

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF

IDAHO STATE UNIVESRITY

STUDENT SENATE

SHIRLEY SARGENT BOARDROOM, PSUB

7:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2025

- I. CALL TO ORDER — 7:00 PM
- II. ROLL CALL
 - a. 12 Senators were present.
 - b. Also present: Theresa Brissette, Student Leadership and Engagement Center Program Specialist.
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM September 3rd, 2025
 - a. Motion to approve the minutes from September 3rd, 2025: Saunders/Itani
 - b. Unanimous
 - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR September 10th, 2025
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda for September 10th, 2025, with the friendly amendment to add an Internal Funding Request for \$300 under New Business: Saunders/Vargas Barvosa
 - b. Unanimous
 - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- V. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- VI. GALLERY QUESTION AND ANSWER
- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE
- VIII. PRESIDENTS REPORT
 - a. President Halter shared that he has been meeting with a company in Idaho Falls, Biologic, in collaboration with the campus Sustainability Department to organize a Sustainability Summit scheduled for March. Additionally, he is working with Housing and Ambassador leaders to coordinate a Student Leader Social on October 2nd, with more event details to be shared as the date approaches. He is also collaborating with the Student Involvement Committee to organize the September 20th tailgate and the September 27th watch party.
- IX. CHAIR/COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - a. Senate Pro Tempore Committee, Senator Vargas Barvosa
 - i. Senator Vargas Barvosa shared that he has been working with the entire Senate to ensure everyone is fulfilling their duties. He also provided updates shared during President's Cabinet by executive members. The Idaho Falls campus has had a great start to the year, thanks to the support of Vice President Taylor. Director Burelle has updated and revised Benny's Funding Request Form for the year. Senator Vargas Barvosa has also been working with Director Kankolongo to better highlight line items, clubs, and other on-campus resources available to students.

b. Finance Committee, Senator Saunders

- i. Senator Saunders shared that during the Finance Committee meeting, they discussed and set the Initial and New Club funding amounts for the academic year. New Club funding has been set at \$250 per club, providing funding for up to 20 new clubs. The Initial Deposit amount has been set at \$300 per club, allowing 20 clubs to receive initial deposits. The Internal Funding Request being covered tonight was approved in Finance. This request allocates \$300 for the September tailgates to cover the cost of drinks and face painting supplies, in collaboration with the Cosmetology Program. Additionally, Senator Saunders will be meeting with both the Graduate School and the Provost's Office to review guidelines and expectations for graduate and undergraduate travel funding.

c. Senate Rules and Appointment's Committee, Senator Smith

- i. Senator Smith shared that the committee met today and discussed the possibility of implementing a rule that would prevent the suspension of bylaws. They reviewed what the implementation process might look like and how the rule would function in practice. The committee also discussed the potential of reintroducing a Judicial Branch into the ASISU system.

d. Student Involvement Committee, Hannah Van Metre

- i. Senator Van Metre shared that the committee met yesterday and discussed hiring a DJ for the tailgates. Due to contracting issues, the committee is moving forward with the plan to find a DJ who already has a contract set up with the university.

e. Health, Wellness and, Sustainability Committee, Senator Pandey and Senator Vargas Barvosa

- i. Senator Pandey shared that she is working on putting together a report covering all the work this committee accomplished last year. This report will be reviewed by the committee at their first meeting, with the goal of setting goals for the rest of the year and outlining what they hope to accomplish.

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

a. Internal Funding Request

- i. September Tailgate Funding, \$300

XII. GALLERY QUESTION AND ANSWER

XIII. OTHER

a. Suspension of Bylaws, Article IV, Section 2, Clause 1, Item B – C.E.A.S.A.R Club Funding Advisor Training Requirement

- i. Motion to move to committee for 10 minutes: Smith/Itani
- ii. Unanimous
- iii. Motion: **CARRIED**
- iv. Motion to extend committee by 5 minutes: Vargas Barvosa/Itani
- v. Unanimous
- vi. Motion: **CARRIED**
- vii. Motion to move out of committee: Saudners/Lopez

viii. Unanimous

ix. Motion: **CARRIED**

1. Motion to suspend the bylaws, Article IV, Section 2, Clause 1, Item B, in order to require club advisors to attend the C.E.A.S.A.R. Club Funding training once per academic year, in addition to the other requirements outlined in this section, for the academic year 2025-2026: Lopez/Vargas Barvosa

a. ROLL CALL

SAUGAT ACHARYA — YES

AIDAN HALL — YES

RAKESH ITANI — YES

BRYSON KING — YES

PAIGE LITTLE — YES

CJ LOPEZ — YES

DIYA PANDEY — YES

ROBERT SAUNDERS — YES

PRAJAKTA SHARMA — YES

SILAS SMITH — YES

HANNAH VAN METRE — YES

DENIS VARGAS BARVOSA — YES

b. Motion: **CARRIED**

b. Setting of New Club Funding Amounts, FY26

- i. Motion to set new club funding amounts at \$250 per club for that academic year 2025-2026:

Saunders/Lopez

1. ROLL CALL

SAUGAT ACHARYA — YES

AIDAN HALL — YES

RAKESH ITANI — YES

BRYSON KING — YES

PAIGE LITTLE — YES

CJ LOPEZ — YES

DIYA PANDEY — YES

ROBERT SAUNDERS — YES

PRAJAKTA SHARMA — YES

SILAS SMITH — YES

HANNAH VAN METRE — YES

DENIS VARGAS BARVOSA — YES

2. Motion: **CARRIED**

c. Setting of Initial Deposit Amounts, FY26

- i. Motion to set initial deposit amounts at \$300 per club for the academic year 2025-2026:

Saunders/Vargas Barvosa

- 1. ROLL CALL

SAUGAT ACHARYA — YES

AIDAN HALL — YES

RAKESH ITANI — YES

BRYSON KING — YES

PAIGE LITTLE — YES

CJ LOPEZ — YES

DIYA PANDEY — YES

ROBERT SAUNDERS — YES

PRAJAKTA SHARMA — YES

SILAS SMITH — YES

HANNAH VAN METRE — YES

DENIS VARGAS BARVOSA — YES

- 2. Motion: **CARRIED**

- d. Swear in Newly Approved 2025-2026 Presidents Cabinet Members

- i. Brooke Taylor, Vice President of Idaho Falls

- ii. Hannah Burrell, Director of Finance

- 1. Hannah Burrell and Brooke Taylor were sworn into their respective positions for the 2025-2026 year.

XIV. ISU FIGHT SONG

XV. ADJOURNMENT

- a. 12 Senators were present.
- b. Also present: Theresa Brissette, Student Leadership and Engagement Center Program Specialist.
- c. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.