SENATE RESOLUTION #1980

Title: Support for ASUW Diversity Training
Date: March 23, 2001
Authors: United Multicultural Council, Non-Traditional Student Council
Sponsors: Senators Carter, Lance, Murphy, Partridge, West

1. WHEREAS, addressing the needs and concerns of underrepresented
2. populations is an obligation of the ASUW Student Senate; and
3. WHEREAS, diversity issues need to be incorporated into all Associated
4. Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) programs, services,
5. activities, and policies; and
6. WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 2 of the ASUW Constitution states “It
7. (ASUW Student Senate) shall have the authority to assume whatever
8. responsibilities it deems necessary to fulfill its obligations to the students”; and
9. and
10. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming statement on discrimination and
11. harassment states, “Campus environment characterized by diversity, free
12. inquiry, free expression and balanced by interpersonal civility has always
13. been and continues to be, a top priority of the University of Wyoming”; and
14. WHEREAS, creating such an environment should be a top priority of the
15. ASUW Student Government; and
16. WHEREAS, diversity training would help each member of the ASUW
17. Student Government enhance their ability to represent and interact with
18. students as a student leader; and
WHEREAS, the ASUW Senate Retreat currently does not consistently include a diversity training; and

WHEREAS, the ASUW Senate retreats are an opportunity for all members of the ASUW Student Government to come together and openly discuss diversity issues; and

WHEREAS, the National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI) offers diversity training on the University of Wyoming campus; and

WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government has used the NCBI model on other occasions with great success; and

WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government has supported diversity training for new faculty "...to increase awareness and decrease insensitivity toward underrepresented populations throughout the campus"; and

WHEREAS, the ASUW Student Government works to increase awareness and decrease insensitivity toward underrepresented populations throughout the campus.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the ASUW Student Senate allocate at least three hours of an ASUW Senate Retreat to the NCBI model diversity training.

Referred to: Student Relations Committee

Date of Passage: April 3, 2001   Signed: [Signature]
(ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on April 3, 2001, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action." [Signature]
ASUW President