

SENATE BILL #2205

Title: Committee Referral Process

Date: March 24, 2008

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Sponsors: Senators Hunzeker, Murdock and Weaver

1. WHEREAS, the By-Laws of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) declare the Senate as the legislative body of the ASUW; an
3. WHEREAS, the Senate has been entrusted by the student body to serve their best
4. interest in the creation of efficient, responsible, and coordinated functioning of student
5. life by enacting legislation; and
6. WHEREAS, critical time is lost in ASUW legislative process; and
7. WHEREAS, the ASUW Vice President is capable of determining committee referrals;
8. and
9. WHEREAS, the role of the Steering Committee can improve their current role and focus
10. on membership.
11. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Senate of the Associated Students of the University of
12. Wyoming (ASUW) that Article II, Section 10 (6) (b) of the ASUW By-Laws be amended
13. by striking the language reflected in Addendum A; and
14. THEREFORE, be it further enacted Article VI, Section 1 (C) of the ASUW Rules and
15. Procedures be amended by striking the language reflected in Addendum B.

Referred to: Constitution Committee and Student Relations Committee

Date of Passage: _____ **Signed:** _____
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on _____, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action.” _____

ASUW President

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Elliott - 4/8/08
Murdock - 4/8/08
Hunzeker - 4/8/08
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ADDENDUM A

ASUW Bylaws

ARTICLE II Legislative Branch

Section 10. 6. ASUW Steering Committee:

- a. Purpose. The Committee shall provide coordination for the various issues, legislative activities, and program involvements of the ASUW Executive and Legislative branches, and serve to pursue ASUW recommendations and actions that are referred to, or require action by the University Trustees, the faculty, or administrative units of the University.
- b. Powers. ~~The Committee shall refer proposed ASUW legislation to ASUW standing or special committees for specified action or recommendation prior to final consideration by the Senate. Further, The Committee may recommend the procedure for implementing consideration of ASUW decisions, actions, or legislation after final action by the Senate, and the committee shall provide regular reports to the Senate on the status or final outcome of all matters that require action by officials outside of the ASUW. The committee shall have the power to call Senators before its membership to discuss alleged violations of the ASUW Rules and Procedures, Article III, Section 1 – Absent Voting Members.~~
- c. Composition. The Committee shall consist of the ASUW Vice President, who shall serve as chairperson; the ASUW President; the ASUW Executive Assistants, who shall serve in an ex-officio capacity; the ASUW President Pro Tempore; the ASUW Parliamentarian; the ASUW Sergeant at Arms; two (2) ASUW Senators; and the ASUW Advisor.

ADDENDUM B

ASUW Rules and Procedures

ARTICLE VI Legislative Action

- Section 1.**
- A. All bills and resolutions must be sponsored by not less than two Senators of the ASUW Senate.
 - B. Bills and resolutions must be read in not less than two (2) consecutive Senate meetings by the Secretary before passage.
 - C. Upon referral to a standing committee by the ~~Steering Committee~~ Vice President, an advertisement for the a bill or resolution shall be submitted to the Branding Iron . The advertisement must contain the following information: the name of the bill or resolution, a neutral brief description, the name of the committee to which the bill or resolution has been referred, the name of that committee's chairperson, and the email address or other contact information of the committee chairperson. If multiple bills or resolutions are referred by the ~~Steering~~ Committee at a single time, one advertisement may be used to advertise multiple bills or resolutions.
 - D. The bill or resolution shall be read the first time by the Secretary and the ASUW Vice President shall immediately report the committee(s) to which the bill or resolution has been referred by the ~~Steering~~ Committee. There shall be no debate following the first reading.