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**SENATE BILL #2490**

**TITLE:** Revisions of the duties of the Constitution Committee

**DATE:** February 8, 2016

**AUTHOR:** Senator Krell

**SPONSORS:** Constitution Committee



1. WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government to represent our fellow students accurately; and,
3. WHEREAS, under the By-Laws (Article II, Section 10, Subsection A, Clause ii, Subclause
4. a) it is the duty of the Constitution Committee to review changes or additions to the ASUW
5. By-Laws and ASUW Rules and Procedures; and,
6. WHEREAS, in the By-Laws (Article II, Section 10, Subsection A, Clause ii, Subclause b)
7. the Constitution Committee shall have the power to “report to the Steering Committee any
8. past legislation which is not being properly enforced”; and,
9. WHEREAS, in the Fall 2015 Semester the ASUW Student Senate was not in possession of
10. the most updated copy of the ASUW By-Laws and ASUW Rules and Procedures; and,
11. WHEREAS, this then caused confusion and inefficiency within ASUW Student Senate; and,
12. WHEREAS, inefficiency and confusion do not allow for effective representation of the
13. students, nor do out of date working documents allow for accurate representation; and,
14. WHEREAS, it is not explicitly stated in any place within the working documents of the
15. ASUW, how the ASUW By-Laws and the ASUW Rules and Procedures shall be updated
16. after revision and adoption.
17. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
18. (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW By-Laws, Article II, Section 10, Subsection
19. A, Clause ii, subclause b, be amended to reflect the language in Addendum A.

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(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 3/7/2016, I do hereby sign my name hereto and  
approve this Senate action.” B. S.  
ASUW President

## Addendum A

### **THE BY-LAWS ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING**

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### Section 10. Senate Committees

A. 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:

ii. The ASUW Constitution Committee:

- a. Purpose. The 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 and ASUW Rules and Procedures to insure that the By-Laws and Rules and Procedures are consistent with the purpose of the ASUW and the Constitution. As well, the Committee shall serve as the body of initial review and recommendation in matters of disputed interpretation of the ASUW Constitution.
- b. Powers. The Committee shall receive proposals and requests for recommendations regarding the ASUW Constitution, By-Laws, or Rules and Procedures, and shall act in an advisory capacity to the ASUW Senate. The Committee may propose amendments to the ASUW Constitution and By-Laws. The Committee shall have the power of oversight to make sure that all adopted amendments to the ASUW Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Procedure, and Finance Policy are updated. The committee shall do so at the subsequent meeting after the amendment takes effect. The Committee shall be responsible for the yearly review and (if necessary) revisions of ASUW Standing Committees. The Committee shall be responsible for identifying, and reporting to the Steering Committee any past legislation which is not currently being properly enforced. Additionally, the committee will assist the ASUW President with his/her legislative response, as wells, give a presentation to the Senate over the ASUW Constitution, By-laws, and Rules and Procedures each semester. The Committee shall review all nominees to the ASUW Judicial Council. This review shall include, but is not limited to; questioning based on previous Judicial Council cases, knowledge of the working documents and future plans within ASUW. Upon completion of the review, the committee shall provide a recommendation to the ASUW Student Senate. Furthermore, the Committee will have jurisdiction of all legislative matters concerning the Judicial Council.