



SENATE BILL #2788

TITLE: Social Media Requirements for ASUW Elections

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AUTHORS: Senators Engel-Cartie and Smith

SPONSORS: Senators Ewalt and Rhymes

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) Student Government is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible;
3. and,
4. WHEREAS, in accordance with the principles of democratic governance, the ASUW
5. elects student representatives yearly to fill seats on the ASUW Senate; and,
6. WHEREAS, ASUW elected officials are expected to maintain a high standard of public
7. appearance and present themselves in a manner reflective of ASUW's standards; and,
8. WHEREAS, there is no current standard or policy on how candidates in an ASUW
9. election should conduct themselves on social media and other internet platforms; and,
10. WHEREAS; the previously known Elections Committee and Student Outreach and
11. Programming Committee have been combined into a single committee referred to as the
12. Outreach, Programming, and Elections 11. Committee.
13. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
14. (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW By-Laws be amended to reflect
15. the changes outlined in Addendum A; and,
16. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that these changes take effect immediately upon
17. passage of this bill.

Referred to: Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy; Outreach, Programming, and Elections

Date of Passage: February 22, 2022

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carter Smith', written over a horizontal line.

(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on February 22, 2022 **, I do hereby sign my name hereto and**

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approve this Senate action.” _____

ASUW President

Addendum A

Associated Students of the University of Wyoming By-Laws

Section 5.05

O. All candidates shall adhere to the University of Wyoming's Student Code of Conduct during the course of campaigning.

Section 5.06

3. Virtual Campaign Materials

A. Virtual campaign materials will include, but are not limited to, social media, websites, and email. The ~~Elections Committee Outreach, Programming, and Elections Committee~~ will be allowed to define virtual campaigning should the issue arise.

B. All candidates are responsible for abiding by the Terms of Service for any social media site they are campaigning on.

B. All costs associated with the virtual campaigning must be included in the candidate's financial expense report and must comply with 5.04 Section 1 Clause D.

C. Candidates are allowed to share virtual posts from student organizations but must include a disclaimer clarifying their involvement with the Student Organization or event. This disclaimer could be as follows, "This event is not hosted or funded by the candidate".

D. Candidates are not allowed to share any posts that include the ASUW Logo except for post directly related to ASUW Elections in compliance with Subsection 1 Clause D of this Section.

E. No candidate may send campaign e-mails to more than fifty (50) UW e-mail accounts within a 24-hour period. Each email within a University list serves shall be counted, and third-party list serves are prohibited.

4. Candidate Social Media Code of Conduct

B. No candidate in a Senatorial election may post more than five (5) times on a single social media platform in a 24-hour period. No candidate in a Presidential/Vice-Presidential election may post more than seven (7) times on a single social media platform in a 24-hour period.

i. Any social media posting methods that vanish after 24 hours (e.g. Instagram stories, etc.) does not apply to 5.05 Section 4 Clause B.