SENATE RESOLUTION #2680

TITLE: ASUW Recommendation on Proposed Programmatic Fee Increases for FY21

DATE INTRODUCED: November 19, 2019

AUTHOR: President Wilkins

SPONSORS: ASUW Programmatic Fee Review Committee

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,

2. WHEREAS, Senate Bill #2661 established the Programmatic Fee Review Committee; and,

3. WHEREAS, this Committee held hearings for all programs to understand each program’s use of the fee and gave recommendations on proposed increases; and,

4. WHEREAS, the Committee was asked for a recommendation on the proposed increases for the College of Education’s Program Fee and the Advising Fee as shown in Addendum A;

5. and,

6. WHEREAS, Addendum B cites the Committee’s recommendations for these proposed increases as well as the Committee’s rationale for these recommendations.

7. THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW Student Government recommends and supports the proposed increase for the College of Education’s Program Fee; and,

8. and,

9. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW Student Government does not recommend or support the proposed increase to the Advising Fee; and,

10. and,

11. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW Student Government recommends that the College of Arts & Sciences reevaluate its Program Fee budget in order to help support the addition of professional advisors; and,
THEREFORE, be it further resolved that the ASUW Student Government considers further improvement and support for centralized advising as a Student Success Priority for Fiscal Year 2021.

Referred to: Program and Institutional Development

Date of Passage: 12/03/2019  Signed: (ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on 12/04/2019, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action."

ASUW President
## Addendum A

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<th>College of Agriculture &amp; Natural Resources</th>
<th>FY20 Actual Fee Per Credit Hour</th>
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| College of Arts & Sciences                | $ 3.00                        | $ 0.00                                    | 0.00%                            | $ 3.00                           |
|                                            | $ 15.00*                      | $ 0.00                                    | 0.00%                            | $ 15.00                          |
|                                            | $ 25.00**                     |                                           |                                  | $ 25.00                          |

| College of Business                       | $ 22.00                       | $ 0.00                                    | 0.00%                            | $ 22.00                          |

| College of Education                      | $ 22.00                       | $ 4.00                                    | 18.88%                           | $ 26.00                          |

| College of Engineering & Applied Science  | $ 25.00                       | $ 0.00                                    | 0.00%                            | $ 25.00                          |

| Haub School                               | $ 20.00                       | $ 0.00                                    | 0.00%                            | $ 20.00                          |

| College of Health Sciences                | $ 28.00                       | $ 0.00                                    | 0.00%                            | $ 28.00                          |

| School of Energy Resources                | $ 0.00                        | $ 0.00                                    | 0.00%                            | $ 0.00                           |

| Advising Fee***                           | $ 6.00                        | $ 2.00                                    | 33.33%                           | $ 6.00                           |

* - College of Arts & Sciences Science Quantitative (Sci-Q) Program Fee
  (All on-campus ANTH, ASTR, BOT, CHEM, GEOG, GEOL, LIFE, MATH, PHYS, STAT, ZOO course codes below the 5000-level)

** - College of Arts & Sciences Visual & Performing Arts Program Fee
  (All on-campus ART, MUSC, THEA course codes below the 5000-level)

*** - The Advising Fee applies to every program
Addendum B

The ASUW Programmatic Fee Review Committee voted to approve the College of Education’s $4.00 increase proposal. The Committee cited that:

- Prior to Programmatic Fees, the College of Education charged students a fee of $34 per semester for computing fees
  - These fees were to cover the cost of maintenance of the College’s labs and other equipment (the labs are not supported by IT)
  - Students have access to these labs for use, and the College also provides rentals of iPads, cameras and other equipment
- The $34 fee was not rolled into the current fee of $22 per credit hour
- This increase would put the fee at $26 per credit hour and revenue would increase by approximately $35,500
  - This would cover the financial deficit from the loss of the computing fee
- If the original Programmatic Fee had included the computing fee, then this increase would not be needed

The ASUW Programmatic Fee Review Committee voted against the Advising Fee’s proposed $2.00 increase. The Committee cited that:

- This increase would be intended to mainly support the College of Arts & Sciences
- While centralized advising is beneficial and would improve the College of Arts & Sciences:
  - The College of Arts & Sciences should evaluate how it’s budget could be better used to support professional advisor cost
    - The College had a surplus of approximately $235,000 from FY19 Program Fees
  - Other Programs use part of their fees to support salaries of professional advising
  - There seems to be a systematic issue with the advising setup within the College of Arts & Sciences, and more money may not be the right solution to this issue
- Senate Resolution #2678 was passed by the ASUW Senate
  - This resolution opposed the $2.00 increase and cited student input

The ASUW Programmatic Fee Review Committee voted against a proposed $1.00 increase to the Advising Fee. The Committee cited that:

- The $1.00 increase would be intended to cover the deficit of the initial Advising Fee budget
  - Anticipated $1.3 million and only received $1.2 million
- The Advising Council can work with the budget to move monies around appropriately
- Many departments around campus will have to make tough decisions during the budget season, but not all can request a fee increase through students to alleviate these issues
- Student Success Priorities may be a more appropriate area to help ACES and the overall advising processes and fees