

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF**

**IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY**

**EXECUTIVE CABINET MEETING**

**SHIRLEY SARGENT BOARDROOM, PSUB**

**5:00 PM**

**NOVEMBER 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

- I. CALL TO ORDER – 5:01 PM
- II. ROLL CALL
  - a. 10 Presidents Cabinet members present.
  - b. Absent: Commissioner McCubbin.
- III. President, Sky Halter – President Halter shared that he met with Jason Sperry, the Assistant Director of Student Union Facilities, to discuss the Games Pass idea in collaboration with the Games Center. Together, they established several concrete ideas for launching this project. In addition to the Games Pass, they also discussed potential upgrades to the Bengal Theater as well as other areas on the bottom level of the Student Union Building. President Halter also met with President Wagner, where they discussed housing issues on campus, specifically concerns for students who must seek off-campus housing due to the lack of available on-campus options. He continues to work on the Environmental Summit planned for the spring semester. Additionally, President Halter met with the university architect to review upcoming changes to the Shirley Sargent Boardroom that are scheduled to take place over Winter Break. The architect will present these updates to the Senate on December 10th.
- IV. Vice President, Charlie Medema – Vice President Medema shared that he has been invited by Janet Loxterman, Chair of the Biological Sciences Department, to act as a contributor to the planning of the new Life Sciences Building as a representative of ASISU and the Department of Biological Sciences. He will be attending a meeting later this week and will continue meeting in the spring to help inform the architect. He also met with Pallavi Pokharel, the Sustainability Director, to discuss the Environmental Summit, including her department's Earth Day celebration, potential ASISU use of the sustainability grant, booking a space with Scheduling and Events to host a trivia night for the celebration, and ASISU's inclusion on a panel for Earth Day. Along with President Halter, he attended the meeting with the university architect, to discuss the renovation of the Shirley Sargent Boardroom. The meeting was very productive, and the proposed ideas seem highly beneficial for the Senate. Vice President Medema is currently ending out emails for the Turner Environmental Summit and now have several contacts within Graduate Research for the research showcase. He is still seeking a resolution for the new OAC sign in Rendezvous. Lastly, he has contacted a representative in Special Collections to obtain access to historical images for use in the Throwback Instagram project with Director Kankolongo.
- V. Vice President of Idaho Falls, Brooke Taylor – Vice President Taylor shared that she has been working with Advisor Brissette to help streamline the Idaho Falls campus SAB operations. She has also been collaborating with Laura Schuhmann, the Idaho Falls Campus Marketing Specialist, on revamping the ISU Idaho Falls webpage. In addition to this, she has been coordinating with former Future Health Professionals of America President

Samantha Lee on the March 11th Turner Day of Service since she currently serves on the board for the Idaho Period Project.

- VI. Vice President of Meridian, Makayla Amos – Vice President Amos shared that on the Meridian campus she assisted with the Benny’s Pantry food drive that was held as part of the P1 Pharmacy fundraiser.
- VII. Student Activities Board Director, Braden Worley – Director Worley absent.
- VIII. Senate Pro Tempore, Denis Vargas Barvosa – Senator Vargas Barbosa shared that he has been working on connecting with a local soup kitchen to create a volunteer opportunity for Senators. He has not yet received strong responses from organizations but plans to discuss this further with Senators later today. He also shared that he will be collaborating with Director Kankolongo to feature the Ecology and Conservation Club as the November Club Highlight.
- IX. Secretary, Eliana Madison – Secretary Madison reminded members that their November timecards and checklists are due tomorrow, Thursday, November 20th, by 5 PM. She also shared that she and the rest of the hiring committee will be appointing Mia Price as the Deputy Election Commissioner. This appointment will be up for approval at the Senate meeting following Fall Break.
- X. Director of Finance, Hannah Burrell – Director Burrell reported that over the past week she began working on a line-item tracker to ensure that the process is more efficient. She is also gathering all contact information for all line-item representatives. Additionally, she worked on collecting the Idaho Falls SAB update, which she will be presenting tonight to Finance committee members. Incentive points were due last week, and she has been reviewing those and will present that information as well.
- XI. Director of Public Relations, Mica Kankolongo – Director Kankolongo nothing to report.
- XII. Director of Community Relations, Kara Price – Director Price nothing to report.
- XIII. Director of Academic Affairs, Sofia Peach – Director Peach nothing to report.
- XIV. Director of Student Affairs, Juliet Lumu – Director Lumu nothing to report.
- XV. Election Commissioner, Josh McCubbin – Commissioner McCubbin report shared by Secretary Madison: this week, Commissioner McCubbin tabled on Monday for about an hour and spoke with approximately five students, sharing information about the upcoming spring election and how they can run. He also participated in the Deputy Election Commissioner interviews and will attend Senate when that position’s appointment is up for approval at the Senate meeting following Fall Break to answer any questions Senators may have about the appointment.
- XVI. Deputy Election Commissioner – Deputy Commissioner position vacant.
- XVII. OTHER
  - a. Discussion
    - i. President Halter opened the discussion by asking for thoughts on using reserve funds to purchase equipment for the Public Relations position.
    - ii. Senator Vargas Barvosa asked Director Kankolongo if she had considered funding of equipment needs for her position.
    - iii. Director Kankolongo suggested microphones, a camera, and a storage card as a possible equipment purchases.

- iv. President Halter raised a potential idea regarding student housing and partnering with a housing complex like Bengal Creek to reduce application fees.
- v. Senator Vargas Barvosa noted that Bengal Creek requires renters' insurance, which must be considered before moving forward with a partnership. He also mentioned that the complex is undergoing renovations and policy changes, which could be an opportunity for ASISU to assist.
- vi. President Halter added that ASISU has a housing listing contact that could improve communication between students and housing.
- vii. Director Lumu shared her personal experience searching for an apartment and asked about the off campus housing listing, questioning if ASISU runs it.
- viii. President Halter clarified that while ASISU may have initially funded that list, the organization does not manage it.
- ix. Director Lumu recommended exploring the listing further to make it more user-friendly and ensure updated contact information.
- x. President Halter invited ideas for potential collaborative projects, utilizing reserve funding.
- xi. Director Peach shared that her laptop loaner program, which has gotten a lot of positive student feedback, would be a good funding option, the program would have 5-7 laptops available for students to check out.
- xii. Dr. Daily highlighted a disconnect between student needs and administrations perceptions of needs, ASISU can be the connect here.
- xiii. Director Kankolongo suggested providing funding or support for unpaid or low-paying internships, potentially in partnership with the Career Center as future budget cuts may be impacting this.
- xiv. Senator Vargas Barvosa mentioned support for exchange students, especially in the current political climate. Proposed organizing an event to provide them with information and resources in town, creating a stronger connection between ISU and exchange students.

XVIII. ROLL CALL

- a. 10 Presidents Cabinet members present.
- b. Absent: Commissioner McCubbin.
- c. Also Present: Dr. Matt Daily, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Students.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

- a. President's Cabinet adjourned at 5:22 PM.