

SENATE RESOLUTION #1389

Title: Constitution

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Thesis:

Sponsor: Constitution Committee

1. Be it resolved by the Student Senate of the Associated Students of the
2. University of Wyoming that the following text shall be declared the
3. Constitution of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming,
4. superceding all previous constitutions. This declaration shall be contingent
5. upon this resolution receiving a majority of the votes cast in the up-
6. coming ASUW General Election.

Referred to: Committee of the Whole, Judicial Council, Tom Mattheus for input, Steering

Date of Passage: March 3, 1981

Signed:

*John Hammerman*  
ASUW Senate Chairperson

"Being enacted on *March 4, 1981*, I do hereby sign my name hereto and  
approve this Senate action." *Marshall Hubbard* ASUW President

CONSTITUTION OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS  
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

PREAMBLE

In the belief that students have the right, as well as the obligation, to play a significant role in guiding their University, we, the student body of The University of Wyoming, seeking to provide an effective organization to promote the general welfare of all students at the University, to represent the concerns of the student body, and to provide for and regulate such other matters as are hereinafter set forth, do ordain and establish this Constitution.

ARTICLE I

Name

The name of this organization shall be the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming, hereinafter referred to as the ASUW.

ARTICLE II

Delegation of Authority and Responsibility

As an inseparable part of the University of Wyoming, the ASUW derives all power and authority from the Trustees of the University. The authority conferred upon the ASUW shall, along with the concomitant responsibilities, be vested exclusively in the ASUW student government established by this Constitution. Further, through the elected representatives to this body, the ASUW shall be responsible to the authority of the President of the University and shall serve as the means by which the governing and administrative authorities of the University may be apprised of representative concerns of the ASUW. The ASUW business shall, in accordance with the procedures and delegation of responsibility provided herein, be conducted through its Executive, Legislative, and Judicial branches.

ARTICLE III

Membership

Section 1. A student enrolled in the University of Wyoming shall be a member of the ASUW during each regular semester of registration when payment or remission of registration fees is made in the amount specified by the University to be recognized as and accorded the privileges of a full-time student.

Section 2. Members of the ASUW shall, in accordance with specific provisions contained in this Constitution, be eligible to hold elected or appointed office in the ASUW; shall be entitled to take part in and vote on matters of issue or consideration before ASUW; and shall be entitled to participate in the programs or activities provided by the ASUW to include any special benefits provided as a part of these programs and activities.

ARTICLE IV

Holding Appointed or Elected Office

The privilege of holding an elected or appointed position as an ASUW representative shall be in accordance with the following provisions.

Section 1. ASUW representatives in the positions of ASUW President, ASUW Vice President, ASUW Executive Assistants, ASUW Senators, and all members of the Judicial Council shall:

- A. In the case of the ASUW President, ASUW Vice President, and all members of the Judicial Council, have not less than sixty (60) hours of university credit at the beginning of the academic year of their term of office;
- B. As a minimum during their term of office, be registered for the required number of credit hours to be classified as a full-time student as such is defined by University regulation; and
- C. As undergraduate students, maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.00 or better; or
- D. As graduate or professional students, maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.00 or better unless such a grade average is not required by a particular graduate or professional program.

Failure to fulfill any of the foregoing requirements shall mean the person will be automatically disqualified from his or her position.

Section 2. A member of the ASUW shall not be eligible to serve as a representative of the ASUW Executive, Legislative, or Judicial branches if he or she has been found within the previous 2 years prior to election to be guilty of academic dishonesty, forgery, providing false information or other acts which compromise his or her integrity as a student leader and representative of the ASUW.

Section 3. Except as provided elsewhere in this Constitution, a member of the ASUW shall not, at one time, hold office or fulfill responsibilities in more than one of the Executive, Legislative or Judicial branches; however, an ASUW member may, as is provided or determined to be appropriate, maintain multiple responsibilities or positions within one of the three areas.

Section 4. With the exception of the Judicial Council, the term of office for each elected or appointed ASUW representative and officer shall be limited to one year; however, this is not to be construed to prevent a student from being re-elected to successive terms in the same position or being appointed or elected to different positions in succeeding terms.

ARTICLE V

ASUW Executive Branch

The ASUW President, and such assistants as may, from time to time, be approved by the Legislative branch to assist the President, will constitute the Executive branch. The ASUW President shall have the duty and concomitant authority to represent, promote, and pursue, in behalf of the ASUW, those programs and objectives of the ASUW as such relate to the welfare of students at the University and as such are approved by the duly elected student representatives of the ASUW Legislative branch. As well, the ASUW President shall, in behalf of the ASUW, exercise such discretion or authority as may be delegated by the ASUW Legislative branch in order to facilitate timely ASUW representation in decision making and program effectuation.

Section 1. The ASUW Executive Officers shall discharge their responsibilities in accordance with the ASUW Constitution, the ASUW By Laws, and applicable University regulations.

Section 2. Specific responsibilities and authorities of the ASUW President include the following:

- A. The President or, in special situations, the President's designee, shall be the representative of the entire student body to the faculty, the administration, other officials of the University, and entities outside the University community;
- B. The President shall insure that all resolutions and recommendations passed by the legislative branch are enforced or brought to the attention of those University officials with authority to take the recommended action;
- C. The President shall appoint representatives to fill all student held positions on University committees and boards;
- D. The President may remove from office, for cause, any Presidential appointee in the Executive branch;
- E. In accordance with the requirements of this Constitution, the President shall appoint the members of the ASUW Judicial branch;
- F. The ASUW President may appoint such special or ad hoc committees as he or she deems appropriate to conduct investigations or study of, and make recommendations to the ASUW President about such matters as are deemed appropriate though such appointees shall serve only during the term of the President who appoints them;

- G. With the advice and approval of the ASUW Legislative branch, the President may appoint Executive Assistants to assist with the President's responsibilities;
- H. The President may veto, within two (2) weeks of its passage, any action of the ASUW Senate, but such veto may be overridden by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all of the voting Senators at either of the two regular ASUW Senate meetings following the veto;
- I. The President shall be an ex-officio member of the Student Senate; but, the President may not vote on any matters considered by the Senate.

Section 3. Specific responsibilities for such Executive Assistants as may be provided to assist the ASUW President will be clearly set forth in position descriptions which are approved by the ASUW President, and the ASUW Senate.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### ASUW Legislative Branch

The Legislative Branch of the ASUW shall consist of the ASUW Vice President and a student senate which shall be made up of the student senators annually elected by the ASUW membership, and all legislative powers of the ASUW shall be vested in the ASUW Student Senate.

Section 1. Specific authorities and responsibilities of the ASUW Vice President include the following:

- A. The Vice President shall serve as chairperson of the ASUW Senate. He or she may not participate in debate unless he first relinquishes the chair to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;
- B. The Vice President may vote on any matter only in the event of a tie;
- C. The Vice President, with the advice of the President and the consent of the ASUW Senate, shall appoint and may remove for cause, all members of ASUW Standing and Special Committees;
- D. The Vice President may with the advice of the President and the consent of the ASUW Senate, appoint chairpersons of ASUW Standing and Special Committees, or may deem it advisable to allow each committee to elect from its membership its own chairperson.
- E. The Vice President shall be in charge of maintaining a permanent, public record of all formal actions and business of the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of ASUW.

Section 2. The ASUW Student Senate shall have the following authority and responsibilities:

- A. It shall have the authority to assume whatever responsibilities it deems necessary to fulfill its obligations to the students;
- B. It shall have the authority to recommend to the Trustees the needed amount of ASUW fees to be assessed of all full-fee paying students for financial support of ASUW sponsored programs and activities;
- C. In accordance with applicable University regulations and the provisions of this Constitution and the ASUW finance policy, it shall have the authority to budgetarily allocate all ASUW monies received through student registration fees;
- D. It shall have the authority to appoint and direct such special committees to study or investigate any issue of concern to the Student Senate in fulfilling its responsibilities for the University students except that such committees shall serve only during the Senate term in which they are appointed;
- E. It shall have the authority and responsibility to develop standards of procedure and regulation of activity for student organizations which function with sponsorship or financial support of the ASUW;
- F. It shall adopt, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senators, by laws such as will facilitate the requirements of this Constitution, but which will not be in conflict with this Constitution;
- G. It may, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire Senate, bring charges of impeachment against any ASUW officer, ASUW Senator, or member of the Judicial branch, and, at a subsequent hearing conducted in accordance with the procedures for impeachment, the Senate may remove such person(s) from office by a three-fourths (3/4) vote of the entire Senate;
- H. It shall elect from its senator membership a President Pro Tempore and a parliamentarian.
- I. It shall approve, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, or reject, any of the ASUW President's appointees or ASUW representatives to fill student held positions on University committees and boards;
- J. It shall approve, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, or reject, any of the ASUW Vice President's appointees to ASUW standing and special committees;
- K. The Senate shall have the responsibility to establish an enduring finance policy to include restrictions and procedures for utilization of ASUW monies in the best interest of ASUW purposes.

Section 3. The ASUW Student Senate shall include thirty-one (31) elected Senators and this body shall be constituted in accordance with the following provisions.

- A. Each of the University's colleges shall have at least one student senator; and
- B. Those colleges which have more than one-thirtieth of the total full-fee paying University students shall have the remaining number of Senators apportioned to them in exact relation to the percentage of full-fee paying University students who are enrolled in the college and such calculations will be based upon the enrollment in the colleges during the semester prior to the general election.
- C. There shall be one senator-at-large who shall be the defeated presidential candidate in the preceeding ASUW General election.

Section 4. Each ASUW Officer and Senator will take the following oath as a part of being sworn into office:

"I, (full name), do affirm before these assembled witnesses that, to the best of my ability, I will faithfully perform the duties of my office and that I will support and uphold the Constitution of and By Laws of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming."

Section 5. The business of the ASUW Senate shall be conducted in accordance with procedures set forth in the ASUW By Laws and which shall include the following:

- A. Regular ASUW Senate meetings shall be held each week during Fall and Spring semester except for University vacations and holidays or by 2/3 vote of the Senate.
- B. Special meetings of the ASUW Senate may be called by the Chairperson of the ASUW Senate, the ASUW President, or upon written demand of one-third (1/3) of the current ASUW Senate membership;
- C. In order to conduct official business of the ASUW Senate, a quorum of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting membership of the Senate shall be present; and
- D. Each ASUW Senator shall be entitled to one (1) vote on any issue before the Senate, and voting by proxy shall not be allowed.

Section 6. In order to provide continuity in ASUW activities and business along with providing a mechanism for timely participation by the ASUW in University processes, the following permanent ASUW Senate committees are established.

A. Academic Affairs Committee.

- 1. Purpose: The ASUW Academic Affairs Committee shall serve as the means by which the ASUW formulates student philosophy and position with regard to University scholastic affairs to include academic policies, grading, class scheduling, faculty evaluations, and other

matters which affect the interests of students in their academic endeavors.

2. Powers. The committee shall consider and render recommendations to the Senate on all academic matters referred to it by the Senate or the ASUW Steering Committee; further, this committee shall serve as a forum and liaison to the Senate for any individual student or group of students who have a concern about their academic welfare at the University.
3. Composition. The ASUW Academic Affairs Committee shall consist of a minimum of two ASUW Senators, one of whom shall serve as chairperson, and a minimum of three ASUW students at large.

B. ASUW Constitution Committee

1. Purpose The ASUW Constitution Committee shall be responsible for the initial review and formulation of all proposed amendments to the ASUW Constitution and shall review changes or additions to the ASUW By Laws to insure that the By Laws are consistent with the purpose of the ASUW and this Constitution. As well, the committee shall serve as the body of initial review and recommendation in matters of disputed interpretation of the ASUW Constitution.
2. Powers. The Constitution Committee shall receive proposals and requests for recommendations regarding the ASUW Constitution or By Laws and shall act in an advisory capacity to the ASUW Senate. The Committee may propose amendments to the ASUW Constitution and By Laws.
3. Composition. This committee shall be composed of a minimum of two ASUW Senators, one of whom shall serve as chairperson and a minimum of three ASUW students at large.

C. ASUW Elections Committee

1. Purpose. The purpose of the ASUW Elections Committee shall be to administer all ASUW election policies as such are set forth in the ASUW By Laws and superintend all elections conducted under the auspices of the ASUW.
2. Power. The committee shall formulate and recommend ASUW elections policies and procedures to be incorporated into the By Laws as well as review and provide recommendation on any proposed changes to such policies or procedures. Additionally, this committee shall have the responsibility to provide, in accordance with established procedures, the initial hearing and recommendation to the ASUW President in any situation where the fairness of an ASUW election is contested.



3. Composition. The committee shall be composed of a minimum of two ASUW Senators one of whom shall serve as chairperson and three ASUW students at large.

D. ASUW Finance Appropriations Committee

1. Purpose. The Finance Appropriations Committee shall, pursuant to the provisions of the ASUW finance policy, serve to consider and recommend approval by the Senate for the use of budgeted ASUW funds to facilitate, during a fiscal period, the on-going requests by students and student organizations for ASUW financial support.
2. Powers. The Finance appropriations committee shall have the responsibility of considering the requests of students and student organizations for ASUW funds; recommending Senate action on such requests; and the authority to administer the ASUW finance policy pursuant to budgeted allocations of such funds. Additionally, this committee shall establish such standards of operation and procedure as are necessary to maintain proper accountability and effective use of funds allocated in this manner. The Finance Appropriations Committee may recommend to the ASUW Budgeting and Planning Committee such changes or additions as are deemed appropriate.
3. Composition. The ASUW Finance Committee shall consist of a minimum of three ASUW Senators one of whom shall serve as chairperson; a minimum of three ASUW students at large; and the ASUW Business Manager as advisor.

E. ASUW Budgeting and Planning Committee

1. Purpose. The ASUW Budgeting and Planning Committee shall serve to provide internal ASUW fiscal accountability; provide a fiscal planning process for those programs and activities financially supported by ASUW funds; provide for research into and recommendations about the cost effectiveness of ASUW programs; develop and recommend, for Senate approval, necessary changes or additions in ASUW finance policy; and prepare for Senate approval all fiscal budgets for the ASUW and its subsidiary operations.
2. Powers. The Budgeting and Planning Committee shall have the following authority: To promulgate procedures and requirements for maintaining internal ASUW financial control and accountability in any area where ASUW funds are utilized; to establish procedures for the timely preparation and consideration of all budget requests utilizing ASUW resources; and to recommend to the Senate such changes or additions to the ASUW finance policy as are necessary and appropriate.

3. Composition. The Budgeting and Planning Committee shall consist of a minimum of three ASUW Senators one of whom shall serve as the chairperson; a minimum of three ASUW students at large; an advisor appointed by the University Vice President for Finance; and the ASUW Business Manager as advisor.

F. ASUW Student Information Committee.

1. Purpose. The ASUW Student Information Committee shall serve as a liaison to gather and provide information and represent students' views to policy-making bodies of and outside the University on matters which involve the welfare of the student body.
2. Powers. The ASUW SIC shall be advisory to the ASUW Senate, the University President, the University Trustees, and the State Legislature in representing the University students' perspectives and divergent points of view on matters approved by the ASUW Senate and which are of concern to the general student body.
3. Composition. The committee shall consist of a student director or chairperson appointed in a manner consistent with the purposes of ASUW and approved by the Senate; a minimum of three ASUW Senators; a minimum of three ASUW students at large; and one advisor nominated by the ASUW Senate and appointed by the University President.

G. ASUW Survey Committee.

1. Purpose. The ASUW Survey Committee shall have the responsibility of surveying student opinion and/or doing research on such issues as are of concern to the ASUW or are referred to the Committee by the Senate or the ASUW Steering Committee.
2. Powers. The Committee shall be advisory to the Senate and the Steering Committee in providing information and survey results on matters which are referred to it.
3. Composition. The committee shall consist of a minimum of two senators one of whom shall serve as chairperson and a minimum of four ASUW students at large.

H. ASUW Steering Committee

1. Purpose. The Steering Committee is established to provide coordination for the various issues, legislative activities, and program involvements of the ASUW Executive and Legislative branches and, as well, shall serve to pursue ASUW recommendations and actions that are referred to or require action by the University Trustees, the faculty or administrative units of the University.

2. Powers. The committee has the authority to refer proposed ASUW legislation to ASUW permanent or special committees for specified action or recommendation prior to final consideration by the Senate; or the committee may refer a matter to other parts of the University prior to final consideration by the Senate. Further, the committee may recommend the procedure for implementing consideration of ASUW decisions, actions, or legislation after final action by the Senate; and the committee shall provide regular reports to the Senate on the status or final outcome of all matters that require action by officials outside of ASUW.
3. Composition. The Steering Committee shall consist of the ASUW President who shall serve as chairperson; the ASUW Vice President; the ASUW President Pro Tempore; two ASUW Senators; the ASUW Executive Assistants; and the Dean of Students who shall serve as an advisor.

I. Student Living Committee

1. Purpose. The Student Living Committee shall serve as a liaison between the various living groups and the ASUW Senate; shall provide a forum for consideration of matters of concern to any student living groups or groups; and shall represent the needs of student living groups in recommendations to the Senate.
2. Powers. The committee shall be advisory to the ASUW Senate in representing student proposals regarding the various living concerns of University students.
3. Composition. The membership of the Student Living Committee shall consist of a minimum of two senators one of whom shall serve as chairperson; one student appointed by the President of the Panhellenic Council; one student appointed by the President of the Interfraternity Council; two students representing Married Student Housing; three students representing students who do not live on campus; and an advisor appointed by the University's Director of Housing.

J. ASUW Student Activities Committee.

1. Purpose. The purpose of the ASUW Activities Committee shall be to effectuate a program of extracurricular recreational, cultural, and leisure time opportunities such as will meet the expressed common needs and desires of the general membership of the ASUW and, as appropriate, other students who are not members of ASUW.
2. Powers. In accordance with applicable University regulations, ASUW established policies or procedures, and an activities program approval by the Senate on a yearly basis, the ASUW Activities Committee shall have

the authority to administer the Senate and Trustee approved fiscal year budget that is provided to fulfill the purpose of the committee.

3. Composition. The ASUW Activities Committee shall consist of a student director or chairperson appointed in a manner consistent with the purposes of ASUW and approved by the Senate; students appointed to represent areas of significant activity involvement or need on the Campus; students who volunteer to take part in the production of the committee's activities; and an advisor nominated by the Senate. The Student Activities Coordinator shall be an ex-officio member without vote.

K. ASUW Students' Attorney Board.

1. Purpose. The ASUW Students' Attorney Advisory Board shall serve as a means by which the ASUW shall supervise the Students' Attorney Program.
2. Powers. The Board shall appoint the Students' Attorney with the advice and consent of the ASUW Senate and shall meet regularly with the Students' Attorney to review the operation of the program and make recommendations to both the Students' Attorney and the ASUW Senate.
3. Composition. The ASUW Students' Attorney Advisory Board shall be composed of the student senator from the College of Law and seven students appointed by the President of the ASUW. The president shall designate a chairman from these eight members. In addition, a member of the Law School College, a member of the Albany County Bar Association and a representative of the University Administration shall be asked to serve as ex-officio members.

Section 7. The membership of permanent ASUW committees shall be appointed before the end of the semester during which ASUW general election takes place.

Section 8. Committee chairpersons and members may be removed for cause with a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate membership.

ARTICLE VII  
Vacancy of Office

Section 1.

- A. Upon the resignation, permanent absence, or incapacity of the President, the Vice President shall become President.
- B. Upon the resignation, permanent absence, or incapacity of the Vice President, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall become Vice President.
- C. Upon the resignation, permanent absence, or incapacity of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Senate Parliamentarian shall become President Pro Tempore.
- D. Upon the resignation, permanent absence, or incapacity of any Senator, the senatorial candidate from that college who received the next highest number of votes in the preceeding election, providing that number equals or exceeds twenty percent (20%) of the votes cast from that college, shall fill the vacancy.
  1. Should a tie have existed between such senatorial candidates, the Elections Committee shall determine which candidate shall fill the vacancy.
  2. Should no senatorial candidates be eligible or available, the Elections Committee shall publicize the Senate vacancy, accept applications from qualified ASUW members, and determine among the qualified applicants who shall fill the vacancy.

Section 2.

In those cases where the Elections Committee shall have determined the person or persons to fill senate vacancies, such determinations shall be according to strict rules and procedures approved each year by the ASUW Senate.

ARTICLE VIII  
ASUW Judicial Council

The judicial powers of the ASUW and the University of Wyoming student body shall be vested in the ASUW Judicial Council which shall conduct its business in accordance with the following provisions.

Section 1. The Judicial Council shall be composed of five (5) justices and three (3) alternate justices appointed by the ASUW President with the advice and consent of three-fourths (3/4) of the voting ASUW Senate.

- A. Judicial Council justices shall be appointed in accordance with the standards of Article IV, Section 1 of this Constitution;
- B. The term of office for each justice shall be limited to two (2) years; however this is not to be construed to prevent a student from being reappointed to successive terms;
- C. One of the five justices shall, with the advice and consent of three-fourths of the voting Senate, be appointed by the ASUW President to serve as chairperson of the Judicial Council;
- D. There shall be an advisor appointed by the mutual agreement of the ASUW President and the Dean of Students with the advice and consent of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting Senate.

Section 2. The following matters shall be within the jurisdiction of the ASUW Judicial Council.

- A. In situations of disagreement or dispute, it shall provide interpretation of the ASUW Constitution and ASUW By Laws;
- B. It shall have jurisdiction over all actions of the ASUW Executive branch;
- C. It shall have jurisdiction over all violations of ASUW rules, regulations, policies, procedures, and/or standards governing student conduct or requirements of students who participate in officially approved ASUW programs; and
- D. It shall have jurisdiction over offenses against the Constitution of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming.

Section 3. In the discharge of its jurisdictional responsibilities, the ASUW Judicial Council shall have the following authority.

- A. Subject to the approval of the University President, the ASUW Judicial Council shall be the final authority in interpretations of the ASUW Constitution and/or the ASUW By Laws;
- B. The Judicial Council shall make recommendations for sanctions to be imposed upon individual students or student organizations which have been appropriately charged and found guilty of violations of ASUW rules, regulations, policies or standards of conduct established as a part of officially approved ASUW programs.
- C. The Judicial Council may render final decisions regarding the actions of the ASUW Executive Branch for actions found to be procedurally inappropriate or incorrect pursuant to the provisions of the ASUW Constitution By Laws and/or other duly established ASUW standards;

- D. The Judicial Council shall have the right to summon any member of the ASUW to testify on any matter that is within the jurisdiction of the Board and which has been appropriately made a matter of issue or dispute before the Council; and
- E. The Judicial Council may assign or refer any matter, which is within its jurisdiction and which has been appropriately brought to the Council back to the ASUW body, unit or committee of original decision for such action or consideration as the Council determines is required.

Section 4. In the discharge of its responsibilities, the ASUW Judicial Council shall conduct its business pursuant to the principles of due process and fairness; it shall seek to protect the interests and rights of students; and it shall fulfill the following procedural requirements:

- A. Except in matters of Constitution or By Laws interpretation, the ASUW Judicial Council will not render a final decision until the appropriate body, unit or committee of original jurisdiction has fulfilled all of its responsibilities in the matter;
- B. Decisions by the Judicial Council on matters where the Council has recommended to the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs that sanctions be imposed against an individual student or a student organization may, at the discretion of the sanctioned students, be appealed to the University Board for Student Appeals before any action is initiated by the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs;
- C. All official hearings by the Judicial Council shall be conducted in accordance with written rules of procedure prepared by the Council; and such rules shall include provision for the following matters:
  - 1. The rules of procedure shall provide for the fundamentals of due process and fairness;
  - 2. In any situation where a charge is made against individual students or a student organization, the charge shall be made in writing, and those persons charged shall be provided with a copy of the charge along with the names of any persons who may speak against them;
  - 3. Each party to a dispute or charge shall have the right to be present in the meeting room during all testimony and they shall be afforded an opportunity to speak in their own behalf, present rebuttal, and present summary; and
  - 4. Each party to a dispute or charge shall be provided a written explanation of the reasons for any decision rendered by the Judicial Council.

Section 5. A dispute may be brought before the Judicial Council by any member of ASUW. All complaints must be filed with the ASUW Secretary within ten (10) school days of the disputed action. The Judicial Council must act upon the complaint within ten (10) school days after the written complaint is filed.

#### ARTICLE IX

##### Impeachment

Section 1. Articles of impeachment may be brought against any member of the Executive, Legislative, or Judicial branch of the ASUW.

Section 2. The student senate shall have the sole power to try all impeachments.

Section 3. The impeachment proceedings shall be considered legislative action.

Section 4. A vote (2/3 or more) of the current membership of the Student Senate shall be necessary to bring the charge of impeachment.

Section 5. The trial must be commenced in at least two weeks following the vote.

Section 6. The accused must have a fair trial consistent with the concept of due process as provided for by the University Procedures in these matters.

Section 7. Charges must be published in at least one issue of the official campus news publication.

Section 8. In the event Articles of Impeachment are brought against the Vice President, the President Pro Tempore shall act as Chairman of the Senate.

Section 9. A person shall not be convicted without the concurrence of at least three-fourths (3/4) of the current membership of the Student Senate.

Section 10. A person may not vote on his own impeachment.

Section 11. There shall be no punishment other than removal from office.

#### ARTICLE X

##### Enactment

Section 1. This Constitution shall become effective upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the ASUW Senate, a majority vote of ASUW members voting, and approval of the Trustees of the University of Wyoming.

Section 2. All revisions of or amendments to this Constitution shall be published in an official ASUW publication ten days prior to the general ASUW election at which the student body votes on the revisions and amendments.

Section 3. No revisions of, or amendment to, this Constitution shall become effective until they have been submitted to and approved by the University's Trustees.

Section 4. This ASUW Constitution shall supersede all previous ASUW Constitutions.



ARTICLE XI

Amendments

Amendments to this Constitution may be initiated by the ASUW Constitution Committee or by a majority of the voting ASUW Senate, or by any ASUW member who presents a draft of the proposed amendment to the ASUW Senate along with a student petition which includes the signatures of at least ten percent (10%) of the current ASUW membership. Two weeks after initiation at the second reading of a proposed amendment before the Senate, the proposal must pass the Student Senate by a two-thirds (2/3) vote. When this is obtained, the proposed amendment shall be scheduled for a vote in the next ASUW general election; and, if the proposal receives a majority of the votes cast in this election, it shall be presented to the University Trustees for final approval.