



ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

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Executive Council Meeting Minutes

11/8/2022 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Location: Fishbowl

- I. **Call to Order** - 1:3 PM
- II. **Attendance/Approval of Minutes**
 - a. In Attendance: Ryan Bernard (ASBSU Vice President), Abby Smith (Administrative Director), Jackson Berg (Government Relations Officer), Anahita Zabihi Gilvan (Ethics Officer), Ben Wolfe (Communications Officer), Melanie Figueroa Zavala (Vice President of Inclusive Excellence), Kalista Barkley (Vice President of Academic Affairs), Erin Mahn (Advisor), Adam Jones (ASBSU President)
 - b. Team Member Check-In
 - c. Team Member of the Week: Rylee Bray
 - d. Motion to Fast Track Council Meeting Minutes
Motioned By: Kalista Barkley Seconded By: Jackson Berg
Approve: 6 Deny: 0 Abstain: 0
 - e. Approval of 11/8/2022 Minutes
Motioned By: Kalista Barkley Seconded By: Ben Wolfe
Approve: 6 Deny: 0 Abstain: 0
- III. **Discussion With Dr. Wuthrich**
 - a. Discussion: Dr. Wuthrich was present to answer questions for the email sent out on 10/28 by himself. Wuthrich spoke that he will also be attending the Joint Assembly meeting tomorrow night as well. Ryan spoke that he would like answers surrounding the hesitancy of the Administration for the new workings of a potential "Funding Board". Wuthrich answered that part of it is logistical hesitancy, such as university policy, and the State Board of Education, and making sure they all work together. There are timelines, schedules, and rules that must be met and abided by. Wuthrich also mentioned the "politics" of the university, it would be a big change to swap

out the current government with an entire new government and Constitution. He wants it to be done correctly. Ryan asked about the potential name change of "Attorney General", and if "Student Attorney General" would be better. Wuthrich mentioned that the language of a potential constitution needs to be accessible to all students. The ASBSU needs to gauge the importance of keeping tradition while also replacing what needs to be replaced for better function and accessibility. Abby asked how the university and the ASBSU can communicate effectively. Wuthrich said it is as simple as reaching out and asking and communicating. Anahita asked about amplifying student voices, and what the Administration meant by this. Wuthrich answered that there needs to be large group meetings, possibly a survey sent out to the BSU student body. The ASBSU needs to speak with student organizations and student athletes actively. Wuthrich wants the ASBSU to ask "What is it we are trying to effect and impact? And is it carrying and amplifying student voice?" It's a political process, but all people involved should be respectful during debate. Ryan asked about next steps by the Convention delegates. Wuthrich answered that the delegates for the Convention should establish a timeline with an end goal. He talked about slowly implementing whatever Constitution is passed, either in the vote next semester, or slowly over the next academic year. Anahita asked what the Constitutional Change Workshop will be about. Erin answered that it will be focused on what the purpose of a new potential Constitution would be, and surrounding the action of talking to student constituencies. Kalista asked about how to reach students who don't know about ASBSU or what it does. Wuthrich answered that the purpose of the student government is to amplify and use student voice. He wants the student government to be able to do something on campus, and have a voice in important meetings. He then spoke about the IESC and the Senate and the supermajority therein that is needed to pass a Constitution. As the Constitution stands, you have to pick a path, either get the IESC to approve the changes or follow an alternate path that is outlined in the ASBSU code. The changes that the ASBSU wants to make, the Administration will not get involved personally, and needs to remain neutral during this process. The Administration would like to see a letter/memo from the Convention that speaks of the plan that was put in action and the communication with students that took place. Wuthrich then presented a mark-up of the draft Constitution that had been created and will be provided when the delegates meet again. Wuthrich spoke that this rough draft Constitution is pretty good, but needs clarity.

IV. Officer Updates

- a. Vice President of Academic Affairs
 - i. Discussion: No updates
- b. Vice President of Student Organizational Affairs
 - i. Discussion: No updates
- c. Administrative Director
 - i. Discussion: No updates
- d. Government Relations Officer
 - i. Debate results: The debate was successful, with a large turnout. Jackson estimated that there were around 30 students with around 150 people attending in all.
 - ii. Election Day: Today is election day, go vote.
- e. Vice President of Inclusive Excellence
 - i. IESC Officer Vacancy: There will be vacancies in the IESC soon.
- f. Communications Officer
 - i. Posting of the applications: SAFAB officer applications are up.
 - ii. Discussion: The Communications Committee has written a Bill and it will be presented tomorrow.
- g. Ethics Officer
 - i. Discussion: No updates.
- h. Vice President
 - i. Joint Meeting Agenda: Dr. Wuthrich will be present, Adam will be speaking about the budget, and Bill #13.
- i. President
 - i. Mass Email: Adam sent the draft to the people who will send the applications out to the BSU Student Body.
 - ii. Special Committee on Parking and Transportation: The Special Committee has been created. Senators and Representatives will be participating in this committee.
 - iii. ASBSU Budget: Adam met with Amy to discuss the current state of the ASBSU budget. The Funding Board only has around $\frac{1}{3}$ of the Direct Grant Budget left. Erin spoke that previous ASBSU teams have pulled from the Contingency funds to give more funds to the Funding Board. Sponsored Projects has about half of the original funds left. The Contingency Budget has just under a third of a million left.
 - iv. Narcan: Adam mentioned that as drugs become more common, it may be good for the ASBSU to purchase narcan medication to make available to students that may experience an overdose. Ryan asked about numbers behind the need for Narcan. Adam answered that it is a preventative measure, and does not always need numbers to back it up.

V. New Business

VI. Old Business

VII. Open Floor/Announcements

VIII. Meeting Adjourned - 2:25 PM

