ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT SENATE MEETING
SALMON RIVER SUITE, PSU
7:00PM
JANUARY 15, 2014

CALL TO ORDER
Chair Jensen, in the Salmon River Suite, PSU, called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

ROLL CALL
ASISU Secretary Zara Sivertsen took roll. All Senators were present. Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, Lowell Richards, was in attendance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 4, 2013. Hall/Valencia. Unanimous. MOTION CARRIED. MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. Fuller/Johnson. Unanimous. MOTION CARRIED.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
President Bloxham noted that there was a ribbon cutting at Benny’s Pantry today. Rick Cheatum from the ISU Credit Union stated that they donated $1,500 to stock the pantry, but it is still only half full. The credit union bought an armored car, and they thought they could have a food drive to fill the car. They need to keep the pantry stocked and would like the help of the senators to put on the event. He would like to put on the event as soon as possible. Senator Harker thanked Rick for coming and supporting ISU. Senator Son thought they could do this at the tailgate. Senator Daniels thought that they should get the word out to the community to get more donations. Senator Fuller suggested parking the car at a grocery store. Rick stated that Costco might be willing to help out. Senator O’Neil agreed with doing the fundraiser soon. He suggested working with Albertsons. President Bloxham swore in Senator Rollins. ISU Rugby is trying to win new jerseys. The Ultimate Bengal is going on right now. The prize is a full ride to one student. Anyone can win the contest and can give the prize to another person. President Bloxham asked Senator O’Neil about the bleachers in Reed Gym. Senator O’Neil noted that they are broken and not being used. President Bloxham stated that they are considering removing bleachers, which would remove student seating, to put in a media and handicap access area. Senator O’Neil commented that the cheer team is able to do stunts right now in that area but they can do without the area if the bleachers are repaired. He noted that the media has been mad about sharing that area with the cheerleaders in the past. He would rather have students than media in that area. Senator Son wondered about funding. President Bloxham was not sure of the cost, but Athletics, Campus Recreation, and ASISU were asked about this issue. Senator Son would like another student section designated if the seats are removed. He thought it would also be cool to make the student section easily identifiable. Senator Fuller thinks that some students don’t like to sit there because they can’t see through the cheerleaders. Senator O’Neil noted that handicapped students probably wouldn’t be able to see if they converted that area for them. Senator Hudson hasn’t seen a lot of students sitting in that area.

CHAIR/COMMITTEE REPORTS
1. Finance Committee, Senator Son- MOVE TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MATCHED DEPOSITS: STUDENT SOCIAL WORK CLUB FOR $103.33, MORTAR BOARD FOR $66.66, SHEPHARD'S CLUB FOR $26.59, BIOLOGY GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION FOR $168.33, ALPHA PSI OMEGA FOR $168.07, IEEE FOR $50, MASSAGE THERAPY CLUB FOR $47.73, PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT ORGANIZATION FOR $337.66, PARALEGAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION FOR $171.08, STUDENT NURSE ALLIANCE-COT FOR $332.67, GEOSPATIAL CLUB FOR $249.33, AND G2 MATH/CS CLUB FOR $166.66, TOTALING $1,888.11. Son/Hall. Roll Call.
RACHEL BISHOP-YES
CAMERON R. BUTLER-YES
MAX DANIELS-YES
KELLYN FULLER-YES
DEANNA GENDE-ABSTAIN
JACOB HALL-YES
BENJAMIN HARKER-YES
PATRICK HILBRAND-YES
HAILEY HUDSON-ABSTAIN
BEAU JAMES-YES
SAM JOHNSON-YES
MIRAZUN MITU-YES
TYNAN O’NEIL-YES
MORGAN PITCOCK-YES
DANA ROLLINS-YES
KYLE D. SON-YES
BEA VALENCIA-YES

MOTION CARRIED. MOVE TO APPROVE NEW CLUB FUNDING FOR THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF BLACK ENGINEERS FOR $300. Son/Hudson. Roll Call.

RACHEL BISHOP-YES
CAMERON R. BUTLER-YES
MAX DANIELS-YES
KELLYN FULLER-YES
DEANNA GENDE-YES
JACOB HALL-YES
BENJAMIN HARKER-YES
PATRICK HILBRAND-YES
HAILEY HUDSON-YES
BEAU JAMES-YES
SAM JOHNSON-YES
MIRAZUN MITU-YES
TYNAN O’NEIL-YES
MORGAN PITCOCK-YES
DANA ROLLINS-YES
KYLE D. SON-YES
BEA VALENCIA-YES

MOTION CARRIED. Finance also approved new incentive points checklists. They increased the number of points and money allocated to incentive points. They also increased the member requirements from four to six. Senator Hall noted that they added Benny’s Pantry to the description of a service project. Senator Daniels made a friendly amendment to add Benny’s Pantry food drive to the incentive points. MOVE TO APPROVE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. Hudson/Hall. Unanimous. MOTION CARRIED. MOVE TO APPROVE NEW INCENTIVE POINTS CHECKLISTS. Son/Daniels. Objection. Discussion. Senator Son noted that twelve members are needed to be a club. They are trying to increase involvement. Senator Mitu is not in favor of the changes. Clubs have to go to more events to get more points. People are busy and this may be too much for them. Senator Son stated that clubs don’t have to do the maximum number of events. They are not requiring clubs to go to more events. Senator O’Neil wondered if they could approve the changes but not have the new member requirement come into play until the fall. Senator Fuller asked if they could make the member requirement a percentage of members. Big clubs have an easier time getting people there, but getting six people there is harder for small
clubs. Senator Son noted that not all small clubs will suffer and not all big clubs will have it easy. The checklists for last year and this year, usually had six or more members already attending these events. Senator Hiltbrand worries about it being too much for clubs. The drop in matched deposits is already hurting one of his clubs. He suggested making a minimum of four members and then giving clubs an extra point for more members. Senator Rollins stated that the clubs that max out could benefit more and they are probably bigger clubs. Senator Valencia noted that ASISU is giving this money away. Clubs should have to work a little bit for the money. Some clubs have automatic enrollment, like pharmacy clubs, so percentages would hurt those clubs. Senator Daniels agrees with Senator Valencia. Senate is asking for fifty percent of the club’s members to come to events, which is failing. There is more money and more chances to get that money. Senator Hall is in support of this. It has been a semester in the works, and a lot of thought and time has gone into this. He feels that previous Senates have been afraid of change. If this doesn’t work they can change it again. Senator Johnson is part of a smaller club and doesn’t think it will be too hard to get six members to events, especially if the club is committed to getting their money. She believes that the checklist should pass even if it is just a test run. The requirements can always change it in the future. She asked the other senators to put their faith in Senator Son and the Finance Committee. Senator Mitu wondered how clubs can get more funding if they don’t have to go to more events. She also mentioned how she and other club members have signed in for an event and then left, just to get points. Senator O’Neil noted that some clubs may not have gone to events already because of the four person requirement. He still thinks they should test run this in the fall. He made a friendly amendment to require six members starting in the fall. Friendly amendment rejected. Senator Fuller thinks they should talk to their clubs before voting on this. 

MOVE TO EXTEND CHAIR AND COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR 30 MINUTES. Pitcock/Fuller. Unanimous. MOTION CARRIED. Senator Pitcock has attended most of the Finance meetings. The clubs will find out if they like it or not by trying it. Senator James would like to see it passed and then get responses. Senator Valencia mentioned that people don’t do things unless it is mandatory. People make time for what they want to make time for. It takes effort to be in clubs. If everyone asked their clubs, their clubs wouldn’t want to increase the amount of work they need to do because people want easy money. Previous. Objection. Senator Son pointed out that some events have no minimum member requirements. They should still get plenty of funding through that. Each point will be worth more. He likes that the other senators want to ask their clubs for input, but this discussion has been going on for months. Senator Hudson thinks that sometimes the senators don’t think about who they are representing. Senator Hall is opposed to going back to their constituents. They were elected to represent them and cannot get a vote from everyone for everything. Previous. Roll Call.

RACHEL BISHOP-NO
CAMERON R. BUTLER-NO
MAX DANIELS-YES
KELLYN FULLER-NO
DEANNA GENDE-YES
JACOB HALL-YES
BENJAMIN HARKER-NO
PATRICK HILTPRND-NO
HAILEY HUDSON-NO
BEAU JAMES-YES
SAM JOHNSON-YES
MIRAZUN MITU-NO
TYNAN O’NEIL-NO
MORGAN PITOCO-YES
DANA ROLLINS-YES
KYLE D. SON-YES
BEA VALENCIA-YES
MOTION CARRIED. MOVE TO SUSPEND ARTICLE IV SECTION 10 CLAUSE 4 SUBSECTION A “OF CATEGORIES” UNTIL THE END OF THE SEMESTER. Son/Hudson. Son withdrew his motion. MOVE TO EXTEND TIME IN THE CHAIR AND COMMITTEE REPORTS UNTIL THEY ARE FINISHED. 
Daniels/Fuller. Unanimous. MOTION CARRIED.

2. Rules Committee, Senator Harker- Rules has not met to consider Bill 443.
3. Appointments and Reviews Committee, Senator Pitcock- They met to work on Bill 445. They need to meet to go over Bylaws. Senator Son appreciates Senator Pitcock working on this.
4. Outreach Committee, Senator Hiltbrand- Outreach will meet after Senate.
5. Communications Committee, Senator Daniels- They discussed the ISU app at their meeting today. He reminded the senators to sign up for KISU this semester. They can prerecord the show if they are shy and afraid of penetrating questions. Times can be arranged with Senator Harker. Senator Harker noted that Fridays work best, but he can try to arrange something else if that doesn’t work for some senators. Senator Son can talk about incentive point changes during his show. It would be good to let students know that their senators are going to be on ASISU Speaks. Senator Harker noted that they can put that on the website if the senators let him know early. Senator Daniels noted that the ASISU Instagram is up. A Day with an RA worked well with Housing. They could do that with the senators.

GALLERY QUESTION & ANSWER

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

OLD BUSINESS
1. Bill 443, Contingency Fund- Not released from Rules.

NEW BUSINESS
1. Bill 445, Election Code- Senator Pitcock introduced the bill. MOVE TO SEND BILL 445 TO RULES.
Pitcock/Johnson. Unanimous. MOTION CARRIED.

OTHER
1. Homecoming Theme Vote- Bengal Pride on the Prowl or Hear Us Roar. The senators voted for Hear Us Roar.
2. Pro-Tem Vote of Confidence- Senator Valencia remains Pro-Tem.

ADJOURNMENT
MOVE TO ADJOURN. Butler/Bishop. ASISU Secretary took roll. All senators were present except Senators T. Bodily and K. Bodily. Unanimous. MOTION CARRIED. Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm.

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