Joint Bill #8 University Gift

Sponsors: Representative Sather
       Senator Roach

ASUU

Official Signatures

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Jack Bender, ASUU President

Parker Archer, Assembly Chair

Rachel Petersen, Senate Chair

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BE IT ENACTED by the 2016-2017 ASUU Senate and ASUU Assembly that:

WHEREAS, The University of Utah is a commuter campus comprised of several student populations, including nontraditional students with children (approx. 25%-30% of U students have children);

WHEREAS, The ASUU Childcare Center caters to the nontraditional student population by providing affordable and convenient access to childcare as well as encouraging the pursuit and completion of student’s academic goals;

WHEREAS, The ASUU Childcare Center has existed on campus since 2001, and since openings its doors, has provided for student families a legacy of: part-time hours and partial week scheduling, subsidized fees through scholarships, developmental programming for children 12 months through 5 years of age, non-traditional hours, and free child care during finals week;

WHEREAS, The ASUU Childcare Center website is: http://asuuc.childcare.utah.edu;

WHEREAS, during the Fall 2016 semester, 7 scholarships totaling $2800 were awarded (18 families applied), and during the Spring 2017 semester 7 scholarships totaling $3,395 were awarded (22 families applied);

WHEREAS, the range of individual scholarships awarded to families were $76-$800 in the Fall and $125-$1000 in the Spring;

WHEREAS, the scholarships for the ASUU Childcare Center are derived solely from interest payments on an endowment fund that is volatile with the ever-changing market and interest rates;

WHEREAS, The University Gift of $25,000, if awarded, would provide an additional $500 per semester ($1000 per academic year) in scholarship aid;

WHEREAS, ASUU is dedicated to serving and benefitting all student populations at the University of Utah;

THEREFORE, be it enacted by the 2016 – 2017 ASUU Assembly and Senate that $25,000 be transferred from the ASUU Special Projects Fund to the Vice President of Student Relations budget as line-itemed below:

1. University Gift $25,000.00
   a. ASUU Childcare Endowment Fund
2. Total $25,000.00
   a. Total amount asking the ASUU to give = $25,000.00