SENATE BILL #2073

Title: Discontinuation of Town Hall Meetings

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Sponsors: Senators Carothers, Chavez, Eakins, Heth, Owens, Rising, Shah, Thoman, Williams; Student-at-Large Freeburn

- 1. WHEREAS, Senators of the Associated Students of the University of
- 2. Wyoming are elected to their respective college to represent the students
- 3. in that college; and
- ✓ 4. WHEREAS, students are often uninformed about their opinions and look to
 - 5. their college senators to express these opinions; and
- (6. WHEREAS, many members of the ASUW feel that our time can be better
 - 7. spent in other areas that will help represent the constituent population; and
- / 8. WHEREAS, every college has their own student counsel that meets several
 - 9. times during each semester where students are encouraged to come and share
 - 10. their opinions; and
- ✓11. WHEREAS, the ASUW has given the student population many opportunities
 - 12. to make their voices heard; and
 - 13. WHEREAS, Town Hall Meetings were established to provide more
 - 14. opportunities for students to interact with the administration, faculty, staff,
 - 15. and ASUW representatives of their respective colleges, but the student
 - 16. population has shown very little interest in Town Hall Meetings; and
 - 17. WHEREAS, the 2003-2004 Town Hall Meetings did not receive positive
 - 18. feedback from administration, faculty, staff and representatives of the

20. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Student Senate of the Associated Students 21. of the University of Wyoming that we no longer host a Town Hall Meeting in 22. conjunction with each college every spring and fall semester; and 23. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that if a college contact and senators 24. within their respective college all agree to host a Town Hall Meeting with 25. their college because of constituent interest they may do so with the help of 26. the Director of Public Relations; and 27. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that if a Town Hall Meeting does occur within a certain college they should follow the guidelines stated in _28. 29. Addendum A. Referred to: Committee of the Whole Date of Passage: _____ Signed: (ASUW Chairperson) "Being enacted on , I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action." The sholot 3 headis despused 3 headis despused 3/30/04

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Addendum A

Town Hall Meeting Guidelines

- College Contacts will organize two meetings with senators in his or her college prior to the Town Hall Meeting where at that time these senators will choose the panelists and create an agenda for the Town Hall meeting.
- The College Contact will moderate the event and direct questions to the panelists.
- Panelists should consist of but are not limited to, the college dean and/or assistant dean, a representative from Faculty Senate and Staff Senate, and two senators within that college.
- The agenda will consist of the introduction of panelists, overview of current projects/issues within ASUW and the respective college, and concluding statements by panelists.