## **SENATE RESOLUTION #2164**

Title:

Support For the Expansion and Renovation of Half Acre

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**Authors:** 

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Freeburn

**Sponsors:** 

Senators Berry, Carroll, Scarborough

- 1. WHEREAS, campus recreation currently includes open recreation, club sports,
- 2. intramural sports, the Outdoor Adventure Program and the Wellness Center; and
- 3. WHEREAS, approximately 1 in 5 UW students accesses Half Acre every week
- 4. day; and
- 5. WHEREAS, the University of Wyoming Student Satisfaction Report 1994-2006
- 6. says that UW students are more likely to be involved with recreational and
- 7. intramural opportunities than students attending other state universities (62.1% vs.
- 8. 42.4%); and
- 9. WHEREAS, UW has 18 different club sports with approximately 500 student
- 10. participants; and
- 11. WHEREAS, more than 3,000 students participate in 45 different intramural sports
- 12. each academic year; and
- 13. WHEREAS, the Outdoor Adventure Program offers approximately 105 programs
- 14. to students each academic year; and
- 15. WHEREAS, campus recreation facilities are a valuable recruitment and retention
- 16. resource; and
- 17. WHEREAS, Half Acre is over 80 years old and lacks adequate ventilation; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the structural integrity of the building does not allow for Americans

- 19. with Disabilities Act accessibility requirements; and
- 20. WHEREAS, the UW Student Opinion Survey 2006 shows significant student
- 21. interest in expansion in campus recreation program opportunities (see
- 22. Addendum A).
- 23. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Student Senate of the Associated Students
- 24. of the University of Wyoming (ASUW) supports and encourages Phase I planning
- 25. for an expansion and renovation of Half Acre to begin no later than July of 2008
- 26. as scheduled in the revised 2002-2007 Capital Facilities Plan; and
- 27. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that this expansion and renovation shall
- 28. encompass all 5 dimensions of wellness that encourage a balanced lifestyle:
- 29. spiritual, emotional, intellectual, social, and physical; and
- 30. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that multiple funding options be evaluated
- 31. prior to and during Phase I; and
- 32. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that extensive student involvement and
- 33. participation be a priority in all Capital Facilities phases including all Half Acre
- 34. planning and building phases; and
- 35. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be distributed
- 36. to the President of the University, the Vice President of Student Affairs, the Vice
- 37. President for Government, Community and Legal Affairs, key members of the

38. Wyoming State Legislature, and the Director of Campus Recreation.

Referred to: Student Issues Committee

Date of Passage: March 6, 2007 Signed: (ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on March 7, 2007, Ido hereby sign my name hereto and approve this Senate action."

ASUW President

## ADDENDUM A

WYSAC, University of Wyoming

U.W. Student Opinion Survey, 2006

7. How interested would you be in expanding the following program opportunities in Campus Recreation? If you have specific interests beyond what's listed here, please write them in.

	Very	Somewhat	Not	No
	Interested	Interested	Interested	Answer
a. Cardio Equipment	50.0%	27.5%	15.5%	7.0%
	(42.2%)	(33.4%)	(18.9%)	(0.3%)
b. Weight Equipment	46.1%	30.0%	17.1%	6.7%
	(39.9%)	(35.6%)	(19.1%)	(0.9%)
c. Swimming programs	31.4%	29.0%	31.6%	8.0%
	(27.0%)	(31.5%)	(35.6%)	(0.5%)
d. Group exercise programs	27.3%	29.9%	18.6%	7.4%
	(25.8%)	(32.7%)	(23.6%)	(0.5%)
e. Indoor sports opportunities	44.1%	29.9%	18.6%	7.4%
	(38.4%)	(32.7%)	(23.6%)	(0.5%)
f. Other (If other, what?):	8.5%	1.6%	2.1%	87.8%
	(8.0%)	(1.3%)	(3.6%)	(77.2%)