

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF

IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY

STUDENT SENATE

SHIRLEY SARGENT BOARDROOM, PSUB

7:00 PM

OCTOBER 22nd, 2025

- I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 PM
- II. ROLL CALL
 - a. 12 Senators present.
 - b. Also present: Also present: Dr. Matt Daily, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Students and Theresa Brissette, Student Leadership and Engagement Center Program Specialist.
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 15th, 2025
 - a. Motion to approve the minutes from October 15th, 2025: Lopez/Saunders
 - b. Unanimous
 - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 22nd, 2025
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda for October 22nd, 2025: Saunders/Lopez
 - b. Unanimous
 - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- VI. GALLERY QUESTION AND ANSWER
- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE
- VIII. PRESIDENT REPORT
 - a. President Halter shared that the 125th University Anniversary Committee is seeking support from ASISU for Turner Service Day on March 11, 2026, which will be part of several days dedicated to giving back to the university and the community. Members experiencing issues with another officer within the organization are encouraged to bring those concerns to Dr. Daily and President Halter so they can work together toward a resolution. Maintaining a peaceful and collaborative organization and Senate remains a top priority.
- IX. CHAIR/COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - a. Senate Pro Tempore Committee, Senator Smith
 - i. Senator Smith shared that he will be working with Director Kankolongo on the line item and club highlights for the month of October. He also reminded committee chairs that they will all be meeting next Thursday, October 30th at 5:00 PM.
 - b. Finance Committee, Senator Saunders
 - i. Senator Saunders shared that during today's Finance Committee meeting, the committee passed the First-Generation Student Association request. He also met with Jen Steele, Vice President for Finance and University Planning, and they are working to schedule a time for her to present to the Senate about the overall finances of ISU. Senator Saunders also noted that a new initiative, Tiger

Cage, a spinoff of Shark Tank, is in development where ISU students will be able to present ideas or pitches to the Senate on how to utilize reserve funds.

- c. Senate Rules and Appointments Committee, Senator Smith
 - i. Senator Smith shared that, along with the rest of the hiring committee, they will be interviewing a candidate for the open Graduate Senator position on Friday, October 24th. In addition, applications for the Deputy Election Commissioner position are open, and interviews will be held in November once the applications close. Lastly, he shared that Bill 624 is nearly ready for Senate submission and review.
- d. Student Involvement Committee, Senator Van Metre
 - i. Senator Van Metre shared that she covered much of her report during caucus. She noted that the Homecoming Tailgate should be a really fun experience and asked for officer participation.
- e. Health, Wellness, and Sustainability Committee, Senator Pandey and Senator Vargas Barbosa
 - i. Senator Vargas Barbosa shared that the committee has been struggling to find a time to meet. He asked members to stay after Senate to set up a meeting time and get the ball rolling on the projects and initiatives they plan to work on.

X. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Benny's Funding Request
 - i. African Student Association, \$800
 - 1. Motion to approve the Benny's Funding Request for \$800 for the African Student Association: Saunders/Smith
 - 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**

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Benny's Funding Request
 - i. First Generation Club, \$2,000
 - 1. Senator Smith asked clarification about what this funding is for.

2. Sydney Fink-Cobb, President of the First-Generation Club shared that this funding request is for the end-of-week dinner for First-Generation Week. The event will be free for the community, staff, and students, with an expected attendance of approximately 150 people.

XII. GALLERY QUESTION AND ANSWER

XIII. OTHER

XIV. ISU FIGHT SONG

XV. ADJOURNMENT

- a. 12 Senators present.
- b. Also present: Also present: Dr. Matt Daily, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Students and Theresa Brissette, Student Leadership and Engagement Center Program Specialist.
- c. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.

ASISU VICE PRESIDENT

CHARLIE MEDEMA

ASISU SECRETARY

ELIANA MADISON