SENATE BILL #1945

Title: Safe Ride Implementation
Date: March 2, 2000

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Sponsors: Senators Cindy Reed, Kristen Reed, and West

1. WHEREAS, the students of the University of Wyoming have need for low cost
   transportation to areas both on and beyond the campus of the University of
   Wyoming; and

2. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming Fleet Operations' Campus Shuttle

3. currently ceases service of the campus at six o'clock every week night; and

4. WHEREAS, 70% of 141 respondents to a telephone survey conducted by the
   Safe Ride Committee indicated that "they would use a free transportation
   system;" and

5. WHEREAS, 62.3% of 432 respondents to the ASUW Student Opinion Survey
   of 1999 indicated that they "would be willing to pay a small fee increase to
   support a shuttle bus."

6. THEREFORE, be it enacted that the Student Senate of the Associated Students
   of the University of Wyoming approve the Safe Ride Program (see Attachment
   A) and the Safe Ride Budget FY '01 (see Attachment B).

Referred to: Consumer Committee

Date of Passage: March 21, 2000   Signed: [Signature]

"Being enacted on March 23, 2000, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action." [Signature]

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Attachment A

Purpose:

The purpose of Safe Ride is to provide a public transportation system to be operated within the Laramie city limits for both the University of Wyoming and Laramie community. The system will provide the community with reliable transportation to points throughout the city of Laramie, a safe alternative to walking, bicycle riding, or other "exposed" methods of travel, and an alternative to transportation by personal automobile. The system will operate in the evening and early-morning hours to provide safe, low-cost transportation around the city of Laramie, but may be adjusted accordingly to increased or decreased need for the service.

Program Description:

Safe Ride will be composed of three routes that will begin to be serviced at 7:00 p.m. and continue to be serviced until 2:30 a.m. Each route will consist of no less than seven (7) scheduled stops, which will be visited in turn over a period of approximately twenty (20) minutes. The University of Wyoming Student Union (the Union) will be a stop common to all three routes, thus acting as the "hub" of the transportation system, with all three vehicles converging upon the Union within three to five minutes of each other. There will be a para-transit bus that will be on call and used to transport the handicapped and will operate parallel to the established route and will stop at the established bus stops. Safe Ride will employ four (4) employees; three (3) drivers and a dispatcher.

Administration:

The Safe Ride program will be subject to and operated by an executive committee to be formed by ASUW and composed of:

- One Chair to be an Executive Assistant to the president of ASUW
- Two ASUW senators or students-at-large (at the discretion of the ASUW executive in charge of committee appointments)
- One employee of the University of Wyoming Fleet Operations
- Other members as seen fit by the committee as a whole, and the president of ASUW. All appointments will be approved by the ASUW Senate.

This committee will be responsible for the operation of Safe Ride and will oversee areas including but not limited to the following:

- The hiring, training, and the dismissal of all Safe Ride employees.
- The addition and/or deletion of route stops.
- The financial operations of the program, including:
  - The solicitation and/or approval of program sponsors
  - The solicitation and acquisition of moneys sufficient to provide for the continual operation of the program.
- The evaluation of community need for such a program.
- Explore user billing procedures.
- Make recommendations to ASUW Senate and the UW Trustees for the approval of user fees.
- Rules of Conduct.
- Disclaimer
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Attachment B

BUDGET FY 01*

ASUW SAFE RIDE PROGRAM

SOURCES OF INCOME

ASUW EMERGENCY STUDENT LOAN FUND $65,000.00
REVENUE $ 1,000.00
TOTAL INCOME $66,000.00

EXPENSES

SALARY $25,830.00
Hiring 4 employees for 7.5 hours a night 3 nights a week at $7 hour for 123 days
ADVERTISING $ 3,200.00
Radio, newspaper, & flyers
COPIER $ 500.00
Printing out the routes
SPECIAL SERVICES CONTRACT $30,240.00
3 vans at $840.00 per van a month for 12 months
STAFF DEVELOPMENT $ 1,000.00
First aid, defensive driving, and training for all 5 employees ($100.00 per person)
UNANTICIPATED EXPENSES $ 5,230.00

TOTAL EXPENSES $66,000.00

*Above budget is for FY '01 only and will be reevaluated by Safe Ride Program Committee (see Attachment A) during the 2000-2001 term.