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SENATE BILL #2453

TITLE: Revision of Senatorial Service Hours

DATE: February 27, 2015

AUTHORS: Senators Chandler and Wolfgang

SPONSORS: Senators Messer and Scherlin

1. WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Student Government of the Associated Students of
2. the University of Wyoming (ASUW) to represent the opinions of the student body;
3. and,
4. WHEREAS, this is best accomplished when the Senators of the ASUW Student
5. Senate have direct and open lines of communications with the students they serve;
6. and,
7. WHEREAS, in the past, there have not been many direct lines of communication
8. open between Senators and constituents; and
9. WHEREAS, there are more effective ways for Senators to spend their four volunteer
10. hours, and
11. WHEREAS, the four mandatory volunteer hours have been hard to obtain within
12. certain months; and,
13. WHEREAS, a new way of obtaining the monthly four hours can be used to
14. implement a stronger connection between Senators and constituents, and
15. WHEREAS, these newly proposed mandatory office hours should be used for
16. committee work, student outreach, and other legislative duties, and
17. WHEREAS, there is already a setting in which the newly proposed office hours can
18. take place; and,



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19. WHEREAS, these office hours will be advertised through the ASUW website for
20. constituents to view, and
21. WHEREAS, to avoid over commitment these new mandatory office hours will take
22. the place of the current four mandatory volunteer hours currently in place.
23. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Student Senate of the University of Wyoming
24. (ASUW) that Article II of the ASUW By-laws be amended to reflect the changes
25. contained in Article II Section IV, Subsection K, clause iv.
26. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that the changes contained in the bill go into effect
27. at the start of the 103rd Senate.

Referred to: Constitution

Date of Passage: 03/24/15 Signed: Ricardo Lind-Romalez
(ASUW Chairperson)

"Being enacted on April 2nd 2015, I do hereby sign my name hereto and
approve this Senate action." Alvin
ASUW President

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ASUW BY-LAWS

ARTICLE II Legislative Branch

- Section 4. The ASUW Senate shall serve as the Legislative Body of the ASUW. The ASUW Student Senate shall have the following authority and responsibilities:
- A. The ASUW Senate shall directly represent the students by the efficient, responsible, and coordinated functioning of student life and ASUW activities at the University, through the enactment of legislation in the form of bills or resolutions.
 - B. It shall have the authority to assume whatever responsibilities it deems necessary to fulfill its obligations to the students.
 - C. It shall have the authority to recommend to the Trustees the needed amount of ASUW fees to be assessed of all fee paying students for financial support of ASUW sponsored programs and activities.
 - D. In accordance with applicable University regulations, the provisions of the Constitution, and the ASUW Finance Policy, the ASUW Senate shall have the authority to annually allocate all ASUW monies received through student registration fees.
 - E. It shall have the authority to appoint and direct such special committees to study or investigate any issue of concern to the ASUW Senate in fulfilling its responsibilities for the University students; such committees shall serve only during the Senate term in which they are appointed.
 - F. It shall have the authority and responsibility to develop standards of good practice for sponsorship or financial support from ASUW.
 - G. It shall approve, or reject by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, any of the ASUW President's appointees or ASUW representatives to fill student held positions on University committees and boards.
 - H. It shall approve, or reject by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, any of the ASUW Vice President's appointees to ASUW standing and special committees.
 - I. 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 the ASUW's purposes.
 - J. The Senate shall have the power to move into Executive Session regarding matters concerning all paid employees of ASUW with the exception of the ASUW President and Vice President; or concerning matters of legal affairs brought by or against ASUW. When moving into Executive session only voting members of the Senate, the ASUW Secretary, and the ASUW Chair shall be allowed to stay; unless otherwise specifically stated in the motion. The Senate shall reconvene into open session to take any formal action on discussion from Executive Session.

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- K. ASUW Senators shall have the following standardized physical responsibilities:
- i. Senators shall attend regularly scheduled meetings of the ASUW Student Senate, and any special meetings of the ASUW Student Senate as scheduled by the ASUW Vice President.
 - ii. Senators shall serve on a minimum of two (2) ASUW Standing Committees.
 - iii. ASUW Senators shall make a presentation, each semester, to a class chosen from a list compiled by the ASUW Vice President. Failure to complete this requirement will result in an automatic referral to the ASUW Steering Committee.
 - iv. Each full month of the academic semester, Senators will be required to accumulate one (1) office hour. Office hours will be held as follows:
 - a. They will be held one hour per full month of the semester.
 - b. Each hour will be held somewhere within the ASUW office.
 - iv-c. Hours will be used for committee work beyond regularly scheduled meetings, student outreach, and legislative duties.
 - a-d. Senators will have an open door for any constituent.
 - b-e. Senators will document office hours in the ASUW office upon completion of each hours.
 - v. Each full month of the academic semester, senators will be required to accumulate three (3) service hours. Service hours can be accumulated through the following means:
 - a. Documented office hour in the ASUW office.
 - b. Documented participation in an ASUW student outreach event.
 - c. Documented attendance or participation in an ASUW funded event.
 - d. Documented volunteering with an ASUW program.
 - e. Any other form of service hour, as pre-approved in writing by the ASUW Vice President, with the subsequent approval of the ASUW Steering Committee.
 - v. ASUW Senators shall be required to attend a diversity workshop. This workshop should focus, but is not limited to, the diversity as it pertains to the University of Wyoming to increase awareness and decrease insensitivity towards underrepresented populations throughout campus. This diversity workshop will be developed by UMC in coordination with the ASUW Vice-President. Completion of this requirement shall serve as two (2) of the aforementioned service hours.
 - vi. Appropriate documentation and documentation methods of service hours will be set and managed by the ASUW Vice President, with the subsequent approval of the ASUW Steering Committee.
 - vii. The decisions of the Vice President regarding exceptions to the listed service hours can be verbally appealed to the ASUW Steering Committee at the next regular Steering Committee meeting.

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- viii. Senators shall attend a minimum of two (2) RSO events funded by ASUW per semester, and complete a review to be submitted to the ASUW RSO Funding Board for each event.
- ix. Senators shall attend one (1) meeting of the Freshman Senate per semester. Failure to attend one (1) Freshman Senate meeting per semester will count towards recorded absences.
- x. Senators shall maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 for the duration of their service.
- xi. Senators shall pay the ASUW Student fee.
- xii. Senators must maintain a full time credit bearing schedule (as defined by their program) for the duration of their service.
- xiii. Each Senator shall be required to complete social media outreach effort, to be decided upon annually by the Steering Committee.