus events throughout the school year and many of them took place the first week of school. The Havre Assembly of God donates $4000/year to help support Chi Alpha but they are in need of more money to continue to sponsor events. Chi Alpha requested $1000 to help compensate for the expenses required for the events. There will be an executive business meeting following the senate meeting to discuss the request. Laurel reported on the Girl’s Night Out that took place last weekend and stated the Chi Alpha core groups are continually growing. Chi Alpha sponsored a movie night last weekend and it went over well. They are planning to have another Fugitive Night on October 27th at dark and there will be prizes and pizza. Laurel was unsure if Chi Alpha would be doing a booth at the Halloween party but will report back next week.

PAS: Wendy reported that some PAS members will be attending a PAS conference in Lewistown the weekend of October 7-9th. They are also trying to think of fundraiser ideas for other events they will be sponsoring and attending.

Cheer: Jackie reported that cheerleading tryouts will be in November for the spring season. She was unsure if the cheer squad will be doing a booth for the Halloween party so she will talk to them and report back next meeting.

Sweetgrass Society: Bill reported that Sweetgrass did not have a meeting this past week so there was nothing new to report.

CIA: Bill reported that CIA is sponsoring the food drive around campus which will be going on through October 31st. He also reported that CIA is going to be doing a face painting booth at the Halloween party.
Skills USA: Jimmy reported that Skills is going to continue selling concessions at the volleyball games until the end of the season. He also reported that their advisor is working on a grant through Lowe’s to build an addition on the Havre Community Food Bank.

Campus Corps: Grace reported that Campus Corps will be having their first meeting next week. Campus Corps is also working with CIA on the campus-wide food drive.

Intramural Sports: Richard reported that co-ed volleyball will start October 3, 2011 at 8:00 pm and there are 12 teams registered.

Old Business:

ASMSU-N will be hosting a Fun Run/Walk on October 31, 2011 at 12:00pm. Then there will be a Halloween party in the SUB for community children from 5:00-7:00pm. Many clubs will be sponsoring booths for the event. SIFE is going to have a fishing booth. There will be a Halloween dance on October 31, 2011 in the SUB from 9:00pm-12:00am. Sean Richardson will be the DJ for the dance.

Denise reminded everyone that there will be a Moonlight Bowling tournament October 6, 2011 at 7:00pm in the Pin ‘n’ Cue. There will be prizes awarded for the high scoring male and female.

The next Board of Regents meeting will be November 18-20, 2011 in Bozeman, MT. Anyone who is interested in going needs to see Paul or Ashley to sign-up.

Bill reported he created an ASMSU-N Facebook page and it was brought to his attention that the name needed to be changed since people were getting it confused with the MSU-Northern Facebook page. Bill said he would change it promptly.

Paul asked Senate if anyone had thought of any ideas that MSU-Northern could bring to the Mass Conference Call of the Montana University Systems. No one had specific ideas but the general concept should be to standardize some type of sustainability among all the campuses. There could possibly be more garbages used on campus for campus beautification or more recycling bins put up. Also, recycling bins for items such as glass and plastic could also be implemented. However, these items would have to be transported to a bigger town. Senate members are to continue brainstorming.

New Business:

Paul spoke with Spike about Montana Day which is November 8, 2011. Spike was hoping to generate interest in Student Senate and see if campus clubs would be able to put booths together for the event. Each club could focus on a piece of Montana history which relates to their club. Paul didn’t know a lot of details and so this will be discussed more next week.

There was discussion about continuing to expand the campus sustainability by putting receptacles for plastic bottles around campus. Pacific Steel and Recycling in Havre does not recycle plastics but there is going to be a city-wide recycling event on November 5, 2011 which is sponsored by
HRDC and Opportunity Link and they will accept plastic and then take it to the proper recycling plant. Only #1 and #2 plastics can be recycled.

Bill informed Senate of the next speaker in the Chancellor’s Lecture Series. The next speaker will be Kevin Michael Connelly on October 20, 2011. A second Senate member is needed to sit on the committee. Brad volunteered to be a part of the committee. The committee meets at 4:00pm every Thursday in the library conference room.

Richard made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Bill seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 4:42 pm.