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SENATE RESOLUTION #2838

TITLE: ASUW Recommendation on Proposed Mandatory Student Fees for FY24

DATE INTRODUCED: November 15, 2022

AUTHOR: Senator Stadler

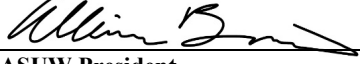
SPONSORS: The Tuition Allocation and Student Fee Review Committee

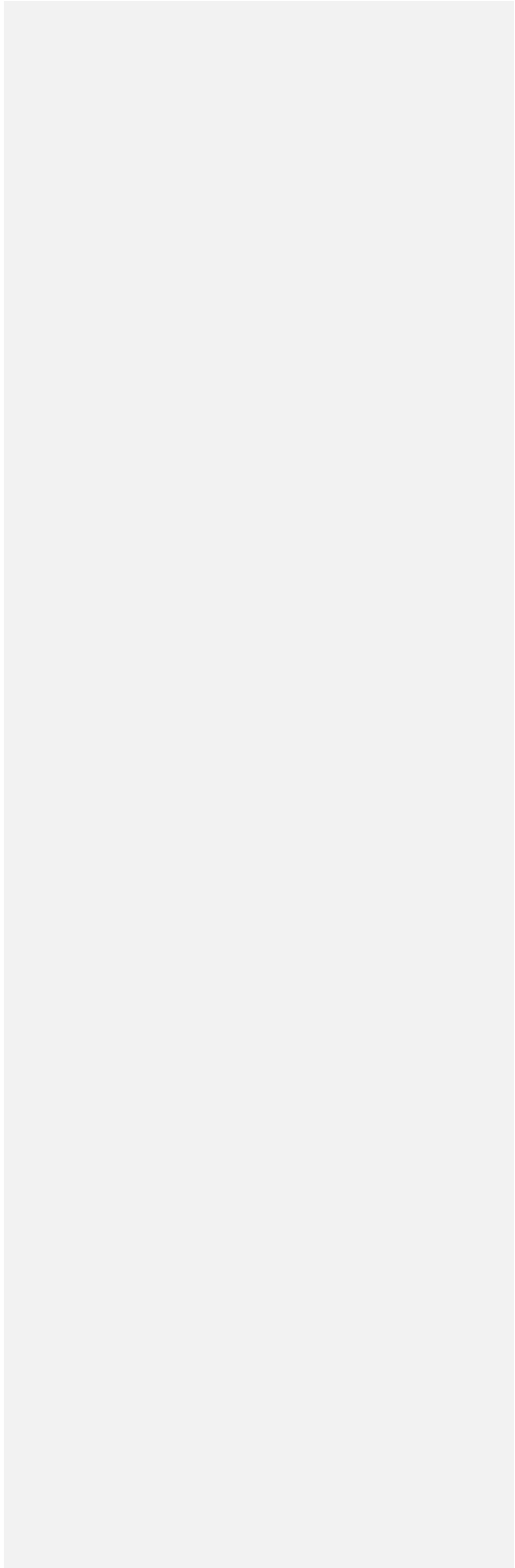
1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,
3. WHEREAS, Senate Bill #2713 created the ASUW Tuition Allocation and Student Fee
4. Review Committee; and,
5. WHEREAS, the committee held hearings for all of the University of Wyoming
6. mandatory student fee units to understand the purpose of each fee and give
7. recommendations on fees, both current and increases; and,
8. WHEREAS, Addendums A and B show the recommendations and rationale of the
9. ASUW Tuition Allocation and Student Fee Review Committee of the 110th ASUW
10. Administration for Fiscal Year 2024.
11. THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
12. (ASUW) Student Government that this resolution and Addendums A and B shall serve
13. as the official recommendation from the ASUW Student Government on the proposed
14. mandatory fees for Fiscal Year 2024.

Referred to: _____ **Tuition Allocation and Student Fee Review Committee; Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy Committee**

Date of Passage: November 29th, 2022 **Signed:** *Hunter Swilling*
(ASUW Chairperson)

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“Being enacted on November 29th, 2022, I do hereby sign my name hereto
and approve this Senate action.” 
ASUW President



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Addendum A

Fee Unit	FY23 Actual Fee	FY24 Proposed Total Fee	Percent Increase Proposed	ASUW FY24 Total Fee Recommendation	ASUW Percent Increase Recommended
ASUW	\$55	\$0	0%	\$55	0%
Consolidated Student Services	\$484.15	\$484.15	0%	\$484.15	0%
Intercollegiate Athletics	\$125.00	\$137.50	10%	\$136	8.8%
Transit/Transportation	\$59.75	\$63.38	5.73%	\$63.38	5.73%
Recycling	\$10.12	\$10.12	0%	\$10.12	0%
Student Media	\$21.19	\$21.19	0%	\$21.19	0%
Education Abroad	\$325	\$325	0%	\$325	0%
Music/Theater	\$6.05	\$6.05	0%	\$6.05	0%
Advising Fee (per credit hour)	\$6	\$9	50%	\$7.50	25%
Saddle Up/Onboarding	\$200	\$200	0%	\$150	-25%

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Student Success	\$59 – Undergraduate \$30.50 - Graduate	\$59 – Undergraduate \$30.50 - Graduate	0%	\$56 – Undergraduate \$29 - Graduate	-5.1%
Degree Completion	\$30	\$30	0%	\$30	0%
Distance Fee	\$6	\$9	50%	\$7.50	25%
Prison Education	\$0	\$0 - \$500	0%	\$0 - \$500	0%

The SPPAIS Political Science Challenge Exam. ASUW recommends this fee be increased to \$100 instead of \$160. ASUW cites the following:

- o A 100% increase is a fairly large increase, especially with students under increased financial pressure from inflation and COVID-19.
- o It is not clear what role a graduate student plays in the proctoring of this exam, as previously students in ASUW who have taken it report that they took it wholly online without a proctor. Additionally, the administration of one exam likely does not constitute an entire job for a graduate student.
- o At least one of these exams, the Wyoming Government Exam, provides credit equivalent to a one-credit hour class. The per-credit hour rate for in-state students is \$160. Paying the same amount for a one-hour exam as for an entire semester course is not practical or reasonable.

SPAIS Political Science Challenge Exam Recommendation

- The Committee Recommends that the increase to the SPAIS Political Science Challenge exam to pay for improved proctoring be passed.

University of Wyoming Casper Fee Increase Recommendation. ASUW recommends this fee increase proposal from \$42 per credit hour to \$43 per credit hour be approved. ASUW cites the following:

- The Committee recommends that the Central Fee Committee increase the UWC fee to match the expectations of the Casper College. Per the MOU with Casper College, it is crucial that UWC matches Casper Colleges fees.

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Board Charges, per academic semester	FY 2023	FY 2024	.Notes
Fall and Spring semesters, excluding Winter break			

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*Residence Hall students must select one of these plans	Current	15% Increase	-
<u>Unlimited access plan (\$75 Dining Dollars) *</u>	<u>\$ 3,310.00</u>	<u>\$3,800.00</u>	-
<u>Any 15 access plan (\$100 Dining Dollars) *</u>	<u>\$ 2,880.00</u>	<u>\$3,320.00</u>	-
<u>Any 12 access plan (\$125 Dining Dollars) *</u>	<u>\$ 2,568.00</u>	<u>\$2,955.00</u>	-
<u>Block 210 Meals (\$290 Dining Dollars)</u>	<u>\$ 2,840.00</u>	<u>\$3,265.00</u>	-
<u>Block 165 Meals</u>			
-	-	-	-
Voluntary Meal Plans	-	-	-
<u>25 Lunches</u>	<u>\$ 274.00</u>	<u>\$-</u>	Remove this option
<u>50 Lunches</u>	<u>\$ 521.00</u>	<u>\$-</u>	Remove this option
<u>165 Any Meal (\$150 Dining Dollars)</u>	<u>\$ 2,247.00</u>	<u>\$2,585.00</u>	-
<u>85 Any Meal (\$100 Dining Dollars)</u>	<u>\$ 1,194.00</u>	<u>\$1,375.00</u>	-
<u>50 Any Meal (\$75 Dining Dollars)</u>	<u>\$ 738.00</u>	<u>\$850.00</u>	-
<u>Cowboy Combo Meal Plan</u>	<u>\$ 300.00</u>	<u>\$345.00</u>	Add this option
-	-	-	-
Board Charges, summer 2023	FY 2023	15% Increase	-
<u>Any 15 access plan (per week)</u>	<u>\$160.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	-
<u>Any 10 access plan (per week)</u>	<u>\$120.00</u>	<u>\$150.00</u>	-

Dining Services/High Altitude Performance Center Training Table Weekly Meal Plans

HAPC Weekly Meal Plans Per Semester	FY 2023	15% Increase	Notes
<u>Unlimited 14 meals TT/5 Washakie meals</u>	<u>\$3,310.00</u>	<u>\$3,800.00</u>	-
<u>15 meal (14 meals TT/1 Washakie meal)</u>	<u>\$2,880.00</u>	<u>\$3,312.00</u>	-
<u>HAPC 14 (14 Training Table meals)</u>	<u>\$2,795.00</u>	<u>\$3,215.00</u>	-
<u>HAPC 12 (12 Training Table meals)</u>	<u>\$2,568.00</u>	<u>\$2,955.00</u>	-
<u>HAPC 10 (10 Training Table meals)</u>	<u>\$2,238.00</u>	<u>\$2,570.00</u>	-
<u>HAPC 6 (6 Training Table meals)</u>	<u>\$1,448.00</u>	<u>\$1,665.00</u>	-

Residence Hall Room Charges

Per Semester, excludes Semester Break

	FY 2023	15% Increase
<u>Single (Washakie Halls, Honors House, Tobin House)</u>	<u>3,450.00</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
<u>Double (Washakie Halls, Honors House, Tobin House)</u>	<u>2,495.00</u>	<u>2,870.00</u>
<u>Triple (Tobin House)</u>	<u>2,495.00</u>	<u>2,870.00</u>
<u>Suites (Washakie Halls)</u>	<u>3,700.00</u>	<u>4,255.00</u>
<u>Double as Single (Washakie Halls)</u>	<u>3,850.00</u>	<u>4,425.00</u>

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<u>Residence Hall Room Charges</u>	<u>FY 2023</u>	<u>15% Increase</u>
<u>Summer School, Winter Break, or Fall Early Arrivals</u>		
<u>Double or Triple Room Occupancy per night</u>	<u>\$ 25.00</u>	<u>\$ 28.00</u>
<u>per week</u>	<u>\$ 125.00</u>	<u>\$ 138.00</u>
<u>Single or Suite Room Occupancy per night</u>	<u>\$ 32.00</u>	<u>\$ 35.00</u>
<u>per week</u>	<u>\$ 185.00</u>	<u>\$ 204.00</u>

<u>University Apartment Rental Rates per month</u>	<u>FY 2022</u>	<u>FY 2023</u>	<u>FY 2024 Rent</u>	<u>FY2024 Utility</u>	<u>Total FY2024</u>
<u>Landmark One Bedroom Furnished</u>	<u>810.00</u>	<u>825.00</u>	<u>880.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>910.00</u>
<u>Landmark One Bedroom Unfurnished</u>	<u>785.00</u>	<u>785.00</u>	<u>840.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>870.00</u>
<u>Landmark Two Bedroom Furnished</u>	<u>865.00</u>	<u>880.00</u>	<u>940.00</u>	<u>40.00</u>	<u>980.00</u>
<u>Landmark Two Bedroom Unfurnished</u>	<u>830.00</u>	<u>830.00</u>	<u>880.00</u>	<u>40.00</u>	<u>920.00</u>
<u>River Village Two Bedroom Unfurnished</u>	<u>980.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,060.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>	<u>1,110.00</u>
<u>River Village Two Bedroom Furnished</u>	<u>1,006.00</u>	<u>1,050.00</u>	<u>1,120.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>	<u>1,170.00</u>
<u>River Village Three Bedroom Unfurnished</u>	<u>1,085.00</u>	<u>1,125.00</u>	<u>1,250.00</u>	<u>60.00</u>	<u>1,310.00</u>
<u>River Village Three Bedroom Furnished</u>	<u>1,125.00</u>	<u>1,185.00</u>	<u>1,330.00</u>	<u>60.00</u>	<u>1,390.00</u>
<u>River Village Rent by the Room Unfurnished</u>	<u>499.00</u>	<u>525.00</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>0.00</u>
<u>River Village Rent by the Room Furnished</u>	<u>525.00</u>	<u>550.00</u>	<u>585.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>615.00</u>
<u>Spanish Walk One Bedroom Unfurnished</u>	<u>760.00</u>	<u>760.00</u>	<u>830.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>860.00</u>
<u>Spanish Walk One Bedroom Furnished</u>	<u>790.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>	<u>870.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>900.00</u>
<u>Bison Run Village, per month</u>				<u>FY2024 Utility</u>	<u>Total FY2024</u>
<u>Four bedroom/two bathroom – ADA one level</u>	<u>438.00</u>	<u>470.00</u>	<u>510.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>540.00</u>
<u>Four bedroom/two and half bathroom</u>	<u>475.00</u>	<u>495.00</u>	<u>530.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>560.00</u>
<u>Four Bedroom/three bathroom (shared bathroom)</u>	<u>450.00</u>	<u>470.00</u>	<u>510.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>540.00</u>
<u>Four Bedroom/three bathroom (private bathroom)</u>	<u>485.00</u>	<u>520.00</u>	<u>555.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>585.00</u>
<u>Three Bedroom/three bathroom (private bathroom)</u>	<u>495.00</u>	<u>525.00</u>	<u>555.00</u>	<u>30.00</u>	<u>585.00</u>

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UW Housing. Proposed 15% increase to almost all housing options at UW, including residence halls and UW apartments. Complete details above. ASUW recommends the following:

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- o This is an extremely large increase, especially considering these rates were increased in FY 2023 as well.
- o Under no circumstances should a 15% increase be approved; this is astronomically high and far above the rate of inflation.
- o At most, this fee increase should match the rate of inflation, which is currently at 7.75% as of October 2022.
- o Students are also suffering under inflation, and these massive increases to housing costs will directly harm students.

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- o The residence halls are already a massively inferior and more costly option than private housing or UW apartments, and this will vastly increase the problem. Under this proposal, a double room in a residence hall costs \$2,870 for 16 weeks, which is equivalent to over \$717 over four weeks. A month of rent at a private apartment with one bedroom and a full private kitchen and bath could easily be obtained in Laramie for a lower rate.

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Housing Fee Recommendation

- The Committee recommends that the proposed fee increase of 15% be lowered to a 10% increase. While the Committee felt that inflation and rising costs are serious, the burden should not be passed to students.

Dining fee recommendation. Proposed 15% increase to almost all meal/dining plans at UW, which are mandatory for individuals living in the residence halls. Complete details above. ASUW recommends the following:

- o This is an extremely large increase, especially considering these rates were increased in FY 2023 as well.
- o Under no circumstances should a 15% increase be approved; this is astronomically high and far above the rate of inflation.
- o At most, this fee increase should match the rate of inflation, which is currently at 7.75% as of October 2022.
- o Students are also suffering under inflation, and these massive increases to housing costs will directly harm students.
- o This brings the price per meal to an exorbitant level. Even under an unlimited plan, for 16 weeks, assuming a student eats three meals a day every day for every week, this is \$11.30 per meal. A student could eat at Panda Express every day for less money, and this is the best-case scenario in terms of cost-per-meal. Most realistic scenarios result in an even higher cost. A 12 meal per week plan, even accounting for the \$125 in dining dollars and assuming all 12 meals are used each week, the per-meal cost is \$14.74.

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Dining Fee Recommendation

- The Committee recommends that the proposed fee increase of 15% be lowered to a 10% increase. While the Committee felt that inflation and rising costs are serious, the burden should not be passed to students.

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Addendum B

The ASUW Tuition Allocation and Student Fee Review Committee voted to

- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to maintain the current ASUW student fee. The committee and ASUW will evaluate the ASUW fee in Spring 2023 to seek to continually maximize student benefit and determine how to most benefit students.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to maintain the current Consolidated Student Services student fee due to no request for change and acceptable usage of the fee.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to approve a portion of the increase to the Intercollegiate Athletics student fee. The committee decided not to approve \$1.50 which would have been allocated to meals.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to approve the increase to Transportation fee. The committee determined the fee increase is necessary for the university to improve transportation, an ongoing concern for students.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to maintain the current Recycling student fee due no request for change and acceptable usage of the fee.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to maintain the current Student Media student fee due no request for change. The committee will evaluate Student Media fee in Spring 2023 to see ways to improve the fee.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to maintain the current Education Aboard student fee due no request for change and acceptable usage of the fee.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to maintain the current Music and Theatre student fee due no request for change and acceptable usage of the fee.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to approve a portion of the increase to the ACES student fee. Advising is important on campus and the committee agrees that it needs improved. However, we are concerned that ACES is making a 50% increase instead on increasing the student fee in small amounts.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to recommend a decrease to the Onboarding student fee. After reflection on the Saddle Up program in 2022, the committee decided that due to feedback from students we should recommend a decrease to the fee and recommend that the university consider restructuring the Saddle Up program.

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- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to recommend a decrease to the Student Success student fee. After reflecting on the Cowboy Coaches program, the committee determined that the student fee should be decreased based on the low usefulness and effectiveness of the program.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to maintain the current Degree Completion student fee due no request for change and acceptable usage of the fee.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to approve a portion of the increase to the Distance Students student fee. Advising is important on campus and the committee agrees that it needs improved. However, we are concerned that the Distance Students fee is making a 50% increase instead on increasing the student fee in small amounts.
- The ASUW Student Fee Review Committee voted to maintain the current Prison Education student fee. The committee is excited to see what comes from this new program on campus.