



SENATE BILL #2790

TITLE: Shifting Day-to-Day Supervision of Associated Student Technical
a Trial Period and Permanently Renaming the Program

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SPONSORS: Senators Castronovo, Ewalt, Laverell, and Smith

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW)
2. Student Government is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,
3. WHEREAS, ASUW currently funds and operates the Associated Students Technical Services
4. (ASTECC), whose mission statement is “to serve the students of the University of Wyoming
5. (UW) by providing production technologies, programming, and event consultation to create a
6. platform for expanding student ideas, enhancing the impact of presentations and
7. performances, and developing co-curricular education;” and,
8. WHEREAS, in February 2022, the ASUW Senate approved Senate Bill #2780, which
9. reduced the scope of ASTECC to focus on events that directly serve UW students and that take
10. place in the Wyoming Union, Prexy’s Pasture, and Simpson’s Plaza; and,
11. WHEREAS, in conjunction with this reduced scope, ASTECC’s permanent staffing was
12. reduced by the elimination of the Assistant ASTECC Coordinator position with the passage of
13. the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget, leaving one ASTECC professional staff member, the ASTECC
14. Coordinator; and,
15. WHEREAS, it has been a consistent frustration of both the ASUW Advisor (now the ASUW
16. Assistant Director) position and the ASTECC Coordinator position that the current supervision
17. model is not effective, given the stark differences between the knowledge base of the ASUW
18. Assistant Director and the ASTECC Coordinator; and,
19. WHEREAS, this frustration has reduced the efficacy of both departments, with the ASUW

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20. Assistant Director having to focus on ASTEC as opposed to other aspects of ASUW that are

21. more immediately pertinent to their day-to-day duties, and the ASTEC Coordinator not

22. effectively offered support; and,

23. WHEREAS, the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership is beginning the process of

24. hiring an Associate Director for Union Operations; and,

25. WHEREAS, this Associate Director will be better positioned to take over the day-to-day

26. supervision of ASTEC, given that they will know Union Operations well, and likely have

27. some background in skills relevant to ASTEC; and,

28. WHEREAS, this shift would need to be structured by the terms of a joint memorandum of

29. understanding, as shown in Addendum A, which, among other things, maintains ASUW

30. control of our finances and gives ASUW a say in hiring; and,

31. WHEREAS, in addition to this change in day-to-day supervision, there is significant desire to

32. rename ASTEC, so as to make its purpose more readily apparent and reduce any perceived

33. cultural insensitivities.

34. THEREFORE, be it enacted that the Associated Students Technical Services (ASTEC) be

35. permanently renamed to Student Technical Services; and,

36. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that this name change shall also be applied to the Fiscal

37. Year 2023 budget, which shall be amended; and,

38. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that day-to-day supervision of the Student Technical

39. Services, its operations, and its staff and student employees be transferred to the Center for

40. Student Involvement and Leadership, and specifically to the Associate Director for Union

41. Operations, when one is hired; and,

42. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the memorandum of understanding (MOU) shown in

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43. Addendum A shall be held binding on both parties, the Associated Students of the University
44. of Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government and the Center for Student Involvement and
45. Leadership (CSIL), for the entire duration
46. that Student Technical Services shall be supervised by CSIL; and,
47. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that this change shall take effect immediately upon
48. passage of this legislation; and,
49. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that this change shall be effective until October 15th,
50. 2023, and that this shall constitute a trial period for this new model; and,
51. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that after October 15th, 2023, the day-to-day supervision
52. of the Student Technical Services shall shift back to ASUW, unless the new model is
53. extended or made permanent by additional legislation passed by the ASUW Senate; and,
54. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that, not less than once every three months, there shall be
55. a joint meeting between the relevant CSIL staff, including the CSIL Director and the
56. Associate Director for Union Operations, the ASUW Assistant Director and other
57. professional staff, the ASUW President, and the Student Technical Services Coordinator to
58. meet to discuss the transition and efficacy of this new supervisory model, and generally be
59. updated on the program; and,
60. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that, no less than one month in advance of the expiry of
61. this piece of legislation, September 15th, 2023, or prior, the above entities shall meet to create
62. a new recommendation for the supervision of the Student Technical Services, its future, and
63. related changes that ought to be made; and,
64. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that these recommendations shall be written into
65. legislation and duly submitted to the ASUW Senate.

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Referred to: Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy; Program and Institutional Development; Student Organization Funding Board; Tuition Allocation and Student Fee Review.

Date of Passage: April 26, 2022 **Signed:** 

(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on April 26, 2022, I do hereby sign my name hereto

and approve this Senate action.” 

Addendum A

Memorandum of Understanding

This shall be a joint memorandum of understanding between the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership and the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming. The day-to-day supervision of the Student Technical Services, a program currently funded and operated by ASUW, shall transition to the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership for a trial period beginning Wednesday, March 29th, 2022 and ending, unless extended or made permanent, on Sunday, October 15th, 2023. This transition shall be subject to the following in terms.

- ASUW shall maintain financial oversight over all aspects of Student Technical Services. All spending and costs shall go through the ASUW Office and be managed by the ASUW Professional Staff. Student Technical Services shall go through the typical budgeting process for ASUW programs.
- ASUW shall have at least one staff representative and at least one student representative on the hiring committee for the Student Technical Services Coordinator, as will at least one ASTEC student employee. These representatives shall be appointed by the ASUW President.
- ASUW shall determine and maintain control over the scope, purpose, and mission of Student Technical Services, with the advice of the Student Technical Services Coordinator and the Associate Director for Union Operations.
- An annual report shall be compiled regarding the number of events Student Technical Services served, who utilized them, the current capacity of the program, pertinent needs for future development, and related issues at the discretion of the Coordinator.