

## 08July04 MAS Minutes

Members Present: Price, Larson, Kapperud, Krnavek (in for Rasmussen), Lucido, Student Regent French,

1. Meeting was called to order by Price at 6:07 p.m.
2. May MAS Meeting minutes approval:
  - a. Kapperud motioned to approve May MAS Meeting minutes, Krnvek seconded it, all member approved.
3. Introductions:
  - a. Introductions occurred around the table of all meeting participants.
  - b. Price announced that Kala French was appointed new Student Regent and thanked her for attending our meeting.
  - c. Price introduced and welcomed special guests Josh Vanek and Chris Bolin.
4. Special guest: Josh Vanek, Montana Campus Compact
  - a. Vanek discussed that he was the head of Montana Campus Compact and that he would like for student leaders around the state to become more involved with his program.
    - i. Vanek said that there are scholarships available for students involved in work-studies because of the community service required.
    - ii. Work-study programs require 7% community service; Montana students perform 15% now. Making the opportunity for the scholarships more likely for Montana students.
    - iii. The woke-study and the community service scholarship would be a combined financial increase for Montana students.
    - iv. Vanek would like for MAS participants to sit down with advisors to promote working closer with Montana Campus Compact and work-study programs to receive more scholarships.
  - b. A sign-up sheet went around for MAS participants to get involved, along with trading of contact information.
5. Special guest: Chris Bolin, America Corp
  - a. Bolin discussed what America Corp could do for Montana students.
    - i. Civic engagement campaign.
    - ii. Raise your voice campaign.
    - iii. America Corp facilitate dialogs where students choose projects and then meet over a few months and discuss what progress has been made.
      1. This gives student leaders a chance to get involved in the democratic process.
      2. Would like MAS members to lead by getting involved themselves or by promoting the program and getting other student leaders involved.
6. Old Business
  - a. Price discussed the MAS Lawsuit against the state of Montana.

- i. Price read a letter from the judge, which stated MAS, has lost grounds of case by delaying oral arguments.
    - ii. French asked for copies of judgement.
    - iii. Price will bring copies of judgement for anyone interested or send a copy to them.
    - iv. MAS received a check of the difference from not continuing on with the case.
  - b. MAS Website
    - i. Price gave a brief description of the website and told MAS members that a pre-page is up and running.
    - ii. MAS plans on taking picture for the website for the September meeting.
    - iii. Price discussed that it would be easy to add and remove items from the website and that if anyone has a proposal or issue for the site let members of MAS know.
  - c. Lobbying discussion
    - i. Lucido suggested looking at not just the Missoula area for a lobbyist.
    - ii. Price suggested Missoula and Helena would be both good areas to search. Price suggested a student from Missoula that has been a lobbyist for the past two years, not as experienced but is an option.
    - iii. French, Kranvek, Lucido, and Price all agreed that there is a need for a student lobbyist to help prevent campus undercutting.
    - iv. Lucido suggested forming goals for all Montana campuses to follow, so that more information can be gathered as a group effort. Lucido suggested that each member of MAS research their area using these goals to formulate a confident decision for a MAS lobbyist.
    - v. Goals of MAS for deciding of a lobbyist
      - 1. Determine and finding lobbying budgets from the past, present and for the future.
      - 2. Communication between all members of MAS.
      - 3. Begin identifying interested individuals for lobbyist and how much it would cost for each individual.
      - 4. Formulate and identify school platforms.
      - 5. Formulate a job description for a MAS lobbyist.
      - 6. Develop a plan to promote an ambassador program.
- 7. New Business
  - a. Mission Statement
    - i. Price suggests that MAS develop a MAS mission statement and urges all members of MAS to develop a draft.
    - ii. This draft would be an outline of a strategic plan to guide the future of MAS members.
  - b. New MAS Logo
    - i. Price would like to update and modernize the MAS logo.

- ii. Price wants members of MAS to check around for a price to update logo.
    - c. MAS Dues
      - i. Lucido announced MAS dues and handed out information.
- 8. Student Regent's update with question and answer
  - a. Communication
    - i. Regent French handed out contact information and urged constant communication among her and student leaders.
    - ii. Regent French would like to write a newsletter to be handed out to MAS members and be posted on the MAS website.
  - b. Regent French suggested items on the Regents agenda for students to pay attention to.
    - i. Shared leadership initiative.
    - ii. Fee allocations
    - iii. Employee pay increases
    - iv. Student assistant association
- 9. Campus updates
  - a. Greatfalls COT: Insurance for annual haunted house is an issue. Liability is too high to continue carrying the haunted house.
  - b. Billings: Busy with orientation, a successful alumni dinner, and an active summer senate.
  - c. Bozeman: Orientation is going good, voter registration cards being filled out by incoming freshman, announcement of U of M system vs. MSU system voter registration challenge.
  - d. Missoula: Price action as resolution officer. Busy with voter registration and orientation. Price brings up USA Today program that puts it's paper along with three others in stands along campus and they are free to students. The school pays a small fee and for only the papers picked up by students. Each paper cost around \$0.33, including major papers.
  - e. Butte: Working with orientation and developing committees for upcoming year.
- 10. Luncheon Topics
  - a. Shared leadership program, taking six priorities and developing them into three headings.
    - i. Workforce training organization
    - ii. Promote and enhance secondary education. Recruiting out of state students.
    - iii. Distance learning
  - b. Sales Tax
  - c. Lobbying process on working with regents and administration for platform
  - d. Greatfalls- enrollment
- 11. Price reminds Presidents of student reports being due Friday morning by 8:00 a.m.
- 12. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

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