**FRESHMAN SENATE Bill #22**

**TITLE: Responsible Ex-Officio Amendment**

**DATE: October 5, 2012**

**AUTHOR: Senator Wolf**

**SPONSORS: Senator Lehmitz, Senator Kelley, Senator Kath.**

1. WHEREAS, all members of the Freshman Senate have the responsibility to represent their
2. fellow freshman students, and;
3. WHEREAS, Freshman Senators attending formal ASUW meetings demonstrate
4. representation of the freshman student body, and;
5. WHEREAS, the Presiding Officer of the Freshman Senate shares the responsibility to attend
6. ASUW meetings with every other member of the Freshman Senate, and;
7. WHEREAS, the selected officials in the Freshman Senate took an oath, “to the best of their
8. abilities, to faithfully perform the duties of their office,” which includes representing the
9. freshman student body and taking part in ASUW activities that they are available for, and;
10. WHEREAS, the current Constitution of The ASUW Freshman Senate unfairly places too
11. much burden in the sole hands of the presiding officer to attend said meetings, and;
12. WHEREAS, Sharing the responsibility of upholding an ex-officio seat in ASUW is not an
13. excessive request for each individual senator;
14. THEREFORE, be it enacted by the Freshman Senate of the Associated Students of the
15. University of Wyoming that the Constitution of the ASUW Freshman Senate, Article 4,
16. Section 4, Subsection A, Clause 1, be amended to reflect the changes in Addendum A. And;
17. THEREFORE, be it further enacted by the Freshman Senate of the Associated Students
18. of the University of Wyoming that the Constitution of the ASUW Freshman Senate, Article
19. 3, be amended to reflect the changes contained in Addendum B.

**Referred to:**

**Date of Passage**:   \_\_\_\_

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

**approve this Senate action.”**   **Freshman Senate Presiding Officer**

ADDENDUM A:

Section 4. Senate Officers

1. At the first business meeting following the installation of Freshman Senate, the following officers are selected from the Freshman Senate voting membership:
	1. Presiding Officer: He/she shall serve as the chairman of the Freshman Senate. He/she may not participate in debate unless he/she first relinquishes the chair to the Parliamentarian. He/she shall only vote in the case of a tie. ~~He/she shall represent the Freshman Senate as an ex-officio member at the ASUW Senate weekly meetings.~~ He/She shall represent the Freshman Senate as an ex-officio member of the ASUW Senate weekly meetings if no other senator is able to attend the meeting. He/she shall serve as the chairman of the Steering Committee of the Freshman Senate.

ADDENDUM B:

Section 3. Senator Obligations

1. Senators must attend weekly meetings of the Freshman Senate, to be held each Tuesday at 5:00pm in the Senate Chambers of the Wyoming Student Union.
2. Each senator must be an active member on at least one (1) ASUW standing committee, to be determined by the ASUW Vice President.
3. Each senator must be an active member on at least one (1) ASUW Freshmen Senate standing committee, to be determined by the advisor(s).
4. Each senator must attend a minimum of two (2) sequential weekly ASUW meetings per semester, the first as a spectator and the second as the Freshman Senate ex-officio member of the ASUW senate. A minimum of two (2) senators will attend each ASUW meeting. If there are no available senators to fill the Ex-Officio seat, the Presiding Officer shall fill the vacancy.