

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF  
IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY  
STUDENT SENATE MEETING  
SHIRLEY SARGENT FAMILY BOARDROOM, PSU  
7:00 PM  
APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

- I. CALL TO ORDER—7:00 P.M.
- II. ROLL CALL
  - a. 11 Senators were present.
  - b. Absent: Senator Westbrook.
  - c. Also present: Matt Daily, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Students and Director Whitney.
- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024
  - a. Motion to approve minutes from April 10<sup>th</sup>: Mortenson/Brown
  - b. Unanimous
  - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
  - a. Motion to approve the agenda: Mortenson/Adams
  - b. Unanimous
  - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- IV. GALLERY QUESTION & ANSWER
- V. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE
  - a. ASISU Audit Presentation, Bengal Solutions
    - i. Justin Weber shared that Bengal Solutions has reviewed the financial policies and bylaws that ASISU has in place. He advised that the biggest thing to work on is to follow through with the policies that we have in place. Due to the high turnover within ASISU there is a clear lack of continuity. In order to fix this issue this duty will fall on the Dean of Students advisor in this case, Matt Daily. This team has also reached out to campuses of similar size to ISU in order to gain an understanding on how their student government operates, and they bring in faculty with permanent roles to review and oversee processes. Justin also reminded members that ASISU and ISU are government organizations and need to adhere to financial governmental standard which is different from traditional accounting processes. An additional suggestion for ASISU is to bring in faculty on campus who oversee budgets and finances once or twice a year. Lastly he shared that Bengal Solutions will be sharing the full report next week.
      - a. Senator Adams thanked Justin and his team for their work on this project highlighting the root causes of problems within ASISU.
- VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
  - a. President Watts absent.
- VII. CHAIR/COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - a. Senate Pro Tempore's Chair Committee, Senator Mortenson
    - i. Senator Mortenson shared that in executive this week he heard that Lunch with ASISU was a success and that timecards and checklists are due April 26<sup>th</sup> by 10 pm. She also shared that she has sent out club emails, so please make

sure to send those to your clubs. Lastly, Senator Mortenson shared her appreciation for everyone's hard work this year.

- b. Finance Committee, Senator Yadav
  - i. Senator Yadav thanked members for a great year! He shared that some highlights of what he have accomplished for students this year, 15 new clubs were formed, 3 were reactivated, and almost \$61,000 was awarded to support all the 125 active ASISU clubs in the forms of CESAR and/or Benny Funding. Additionally, \$25,200 was awarded to support more than 75 ISU Bengals with their academic-related conference travel expense. ASISU has a normal usage rate of its internal fund except the Benny Funding which has a utilization rate of 36%. He suggested to get more engagement among clubs so this fund can be further utilized. It is important to remember that Benny Funding or Club Event Funding is only to hold events by the club, not for travel by any means. ASISU Senate approved roughly \$93,000 from reserves to support various needs of the university-wide efforts and COSGA trip. It is recommended to lower such high utilization of reserves and develop a longer-term plan for strategic investment. Senator Yadav asked members to keep in mind that the ASISU budget should reflect the needs of students at any and every point. Lastly he implored members to reach out to him with any last minutes reimbursements.
- c. Senate Rules and Appointments Committee, Senator Jorgenson
  - i. Senator Jorgenson thanked everyone for a great year and specifically thanked Senator Yadav for being a great co senator. She also shared that she has been happy to spend time with all of us and for the opportunity to partake in this organization.
- d. Student Involvement Committee, Senator Adams
  - i. Senator Adams shared that he has been traveling to Bozeman, Boise and Moscow to have collaborative meetings with their current and incoming student body presidents and college of business senators. He has been utilizing these meetings to discuss initiatives and opportunities for collaboration between our schools. Senator Adams shared that he will pass these initiatives on to the incoming administration.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

X. GALLERY QUESTION AND ANSWER

XI. OTHER

- a. Swear in 2024-2025 ASISU Officers

XII. ISU FIGHT SONG

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Motion to adjourn: Jorgenson/Adams
- b. Unanimous
- c. Motion: **CARRIED**

XIV. ROLL CALL

- a. 11 Senators were present.
- b. Absent: Senator Westbrook.
- c. Also present: Matt Daily, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Students and Director Whitney.
- d. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 P.M

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**ASISU VICE PRESIDENT  
CHANCE REYNOLDS**

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**ASISU SECRETARY  
ELIANA MADISON**