Meeting Date: 9/8/04

Members Present: Brenda Hatcher, Julia Winter, Tina Beaudry, Russell Warchola, Cherié Mondragon and Dr. Tony Hecimovic.

President Brenda Hatcher presided at the meeting, introducing the availability of a position for a representative from our association to the ASMU, or student senate. She also mentioned the openings for the offices of Secretary-treasurer and Vice President of the graduate association. A representative from the graduate association is also needed to meet with faculty members on a research committee every Thursday at 11:15 am. Tina Beaudry volunteered for the position as representative to the student senate.

The Office of Community Involvement has scheduled a Service Saturday for March 19th. Interested parties should meet at the SUB at 10 am to participate.

Fund raisers for the organization were discussed. Brenda mentioned the Alumni Brick project, similar to one started at RMC, which involves alumni buying bricks that are later laid in a walkway with their names engraved in the brick. It was also mentioned that tiles in a wall could serve the same purpose. Tina mentioned having a Masked Ball in November as a fund raiser, perhaps obtaining local (musical) student talent.

An Octoberfest celebration was discussed and Brenda volunteered Doc’ N ‘Eddy’s for a location with a program that would include families.

Cherie’ will contact the offices of Linda McCullock and Bob Anderson to schedule a possible debate at MSU-Billings for the office of Public Superintendent before elections in Nov.

Brenda mentioned having a forum this year, similar to the “No Child Left Behind” panel the graduate association sponsored last year. She mentioned, State of Schools in Montana, as a subject for panel discussion or a debate.

Julia volunteered to pick up sandwiches in the SUB for the upcoming graduate association meetings.