SENATE Bill #2368

TITLE: Ex-Officio Accountability Act

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AUTHOR: Senator Powell

SPONSORS: Senators Garcia, Krempels, McKay, Messer, Powell, and Reinicke; and SAL Cave

1. WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Student Government of the Associated Students of the
2. University of Wyoming (ASUW) to represent their constituents to the best of their ability,
3. and;
4. WHEREAS, it is the duty of the ex-officios to represent groups that have a diverse array of
5. co-curricular activities, as well as groups that play an active role on campus, and;
6. WHEREAS, such groups may not otherwise have a voice in the decisions made affecting the
7. student body, and;
8. WHEREAS, said groups have elected their ex-officios to be their voice, and;
9. WHEREAS, the current ASUW By-Laws state that any ex-officio may be unrepresented for
10. Four (4) consecutive meetings before there are repercussions, and;
11. WHEREAS, if an ex-officio consistently misses meetings, they are not accurately
12. representing the group they were so elected to represent.
13. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Student Government of the Associated Students of the
14. University of Wyoming that the ASUW By-Laws Section 6, Subsection B, Clause iii be
15. amended to reflect the changes contained in Addendum A.
Referred to: Student Outreach and Policy Committee

Date of Passage: Signed: (ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on __________, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action."  ASUW President
B. All University organizations seeking an ex-officio position on the ASUW Student Senate must have that position approved by the Constitution Committee and further approved by the ASUW Student Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) majority.

i. Organizations seeking an ex-officio position must exhibit all of the following qualifications:
   a. The organization must provide a diverse array of co-curricular activities including cultural, international, athletic, and/or student life programs.
   b. The organization must utilize educational opportunities, which promote growth and involvement enriching daily life.
   c. The organization must be a University Recognized Student Organization, but special exemptions may be granted for the representative bodies of University faculty and staff.
   d. The organization must demonstrate inadequate representation by the existing ex-officio's.
   e. Any organization that has lost its ex-officio position on the student senate will enter a period of probation and may not reapply for said position until a period of one semester has passed. Upon reapplication, the organization must provide a detailed account of activities conducted during this period of probation.

ii. The ex-officio position cannot be represented by current senators, executives or other ex-officio representatives.

iii. If an ex-officio position representing a student organization goes unrepresented for 4 consecutive total senate meetings per semester after their initial date of official operation they will be notified of their absences and potential consequences by the ASUW Vice President in writing; if the organization is absent for another 4 consecutive senate meetings they will lose their ex-officio position. After the loss of an ex-officio position the organization may petition to gain representation by following ASUW By-Laws Article II, Section 6, Paragraph C-1, a-d.