SENATE BILL #1547

Title: Sports Club Transfer
Introduced: January 13, 1987
Thesis:
Sponsor: ASUW Sports Club Committee
1. Whereas the Sports Club Program, which is a financially supported program
2. of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming, has been denied
3. additional funding until the problems that stem from mismanagement be
4. solved, be it enacted by the Student Senate of the Associated Students of
5. the University of Wyoming that the Student Senate transfer the
6. administration of the program to the Intramural Department which has the
7. facilities and capabilities to manage such a program effectively and to
8. show support for a worthy program. The Student Senate will also agree to
9. transfer a line cut amounting to a total of no less than \$10,782 annually
10. from the student fees to go directly to the Intramural Department for
11. management of the program. ASUW will also appoint a senator to serve
12. regularly on the Sports Club Council, who will act as a liaison between the
13. Senate and ASUW. The representative for the Sports Club Council will be
14. responsible for representing the club in Finance Budget and Planning where
15. the Sports Club's budget will be reviewed no less than biannually.
Referred to: Finance Budget and Planning - Do Pass with amendments 19-1-1 Date of Passage: March 31, 1987 Signed: Senate Chairperson
"Being enacted on April 1987, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action." ASUW President

AMENDMENTS SENATE BILL \$1547

- line 5 following "transfer the" add "administration of the"
- following "line cut" delete \$.85, and add "amounting to a line 8 total of no less than \$10,700 annually"
- line 10 following "program" add "ASUW will also appoint a senator to serve regularly on the Sports Club Council, who will act as a liaison between the senate and the The representative for the Sports Club Council will be responsible for representing the club in Finance Budget and Planning where the sports club's budget will be reviewed no less than biannually.

Dear Senators,

I want to give you a little more information on the bill concerning Sports Club. Presently sports club serves one hundred and twenty students and it is budgeted approximately \$11580. This budget only covers the cost of field maintenance, officials, travel and the overhead. Coaches, accommodations and food are not covered by the present budget. It covers only the bare minimum. The budget allocated by ASUW is supplemented by a student fees which is \$22.50.

The funding for this program was suspended by the finance committee for 87-88, until a solution for it's poor management could be found. The problems within the program stem from its limitations a function of ASUW. ASUW only allocates enough money to allow the director to work nine months and only three hours a day. There is no one around in the summer to take any phone calls, receive messages and more importantly there is no one to attend scheduling meetings. These problems are accentuated by throwing a new director into the program in the fall. The program requires some consistency for effective management.

After exploring several options we found that the best solution to this problem was to move sports club into the Intramural Department. Gerry Maas, the director of the department, has run similar programs in other schools. A transfer of this nature would provide the consistency required to create a strong program.

We picked the Intramural Department for several reasons.

Students are more likely to look for and ask about sports programs in the intramural office. The are open eight hours a

day, all year round. There is permanent secretary to take messages. The fields are all scheduled through this office, and there is a qualified staff to oversee the program. We could take advantage of existing resources.

If the Sports Club is moved into the Intramural Department it will also create new opportunities which will enhance the program. Gerry Maas would like to allocate funding to the clubs through a matching process. They would have to raise money through corporate sponsorship or some other type of fund raiser. This would help promote the stronger clubs and phase out weak programs. There is also the possibility that some form of compensation could be provided by giving the director an assistantship and coaches credit hours. This move would also open up other channels as well; Simple things like health examinations might be given at Student Health. The Intramural Department would give the program with far more support than ASUW can presently provide.

The bottom line is that the Intramural Department can't afford to fund this program with their present budget. Gerry Maas will accept this program only with a reliable budget. If we want to show our commitment to the program, we will need take a line cut out of the student fees and transfer it directly to the Intramural Department. Let's wash our hands of it and let someone qualified run the program!.

Tammy Smith

Sports Club Committee

Jammy Enids