

**SENATE BILL #2777**

**TITLE:** Changes to the ASUW Standing Committees  
**DATE INTRODUCED:** January 25, 2022  
**AUTHOR:** Chief of Legislative Affairs Carrier  
**SPONSORS:** Senators Castronovo, Ewalt, Laverell, Rhymes and Smith



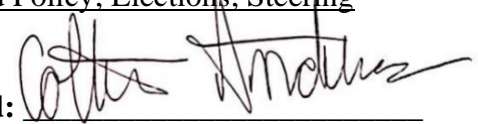
1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,
3. WHEREAS, ASUW currently has 8 standing committees as outlined in Article 2, section
4. 2.02, number 12 of the ASUW By-Laws; and,
5. WHEREAS, most of the committees are required to have at a minimum six ASUW
6. Senators serving on the committee at all times; and,
7. WHEREAS, Senate vacancies and lack of Senator retention has made it difficult to
8. ensure all committees have the required number of Senators as stated by the ASUW By
9. Laws; and,
10. WHEREAS, when committees are not filled, they are not functioning at maximum
11. efficiency; and,
12. WHEREAS, in an attempt to have committees filled, Senators are being asked to serve on
13. more committees than required; and,
14. WHEREAS, Senators serving on additional committees than required is not fair as they
15. did not originally sign up for this and it leads to increased burnout; and,
16. WHEREAS, given that the referendum vote passes on SB #2769, the ASUW Senate will
17. shrink from thirty-two to twenty-one Senators; and,
18. WHEREAS, having seven committees instead of 8 will better divide the number of
19. Senators on each committee as each committee will have six Senators with Senators
20. being required to serve on two committees; and,
21. WHEREAS, the current standing committees handle tasks extremely specific to their
22. committee name and only operate within the scope of their specific duties; and,
23. WHEREAS, the Student Outreach and Program Committee and the Elections committee
24. have similar duties including outreach to the student body about events and happenings
25. within ASUW; and,

26. WHEREAS, the Ad-Hoc Restructuring committee deemed it appropriate to combine the  
27. Student Outreach and Program and Elections committees into one committee as they  
28. have enough similarities; and,  
29. WHEREAS, a new committee called the Outreach, Programming, and Elections  
30. Committee that will assume the duties as outlined in Addendum A will make a more  
31. efficient committee better suited to serve the student body while simultaneously reducing  
32. the number of committees in ASUW.  
33. THEREFORE, be it enacted that the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming  
34. (ASUW) By-Laws be amended to reflect the changes outlined in Addendum A; and,  
35. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that, even if SB #2769 and/or the accompanying  
36. ballot initiative do not pass, these changes shall take effect regardless; and,  
37. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that these changes take effect immediately upon  
38. passage of this bill.

**Referred to:** Ad-Hoc Restructuring; Advocacy, Diversity and Policy; Elections; Steering

**Date of Passage:** February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

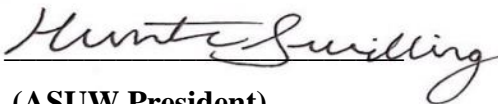
**Signed:**



**(ASUW Chairperson)**

**“Being enacted on** February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022**, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve**

**this Senate action”**



**(ASUW President)**

**Addendum A**

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

~~F. The ASUW Student Outreach and Programming Committee~~

~~a. Purpose:~~ The Committee shall assist in organization and execution of events, workshops, and all outreach (etc.) conducted by the ASUW Student Government. It shall also have the ability to come up with new programming and shall be responsible for the review of the effectiveness of such programming, determining whether a particular event will continue to be sustainable, and formulating proposals for future programming. The Committee shall also work with the Executive Branch to promote the current services, actions, and happenings of the ASUW, to consistently outreach to individual students and student organizations annually.

~~b. Powers:~~ The Committee shall assist in organization and execution of events, workshops, etc. conducted by the ASUW Student Government. The Committee will actively research successful programming at other institutions, and will communicate with other student governments to continue to foster growth. The Committee shall also have the power to recommend to the ASUW Senate and Executive Branch the best methods of student outreach and promotion of the ASUW endeavors. The Committee shall also aide the ASUW Executive Branch, the ASUW Judicial Branch, and ASUW Programs in their programmatic events should they require and request assistance. The Committee shall be vested with all necessary and appropriate powers to carry out its purpose under these rules.

~~c. Composition:~~ The Committee shall consist of a minimum of six (6) ASUW Senators, one (1) of whom shall serve as chairperson and three (3) ASUW Students at Large, with at least one (1) being a First Year Senator. The ASUW Vice President shall appoint at least two (2) Executives to serve as ex-officios on the committee.

I. ~~The ASUW Elections Committee~~

- a. ~~Purpose:~~ ~~The Committee shall serve promote ASUW Elections and conduct outreach to students to promote participation. The Committee shall, in conjunction with the ASUW Vice President, oversee the process by which senatorial vacancies are filled, as outlined by Article 4, Section 4.02 of the ASUW By-Laws.~~
- b. ~~Powers:~~ ~~The Committee shall be vested with all necessary and appropriate powers to carry out its purpose under these rules. The Committee shall hold no fewer than two (2) information sessions for all candidates and possible candidates seeking office within ASUW between the date applications are available and the time applications are due.~~
- c. ~~Composition:~~ ~~The Committee shall consist of a minimum of five (5) ASUW Senators, one (1) of whom shall serve as chair, and at least one (1) First Year Senator. The chair shall not be permitted to run for the position of ASUW President or Vice President in the election that occurs during their time as chair. The ASUW Vice President shall appoint a minimum of one (1) executive to serve as an ex-officio on the committee. The ASUW Advisor, or designee, shall serve as advisor.~~
- d. ~~Additional information on the purpose, powers, and composition of the ASUW Elections Committee can be seen in Article 5 of these By-Laws.~~

The ASUW Outreach, Programming, and Elections Committee

- 1. Purpose: The Committee shall assist in organization and execution of events, workshops, and all outreach including but not limited to all events involving elections. It shall also have the ability to come up with new programming and shall be responsible for the review of the effectiveness of such programming, determining whether a particular event will continue to be sustainable, and formulating proposals for future programming. The

committee will also serve to promote ASUW Elections and conduct outreach to promote participation. The committee shall, in conjunction with the ASUW Vice President, oversee the process by which senatorial vacancies are filled, as outlined by Article 4, Section 4.02 of the ASUW By-Laws. The Committee shall also work with the Executive Branch to promote the current services, actions, and happenings of the ASUW, to consistently outreach to individual students and student organizations annually.

2. Powers: The Committee shall have the power to recommend to the ASUW Senate and Executive Branch the best methods of student outreach and promotion of the ASUW endeavors. The committee shall assist in organization and execution of events, workshops, etc. and shall hold no fewer than two (2) information sessions relating to ASUW elections for all candidates and possible candidates seeking office within ASUW. These informational sessions must be held between the date applications are available and the time they are due. The Committee shall also have the power to recommend to the ASUW Senate and Executive Branch the best methods of student outreach and promotion of the ASUW endeavors. The Committee shall also be tasked with filling vacancies on the ASUW Senate. The Committee shall be vested with all necessary and appropriate powers to carry out its purpose under these rules.

3. Composition: The Committee shall consist of a minimum six (6) ASUW Senators, one (1) of whom shall serve as a chairperson and at least one (1) First-Year Senator. The chair shall not be permitted to run for the position of ASUW President or Vice President in the election that occurs during their time as chair. The ASUW Vice President shall appoint a minimum of one (1) executive to serve as ex-officio on the committee. The ASUW Advisor, or designee, shall serve as advisor.

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4. Additional information on the purpose, powers, and composition of the ASUW Outreach, Programming, and Elections Committee can be seen in Article 5 of these By-Laws.