SENATE BILL #2365

TITLE: Elections Date Modifications  

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AUTHOR: Senator Messer

SPONSORS: Senators Bales, Brink, Christensen, Igo, Messer, Powell, Ogle, Olson, and Willson

1. WHEREAS, the Student Government of the Associated Students of the University of

2. Wyoming (ASUW) annually conducts elections in accordance with Article IV of the ASUW

3. By-Laws; and,

4. WHEREAS, it is the purpose of these elections to ensure accurate representation of the

5. student body; and,

6. WHEREAS, this purpose is furthered when there is a larger voter turn-out; and,

7. WHEREAS, a school holiday may cause a drop in voter turn-out.

8. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Student Government of the Associated Students of the

9. University of Wyoming (ASUW) that Article IV, Section 4, Subsection B of the ASUW

10. By-Laws be amended to reflect the changes contained in Addendum A.

11. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that Article IV, Section 5, Subsection B be amended to

12. reflect the changes contained in Addendum B.

Referred to: Constitution Committee

Date of Passage: 09/25/12 Signed: [Signature]

"Being enacted on 9/27/12, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action." [Signature]

ASUW President
Addendum A

THE BY-LAWS
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

ARTICLE IV
Elections

Section 4. Primary Election:

A. The names of all qualified candidates shall appear on the ballot.

B. Any necessary primary elections will be held three (3) weeks after the filing deadline (as outlined in Section 1(C) of this Article) from 12:00 a.m. Wednesday through 5:00 p.m. the following Friday.

B.i. In the event that the aforementioned Friday should fall on a school holiday, the Primary Elections shall be held from 12:00 a.m. Monday through 5:00 p.m. Wednesday of the same week.

C. In the event of a Primary Election for President and Vice President half the number of filed candidate tickets shall be allowed to move on to the General Election.
   i. If there are an odd number of candidate tickets appearing on the Primary Election ballot, the number of candidate tickets allowed to enter the General Election shall be half of the number of filed candidate tickets rounded down to the nearest whole number.
   ii. Under no circumstances shall the number of tickets able to enter the General Election fall below two (2), unless only one ticket has filed consistent with the deadline in Section 1 of this Article.
   iii. Under no circumstances shall the number of tickets able to enter the General Election be above three (3).
   iv. All votes cast shall be tabulated in accordance with the method provision as prescribed in Sections 2 and 10 of this Article.
   v. Voters shall be able to cast their vote for up to, but not to exceed the number of advancing tickets as outlined in the above clauses.

D. In the event of a Primary Election for senators, each student shall be permitted to vote for up to, but not to exceed double the senate seats allotted to his/her college (as outlined in Sections 2 and 10 of this Article).

E. Write-in candidates shall be permitted, but any candidate must submit an application and itemized expense statement (in the case of a write-in President and Vice President ticket) to be declared a winner. Such application and expense statement shall be due at noon the Tuesday following his/her winning in order to advance to the General Election. Write-in candidates must have abided by all election and campaigning rules to be considered eligible to advance to the General Election ballot.

F. In accordance with the number of seats in any particular office, a tie in the primary election shall increase the number of candidates normally to be carried into the general election.
Addendum B

THE BY-LAWS
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

ARTICLE IV
Elections

Section 5. General Election:

A. The candidates for ASUW Office who receive a plurality of the votes for any position shall be declared the winners of those positions. The number of winning candidates shall not exceed the number of apportioned seats of any college.

B. General elections will be held five weeks after the filing deadline (as outlined in Section 1(C) of this Article) from 12:00 a.m. Wednesday through 5:00 p.m. the following Friday.

i. In the event that the aforementioned Friday should fall on a school holiday, the General Elections shall be held from 12:00 a.m. Monday through 5:00 p.m. Wednesday of the same week.

C. In the case of a tie in the General Election, a run-off election shall be called to resolve the tie and determine the winner. The run-off election shall occur no later than five (5) school days following the General Election. The candidate who holds a plurality of votes for any one (1) position in the run-off election shall be declared the winner of that position.

D. Each student may vote for up to, but not to exceed, the number of senate seats allotted to his/her college (as outlined in Section 2 and 10 of this Article).

E. President and Vice President tickets to be listed on the ballot will be consistent with the number of candidates allowed to enter the General Election consistent with Section 4 of this Article (except in the case of a tie).

F. Write-in voting shall be permitted; any write-in candidate or ticket must submit an application and expense statement to noon the Tuesday following his/her notification of winning an election. Write-in candidates must have met all the requirements for nomination and abided by all election and campaigning rules to be considered eligible for office.