

## **SENATE BILL #3018**

**TITLE:** ASUW Special Projects Approval FY2025

**DATE INTRODUCED:** 11/19/2024

**AUTHOR:** ASUW Budget and Planning Committee

**SPONSORS:** President Murfitt, Vice President Knull, Senators Brown, Davies, Robertson, Schliebe, First Year Senator Mongar

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 ASUW Student Government allocated \$100,000 from endowed funds to
4. be expended in Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) pursuant to the ASUW Special Projects
5. Endowment and its governing language; and,
6. WHEREAS, the Special Projects Endowment Agreement and the ASUW Budget and
7. Planning Finance Policy require that all funded projects must abide by the following
8. criteria: 1) the project must benefit a large population of students; 2) the project must be
9. of long-lasting benefit; 3) ASUW money cannot fund research, salaries,
10. classroom/academic projects; 4) ASUW money cannot fund general operating expenses
11. or travel/conference expenses; 5) the funds must be expended by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 or
12. funds will be forfeited; 6) requests must not exceed \$60,000; and 7) after the purchase is
13. made, all future maintenance, inventory, and documentation is the responsibility of the
14. Applicant/College/Department; and,
15. WHEREAS, throughout this semester the ASUW Budget and Planning (B&P)
16. Committee has conducted a thorough process to receive applications, review and
17. assess the viability of each, determine which proposals meet the specific guidelines set
18. forth, and then deliberated as to determine how to maximize the impact of ASUW's

19. student fee dollars; and,

20. WHEREAS, the committee received ten (10) applications totaling \$123,577.50 in

21. requested special project funding; and,

22. WHEREAS, the committee determined all ten (10) applications were eligible for special

23. projects funding; and,

24. WHEREAS, the committee deliberated each request in depth and approved an amount

25. totaling \$100,000 allocated across each project request as seen in Addendum A; and,

26. WHEREAS, all applicants had the opportunity to appeal the committee's decisions and

27. one revision was made as explained in Addendum A; and,

28. WHEREAS, the B&P Finance Policy requires that special project allocations and

29. announcements thereof must be made prior to the end of the fall semester; and,

30. WHEREAS, the committee's rationale, funding breakdown, and a brief explanation of

31. each request is outlined in Addendum A; and,

32. WHEREAS, the committee voted unanimously to establish the Brooke Amendment

33. rounding all final dollar amounts on decisions to the nearest increment of \$500, allowing

34. the committee to optimize expenditure of the Special Projects Endowment funds,

35. producing the whole numbers evident in Addendum A.

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

37. Wyoming (ASUW) Student Government that an amount totaling of \$100,000 be

38. allocated across all projects from the ASUW Special Projects Endowment, according to

39. the overall breakdown seen in Addendum A; and,

40. THEREFORE, be it enacted that this legislation takes effect immediately upon the

41. passage of this bill.

**Referred to:** \_\_\_\_\_ BNP TASERC \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of**  
**Passage:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(ASUW Chairperson)

**“Being enacted on \_\_\_\_\_, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this**  
**Senate action.”** \_\_\_\_\_

**ASUW President**

**Addendum A**

**Overall Breakdown:**

NAME OF PROJECT	Requested	Budgeted	Brooke Amendment	Actual
Agricultural Econ Building				
Furniture	\$7,594.73	\$7,594.73	\$8,000.00	
Outdoor Recreation				
Equipment	\$22,925	\$22,925	\$23,000	
Ag Picnic Tables	\$3,145.02	\$3,145.02	\$3,500	
Exec Menstrual Products	\$19,904.65	\$19,904.65	\$20,000.00	
Custom Hockey bags	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	
Wyoming Motorsports Gear	\$11,991.84	\$11,991.84	\$12,000.00	
Planetarium Expanding				
AR/VR/XR	\$28,499.40	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	
ROTC Cameras	\$4,489.97	\$4,489.97	\$5,000.00	
Student Org Lockers	\$9,802.99	\$9,802.99	\$10,000.00	
UWIN Makerspace	\$12,723.90	\$12,723.90	\$13,000.00	
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$123,577.50</b>	<b>\$98,078.10</b>	<b>\$100,000.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

**Applicant: Agriculture and Applied Economics/Family and Consumer Sciences**

“We are seeking support to purchase furniture to upgrade the alcove spaces on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Ag building to create comfortable and inviting spaces where students can comfortably rest or study between classes, or where small groups could work together on class assignments without having to leave the building. Though the current spaces are in disrepair, students still attempt to use them regularly. Since these spaces are not under the direct responsibility of any specific University office, we have taken it upon ourselves to see them upgraded for students’ benefit. We have already secured \$11,800.00 of the total \$19,384.73 required and are asking ASUW to help us fund the remaining balance of \$7,594.73.” ~Request Excerpt

	Cost	Secured Funding	ASUW Request
Electrical Outlets	\$2,000.00		
East Alcove	\$9,953.06		
West Alcove	\$7,441.67		
Dean’s Office		\$2,000.00	
FCS/AGEC		\$9,800.00	
Total	\$19,394.73	\$11,800.00	
<b><i>Balance</i></b>		<b><i>\$7,594.73</i></b>	<b><i>\$7,594.73</i></b>

**B&P Decision:** The committee elected to award \$8,000 to this project due to the project's clear and direct benefit to students, along with its precise breakdown of secured funding and anticipated costs.

**Applicant: Campus Recreation Outdoor Program**

“The Outdoor Program is looking to purchase adaptive Outdoor Recreation equipment to better support students and members of the University of Wyoming community. Specifically, we are looking to adaptive bikes and adaptive tools for water activities.” ~Request Excerpt

Item	Name	Quantity	Cost Per Item	Total (\$)
E Powered Hand Cycle	BOWHEAD ROGUE FS/E ADVENTURE-E BIKE	1	\$14,000	\$14,000
Leg Powered Trike	Terra Trike - Sand	1	\$2,500	\$2,500
Leg Powered Trike E Power Kit	Boost Kite+	1	\$3,500	\$3,500
Adaptable Kayak	Current Designs Solora 120	1	\$1,250	\$1,250
Kayak Chariot		1	\$350	\$350
Kayak Transfer Bench		1	\$350	\$350
Kayak Outriggers		1	\$325	\$325
Kayak Paddle Pivot		1	\$325	\$325
Paddleboard Paddle Pivot		1	\$325	\$325
			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,925</b>

**B&P Decision:** The committee has elected to allocate \$23,000 for the advancement of this project due to its ability to provide support and resources for the positive college experience of disabled students.

**Applicant: Ag Picnic Tables**

“We are seeking funding for picnic tables to enhance our school environment and promote outdoor learning and socialization among students. These tables will provide a versatile space for various activities, including group projects, reading, and enjoying lunch in a natural

setting. By fostering a sense of community and encouraging students to engage with nature, we aim to improve their well-being and creativity. Additionally, the tables will support outdoor events and promote healthy social interactions. Investing in these picnic tables will create a welcoming and functional space that benefits our entire school community.

This project wants to help fund the purchase of 3 picnic tables outside of the Animal Science building. No funding for labor is being requested, and the graduate students in ASGSA plan to assemble the tables if the funding is approved.” ~Request Excerpt

Item	Picnic Table (3)	Tax
Cost	\$2,967	\$178.02
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$3145.02</b>

**B&P Decision:** Despite expressing concerns about the applicants receiving the proper authorization to initiate this project, the committee has selected to allocate \$3500. Upon informing the applicants of our decision and concerns, they explained that they have received the proper approval.

**Applicant: ASUW Executive Branch Menstrual Products**

“In past administrations, Special Projects have received requests from the ASUW Executive Branch regarding menstrual products and approved. “This is a continuation of an initial process across main campus back in 2019 when menstrual product distributors and supplies were



installed across main campus. This addition is working to add more buildings from east campus to this program and to up the current stock of supplies.

This project was initially started through a special project funding request in the Fall of 2019. During which nine menstrual products dispensers were placed across the Classroom Building and the Student Union. However, COVID prevented this project from fully coming to fruition. While campus had been shut down, a lot of background work took place with the Office of Financial Affairs dedicating \$10,000 to ASUW to purchase more dispensers and products. Later, in Fall of 2020, a second Special Project funding request was submitted to let the project succeed. This request helped to expand the availability of these products across campus and make them more accessible to students. (...)

Currently, the reserve stocks have been starting to get low and multiple bodies across campus have raised questions about who would be funding the new wave. Due to an additional request from the Animal Science building to make sure they are continuously being stocked, it made the most amount of sense to fund more products and to help expand its outreach at the same time. The Animal Science building has three menstrual product dispensers right now that have not been stocked in a long time and are all in for charge dispensers. This project funding request will go into replacing these dispensers with the same ones seen across campus that make these products free and accessible. For this wave of the project, we are planning on expanding the project to the College of Animal Sciences after receiving requests from their staff and students. The money given to this project will be spent on three (3) Hospeco EvoGen White Metal Free Vending mounts that are \$485 per item and reserve 2,000 for the overall installation of these by Operations. The remaining funds will be put into the ordering of more pads and tampons overall. Below is a table with a more in depth breakdown.” ~Request Excerpt

Item	Quantity	Cost per item	Shipping	Estimated Tax	Total
Hospeco EvoGen White Metal Free Vending	3	\$485.00	\$76.99	\$87.47	\$1,622.31
Tampax Tampons for Vending, Original, Regular	73	\$99.95	\$275.99	\$437.78	\$8,010.12

Absorbency, 500/Case - 10073010025001					
Hospesco Maxithins #4 Maxi Pad Vended Feminine Napkins, 250/Case -MT-4	73	\$94.45	\$921.99	\$415.88	\$8,269.22
Installation	3				\$2000.00
	Prediction				
<b>Total Overall</b>	\$19,904.65				

**B&P Decision:** This project has been attempted in the past and has been a point of controversy; however, in its current iteration the committee believes the project is appropriate and highly beneficial to the student body. BNP has elected to allocate \$20,000 for the furtherance of the project.

**Applicant: UW Hockey Team Bags**

“The primary goal of this funding request is to equip the University of Wyoming Hockey Team with durable, custom hockey bags. These bags will be distributed to current team members but will remain the property of the club. Upon graduation, players will return their bags for future team members to use. This system of circulation ensures that the bags serve multiple students over time, creating a lasting and sustainable benefit for the team.

The University of Wyoming Hockey Team is made up of approximately 30 players each season, with new members joining and graduating on a regular basis. (...) The continuity in equipment usage will also allow the team to manage its budget more effectively by reducing the need for future, repeated purchases of individual bags.

The University of Wyoming Hockey Team provides an outlet for students to engage in competitive athletics while balancing their academic commitments. As an organization that is open to all students, it fosters inclusivity and promotes physical well-being, teamwork, and leadership skills. The provision of custom hockey bags will enhance the overall experience for team members and ensure they can represent the University of Wyoming proudly at both home and away games.” ~Request Excerpt

Custom Hockey Bags	\$2,500.00
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**B&P Decision:** While the committee expressed some concerns about this project only benefiting a niche subgroup of the student body, it was decided that in line with past precedent this project ought to be confirmed. The committee opted to allocate a revised amount of \$2,500 due to a specific request made by representatives of the organization.

**Applicant: Wyoming Motorsports Club**

“[This] proposal is not for a one-time use project. The equipment [they] are asking for would be used perpetually on countless other projects for both the Formula Hybrid and Formula Baja teams. [They] are asking for \$11,991.84 worth of equipment that includes a TIG welder, a MIG welder that can also do TIG, a plasma cutter for cutting metals, an angle grinder, required resources to run the equipment, required consumable safety equipment, and equipment to ensure the safety of the building the equipment will be used in(specifications for each of these on the

next page). Currently, [they] use various members' personal equipment to do the necessary fabrication for the projects that further the progress for both [their] hybrid car and Baja car, and some of those members will be graduating soon. [These] resources would last far longer than any of the current members of WyoMoto and would continue to provide benefit for students looking to enhance their welding skills through focused projects. As well, [they] have existing safety and operating procedures that they would also revise in the case [they] obtain these pieces of equipment, that [they] currently, have and continue to train any new members in. Any student who has an interest in WyoMoto would have the opportunity to learn TIG and MIG welding.”

~Request Excerpt

Item	Total
Miller Multimatic 215 (951674)	\$3,159.00
Miller Syncrowave 210 (907596)	\$3,445.00
Miller Filtair 130 w/ 2 XL filters (300595)	\$2,778.46
Eastwood VersaCut 60 Amp Plasma Cutter (58221)	\$839.99
2x Miller Digital Infinity Helmet (296786)	\$1,015.92
Dewalt Angle Grinder (DWE402)	\$99.00
4x Tillman Welding Glove (1414)	\$78.76
4x Tillman Cuff Welding Glove (1328)	\$34.28
100x 4.5" Cut-Off Discs	\$40.99
40x 4.5" 80 Grit Flap Disc	\$33.99
40x 4.5" 60 Grit Flap Disc	\$33.99
3 lb ER312 1/16" Stainless Tig Welding Rod	\$93.03
1 lb ER4043 1/16" Aluminum Tig Welding Rod	\$25.30
11lb 0.030" MIG Welding Wire Spool	\$32.86
155CF TIG 100% Argon	\$186.95
55CF MIG 75/25 Argon/CO2	\$94.32
	<b>\$11,991.84</b>

**B&P Decision:** The committee expressed some concerns about the ability of this project to directly benefit the student body; however, in accordance with precedent the committee elected to allocate \$12,000 for this project.

**Applicant: Planetarium**

“This project seeks \$28,499.40 to expand immersive media innovation at the University of Wyoming by enhancing access to cutting-edge AR/VR/XR and Fulldome (FD) development tools and performance spaces. In collaboration with the Harry C Vaughan Planetarium and SciDIY Makerspace, we aim to build on past successes, including ASUW's 2019 funding of an experimental computer that enabled live immersive shows in the dome. Last year, we pioneered our live immersive showcase series, hosting four shows with six visiting artists and seven local artists. By introducing more advanced software and hardware, and supporting mentorship and

workshops, we will position UW as a leader in immersive media education and live performance. A turning point for us came in 2019, when ASUW (Associated Students of the University of Wyoming) funded an experimental computer for the Planetarium, which helped us overcome a significant technical barrier. With this powerful machine in place, we were able to host live immersive shows, dramatically expanding what we could offer. This crucial piece of technology opened up a world of possibilities, enabling us to support live performances and dynamic media showcases, which were previously out of reach. Building on this momentum, last year we pioneered our Live Immersive Showcase Series, which featured a range of artists working at the intersection of immersive media, art, and music. We hosted four live immersive shows, bringing in six visiting artists alongside seven local artists, all of whom performed and demonstrated their cutting-edge work in immersive environments. These shows were a breakthrough, proving not only the technical capabilities of our immersive media space but also the creative potential that this fusion of art and technology unlocks. The success of our Live Immersive Showcase Series and the technical breakthrough made possible by ASUW's funding have set the stage for us to become a national leader in this exciting field, and we are eager to continue pushing boundaries and exploring new possibilities in immersive media.” ~ Request Excerpt

Native Instruments Traktor Kontrol S4 Mk3 DJ Controller	1	883	883
Traktor Flight Case	1	169	169
Traktor Kontrol F1 - DJ Controller	1	249.99	249.99
Pioneer DJ HDJ-X5 Professional DJ Headphones - Black	1	99	99
Technics Turn Table	1	999	999
DEEJAY LED Turntable Case for Technics 1200	1	124.99	124.99
Mackie Thump 15BST Boosted Speaker set	1	1148	1148
DJI Mic Wireless Lavalier Microphone	1	249	249
GoPro Max 360 with accessories	2	579	1158
Camera Tripods & Cases	2	189	378
Corner Cave Projection Mounts	1	1610.4	1610.4

Audio & Video Cables	1	200	200
Abelton Live	1	439	439
		Total:	7707.38

**B&P Decision:** Unfortunately, due to the high dollar amount of this project, along with concerns about how it will be implemented and directly benefit the student body, the committee initially chose to reduce the amount allocated from the \$28,499.40 requested to \$3,000 for the exclusive line item of “Software Bundle.” The applicant found this decision to be insufficient for funding the project and appealed with a revised total cost of \$7,707.38 as seen above. Upon appeal, the committee elected to maintain the revised amount allocated of \$3,000. B&P removed the requirement that states it be spent exclusively on the “Software Bundle” line item, and instead chose to designate the expended funds as a general amount to be spent by the applicant on whichever line items are most viable under this revised amount.

### **Applicant: Army ROTC**

“The University of Wyoming Army ROTC is looking to upgrade its camera to one that has better video taking capabilities. This will benefit both students and parents when it comes to social media but also live streamed military ceremonies such as branch night and commissioning. A new camera can be used by the entire ROTC program for events, promotional materials, and training reviews. If integrated with other student organizations (media clubs, athletic programs), the benefit extends beyond ROTC, serving a wider audience. A high-quality camera would be durable and provide continued value over multiple years for capturing ROTC events, leadership exercises, and ceremonies, contributing to longterm program success. The camera would not be for research or classroom purposes but rather for ROTC program promotion, training, and

engagement. This one-time purchase is a standalone asset that won't require additional travel or operating expenses from the grant itself. The ROTC program or the relevant department would take responsibility for the camera's future maintenance and management, as per the grant's stipulations." ~Request Excerpt

Item	Cost
EOS R6 Mk. II RF24-105mm Kit	\$3,599.99
Lense Adapter	\$129.99
Accessory Kit	\$140.00
Power Plug In for Live-Streaming Ceremonies	\$110.00
Power Adapter for Plug In	\$110.00
3x Extra Batteries	\$120.00
Large Rolling Hard Case	\$329.99
Estimate Shipping	\$60.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$4,599.97</b>

**B&P Decision:** Despite some initial concerns regarding this project's ability to benefit the student body, in accordance with past precedent the committee elected to allocate \$5,000 to this project.



**Applicant: Union Student Organizations & Entertainment Student Org Lockers**

“The Wyoming Union is the home of the Student Organizations and Entertainment Office. The Student Organization office has over 200 student organizations with different backgrounds and needs. The Union currently has several public lockers for student organization use but are not monitored, cleaned out regularly, or have a checkout process. The other location of student organization storage is in the basement of Knight Hall. We propose to get medium and large lockers for the Wyoming Union to help student organizations with their storage needs, reduce waste, disposal costs, and help with appearance. Proposing to install these lockers would greatly benefit the student organization community. It offers the ability to grow and succeed on campus. By adding student organization storage lockers, we will be able to offer a safe and secure place for them to store their belongings, all free of charge. These will directly impact student organizations as we anticipate the lockers to be in high demand as soon as they are ready for use.

The total cost of all locker systems is \$9,802.99. This price includes 16 Stackable Cube Lockers, seven double-tier Bulk Storage Lockers, four single-tier Bulk Storage Lockers, one double-tier extra-large Bulk Storage Locker, as well as shipping and handling. This price does not include the securing cost of the units to the wall for safety which will be done by University of Wyoming Operations. It is our preference to have these lockers on the North half of room 052 in the Union. This is an unused storage space that student organization staff has access to, to escort student organizations to their belongings.” ~Request Excerpt

**\*\*No Table Provided\*\***

**B&P Decision:** The committee found this project to hold significant potential for benefiting the student body through the support of Student Organizations. Based upon this, the committee has decided to allocate \$10,000 for the advancement of this project.

**Applicant: UWIN Makerspace**

“The proposed funding of \$12,723.90 will support the deployment of advanced technology across three University of Wyoming Innovation Network (UWIN) makerspaces: Coe Student Innovation Center, Make IT, and SciDIY. This budget will facilitate the acquisition of large-scale 3D printers, fabric printers, and a food-safe 3D chocolate printer, enhancing student innovation and creativity. The new equipment will enable students to undertake larger projects, customize apparel, and design custom chocolates for special events, fostering collaboration and engagement within the community. The University of Wyoming Innovation Network provides students with access to world-class makerspaces, equipped with the tools necessary for creativity and innovation. Through our multiple locations—Coe Student Innovation Center, Make IT, and SciDIY—students are encouraged to push the boundaries of what's possible in 3D printing, textiles, engineering, and more. With the addition of these new machines, UWIN will further its

mission to foster interdisciplinary collaboration and innovation, ensuring our students have the skills and tools they need to succeed in a rapidly evolving technological landscape.” ~Request Excerpt

Product	Quantity	Cost	Total Cost
Coco Press Chocolate 3D Printer	2	1,499	2,988
Coco Press Filament	6	55	330
Brother Print Moda Fabric Printer	1	799.99	799.99
Brother Print Moda Fabric Roll	2	79.99	159.98
Table for Fabric Printer Seville Cabinet Work Bench	1	458	458
Brother SE1900 Embroidery Machine	1	1048.95	1048.95
Sewing Cabinet and Sew Table	1	99	99
Elegoo Saturn Ultra Resin 3D Printer with Air Filter	3	534	1602
Seville Workbench Table for 3D Printers	1	189.98	189.98
Prusa XI with Enclosure Kit	2	2519	5038
Total		12,723.90	12, 723.90

**B&P Decision:** The committee found this project and the resources it intends to provide hold significant potential for benefiting the student body and subsequently has decided to allocate \$13,000 for the advancement of this project.