Academic Year 2002–2003

- April 15, 2002 Executive Charge put forth by Dr. Leellen Brigman, Vice-President of Student Affairs
  - Two Co-Chairs identified (Eric Alexander, AWARE; Brandon Kosine, Area Coord for RLDS)
  - Two Executive Sponsors identified (David Cozzens, UCC; Beth McCusky, RLDS)
- A-Team members identified 10 areas to be addressed:
  1. Judicial sanctioning
  2. Greek system policies and practices
  3. Parental notification policies
  4. The UW system of dealing with off-campus violations
  5. The role of advertising and the alcohol industry including local owners/proprietors
  6. The role of City Council and local ordinances
  7. High school aged perceptions of UW
  8. Community perceptions of UW
  9. Expectations of youth attending UW
  10. Resources and funding for primary/secondary prevention and intervention for UW students
- Judges Castor and Copenhaver attended A-Team meetings. Their involvement resulted in several significant successes:
  - A-Team members suggested that alcohol violation fines were too low ($90-$110) not enough of a deterrent, and recommended a fine increase. Outcome: MIP/MUI fines increased to $290-$310 per offense.
  - Judges Castor and Copenhaver initiated an automatic referral process to the AWARE program for students who receive an alcohol violation
- August 2002: A-Team successfully lobbied the Laramie City Council, resulting in the denial of permits for a "Welcome Back Students" party in
downtown Laramie sponsored by several bar owners. A-Team members saw this as an event that would promote binge drinking and underage drinking.

- Laramie City Council requested that the A-Team provide training to the Council on issues related to alcohol and make policy recommendations to prevent underage access and usage of alcohol.

**Academic Year 2003–2004**
- A-Team developed and adopted a mission statement.
- Increased diversity in participation from more University and community members.
- Increased sharing of information resulting in increased collaboration between A-Team members.

**Academic Year 2004–2005**
- Development of peer education program: 180 Proof Peer Education.

**Academic Year 2005–2006**
- Formation of Leadership Committee.
- Development of A-Team logo and brochure.
- Guest presenters during A-Team meetings included: Dr. Rodney Wambeam, Safe Ride, Joe Geick, Officer Lawrence Perea, David Slagle.
- A-Team members presented at Alcohol Education Showcase in Jackson.
- A-Team members reviewed and made recommendations for changes to UniRegs related to alcohol.
- A-Team members presented to Laramie City Council Ad Hoc committee on alcohol.
- A-Team members met with author Koren Zailkas about her drinking experiences in her book “Smashed.”
- Support for Cowboy CHOICES 180 Proof Peer Education.

**Academic Year 2006–2007**
- Developed A-Team Strategic Plan.
- A-Team members researched and wrote a new Alcohol Policy for UW.
- Support for Cowboy CHOICES 180 Proof Peer Education.
- Co-sponsor of Safe Spring Break campaign.
- Organized Clint Haskins/Deb McCleland presentation on campus—over 600 people in attendance.
• Supported E-Chug online alcohol education trial—over 1,000 students completed program
• Conducted study on medical amnesty policy
• Assisted with Laramie City Council Ad Hoc Committee survey of liquor license holders
• Participation in Laramie City Council and Ad Hoc Committee meetings and advocacy for: mandatory server training, point system for liquor license renewal
• Increased student representation and input in A-Team
• Wrote letter to “Freedom Has A Birthday” committee regarding bottle openers in kid’s packs
• Consistent participation and regular attendance of 15-20 people at meetings

**Academic Year 2007-2008**
• Worked on implementation of A-Team Strategic Plan
• UW Alcohol Policy was approved by Trustees
• Conducted extensive study on feasibility of medical amnesty policy including data collection, researching other university policies, and received presentation by Fort Collins Police Department.
• Came up with a resolution about a medical amnesty policy at UW and a final report on the process.
• Several A-Team members became certified TIPS trainers and conducted TIPS trainings with RAs, Greeks, Laramie community
• Consistent participation and regular attendance of 15-20 people at meetings
• Increased faculty involvement in A-Team
• Three A-Team members attended and presented at US Department of Education’s Conference on AOD prevention in higher education.
• A-Team members attended a Community Trials training by the Prevention Research Center
• Numerous A-Team members served on various other campus, community, and state alcohol-related committees
• UW selected to be research site to evaluate implementation of Alcohol Edu for College among all first year students in 2008-2010.
• Support for Cowboy CHOICES 180 Proof Peer Education and Safe Spring Break educational campaign
• Members of A-Team collaborated to develop peer health education class for academic credit to be implemented in Fall 2008
• Support for E-CHUG and E-TOKE online education programs
• Members of A-Team participated in committee to write policy on alcohol service guidelines at UW.
• Had discussions about environmental influences of alcohol abuse, including “beer song” and decided to conduct environmental scan in Fall 2008 to get a more comprehensive picture of environmental influences.

**Academic Year 2008-2009**

• Worked on implementation of A-Team Strategic Plan
• Consistent participation and regular attendance of 15-25 people at meetings
• Numerous A-Team members served on various other campus, community, and state alcohol-related committees
• Members of A-Team developed and taught peer health education class for academic credit
• A-team members met with consultants from US Department of Education for site visit for Model Program grant
• UW received Model Program grant from US Department of Education
• Three A-team members (Dave Cozzens, Andrea Coryell, Lena Edmunds) attended US Department of Education's Conference on AOD prevention in higher education
• Three A-team members (Dave Cozzens, Andrea Coryell, Lena Edmunds) presented about UW's experience with medical amnesty research, and the AWARE Program at US Department of Education's Conference on AOD prevention in higher education
• Suzanne Harle of A-team presented at NASPA West Conference in Tulsa, OK about Residence Life and Alcohol Abuse Prevention at UW.
• UW implemented Alcohol Edu for all incoming freshmen and had a 99% completion rate. This was largely due in part to A-team support and promotion
• A-team mini-grants established and awarded to two student organizations
• A-team members attended presentation by Peter Lake in August 2008
• A-team members served on planning committee, supported, and presented at the Wyoming Higher Education Mental Health and Substance Abuse Prevention Summit
• Worked with Wyoming Survey and Analysis (WYSAC) to design a plan to conduct an environmental scan of campus and surrounding community. Presentation by Dr. Rodney Wambeam of WYSAC. Recruited volunteers, hosted training, and began data collection.
• Presentation to A-team and community members about UW’s judicial processes and AWARE Program
• Presentation to A-team about Safe Ride Program
• A-team members served on the Wyoming Alcohol State Statute Review committee and voted on a resolution supporting the Wyoming State Legislature in reviewing the recommendations made by the committee. Members presented Resolution in Cheyenne at Wyoming Leaders Forum.
• Members of A-team assisted with CoPSA’s “Community Assessment for Responsible Events (CARE)” Project to assess alcohol use during community events
• Subcommittee was formed to develop plan for alternative/harm reduction activity on the day of Tour de Laramie

**Academic Year 2009–2010**

• AWARE and Residence Life & Dining Services received NASPA Silver Excellence Award for Alcohol Abuse Prevention and received front-page headlines in Boomerang for the award.
• Worked on implementation of A-Team Strategic Plan
• Consistent participation and regular attendance of 17-25 people at meetings
• Numerous A-Team members served on various other campus, community, and state alcohol-related committees
• UW implemented Alcohol Edu for all incoming freshmen and had a 95% completion rate. This was largely due in part to A-team support and promotion
• A-team members served on planning committee and attended the 3rd Annual Wyoming Higher Education Mental Health and Substance Abuse Prevention Summit
• Worked with Social Work academic class to conduct environmental scan, and worked with Wyoming Survey and Analysis (WYSAC) to analyze findings. Presentation of results by Dr. Rodney Wambeam of WYSAC.
• A-team members testified to Wyoming State Legislature on several alcohol-related bills
• Safe Ride secured a downtown dispatch office
• Presentation to A-team about results of the National College Health Association which showed significant decreases in alcohol abuse.
• Successfully advocated to stop distribution of beer mugs with the Beer Song printed on them by student fan group “Stampede”
Cowboy CHOICES 180 Proof Peer Education continued to implement alcohol education activities and initiatives across campus.

A-team members participated in an A-team evaluation and were interviewed by researches from WYSAC as part of the Model Program grant.

WYSAC researchers presented evaluation findings of A-team.

A-team member (Dave Cozzens) served on the Governor’s Task Force on Impaired Driving Prevention.

Members of A-team assisted with CoPSA’s “Community Assessment for Responsible Events (CARE)” Project to assess alcohol use during community events.

**Academic Year 2010-2011**

- AWARE and Residence Life & Dining Services received NASPA Silver Excellence Award for Alcohol Abuse Prevention for second year in a row.
- A-team members testified before Laramie City Council in support of a stricter DUI ordinance that was ultimately passed in December 2010.
- Nominated President Buchanan for the Presidential Leadership Award from Outside the Classroom, which he won, along with $20,000, which he donated to the AWARE Program.
- Support for purchasing a 3-year contract for Student Health 101 with the donation from the President’s Award.
- Presentations during A-team by AWARE, Dean of Students, Residence Life & Dining Services, UW Police Department, Laramie Police Department, Safe Ride, Greek Life.
- Guest presentation by Craig Noto of Outside the Classroom regarding UW’s Alcohol Edu data.
- Education on Alcohol Energy drinks (i.e. Four Loko)
- Consistent participation and regular attendance of 19-28 people at meetings
- Numerous A-Team members served on various other campus, community, and state alcohol-related committees
- UW implemented Alcohol Edu for all incoming freshmen and had a 95% completion rate for the third year in a row. This was largely due in part to A-team support and promotion.
- A-team members served on planning committee and attended the 4th Annual Wyoming Higher Education Mental Health and Substance Abuse Prevention Summit.
- Awarded one A-team mini-grant to RL&DS for Casino Night.
- A-team members involved in Safe Ride transition to Transpark.
• Cowboy CHOICES 180 Proof Peer Education continued to implement alcohol education activities and initiatives across campus
• A-team members (Dave Cozzens and Jonlee Anderlee) served on the Governor’s Task Force on Impaired Driving Prevention
• A-team members have received awards for their leadership in alcohol abuse prevention including:
  o Lena Newlin: 2011 President’s Foundation Award from President Buchanan
  o Carrie Cleveland: 2011 Max Rardin Scholarship Award from UW Psychology Department
  o RL&DS won an award for the Casino Night program: March 2011 IACURH Regional Winner for Educational Program of the Month.
• A-Team members have presented at conferences regarding alcohol abuse prevention
  o Tony Earls: Association of College & University Housing Officers-International (ACUHO-I) 2011 Annual Conference & Exposition in New Orleans
  o Tracy Young: 2011 Northwest Alcohol Conference in Scottsdale, Arizona