

SENATE RESOLUTION #1306

Title: Organizational Change

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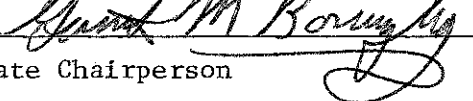
Thesis:

Sponsors: Bob Budd and Finance

1. Be it proposed that all University of Wyoming publications be financed and
2. published, independently and exclusively, by the University of Wyoming Publications
3. Board, as created by University Regulation #38. Be it further proposed that the
4. money to allocate these funds be directly allocated to the University of Wyoming
5. Publications Board, in a fixed amount, as a percentage or dollar amount of student
6. registration fees. Be it further proposed that a fee increase of \$2.75/student/
7. semester be instituted, and that all revenues from this fee assessment be
8. allocated to "Publications". Any revenues left in excess of those allocated
9. for operation of student publications shall be maintained in a "Publications
10. Reserve" account, for use in the event that collected fees do not match the
11. requirement for publications. This figure is based on a conservative estimate of
12. 7,200 students, and the budget requests of the Publications Board and student
13. publications for the past five years, including the current requests.

Referred to: Steering, Finance

Date of Passage: April 24, 1979

Signed: 
ASUW Senate Chairperson

"Being enacted on _____, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve
this Senate action." _____ ASUW President

Justification for Senate Resolution #1306

Presently, allocations for student publications must be approved by (in order) the University of Wyoming Publication Board, the ASUW Senate Finance Committee, the Joint ASUW Budget Conference, the ingoing ASUW Student Senate, and then reapproved by the Publications Board. Money amounts are subject to change or shifting by any of these agencies, allowing personal, political, and departmental differences to dictate funding for student publications. With yearly turnover in personnel at all levels of the approving chain, there is a great deal of fluctuation in amounts and methods of budgeting. The proposed process would allow the University of Wyoming Publications Board the ability to confidently budget for all student publications, utilizing a set upper limit. This would also eliminate the ties between the free press and the student governmental branch, thus freeing the student publications from any obligations, either real or imagined, to student government, and encouraging an independent, uncensored media, responsible only to its publisher.