SENATE RESOLUTION #2359

TITLE: ASUW Support for the Campus Leadership Network

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1. WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Student Government of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) to act on behalf of the interests and opinions of the entire student body; and,

2. WHEREAS, a significant portion of the students at the University of Wyoming (UW) are freshmen; and,

3. WHEREAS, the transition from a high school setting to the University is often difficult for freshmen; and,

4. WHEREAS, part of this difficulty arises from the fact that it is often difficult and daunting for freshmen to become involved in University activities and organizations; and,

5. WHEREAS, the Campus Leadership Network will connect incoming freshman with active and established on-campus leaders; and,

6. WHEREAS, this helps to alleviate the stresses of the transition to the University setting by providing an easy avenue for freshmen students to become involved on campus; and,

7. WHEREAS, a more involved student body, especially at the freshman level, has a greater capacity to effect necessary and positive changes to the University; and,

8. WHEREAS, the forging of young leaders ensures that all UW entities, including the ASUW, will continue to have a source of motivated, adept individuals to draw on as future members; and,
19. WHEREAS, the creation and support of the Campus Leadership Network would be of no
20. financial expense to the ASUW.

21. THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Student Government of the Associated Students of the
22. University of Wyoming (ASUW) that the ASUW support the program outlined in

23. Addendum A.

24. THEREFORE, be it further resolved by the ASUW that contact and correspondence be

25. maintained with the program as outlined in Addendum B.

Referred to: Student Outreach & Policy Committee

Date of Passage: 04/10/12 Signed: (ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on __________, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action." (ASUW President)
Addendum A

Campus Leadership Network
Proposal, Mission, and Vision

Mission Statement: The mission of the Campus Leadership Network shall be to give students the opportunity to pursue campus involvement through the shadowing of those already involved on campus. Through this process, the Campus Leadership Network hopes to allow interested students to become a new generation of campus leaders who are also willing to pass on their skills and interests. The Campus Leadership Network will also give various organizations a hands-on outlet for recruitment of new leaders.

Proposal:
- The Campus Leadership Network will be housed in the Service, Leadership, and Community Engagement office, as it is a leadership initiative parallel with the mission of SLCE.
- Student Leaders will sign up at the SLCE office, providing a list of the activities they are involved in and a brief biography about themselves.
- Students wanting to participate in the Campus Leadership Network may come to the SLCE office, review the Leaders listed, and sign up with them based on the activities that suit their interests.
- Student Leaders and their shadow will have the opportunity to meet at a beginning-of-the-month/semester meeting where Leaders will have an opportunity to talk about their experiences on campus, and Leaders and Shadows can plan when to meet to attend their respective activities. This meeting will be very informal (possibly similar to the International Coffee Hour) and not a large time commitment for either party.
- Initially, the Campus Leadership Network will hopefully be advertised by speaking to Resident Assistants at their RALI training, ASUW, Orientation Leaders, FYI leaders, and other high-profile catalysts for campus leadership.
- The Campus Leadership will also reach out to ASUW Non-Traditional Student Council and United Multicultural Council for input from those members, and the ability to expand the Campus Leadership Network to those student groups.

Vision: The Campus Leadership Network will serve to improve the relationship between more experienced student leaders and those just beginning to explore the many opportunities available to them. Through this, the state of the University as a whole will improve, as the more
involved newer students become, the more apt they are to effect change and improvement on campus in their future years.

It is the hope of the Campus Leadership Network that there would be a yearly event where the established leaders and those students who shadowed them come together for a final meeting in the spring. Not only would this meeting allow for the current leaders to see how the students have grown in their campus involvement, but also with the hopes that it will inspire the students to reciprocate to the program in the future, becoming the next set of role models for the Campus Leadership Program.

As this program thrives, grows, and improves, this vision may expand as well. The spring meeting could become a banquet, and a banquet could evolve into a leadership conference. While the success of the program depends on it starting small and growing at a sustainable rate, there is more than enough room for expansion to a high-profile campus program. With that in mind, this vision may change accordingly.
Addendum B

In order to more effectively foster the growth of and support the Campus Leadership Network, an ASUW council will be formed to coordinate with the SLCE Office, as well as to report back to the ASUW Senate as to the status and success of the program in its preliminary year. This council shall be comprised of no less than, but not limited to,

- One ASUW Executive, appointed by the President, who will serve as Chair.
- One ASUW Senator
- One ASUW Freshman Senator

Furthermore, any Student-At-Large interested in the program shall be permitted to serve on this advisory council.

This council will serve to coordinate with the SLCE office in order to produce a program in line with that proposed (Addendum A), as well as maintain communication between the program and the ASUW in order to ensure that the program has a lasting and meaningful impact on the University of Wyoming.