



**SENATE BILL #2644**

**TITLE:** Revision of ASUW Guidelines for Ex-Officio Membe  
**DATE INTRODUCED:** November 27, 2018  
**AUTHOR:** Vice President Mulhall  
**SPONSORS:** Senators Hungerford and Wilkins; Chief of Staff Harris, Chief of Legislative Affairs Sanders

1. WHEREAS, it is the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible
3. through accurate representation; and,
4. WHEREAS, ex-officio positions on the ASUW Senate help to ensure accurate and
5. holistic representation of the student body; and,
6. WHEREAS, the current guidelines of membership for ex-officios are not being upheld
7. with current ex-officios; and,
8. WHEREAS, new guidelines for ex-officio membership would benefit the expansion of
9. ASUW and the representation of voices in the Senate; and,
10. WHEREAS, expanding and maintaining consistent representation from ex-officios
11. should be a priority of the ASUW.
12. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of
13. Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW By-Laws be amended to reflect
14. the changes in Addendum A; and,
15. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that upon passage, this bill will take effect at the
16. beginning of the 2019 Spring Semester.

Referred to: Steering

Date of Passage: 12/4/18 Signed: Alexander Mulhall  
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 12/6/18, I do hereby sign my name hereto and  
approve this Senate action.” Seth Jones  
ASUW President

## Addendum A

### 1. Ex-Officio Membership

#### A. Addition of New Ex-Officios to the ASUW Senate

- a. All University organizations seeking an ex-officio position on the ASUW Senate must have that position approved by the Steering Committee and further approved by the ASUW Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) majority.
  1. ~~The organization seeking an ex-officio position potential Ex-Officio will submit a written letter of intent to the Steering Committee.~~
  2. The Steering Committee will review the request. Upon approval, the Chairperson will submit the letter of intent to the ASUW Senate for approval.
- b. Organizations seeking an ex-officio position must exhibit ~~all of~~ the following qualifications:
  1. ~~The organization must provide a diverse array of co-curricular activities including cultural, international, athletic, and/or student life programs.~~
  - 2.1. The organization must utilize educational opportunities, which promote growth and involvement enriching daily life.
  3. ~~The organization must be a University Recognized Student Organization, but special exemptions may be granted for the representative bodies of University faculty and staff.~~
  - 4.2. The organization must demonstrate a need for representation in their area of focus that is not being adequately represented by the existing speaking members of the ASUW Senate. ~~inadequate representation by the existing ex-officioes.~~

#### B. Representatives' Rights and Responsibilities

- a. The ex-officio position cannot be represented by current senators, executives or other ex-officio representatives.
- b. The ex-officio shall serve on committees at the request of the ASUW Vice President and/or committee chairs.
- c. Ex-officio members who shall enjoy all rights of Senate membership, except the right to vote include:
  1. Representatives from organizations approved by the ASUW Senate.
- d. Ex-officio members who shall enjoy all rights of Senate membership, including the right to vote include:
  1. First-Year Senate.
- e. Those who shall have speaking rights only, excluding voting and parliamentary rights, include members of the ASUW Executive Branch.
  - a.1. Speaking rights include the ability to take the floor if yielded to and the ability to make points of clarification and order.

#### C. Removal of Ex-Officios from the ASUW Senate

- a. If an ex-officio position ~~representing a student organization~~ goes unrepresented for 44 consecutive Senate meetings, they will be notified of their absences and potential consequences by the ~~Steering Committee~~ ASUW Vice

~~President~~ in writing; if the organization is absent for another 24 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 2, Section 2.02, Paragraph A, Clause a.~~

1. Any organization that has lost its ex-officio position on the ASUW student Senate will enter a period of probation and may not reapply for said position until the start of a new academic year ~~period of one semester has passed~~. Upon reapplication, the organization must submit a new letter of intent to the Steering Committee ~~provide a detailed account of activities conducted during this period of probation~~.

~~b. Ex-officio members who shall enjoy all rights of Senate membership, except the right to vote include:~~

~~1. Representatives from organizations approved by the ASUW Senate.~~

~~c. Ex-officio members who shall enjoy all rights of Senate membership, including the right to vote include:~~

~~1. First Year Senate.~~

~~d. Those who shall have speaking rights only, excluding voting and parliamentary rights, include members of the ASUW Executive Branch.~~