STAFF SENATE RESOLUTION #212

Title: Staff Senate Position on Cost Analysis Procedure for Capital Construction Projects

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WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming is tasked with the operation and maintenance of taxpayer assets in its buildings and facilities, and;

WHEREAS, the addition of new buildings with increased square footage and additional technical systems and equipment inevitably results in increased operations, maintenance, and staffing costs, and;

WHEREAS, the footprint of the University of Wyoming campus has grown significantly in recent years, and is projected to continue growing with the completion of current and upcoming capital construction projects and;

WHEREAS, the current University of Wyoming budgeting process for capital construction projects does not include allocation of funding for operations, maintenance, and staffing after the initial construction is complete, and;

WHEREAS, current State funding allocations for operations, maintenance, and staffing have not kept pace with the increases that have resulted from recent capital construction projects;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Staff Senate of the University of Wyoming strongly advocates for a Life Cycle Cost Analysis to be included in the facilities planning process such that operations, maintenance, and staffing be included in the total cost of each capital construction project.