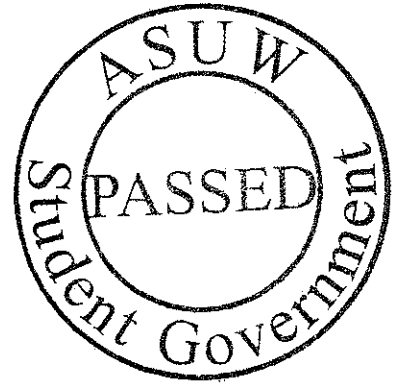


SENATE RESOLUTION #2244



TITLE: Students Right to Merit Scholarships

DATE: April 2, 2009

AUTHORS: Senator Thoman

SPONSORS: Senators Hansen, Thomas and Weaver

1. WHEREAS, the mission of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) is 'to serve its fellow students in the best manner possible through accurate
3. representation, professional interaction with campus programs and organizations, and
4. responsible, effective, leadership'; and
5. WHEREAS, the mission of the University of Wyoming (UW) states that 'the University of
6. Wyoming aspires to be one of the nation's finest public land-grant research universities,
7. dedicated to serving as a statewide resource for accessible and affordable higher education of
8. the highest quality'; and
9. WHEREAS, the UW Office of Student Financial Aid, as of Spring 2009, practices an in
10. house policy to neutralize student merit awards in a manner that prevents students with
11. certain aid packages from receiving additional benefits from their merit awards; and
12. WHEREAS, private donors intend for students financially to benefit from merit-based
13. awards regardless of the overall scholarship award the student receives from the University;
14. and
15. WHEREAS, UW students are currently suffering discrimination based on their financial aid
16. status; and
17. THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the
18. University of Wyoming (ASUW) that ASUW not support the current UW scholarship

19. policies.

20. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW urge the UW Vice President of Student

21. Affairs to work with the colleges and the enrollment service offices to revise the scholarship

22. programs.

23. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW urge the UW Board of Trustees to

24. resolve the discriminatory practices of the UW Office of Student Financial Aid against

25. students with merit-based awards.

Referred to Academics and Technology Committee and Student Relations Committee

Date of Passage: 04/14/09

UNANIMOUSLY

Signed:

Jonathan M. Brink
(ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on 4/21/09, I do hereby sign my name hereto and

approve this Senate action."

Felsey Day
ASUW President