SENATE RESOLUTION #2413

TITLE: ASUW Support for 2015-16 UW Budget Request

DATE: January 23, 2014

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SPONSORS: Senators Andersen, Scherlin, Yang; and Executive Tetherow

1. WHEREAS, the Student Government of the Associated Students of the University of
2. Wyoming (ASUW) has represented the students of the University for 101 years, and;
3. WHEREAS, the ASUW Constitution states that students have the right and obligation to
4. “play a significant role in guiding their University” and;
5. WHEREAS, the Wyoming State Government has shown continuous support for our
6. University and seeks to foster the highest level of academics paired with student life, and;
7. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming competes on a high national level with other
8. universities in recruitment and retention of students as well as renowned faculty, and;
9. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming has outlined many important issues that require
10. monetary attention within the 2015-16 Budget Request.
11. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
12. (ASUW) Student Government support initiatives brought forth by the University of
13. Wyoming in the 2015-16 Budget Request as outlined in Addendum A.
14. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the Associated Students of the University of
15. Wyoming support Governor Matthew Mead’s recommendations in regards to the University
16. of Wyoming’s Budget Request.
Referred to:  Student Outreach and Policy Commitee

Date of Passage: 02/11/14 Signed: [Signature]
(ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on 2/18/14, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action." [Signature]

ASUW President
Addendum A.

Dear Wyoming Representatives and Senators,

The Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) would like to sincerely thank you for the dedication and service to the great state of Wyoming. The time and effort you put forth in this 62nd Legislature does not go unnoticed.

ASUW would like to encourage the members of both the House and Senate to review and consider supporting the following allocations for the University of Wyoming. We have reviewed and deliberated these requests, and recognize their importance for providing the best service possible to the current and future students of UW, as well as the state.

Although we are in support of the entire budget request as it was submitted, ASUW would like to specifically state our support of the following items, as we believe they will be the greatest benefit to the student body:

- Faculty/Staff Compensation: With continued expansion of degree programs and areas of excellence at the University, Wyoming has been highlighted across the nation as a superior institution. Faculty and staff provide invaluable education and resources to students. Recruitment and retention of top-level faculty and staff require that UW remain competitive in the market, while keeping the level of tuition reasonably affordable.

- Information Technology Infrastructure: One of the key components in students’ education is the utilization of the vast resources found online. Students have long supported an increased wireless network on campus, allowing them to access these resources all across campus, from their mobile devices and tablets to their personal laptops. These funds will ensure that students can have wireless capability on a greater area of the campus.

ASUW understands the myriad of decisions before you this session, and the difficulty in allocating the state’s resources. In light of that, we humbly ask that these requests be considered with great importance, as the University of Wyoming’s students consider them to be very important as well.

Sincerely,

The Associated Students of the University of Wyoming