

2017 Reallocation Request #1 – ASMSU Campus Entertainment

**Ben Nemtin Contracted Price.....\$10,000.00**

Existing PACE Contracted Entertainers Budget..... 4,500.00

RHA Contribution .....3,500.00

Current Total .....\$8,000.00

Amount Still Needed.....\$2,000.00

PACE Blue and Gold Ball Budget.....4,770.00

Right now, our office is \$2,000.00 short of our goal. Reallocating the \$4,770.00 from the Blue and Gold Ball would put our total budget for this event at \$12,770.00. Our team is continuing to work to find financial partners on campus, to ensure we can make this event a reality.

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**The reallocation of \$2,000 from line item “Blue and Gold Ball” to line item “Contracted Entertainers” passed the ASMSU Finance Board unanimously, 7-0.**

**The request was amended so that only \$2,000 from line item “Blue and Gold Ball” (not the full \$4,770) was moved to line item “Contracted Entertainers”. The board’s reasoning was that if Campus Entertainment wanted to spend more than what was needed for the Ben Nemtin event than the Finance Board and the Senate should have a say in how that money is spent.**

**The reallocation request passed the ASMSU Senate unanimously, 19-0.**

Dear ASMSU Finance Board and ASMSU Senators,

This year, myself and my teammates on the PACE board have been working to meet and exceed the expectations of our individual programs by building off of the previous successes, while also bringing new ideas to the position. One of these new ideas includes the opportunity to bring the speaker Ben Nemtin of the Buried Life to Montana State University.

There are many benefits to bring Ben to our campus. Specifically for our PACE team, his message appears to a wider audience than our normal events do. Hopefully students from all walks of life can find a way to connect to Ben, as he has been in our position and covers several critical topics that sit at the forefront of college students' thoughts. In addition, Ben stresses the importance of finding your true passion, and I feel it is important for myself and my peers to be reminded that following that passion is important for not only our personal happiness, but for our ability to make real, positive change in the world. Finally, Ben shares his own experience with depression and anxiety, and his journey to recovering from both. He stresses the importance of normalizing mental health and encourages students to be aware of and take care of their mental wellbeing.

Our team has \$4,500.00 left in our budget for contracted entertainers; however, Ben Nemtin's all-inclusive price is \$10,000.00. I have been working hard to find financial partners on campus, and although we have been successful in receiving some contributions, our goal has still not yet been reached. For this reason, I am reaching out to your board to request a budget reallocation. The budget allots \$4,770.00 to the Blue and Gold Ball and our PACE board requests the entire \$4,770.00 be reallocated to this contracted entertainer opportunity. Our team feels it would be more beneficial to concentrate our energy and resources on bringing Ben Nemtin to campus rather than carry out the Blue and Gold Ball, as it would be a more beneficial and relevant program for students.

Sincerely,

Lizzy Thompson

ASMSU Student Campus Entertainment Director for the OSE