

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF
IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
SHIRLEY SARGENT FAMILY BOARDROOM, PSU
5:45 PM
JANUARY 31ST, 2024**

- I. CALL TO ORDER—5:45 P.M.
- II. ROLL CALL
 - a. 8 Finance committee members were present.
 - b. Absent: Senator Adams and Senator Westbrook.
 - c. Also present: Matt Daily, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Students.
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 24th, 2024
 - a. Motion to approve: Mortenson/Mishra
 - b. Unanimous
 - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda: Mortenson/Yadav
 - b. Unanimous
 - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- V. CHAIR’S REPORT
 - a. Senator Yadav shared in his report that the budget survey has received close to 200 responses. Regarding the decision that needs to be made about the student fee he asked members to communicate their preference of this by Monday, February 4th. Senator Yadav also shared that some of the faculty from the College of Health have requested a meeting with him regarding travel funding. Senator Yadav also shared the Director Okouyibo is currently working on processing incentive points.
- VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE
 - a. Civic Symphony Budget Presentation Request Proposal, Jenni Warren
 - i. Jenni Warren shared that the Civic Symphony is its own nonprofit organization that is an association of Idaho State University. The Civic Symphony was established around sixty years ago and joined forces with the university to offer a teaching and experience opportunity for music students. The Civic symphony is also utilized as a recruiting tool for the university. Any Idaho State student can attend the shows at the civic symphony for free. Jenni Warren also shared that there has been a large marketing push to make sure that students are aware of this and utilize their ability to attend these shows for free. The Civic Symphony is asking to maintain their budget of \$4,000 from ASISU to ensure that students are able to attend shows for free.
 - b. Bengal Newspaper Budget Personation Request Proposal, Chloe Reid
 - i. Chloe Reid shared that the Bengal Newspaper has been doing exceptionally well especially compared to previous years. They are back in print after three years and they have garnered a surge of interest. The newspaper has the biggest staff that they have had in years and is making new additions like starting a podcast with KISU. The Bengal Newspaper serves as form of student recruitment because it provides a journalism outlet for students who are interested in pursuing that. The Bengal Newspaper is asking for a budget increase of \$5,600 to be back to where they were before their budget cut last

year. This increase would allow them to hire more people and even give their current employees better pay as well as allocate part of their budget towards advertising.

1. The Bengal Newspaper is a line item that is allowed to retain their fund balance. They are also planning to print on a monthly schedule with the goal to work towards a biweekly schedule.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

a. Club Funding Request

i. Nepalese Student Association for Nepalese Night, \$2,000

1. Motion to approve Nepalese Night funding with the stipulation the \$2,000 cannot be used to pay for food: Mortenson/Westbrook

a. ROLL CALL

ASPEN BROWN – YES
ELLA BUNDE – YES
NEELAM MISHRA – ABSTAIN
NATALIE MORTENSON – YES
CHARLES OKUOYIBO – YES
CHANCE REYNOLDS – YES
EMMA WATTS – YES
MACLANE WESTBROOK – YES
RITURAJ YADAV – ABSTAIN

b. Motion: **CARRIED**

b. Graduate Travel Funding Request

i. Other, Professional Conference

1. Samantha Searle (IAPA), \$400
2. Jason Cottrell (IAPA), \$490

- a. Senator Yadav reminded members that we have already approved around \$7,000 to students attending the IAPA conference.

i. Motion to approve funding for other professional conference: Bunde/Mishra

1. ROLL CALL

ASPEN BROWN – NO
ELLA BUNDE – YES
NEELAM MISHRA – YES
NATALIE MORTENSON – NO
CHARLES OKUOYIBO – YES
CHANCE REYNOLDS – YES
EMMA WATTS – YES
MACLANE WESTBROOK – NO
RITURAJ YADAV – NO

2. Motion: **FAILED**

- a. Senator Bunde related this request back to the TKE funding request. This funding is not for a club request, it is individual's request.

ii. Gurleen Litt (MPSA), \$1,930

1. Motion to table this request for 1 week: Yadav/Brown

a. ROLL CALL

ASPEN BROWN – YES
ELLA BUNDE – YES
NEELAM MISHRA – YES

NATALIE MORTENSON – YES
CHARLES OKUOYIBO – YES
CHANCE REYNOLDS – YES
EMMA WATTS – YES
MACLANE WESTBROOK – YES
RITURAJ YADAV – YES

b. Motion: **CARRIED**

iii. Ashley Siler

1. Motion to deny Ashley’s funding request: Yadav/Mortenson

a. ROLL CALL

ASPEN BROWN – YES
ELLA BUNDE – YES
NEELAM MISHRA – YES
NATALIE MORTENSON – YES
CHARLES OKUOYIBO – YES
CHANCE REYNOLDS – YES
EMMA WATTS – YES
MACLANE WESTBROOK – YES
RITURAJ YADAV – YES

b. Motion: **CARRIED**

iv. Research Presenting

1. Paul Williams (ICFA), \$953

2. Aniqua Jahangeer, \$600

a. Senator Yadav reminded members that Paul and Aniqua are both presenting and the maximum that can be awarded to presenters is \$600.

i. Motion to approve \$600 for both research presenting requests: Yadav/Mortenson

1. ROLL CALL

ASPEN BROWN – YES
ELLA BUNDE – YES
NEELAM MISHRA – YES
NATALIE MORTENSON – YES
CHARLES OKUOYIBO – YES
CHANCE REYNOLDS – YES
EMMA WATTS – YES
MACLANE WESTBROOK – YES
RITURAJ YADAV – YES

2. Motion: **CARRIED**

c. ASISU Audit Funding, \$1,500

i. Motion to approve \$3,000 for ASISU audit funding: Yadav/Mortenson

1. ROLL CALL

ASPEN BROWN – YES
ELLA BUNDE – YES
NEELAM MISHRA – YES
NATALIE MORTENSON – YES
CHARLES OKUOYIBO – YES
CHANCE REYNOLDS – YES
EMMA WATTS – YES
MACLANE WESTBROOK – YES
RITURAJ YADAV – YES

2. Motion: **CARRIED**

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Graduate Travel Requests
 - i. Research Presenting
 - 1. Sarah Geryk (MPSAC), \$600
 - 2. Ashley Helpm (MPSAC), \$600
 - ii. Research Attending
 - 1. Riley Jimenez 9IAPA), \$400
 - iii. Other Conferences
 - 1. Tyler Breech, \$200
 - 2. Whitney Miller (AAAC), \$400
- b. Undergraduate Travel Request
 - i. Other Conferences
 - 1. Tristen Monday, \$400
 - a. Senator Yadav reminded members that we have maxed out the undergraduate funding, so that when we vote on this we should deny this funding.
 - b. Senator Bunde asked for the date that this request was submitted, should this date effect whether this request is approved or not?

IX. OTHER

X. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Motion to adjourn: Mortenson/Yadav
- b. Unanimous
- c. Motion: **CARRIED**

XI. ROLL CALL

- a. 9 Finance committee members were present.
- b. Absent: Senator Adams
- c. Also present: Matt Daily, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Students.
- d. Meeting adjourned at 6:34 pm.