SENATE BILL #2118

Title:   Town Hall Meeting Committee

Date:   April 11, 2005

Authors:  Senators Heinert and Read

Sponsors:  Senators Heinert and Read

1. WHEREAS, the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (AS UW)
2. has established Town Hall meetings as a way to further inform the students it
3. services about issues relating to them on campus; and
4. WHEREAS, students should have more opportunities to interact with the
5. administration, faculty, staff, and AS UW representatives of their colleges; and
6. WHEREAS, the 2004-2005 Town Hall meetings received positive feedback
7. from administration, faculty and students and continue to increase in size; and
8. WHEREAS, the Town Hall meeting committee works directly with each
9. college and would prove more effective with a representative from each
10. college.

11. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Student Senate of the Associated Students
12. of the University of Wyoming that each college, in conjunction with the
13. AS UW, will host a Town Hall meeting every spring and fall semester at a
14. time determined by the college contact of each college in addition to the
15. regularly scheduled senate meeting; and
16. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the composition of the Town Hall
17. meeting committee be made up of at least one senator from each of the
18. colleges, the AS UW Director of Public Relations and two(2) students-at-
19. large; and

20. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the Town Hall Meeting Committee
21. be given an annual budget of $1000/semester for the promotion and
22. execution of these meetings (see proposed budget Addendum A); and
23. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the Town Hall meetings be held at a
24. time most convenient for the greatest number of students and senators; and
25. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the Town Hall Meeting Committee
26. make recommendations for the dates and times for colleges to hold the Town
27. Hall meetings; and
28. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that any meetings held outside of these
29. recommended times must be approved by the Town Hall Meeting Committee;
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32. recommended times must be approved by the Town Hall Meeting Committee;
33. and
34. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the language in the ASUW By-
35. Laws: Article 2, Legislative Branch; Section 10, Senate Committees;
36. Subsection A; Item 11, Town Hall Meetings Committee be amended to that of
37. Addendum B.

Referred to: No referral

Date of Passage: ________________________  Signed: ____________________________________________

"Being enacted on ________________________, I do hereby sign my name hereto

and approve this Senate action."

__________________________________________  ASUW President

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Addendum A:

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Addendum B:

**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. The meetings should open 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 Meetings Committee shall be made up of at least five (5) ASUW Senators, two (2) Students At Large, and the ASUW Director of Public Relations—one senator from each college, the ASUW Director of Public Relations, and at least two (2) Students-At-Large.