

May 29-30, 2008

ITEM 139-2009-R0508

**Authorization to Increase the Associated Students of Montana State University (ASMSU) Intramural Student Activity Fee and Provide for Future Indexed Increases**

**THAT:**

The Board of Regents of the Montana University System authorize Montana State University to increase the ASMSU intramural student activity fee an additional \$5.00 per semester beginning with the Fall 2008 semester, and to increase future fee amounts based on inflation indexes as is currently approved for other ASMSU fees.

**EXPLANATION:**

1. Montana State University students voted during the Spring 2008 elections, and an ASMSU Senate Resolution approved, an increase of \$5.00 per semester to this fee.
2. Montana State University has recently undergone renovation to the Fitness Center and requires new and additional equipment to accommodate the needs of the students, faculty, and staff.
3. The Fitness center is under the Vice President of Student Affairs and ASMSU who have both researched financial opportunities for this situation.
4. It is requested that indexing be approved for this fee as all other ASMSU fees are indexed with inflation.
5. With this fee increase the students will benefit over many years.
  - a. Year 1: Approximately 2/3 of the new fee will pay for a new climbing room and the remaining 1/3 will purchase new cardio equipment. The new equipment will replace half of the old cardio equipment.
  - b. Year 2 and in the future: The whole fee will be applied to new cardio equipment. This will replace the remaining half of the old equipment and continue to pay on the previous two years of the loan rent program.
6. Each year in the future the fitness center will replace 1/3 of the cardio equipment with new, state-of-the-art equipment.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- A. Resolution passed by the Associated Students of Montana State University Senate
- B. Student vote on Spring 2008 Ballot
- C. Revised Inventory of Fee Worksheet Sample