Proposed UW Standard Administrative Policy (SAP): Student Death Notification Protocol

WHEREAS, This new Standard Administrative Policy and Procedure (SAP) provides a process for internal and external communication, outreach, protocols, and supportive grief and loss services when the University experiences the death of a student.

WHEREAS, The SAP includes:

- A clearly defined procedure for addressing situations in which a student has died, and who will be the point of contact or designee,
- Outlining the communication plan, including special populations or additional notifications,
- Requests for memorials,
- Traveling and College-sponsored procedures, and
- Distinct death by suicide process and postvention.

WHEREAS, This policy will help ensure consistency, fairness, and alignment with institutional values while prioritizing campus safety and maintaining compliance with applicable policies and regulations.

WHEREAS, Per the University's *Policies and Procedures Vetting Process* (see http://www.uwyo.edu/generalcounsel/files/docs/updates-to-main-page-2017/policies vetting-process.pdf), any new or modified policy or procedure is sent to this Policy Review Group (VPs, Deans, Faculty Senate, Staff Senate, ASUW, Internal Auditor) for review and feedback.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Faculty Senate of the University of Wyoming that Faculty Senate supports the **UW Standard Administrative Policy (SAP): Student Death Notification Protocol**, as received from General Counsel.

Authentication: The foregoing Faculty Senate Resolution 498, duly adopted **as amended** by the Faculty Senate of the University of Wyoming on November 3, 2025, is hereby transmitted to the President of the University for review in accordance with UW Regulations.

Robert Godby

Faculty Senate Chair Dated Nov. 6, 2025