

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF
IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
SHIRLEY SARGENT BOARDROOM, PSUB**

5:30 PM

APRIL 8TH, 2026

- I. CALL TO ORDER – 5:31 PM
- II. ROLL CALL
 - a. 11 Finance Committee members present.
 - b. Absent: Vice President Medema.
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM APRIL 1ST, 2026
 - a. Motion to approve the minutes from April 1st, 2026: Saunders/Lopez
 - b. Unanimous
 - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR APRIL 8TH, 2026
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda for April 8th, 2026: Saunders/Lopez
 - b. Unanimous
 - c. Motion: **CARRIED**
- VI. CHAIRS REPORT
 - a. Senator Saunders reported that he, along with President Halter and Director Burrell, completed the ASISU budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Additionally, Senator Saunders and President Halter finalized the reserve fund spending plan, which has been submitted for review and approval.
- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE
- X. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Internal Funding Request
 - i. May Day Celebration, \$980
 1. The funding request was presented by Senator Van Metre, who shared historical and contextual background on the proposed revival of the May Day tradition at Idaho State University. Through archival research and consultation with Special Collections staff in the university library, it was found that May Day was once a prominent feature of ISU campus culture, with abundant photographic documentation supporting its historical significance. The event is a non-religious celebration of spring, modeled after the European Beltane festival, and traditionally included music, food and drink, games, crafts, and maypole dancing. The proposal seeks to revive this tradition in a modern format by incorporating successful elements from existing Student Activities Board programming, including the “Build a Bouquet” activity. The combined event would allow students to build bouquets, decorate flower headbands, and celebrate the arrival of spring while engaging in a historical ISU tradition that has not been present on campus for at least 35 years. The event is intended to be open not only to students, but also to alumni and members of the public, with the goal of strengthening campus-community engagement. The Student Activities Board has proposed providing refreshments and a prize gift card for a “May Monarch,” a randomly selected individual through a raffle system intended to honor and modernize the former tradition of a May Queen. The event is planned to take place in the plaza outside Rendezvous, scheduled for May 1st, with Facilities Services assisting in the construction and setup of a maypole. Floral supply costs are still being finalized, but materials are expected to support participation from well over 100 students. This funding request is for totaled \$980 under SAB

Activities Funding. The proposed budget breakdown includes approximately \$800 for floral stock, \$100 for maypole construction materials, and \$80 for butcher paper, headbands, and additional craft supplies. SAB also indicated that they will contribute approximately \$400 in supplemental funding toward the event, with remaining logistical, preparation, and supply-related expenses to be covered through discretionary funding.

a. Motion to approve the Internal Funding Request for the May Day Celebration for \$980: Saunders/Lopez

i. ROLL CALL

SAUGAT ACHARYA – YES

MAKAYLA AMOS – YES

SKY HALTER – YES

PAIGE LITTLE – YES

CJ LOPEZ – YES

DIYA PANDEY – YES

ROBERT SAUNDERS – YES

BROOKE TAYLOR – YES

HANNAH VAN METRE – YES

DENIS VARGAS BARVOSA – YES

ii. Motion: **CARRIED**

XI. NEW BUSINESS

a. ASISU FY2027 Budget Approval

i. Senator Vargas Barvosa asked whether the presented budget included reserve funding. President Halter clarified that this budget reflects only the standard fiscal year budget and does not include reserve funds.

ii. Senator Vargas Barvosa then asked whether the reserve fund budget would be available for review. President Halter responded that it is not currently available and will be shared after approval by Craig.

iii. Director Burrell clarified that the presented budget includes all ASISU line items and ASISU costs, including scholarships.

iv. Senator Vargas Barvosa also asked whether the Bengal Newspaper line item included their previously requested deficit funding. Senator Saunders clarified that the additional funding request would come from the reserve fund if approved, not from this budget.

b. FY2027 Club Fee Budget Approval

i. Director Burrell explained that this budget includes funding allocations for Benny's funding, incentive points, March funding, new club funding, and initial deposits.

ii. Senator Vargas Barvosa asked about a listed "-400%" line item. Theresa Brissette clarified that this represents additional funds set aside as a contingency, which can be used at the committee's discretion if needed.

c. Setting of New Club Funding Amounts for FY27

i. Senator Saunders proposed maintaining the current funding structure, recommending \$250 for new club funding and \$300 for initial deposits.

ii. Senator Vargas Barvosa asked how many organizations applied for each funding option this year. Theresa Brissette responded that five new clubs were established this year, though not all applied for or met the qualifications for funding. She noted that she could provide more detailed numbers at a later time.

d. Setting of Initial Deposit Amounts for FY27

XII. OTHER

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

a. 11 Finance Committee members present.

b. Absent: Vice President Medema.

- c. Also Present: Dr. Matt Daily, Assistant Vice President and Dean of Students and Theresa Brissette, Student Leadership and Engagement Center Program Specialist.
- d. Finance Committee meeting adjourned at 5:44 PM.

ASISU VICE PRESIDENT

CHARLIE MEDEMA

ASISU SECRETARY

ELIANA MADISON