



**Shoshone-Bannock & Idaho State University
Tribal University Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2026
9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Location: ISU Admin Building, Room 102, Zoom**

In Attendance: Lytle Denny, Echo Marshall, Mike Steele, Felice Otero, Jessica James, Syd Hair, Kirsten Mink, Jerrica Kenison, TJ Tso

Guests: Michele Brumley, Amy Wuest

Called to order: 9:09 am by Echo Marshall

Excused: Travis Martin, Colista Matsaw, Hunter Osborne

MINUTES

Open Forum/ Public Comment

None

Member introductions

- Ice breaker: What do you hope TUAB accomplishes in 2026?
- Welcome of new TUAB members; Syd Hair and Felice Otero
- TUAB Overview & Foundation

Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) overview

- Purpose and role of TUAB; Advisory and monitoring of Strategic Priority progress.
- Strategic Priorities; Document shared from previous MOA priorities. Co-chairs would like to utilize this format for future tracking.
- History and evolution of TUAB

TUAB Discussion & 2026 Focus Areas

- Reflections on past work
- Opportunities for growth and improvement; Specific titles for contributors to increase productivity and promote ownership.
- Identifying priority focus areas for 2026; Research, Tribal Alcove completion

Research Discussion – ISU Office of Research

- Michele Brumley, Associate Vice President for Research
- Amy Wuest, Director of Research Development
- Overview of research priorities and partnership opportunities focusing on how a collaboration between ISU and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes can be successful. Shared services and



Committee Reports and Announcements:

- No reports given

NEW BUSINESS**MOA Appendix**

Discussion: Identify a need to clean up the draft document, deciding who would have edit access and who will have commenter access

Decision: Mike Steele and Echo Marshall will work to provide a simplified document to share commander access with the rest of TUAB at the next meeting. (Feb 3)

Research priority

Discussion: Invitation to Office for Research for their process, Lytle will work to create a process within the tribes for structure and development of best practices/framework. More efficient collaborations. Paperwork and administrative support.

Decision: Echo will work as the Point of Contact to establish meeting times and collaborative efforts between ISU Research and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes. These meetings will take place outside the designated TUAB meetings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-

- ISU Spring Powwow April 3 & 4
- Tribal Alcove Project- Jan 14 at 10 am
- IIES hosted at ISU on June 12 & 13
- MLK March on Jan 19 12-3pm

TUAB Meetings:

February 3, 2026 from 9-11 am; Water Resources Building in Fort Hall

Meeting adjourned at 12:37 pm