



**FRESHMAN SENATE BILL #50**

**TITLE:** Revision of Senate Officers' Powers

**DATE INTRODUCED:** November 7, 2017

**AUTHORS:** Presiding Officer Sanders

**SPONSORS:** Senators Dalman, Mooren, Schieffer, and Ward.

1. WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW)
2. Student Government to represent the needs and wants of the student body; and,
3. WHEREAS, ASUW Freshman Senate meetings are integral to ASUW Freshman Senate's
4. mission; and,
5. WHEREAS, the Presiding Officer, Parliamentarian, Secretary, and Treasurer are elected to
6. increase the efficiency of ASUW Freshman Senate Meetings; and,
7. WHEREAS, the efficiency of ASUW Freshman Senate meetings is decreased when an
8. officer is absent and the remaining officers are required to change positions.
9. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Freshman Senate of the Associated Students of the
10. University of Wyoming (ASUW) that the Freshman Senate Constitution be amended to
11. reflect the changes in Addendum A; and,
12. THEREFORE, be it further enacted these changes take effect immediately.

Referred to: Procedures

Date of Passage: 11-14-17 Signed: Nicole Sanders  
(Freshman Senate Chairperson)

"Being enacted on 11-28-17, I do hereby sign my name hereto and

approve this Senate action." Nicole Sanders  
ASUW Freshman Senate Presiding Officer

## ADDENDUM A

### Section 4. Senate Officers

A. At the first business meeting following the installation of Freshman Senate, the following officers are selected from the Freshman Senate voting membership:

1. Presiding Officer: They shall serve as the chairman of the Freshman Senate. They may not participate in debate unless they first relinquishes the chair to the Parliamentarian. They shall only vote in the case of a tie. They shall represent the Freshman Senate as an ex-officio member at the ASUW Senate weekly meetings. They shall serve as the chairman of the Steering Committee of the Freshman Senate.
  - i. The Presiding Officer or their delegate shall have the right to vote on behalf of the Freshman Senate on all issues before the ASUW Senate.
  - ii. The vote registered by the Presiding Officer or their delegate shall be representative of the opinions of the Freshman Senate on all legislation before the ASUW Senate.
  - iii. The Presiding Officer or their delegate may change the vote if they feel that amendments to a piece of legislation or further provided information necessitate and justify that change.
  - iv. The Presiding Officer or their delegate is accountable to the Freshman Senate for matters of voting and if deemed necessary by members of the Freshman Senate, may be subject to punitive measures defined by the Freshman Senate Steering Committee or impeachment for lack of adherence to the responsibilities as outlined above.
2. Parliamentarian: They shall keep the Freshman Senate in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order. They shall preserve order as the Presiding Officer may direct. ~~They shall assume the duties of the Presiding Office in the absence of the Presiding Officer.~~ They shall serve on the Steering Committee of the Freshman Senate.
3. Secretary: They shall keep and distribute all minutes, an active roster, and votes in a time efficient manner. They shall prepare and circulate all weekly agendas and send all official Freshman Senate communications. They shall periodically write and circulate press releases on the happenings of Freshman Senate. ~~They shall assume the duties of the Parliamentarian in the absence of the Parliamentarian.~~ They shall serve on the Steering Committee of the Freshman Senate.
4. Treasurer: They shall maintain the Freshman Senate budget and draft budget proposals each spring semester. ~~They shall assume the duties of the Secretary in the absence of the Secretary.~~ They shall serve on the Steering Committee of the Freshman Senate.
5. Steering Committee Liaison: They shall serve as an exofficio/liaison of the Freshman Senate at the Residence Hall Association (RHA) weekly meetings in accordance with

their constitution and by-laws. They shall also serve on the Steering Committee of the Freshman Senate.

6. In the absence of any of the officers, the present officers will determine the most efficient way to fill the absent position. The only people that may fill the absent position are officers.
  - i. The Steering Committee Liaison will be exempt from this rule.

