SENATE BILL #2084

Title: Town Hall Meeting Committee

Date: April 2, 2004

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Sponsors: Senators Chollak and Shah

1. WHEREAS, the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming have
2. established Town Hall Meetings as a way to further inform the students it
3. serves about issues relating to them on campus; and
4. WHEREAS, the Town Hall Meetings have not realized their full potential
5. as envisioned upon creation of these meetings; and
6. WHEREAS, the responsibility for planning and executing the Town Hall
7. Meetings has previously been placed with the Student Relations Committee;
8. and
9. WHEREAS, the amount of work to be done in planning the Town Hall
10. Meetings is significant and has diverted the Student Relations Committee
11. from other important work.
12. THEREFORE, be it enacted that a Town Hall Meeting Committee be created
13. for the specific task of scheduling, planning, promoting, and executing one (1)
14. Town Hall Meeting each semester in conjunction with each college; and
15. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the Town Hall Meeting Committee
16. consist of at least five (5) senators, the ASUW Director of Public Relations,
17. and two (2) Students-at-Large; and
18. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the Town Hall Meeting Committee
19. be given an initial annual budget of $750/semester for the promotion and
20. execution of these meetings; and
21. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the Town Hall Meetings be
22. implemented for a total of five years and then be reevaluated by the ASUW
23. Senate; and
24. THEREFORE, be it further amended that the following language be added to
25. the ASUW BY-Laws as Article 2, Legislative Branch; Section 10, Senate
26. Committees; Subsection A; Item 11, Town Hall Meetings Committee (See
27. Addendum A).

Referred to: Student Relations Committee

Date of Passage: April 20, 2004 Signed: [Signature]

"Being enacted on 4-22-04, I do hereby sign my name hereto
and approve this Senate action." [Signature]

ASUW President
Addendum A  Senate Bill #2084

Purpose  The committee shall provide a way to hold Town Hall Meetings once each semester to provide a forum for students to voice their concerns to ASUW Senators, University of Wyoming faculty and administrators, and any other persons whose voice and influence may be of interest or concern to members of ASUW during any given semester.

Powers  The committee shall be empowered to plan, promote, and execute Town Hall Meetings in a manner that will provide a useful forum for students to voice their concerns and comments and which will provide for a dialogue between students and those in positions of authority at the University of Wyoming. The committee will be further empowered to evaluate the success of each Town Hall Meeting and to make changes to the format, composition, or any aspect of the Town Hall Meetings in the interest of encouraging attendance while providing a worthwhile forum for dialogue. The committee shall consider and make recommendations to the ASUW Senate on ways to make Town Hall Meetings more effective.

Composition  The Town Hall Meeting Committee shall be made up of at least five (5) ASUW Senators, two (2) Students-At-Large, and the ASUW Director of Public Relations.