



**SENATE BILL #2799**

**TITLE:** Creating a Student Survey Component as a Core Duty of the ASUW Executive Branch

**AUTHOR:** President Swilling

**SPONSORS:** Senators Castronovo, Laverell, and Rhymes; Chief of Legislative Affairs Carrier

1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming (ASUW)
2. Student Government is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,
3. WHEREAS, in the 109<sup>th</sup> ASUW Administration, the Executive Branch decided to pursue the
4. creation and distribution of two “Student Issues Surveys” in the fall and spring semesters that
5. were sent out to all students to query them about their thoughts on pertinent issues facing the
6. University; and,
7. WHEREAS, these surveys were quite successful in terms of student engagements, receiving a
8. cumulative response of over 4,200 students; and,
9. WHEREAS, the direct feedback from this large number of students was enormously beneficial
10. to the ASUW in terms of pursuing projects that students wanted and accurately representing
11. student opinion to the UW Administration and the Board of Trustees; and,
12. WHEREAS, this kind of broad survey feedback has been specifically requested by multiple
13. upper-level administrators at the University of Wyoming, and they consider it very important
14. in developing policy and making changes based on student opinion; and,
15. WHEREAS, it has been a consistent piece of feedback that we need to explore and integrate
16. many new and different ways of reaching out to our fellow students in ensuring that their
17. voices are accurately represented; and,
18. WHEREAS, codifying this practice as a core component of the Executive Branch’s duties
19. would ensure that this valuable practice continues into the future.

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20. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming

21. (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW By-Laws be amended to reflect the changes

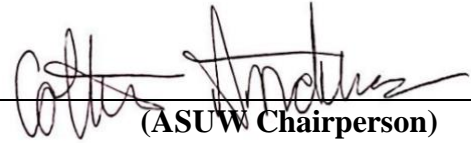
22. outlined in Addendum A.

**Referred to:** Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy; Program and Institutional Development;

Outreach, Programming, and Elections; Steering

**Date of Passage:** April 12, 2022

**Signed:**

  
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on April 12, 2022, I do hereby sign my name hereto

and approve this Senate action.”

  
ASUW President

## Addendum A

### Article 1. Executive Branch

#### Section 1.01 ASUW President

##### 1. Responsibilities and Authorities

- A. The President shall promote, improve, and pursue the goals and objectives of the ASUW and the University.
- B. The President shall present a legislative report each semester that includes the status of all legislation passed by the ASUW Senate (as a supplement to the ASUW Steering Committee reports).
  - a. The report given each fall semester shall encompass the previous year and the report given during the spring semester shall encompass the fall semester of their term.
- C. The President shall ensure that all resolutions and recommendations passed by the legislative branch are enforced or brought to the attention of those University officials with authority to take the recommended action.
- D. The President and the Executive Branch shall, once a semester during the academic year, create a survey that shall ask for student input and opinions on the pressing issues facing students at the University of Wyoming. This shall be sent out to all students. The results shall be made publicly available on the ASUW website, if no collected information is confidential.
- E. The President must notify the ASUW Senate of all proposed changes to a University of Wyoming (UW) Regulation. After twenty-one (21) days, if no legislation has been authored, the President will have the right to speak on behalf of the ASUW Student Government on the proposed changes.
  - a. The President, any executive, any senator, or any student may write legislation regarding the recommended changes. If legislation is passed, the President must represent the opinion of the ASUW Senate.
- F. The President may veto, within ten (10) days of its passage, any piece of legislation passed by the ASUW Senate, but such veto may be overridden by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all the voting Senators at either of the two (2) regular ASUW Senate meetings following the veto.
  - a. If the President fails to act on any piece of legislation within ten (10) days of its passage, or before the new President is sworn in, the legislation

shall go into effect without the President's signature.

- b. The President shall provide a written explanation of any veto to the ASUW Senate at the next meeting following the veto or before the subsequent ASUW Senate is sworn in, whichever is sooner.

G. The President or, in special situations, the President's designee, shall be the representative of the entire student body to the faculty, the administration, other officials of the University, and entities outside the University community.

H. In order to make statements, or adopt representative positions when the ASUW Senate is not in session, which includes the summer break, winter break, and spring break, the President must first consult with the ASUW Intersession Oversight Committee. The President may delegate any member of their staff to attend ASUW committee meetings as ex-officio members.

I. The President shall report all matters of interest or concern relative to student affairs to the various committees and the ASUW Senate, with such information as is within their power to supply, and to make recommendations thereon.

J. The President shall be present during the summer for participation in the ASUW presidential internship.

## 2. Executives

A. The ASUW President shall have the power to appoint executives to assist with the President's responsibilities with the advice and consent of the ASUW Senate. The ASUW President may appoint three executives without the advice and consent of the ASUW Senate during times when the ASUW Senate is not in session, but must instead have the advice and consent of the Intersession Oversight Committee.

B. Executives are subject to the authority of all ASUW working documents, including, but not limited to, the ASUW Code of Ethics and the standard impeachment procedures.

C. The ASUW President may remove executives from office, with cause.

## 3. Powers of Appointment

A. The ASUW President shall have the following powers of appointment with the advice and consent of the ASUW Senate, and they may remove from office, for cause, any Presidential appointee in the Executive branch.

B. The President shall appoint representative to fill all student held positions on university boards and committees.

- a. The president shall make applications available for university

committees and boards during the spring semester after their election.

- b. Appointments for the student held positions on the University boards and committees shall be presented to the ASUW Senate for consideration at the first regularly scheduled meeting of the fall semester.
- c. As vacancies arise, appointments will be presented to the ASUW Senate for consideration.
- d. The ASUW President may appoint such special or ad hoc committees as they deem appropriate to conduct investigations or study of, and make recommendations to the ASUW President about such matters as are deemed appropriate; such appointees shall serve only during the term of the President who appoints them.

4. **Positions**

A. The ASUW President shall serve as:

- a. An ex-officio member of all ASUW committees.
- b. An ex-officio member of the University of Wyoming Board of Trustees (without vote).
- c. The ASUW member of Faculty Senate.
- d. A member of any University Board or Committee as requested by any department head or administrator of the University community.

5. **Compensation**

- A. The ASUW President shall be provided with compensation commensurate with the duties of their office, and not to be increased or decreased during their term of office.
- B. Executives hired by the ASUW President or Vice President shall be provided with compensation commensurate with the duties of their position, and not to be increased or decreased for the duration of their employment.