SENATE BILL #2393

TITLE: Establishment of Honorary Cowboy Award

DATE: March 14, 2013

AUTHORS: Chief of Staff Hayes and Senator Messer

SPONSORS: President Defebaugh, Vice President Kahler, Executives Andreen, Balogun, Haakinson, and Toly; and Senators Beyerlein, Black, Boyer, Christensen, Darrow, Dinneen, Garcia, Hasley, Igo, Kolf, Lehmitz, Lim, McKay, McNamee, Miech, Miller, Murdoch, Nedved, Ogle, Olson, Palm, Peralta, Powell, Rawlings, Reinicke, Schueler, Sheehan, Unangst, and Willson

1. WHEREAS, the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) seek to

2. promote the Cowboy Spirit through the State of Wyoming; and,

3. WHEREAS, Senate Bill #2323 named Derek Augustin as the first Honorary Cowboy for his

4. Cowboy Spirit in the face of his formidable diagnosis of neuroblastoma; and,

5. WHEREAS, the ASUW is aware that other children throughout the state may be facing

6. similar formidable life conditions and/or circumstances; and,

7. WHEREAS, ASUW wishes to recognize children with similar Cowboy Spirit; and,

8. WHEREAS, the ASUW wishes to see the continued recognition of the Cowboy Spirit in all

9. future administrations.

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

11. University of Wyoming (ASUW), that the Honorary Cowboy Award be adopted as an

12. ASUW program as outlined in Addendum A; and,

13. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the ASUW Bylaws be amended to reflect the

14. changes contained in Addendum B.
Referred to: Student Outreach and Policy Committee

Date of Passage: 04/02/13

Signed: Brett Kehle

(ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on 4/5/13 I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action."

ASUW President

[Signature]
Addendum A

**Honorary Cowboy Award**

ASUW Honorary Cowboy of the University of Wyoming

The “Cowboy Up” spirit is something that every student at the University of Wyoming represents at some point during their time at UW. UW students may demonstrate this spirit during a sporting event, in the classroom, or around the Laramie community.

The Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) Honorary Cowboy Award was established in 2011 to honor one of our own who exemplified the "Cowboy Up" spirit during his life threatening struggle. Derek Augustin, the son of Lisa Augustin who is the ASUW Office Associate, was diagnosed with neuroblastoma in 2011 and fought hard to overcome the illness. It was the initiative of the ASUW Executives and Senate to honor Derek for his "Cowboy Up" spirit, during the trying time of his illness. ASUW is now seeking to recognize another child facing a formidable life condition and/or circumstances that requires a “Cowboy Up” spirit to become an Honorary Cowboy of the University of Wyoming for the 2013-2014 academic school year.

Criteria for recognition are as follows:

- Students in K-12 Wyoming schools are eligible for the honor.
- An individual should emulate an upbeat attitude representing the “Cowboy Up” spirit of the University of Wyoming student population.
- An individual facing a formidable life condition and/or circumstances that requires a “Cowboy Up” spirit that leads to ultimate triumph.
- An individual should have the support of community and family that is constant with that of the University assisting individuals and aiding to the spirit of “Cowboy Up”

The following policies govern the awarding of the scholarship:

- Recipient(s) of the award shall be selected from Wyoming K-12 schools by a committee comprised of: an ASUW Executive, who will serve as chair of the committee, an ASUW Senator, a member of the ASUW Staff, a designee from the Athletics Office, and a student-at-large (hereinafter called “Committee”). All members of the Committee (with the exception of the Athletics Office designee) shall be selected by the ASUW President. The above outlined Committee will choose the award recipient during the spring semester of each year.
- The recipient shall be evaluated, in part, by the above mentioned criteria for recognition.
- The recipient shall also be evaluated, in part, by a 750 word essay written on the topic of why the nominated individual exemplifies the “Cowboy Up” spirit and is deserving of the Honorary Cowboy.
- The recipient shall also be evaluated, in part, by one letter of reference describing the nominee’s “Cowboy Up” spirit.
Addendum B

THE BY-LAWS
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

ARTICLE VIII
Services and Programs

Section 1. All services and programs funded by the ASUW shall be placed in one (1), and only one (1), of the following categories:

C. Other Programs and Services
   i. The following groups operate either in an advisory capacity to ASUW, have little need for consistence in meeting times and locations, or have available meeting space which they ought to be encouraged to utilize. These include:
      a. Associated Students Technical Services (ASTEC)
      b. United Multicultural Council
      c. A.L. Lupton Financial Literacy Program
      d. Freshman Senate
      e. Students' Attorney Program
      f. Non-Traditional Student Council
      g. Panhellenic Council
      h. Interfraternity Council
      i. _ECO
      ii. Honorary Cowboy Award