

STAFF SENATE RESOLUTION #200

Title: Support of Smoking in Designated Areas

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1 WHEREAS, the Staff Senate serves to represent and advocate for the staff voice, and;

2 WHEREAS, the Staff Senate as an entity of the University of Wyoming supports ASUW in
3 promoting and encouraging a healthy and safe work environment, and;

4 WHEREAS, the Staff Senate recognizes the medical studies concluding that breathing
5 secondhand smoke is a cause of disease in healthy nonsmokers, including heart disease,
6 stroke, respiratory diseases and lung cancer, and;

7 WHEREAS, the 2011 National College Health Assessment study indicate that 85.5% of
8 University of Wyoming students do not smoke tobacco, and;

9 WHEREAS, UW REGULATION 2-180 currently regulates the use of smoking on the
10 University of Wyoming Campus, and;

11 THEREFORE, be it resolved that UW REGULATION 2-180 be updated to include the
12 following: 1) section 2. DEFINITIONS D. be updated to define "reasonable distances" to
13 include specific minimum distances, 2) section 3. DIRECTIVE A. be updated to read "No
14 University student or employee, or member of the general public shall smoke, carry any
15 lighted smoking instrument in an undesignated smoking area, must fully extinguish and
16 dispose of smoking instrument and dispose of in designated refuse containers, or leave

17 the remnants of the smoking instrument on the ground in any public place of the
18 University”, 3) that designated smoking locations be established on campus directing
19 smokers by signage and smoking receptacles in these areas, which allows a “smoke-
20 free” environment for those that do not smoke, and for those that choose to smoke , an
21 environment to do so on campus, 4) that smoking receptacles be relocated from
22 building entrances across campus to designated smoking areas , 5) that a progressive
23 discipline policy for violations of UW Regulation 2-180 be designed and implemented to
24 include: a warning, a series of fines, and ultimately forfeiture of University programs,
25 events or privileges, 6) section 4. SANCTIONS be updated to read “Any University
26 student or employee, or member of the general public violating any provision of this
27 regulation may be subject to progressive disciplinary processes which may lead to fines
28 and/or forfeiture of the benefits of University programs, events or privileges pursuant to
29 UW Regulations.”