



SENATE BILL #3102

TITLE: **Updating the ASUW By-Laws Regarding the Safety, Wellness,
and Advocacy Committee (SWAC)**

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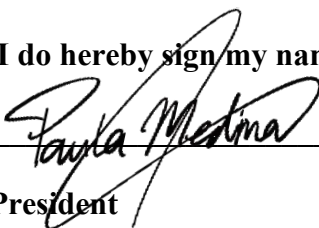
SPONSORS: **Senator Hansen; Program and Institutional Development
Committee; Safety, Wellness, and Advocacy Committee; Vice
President McGuire**

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, the Safety, Wellness, and Advocacy Committee (SWAC) was established
4. in the 112th administration of ASUW to promote safety, wellness, and advocacy for
5. students across campus; and,
6. WHEREAS, the current definitions of SWAC are too broad, making it difficult for the
7. committee to achieve its purpose and work effectively; and,
8. WHEREAS, currently, there are many campus entities on campus and committees in
9. ASUW that already put on that on some of the functions that SWAC is supposed to do;
10. and,
11. WHEREAS, an investigation by SWAC and the Program and Institutional
12. Development (PID) committees discovered the existence of a special committee that
13. does the same work as SWAC and is redundant; and,
14. WHEREAS, the renaming and redefining of SWAC will help the committee have more
15. success and function more effectively.

16. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of
17. Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government that the ASUW By-Laws be changed as
18. reflected in Addenda A (SWAC redefinition), B (Duties of the ASUW President),
19. and, C (removal of special committee); and,
20. THEREFORE, be it further enacted that these changes take effect at the beginning
21. of the next administration.

Referred to: _____ SWAC, PID, & Steering _____

Date of Passage: 04/21/26 **Signed:** 
(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on 04/21/26, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this
Senate action.” _____

ASUW President

Addendum A

ASUW By-Laws - Article 2 Legislative Branch, 2.02 The ASUW Senate, Subsection 10. Standing Committees, Paragraph 1. Safety Wellness and Advocacy Committee

1. ~~The ASUW Safety, Wellness, and Advocacy Committee~~ The ASUW Advocacy and Safety Committee
 - a. ~~Purpose: The Committee shall serve as a medium for individual students, student organizations, and communities to voice opinions and concerns regarding university policy, administration, or other issues associated with student life. The Committee shall work to promote the safety and wellness for all students on campus. The committee shall serve as a means by which ASUW shall seek to provide the community with education and resources to promote wellness practices that enhance health and safety. The Committee shall have the responsibility to investigate said issues and will represent students when student safety and wellness issues are being devised around campus.~~ The Committee shall serve as a medium for individual students, student organizations, and communities to voice opinions and concerns regarding university policy, administration, or other issues associated with student life. The Committee shall work to promote advocacy and safety for all students on campus. The Committee shall have the responsibility to investigate issues and will represent students when student safety and advocacy issues are being devised around campus.
 - b. ~~Powers: The Committee shall serve as a forum and liaison to the Senate for any individual student or group of students who have a concern about their safety, welfare, and quality services available at the University. These powers include, but are not limited to, the ability to investigate student issues, meet with university administrators, officials, and personnel, draft legislation and make appropriate recommendations to the ASUW Senate regarding student issues and concerns, and represent the safety and wellness needs of students during the policy making process. The Committee shall also have the power to recommend to the ASUW Senate and Executive Branch the best methods to foster student inclusivity, advocacy, and policy decisions, as well as having the power to put on related programming and events pertaining to student's safety and well being. The Committee shall be vested with all necessary and appropriate powers to carry out its purpose under these rules.~~ The committee shall serve as a forum and liaison to the Senate for any individual student or group of students who have concerns about advocacy, safety, or

quality of services available at the University. These powers include, but are not limited to, the ability to investigate student issues, meet with university administrators, officials, and personnel in collaboration with relevant directors/executives, ASUW President, and ASUW Professional Staff, draft internal reports and legislation, make appropriate recommendations to the ASUW Senate regarding student issues and concerns, and represent the advocacy and safety needs of students during the policy making process. The Committee shall also have the power to recommend to the ASUW Senate and Executive Branch the best methods to foster student advocacy and safety. The Committee shall be vested with all necessary and appropriate powers to carry out its purpose under these rules.

- c. Student Issues Survey: The Committee shall be tasked with coordinating and circulating a survey that shall ask for student input and opinions on the pressing issues facing students at the University of Wyoming.
 - i. The objective and specific focus of the Student Issues Survey shall be determined by the Committee, the ASUW President, any relevant directors/executives, and ASUW Professional Staff.
 - ii. The survey shall be circulated to all students once a semester during the academic year.
 - iii. The responses of the survey shall be compiled into a report that shall be made publicly available on the ASUW website, if no collected information is confidential. The report shall also be circulated to the ASUW Senate and all relevant parties via Senate Resolution.
- d. Safety Audits: The Committee shall be tasked with conducting an annual audit of the University of Wyoming's campus safety, including but not limited to lighting, ADA compliance, and winter/weather hazards.
 - i. The goal and specific focus of the safety audit shall be determined by the committee.
 - ii. The committee shall coordinate with the ASUW Professional Staff and any other relevant parties and stakeholders to conduct the audit.
 - iii. This audit shall be conducted by the end of the fall semester. An audit report and recommendations shall be drafted and circulated to the ASUW Senate and all attendees/participants of the audit process during the spring semester via Senate Resolution.
- e. Composition: The committee shall consist of a minimum of six (6) ASUW Senators, one (1) of whom shall serve as chairperson, and a minimum one (1) being a First-Year Senator after their committee assignments. The committee shall elect also a secretary, who will take attendance and take notes for the chair. The ASUW Vice President shall appoint two (2) or more Executives to serve as an ex-officio on the committee. The ASUW Vice President shall have

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the ability to appoint campus groups to serve as ex-officios on this committee.

Addendum B

ASUW By-Laws, Article 1 Executive Branch, Section 1.01 ASUW President, Subsection 1
Responsibilities and Authorities, Paragraph E

1. Responsibilities and Authorities

E. ~~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.~~ The President and the Executive Branch shall, once a semester during the academic year, collaborate in the creation of a survey that shall ask for student input and opinions on the pressing issues facing students at the University of Wyoming with the Advocacy and Safety Committee.

Addendum C

**ASUW By-Laws, Article 2 The Legislative Branch, Section 2.02 The ASUW Senate,
Subsection 11 Special Committees, Paragraph C. The ASUW Safety and Wellness
Committee**

~~C. The ASUW Safety and Wellness Committee~~

- ~~a. Purpose: The Committee shall serve as a means by which the ASUW shall seek to provide the community with education and resources to promote wellness practices that enhance health and safety. The Committee shall work to advocate to promote the safety and wellness of all students. The Committee shall have the responsibility to investigate said issues and will represent students when ways of addressing issues concerning student safety and wellness are being devised across campus.~~
- ~~b. Powers: The Committee shall serve as a forum and liaison to the Senate for any individual student, group of students, or other university body who have a concern about student safety or welfare. The Committee's powers shall include, but are not limited to, the ability to investigate student issues, meet with university administrators, officials, and personnel, draft legislation and make appropriate recommendations to the ASUW Senate regarding student issues and concerns, and represent the safety and wellness needs of students during the policy-making process. The Committee also has the power to put on related programming and events pertaining to students' safety and wellbeing.~~
- ~~c. Composition: The ASUW Safety and Wellness Committee shall be composed of three (3) ASUW Senators, and three (3) Students-at-Large appointed by the ASUW Vice President. The ASUW Vice President shall appoint an ASUW executive to serve as chairperson of the committee. The University Counseling Center, the Wellness Center, the No More Committee, the Students for Sensible Drug Policy student organization, and other related organizations as they arise and evolve shall serve as ex-officios on the committee. The ASUW Vice President may appoint ASUW executives to serve as ex-officios on the committee.~~