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MAS Minute

Now In Session!

The students aren't the only ones back at it in full swing, but the 63rd legislature is in session! We have three student lobbyists working extremely hard up in Helena to represent the needs of all 47,000 students in the Montana University System. Student Governments have been working to keep their campuses engaged with the legislature, writing letters, making phone calls and planning to attend rotunda days. In the next few issues of the MAS Minute you'll see updates from not only the campuses, but the lobbyists in Helena!

As always, feel free to contact us anytime at mtassociatedstudents@gmail.com.



University of Montana - Western

Associated Students of Great Falls College of Technology

ASMSUGFCOT students participated in the official flag raising of their new flag with the updated logo!



UM Western is starting of block 5 with a few projects:

1. They're almost finished revising our by-laws
2. Next, they are working on putting together legacy binders for each one of the ASUMW sponsored clubs. It will include all of the information regarding proper procedures for travel, expenses, fundraising, campus and community involvement. The goal is for this to eliminate confusion of handing over a club to newly elected officers.
3. The last big project they have in store for this semester is an "Information Week" for the students. ASUMW has designed a "Where do your student fees go receipt" and pamphlet thoroughly explaining where their student money is spent. Also, in that week we will be having an Activities, Intramural, and KDWG (campus radio) day promoting their upcoming events/job openings. We will also include an Experience One Grant day and this will entail promoting the grant and also sharing our students experiences with the campus. There are a few more details to iron out with that event but it should be a success and ASUMW hopes to create more visibility on campus.

ASUMW elections will be held on March 27, 2013 and the banquet will be April 3, 2013

Student Regent Applications

MAS will be accepting [Student Regent](#) applications through April 1. Any student interested should submit a Resume, Cover Letter and 2 letters of recommendation to mtassociatedstudents@gmail.com.

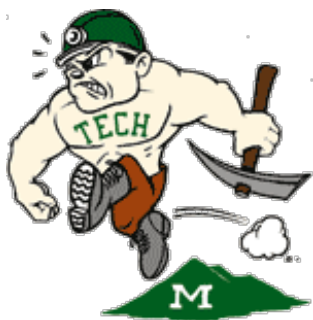
Students with any questions can contact the current Student Regent, Joe Thiel at joseph.thiel1@gmail.com.

Associated Students of Montana Tech

1. ASMT will be having a winter retreat this coming Friday and Saturday at Fairmont. Reagent Angela McLean will be our guest speaker. We plan to develop goals for the remainder of the school year and to increase the leadership within ASMT.

2. ASMT is starting off the new semester and welcoming new students with a few social events that include a Soak and Swim at Fairmont, a Cross Country Skiing day and a Pizza party.

3. The Men's Basketball team recently beat our rival, Carroll College, 80 to 54 and our Women's Basketball team beat the Rocky Mountain Bears 66 to 56. Go Diggers!



4. On December 13th, we welcomed Legislators to Montana Tech for a Campus Showcase. Our Senators met with the Legislators, gave them tours of our campus and discussed why they love Tech. Chancellor Blakketter hosted a gathering after the tours.

ASMSUB Updates

MSUB Sports: The MSUB Women's Basketball team remains unbeaten at home this season and look to stay that way through the weekend. The men's basketball team is looking for an upset while visiting Central Washington and the GNAC conference's leading scorer. The men's and women's track team are having strong meets performing well in Spearfish, S.D., and heading to Boise, I.D.



Change Starts with 1! – MSUB in conjunction will be hosting a week of diversity and inclusion in conjunction of celebrating Martin Luther King Day. We will be hosting speakers, diversity events, and service projects. It is being called "A Week To Act".

Legislative Support – ASMSUB and the MSUB campus are working hard to gather students and staff to express support to legislatures this session. We are in the planning stage of getting students and staff members to write letters and send emails to support the LRBP and funding of the university system. Once ASMSUB

Associated Students of Montana State

- ASMSU has done quite a bit of hiring lately, check out the new directors!

1. New [sustainability director](#), Kristin Blackler
2. New [State Legislative](#) director, Mark Bond.

3. Hiring a new campus entertainment director, effective next week.

- ASMSU is also appointing 4 new senators. Two for Education, Health and Human Development, one for At Large, and one for Agriculture.

- ASMSU Elections is rolling out the executive elections starting January 28.

- Campus Entertainment has a show on January 30 featuring the Good Husbands, a band outside of Seattle.

- The Exit Gallery is celebrating it's grand opening after it's remodel.

Associated Students of University of Montana

-Missoula students continue to push for the construction of a new Missoula College building. Currently, several members of ASUM, as well as their lobbyist, are in Helena advocating for this project. A hearing is tentatively scheduled for Monday, January 28. This will be the

Legislative Database

Don't forget to have all of your constituents fill out the [legislative action database form](#) that we can use to mobilize students to write their legislators.

Also, don't forget to be encouraging all of your constituents to write their legislators and be engaged this legislative session. Students have a great amount of power and it's important that we exercise it!

reconvenes it looks as if a resolution will be passed to support all university system initiatives.

first opportunity for students from Missoula to take a bus trip to Helena to show support for HB14.
- ASUM is still working hard on developing job descriptions and budgeting for a new full-time staff position, being called the Chief of Staff. This new position in the organization would be charged primarily with leadership development, staff professional development and training, and HR management.

- The 703 Equality campaign has grown tremendously over the past month. ASUM members, alongside ASMSU, have set up a letter-writing campaign to Commissioner Christian, a blog for students to share their personal stories about policy 703, and a facebook page that currently has over 225 "likes". We will continue to resolve this issue before the end of the academic year.

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