

MINUTES
JOINT FINANCE-APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday, January 23, 2017
TIME: 8:00 A.M.
PLACE: Room C310
MEMBERS PRESENT: Senators Co-chairman Keough, Bair, Mortimer, Martin, Souza, Lee, Agenbroad, Crabtree, Ward-Engelking, Nye
Representatives Co-chairman Bell, Youngblood, Miller, Burtenshaw, Reed(Horman), Malek, Anderson, Dixon, King, Wintrow
ABSENT/ EXCUSED: None
CONVENED: Senator Keough convened the meeting at 7:59 A.M.

AGENCY PRESENTATION: **STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OVERVIEW**

LSO STAFF PRESENTATION: **Emma Atchley, Board President:** How we are working together to educate. The Board's mission is to set policy, provide leadership, and advocate for transforming Idaho's education system to improve each Idaho citizen's quality of life and enhance global competitiveness. The board is made up of 8 members. Rhode Island and Idaho are the only states that has one Board of Education for their state. The board supports the Governor's recommendations. \$73 million has been appropriated over the last year. 3% CEC costs was the Governor's recommendation. We fully support the Governor's recommendation. Though higher tuition will happen. We are partnering with the Governor to do a scholarship for adults with no higher education. Scholarship dollars will help the 60% goal. The unemployment was 2%, of those were College Degree individuals. Jobs are wanting college educated employees. Reviews the main points of the Board of Education. ([LINK TO AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xX8PP))(<https://go.usa.gov/xX8PP>)

QUESTIONS: REP WINTROW: Does that money include scholarships and/or also support services?
ATCHLEY: It is scholarships.
REP ANDERSON: Any efforts, to educate parents, to put funds away for children to go to college and have a short fall for college?
ATCHLEY: No, I do not know of any funds.
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AGENCY

PRESENTATION: COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITIES, BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

LSO STAFF

PRESENTATION:

Robert Kustra, President: One word that describes my presentation is GROWTH. Enrolled 26,000 students last February. Fire Tale (survey company) has nominated us as one of the top 20 universities in the world. We had 1,200 graduates in 2010 and 3,000 in 2016. 80% of Idaho students remain in Idaho to go to school and live and work in Idaho. We have shown how important hiring additional new faculty, advisors are and we are able to say today we are coming to closer to the student/teacher ratio. In 2012 we were 27% and now we are at 22%. 1 advisor to 300 students (nationally) and we are at 1 advisor to 270 students. We took 400, CWI, CSI, and NIC students, transfer students. We are focused on our research as well. In 2010 \$18.7 million and \$31.3 million today. Reviews the main points of last years appropriations. ([LINK TO AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xX8E5))(<https://go.usa.gov/xX8E5>)

Janet Jessup, Budget and Policy Analyst: Reviews 2016/2017 budget and line items. HESF Starategic Fund and Unrestricted Current Fund. ([LINK TO PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xX8Ea)) (<https://go.usa.gov/xX8Ea>)

KUSTRA: Goes over the line items in 2017. Complete College Idaho, we hire students to mentor other students with math. Materials Science/Engeineering research facility will be under construction in the next year or so. Steve Swanson came to Boise State after his NASA work. Cybersecurity Lab, to partnership with the Idaho National Laboratory and working with other top universities.

JESSUP: Operating budget for 2017/2018 reviewed, along with Governor recommendations for the budget. The Governor recommends the replacement items. The Governor also recommends the line item. ([LINK TO PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xX8E5)) ([AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xX8E5))(<https://go.usa.gov/xX8E5>)

KUSTRA: How's the college of the future look? We are in a partnership with St. Luke's for a COOP Program wherein students participate in experience-based academic courses. Venture College Program, we currently have this, its a two-year program. Boost staff, 25 ventures a year, very successful. Bridge to Career, program that tries to top off the students major. Course that allows the student to move in for 6–8 weeks, in account, finance and management degrees. Boise State X, takes that university creating custom degree pathways for employees. PHD program, interested in the research for the community and our tech community. Reviews the other programs and explains each importance. ([LINK TO PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xX8Ea))(<https://go.usa.gov/xX8Ea>) ([AUDIO](https://go.usa.gov/xX8E5))(<https://go.usa.gov/xX8E5>)

JESSUP: Reviews her analysis. ([LINK TO PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xX8Ea))(<https://go.usa.gov/xX8Ea>)

QUESTIONS:

REP ANDERSON: 23,800 students enrolled and what is that number for instate students?

KUSTRA: 23% is current instate students.

REP ANDERSON: What is your position on the CEC?

KUSTRA: The CECs covers all of our employees. As the numbers have grown over the years. When you add all of those numbers up, it is an increase. Its a \$2.6 million amount. 3% tutition increase just to cover the CEC for those employees that are not appropriated. It's very difficult for us for on going commitments. And now we need new funding for those.

REP KING: Are you having a hard time recruiting instructors and adjuncts?

KUSTRA: There is always the competitive colleges/university. Keeping up with

that is part of the game.

SEN MORTIMER: Working on page 1–55, is that a real cash loss or is that an appropriated accounting issue?

JESSUP: That is cash on hand, how that balances. I will turn it over to Stacey Pearson.

Stacy Pearson, Finance and Administration, Vice-President: We go into the reserves when that happens, that allows us to manage those from year to year.

SEN MORTIMER: Note C that shows \$18 million?

PEARSON: That number is for our FY2016 balance.

SEN LEE: 7th in the nation in tuition and fees, do you have any room?

KUSTRA: This is my 14 year at BSU, and some years we didn't increase tuition at all. Our case, tuition level has not impeded our enrollment growth. We started Scholarship campaigns and set the goal at \$25 million. We raised \$40 million for scholarships for students that pay full tuition.

SEN BAIR: Looking on 1–54, to why is enrollment down 1%?

KUSTRA: The head count is what I am referring to which was up 8%, but I'm going to turn it over to Marty Schimpf.

MARTY SCHIMPF, Academic Affairs Provost and Vice-President: The data could be from last year.

REP KING: Did you say there was 15% in your STEM, including nursing and technology programs?

KUSTRA: Yes, there is 15.3% of our students graduate with math, science, or technology degrees.

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**AGENCY
PRESENTATION:**

COLLEGE OF WESTERN IDAHO

**LSO STAFF
PRESENTATION:**

Bert Glandon, President: We were established in 2007. We cannot speak highly enough for CSI and their partnership and guidance. Goes through an overview of College of Western Idaho.

JESSUP: Reviews the 2016/2017 budget and line items.

GLANDON: Reviews the line items from 2017. Enrollment Funding Equality, these moneys were used for our short falls for our health care premiums and CECs for last year.

JESSUP: Reviews the 2018 budgets and Governor recommendations for the budget. ([LINK TO PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xX8mx))(<https://go.usa.gov/xX8mx>)

GLANDON: The mower, is for our 100 acres of land. We are looking for a used mower so we do not have 5 people mowing the abundance of grass.

JESSUP: Review line items.

GLANDON: We are looking at financial sustainability.

GLANDON: It is critical for us to have advisors and get these new advisors.

GLANDON: Two years ago, were on a track and we would be on a good track. We are on the state of desperate. There was an agreement in 2009, that the other community colleges would not get hurt. And that is still the agreement. I am thrilled that we have 2,500 students, we are desperate so we can help the students of the Western Treasure Valley.

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QUESTIONS:

SEN AGENBROAD: On page 6, Fall enrollment was 8,435 to 9,120 and its recognizing this as a decrease.

JESSUP: As with the last question, we are possibly getting some different sources for those numbers. I would be more than happy to follow up with Mr. Glandon and staff.

SEN AGENBROAD: Actually I want more of the report itself.

HEADLEE: Enrollment information is pulled from the State Board of Education Website. We pull the same reports each year. And I just verified, there are several different ways to count the students.

SEN AGENBROAD: Doing basic math, showing 9,120 for this year is a growth from last year.

JESSUP: That percent is an average change from over the past years.

GLANDON: One of the real challenges is one of the years, being a good year, you have lots of job placements or one of the years, being a bad year, not a lot of job placements.

SEN LEE: The balance funding, raising tuition and fees, how will that affect you?

GLANDON: Our board, has taken a stand on student success, we are open access and affordable tuition. We really are focused on the affordability.

REP YOUNGBLOOD: The growth on the outside looks great. What keeps you up at night?

GLANDON: How are you going to support 30,000 students with the facilities that you have? And the base funding and sustain the affordability of tuition? We lose sleep at night with those kinds of questions. How do we sustain this great outcome for the next 5 years without making us nonexcessible? We don't spend money we don't have. We are looking at other facilities to rent, but we were late comers to the market.

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**AGENCY
PRESENTATION:**

COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO

**LSO STAFF
PRESENTATION:**

Jeff Fox, President: Reviews the history of CSI.

JESSUP: Reviews 2017 budget ([LINK TO PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xX8mD))(<https://go.usa.gov/xX8mD>)

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FOX: Complete college of Idaho, we hired 4 new members for this and provided training; its a dual credit program. Student Instructional Support, in fall 2016 we hired a math coordinator for a math lab. Instructional Designer, we hired a coordinator, and Institutional researcher, to be more successful;

JESSUP: Review 2018 budget and Line items. ([LINK TO PRESENTATION](https://go.usa.gov/xX8mD)) (<https://go.usa.gov/xX8mD>)

JESSUP:Line Item 2 was not recommended by the Governor.

FOX: We support the Governor's recommendations.

JESSUP: Line item 3, Summer Bridge to Success, was recommended by the Governor.

FOX: This request is to provide first-time degree-seeking students a head start in their college experience and expose them to campus resources and provide academic coaching.

JESSUP: Line item 4, Eastern Idaho Math/English instructors, was recommended by the Governor.

FOX: It would be dedicated to two full-time educators at the CSI Outreach Center in Idaho Falls.

JESSUP: Line item 5, Dual Credit Academy Instructors, was not recommended by the Governor.

JESSUP: Line item 12, Enrollment workload Adjust and restoration, Governor has recommended \$1.293 million for the Community Colleges. ([AUDIO](#)) (<https://go.usa.gov/xX8mZ>)

**AGENCY
PRESENTATION:**

NORTH IDAHO COLLEGE

**LSO STAFF
PRESENTATION:**

Richard MacLennan, President: I was the President of Derrick Community College in Maryland. I have been here for 7 months. 2017 marks the 84th year that NIC has provided the community with higher education. It is the oldest community college in Idaho. Reviews the history of NIC and NIC Motto: “Start here and go anywhere.” ([LINK TO AUDIO](#)) (<https://go.usa.gov/xX8mv>)

JESSUP: Reviews 2017/2018 budgets. ([LINK TO PRESENTATION](#)) (<https://go.usa.gov/xX8mP>)

MACLENNAN: Occupancy Costs NIC, it was open in August 2016, the funding dedicated resources and partnered with the State for Operational Funds. Hiring of a transition coordinator, and talked with high school students.

JESSUP: REVIEWS 2018 BUDGET ([LINK TO PRESENTATION](#)) (<https://go.usa.gov/xX8mP>)

JESSUP: Line item 7, Title IX coordinator, was recommended by the Governor.

MACLENNAN: Title IX request is for the college to be in compliance with Title IX coordinator will lead compliance efforts and conduct training.

JESSUP: Line item 8, Assistive Technology Coordinator, was recommended in part by the Governor.

MacLennan: This is to support and to ensure that NIC-produced materials comply with Electronic and Information Technology standards.

JESSUP: Line item 12, for the Enrollment Workload Adjust. Restoration.

MACLENNAN: We enthusiastically support the Governor’s recommendation. ([AUDIO](#)) (<https://go.usa.gov/xX8mv>)

QUESTIONS:

REP BELL: Starting the different road to fund the community college, you came from Maryland, is that the type of funding you worked with in Maryland?

MACLENNAN: Maryland went down the road, agreement among the community colleges, to make sure any outcomes formulas, based on our unique visions. Because of our missions, we want to be part of that decision.

REP MALEK: What was the reasoning for not funding the Summer Completion Initiative?

DAVID HAHN: The Governor was concerned about a pilot in North Idaho and making it more state wide, and not just the northern part of the state.

SEN SOUZA: On page 7, why are North Idaho numbers are so different from the other community colleges?

Chris Martin, Vice-President for Finance and Business Affairs: We are unique in many ways, but we only have one county in our tax districts.
SEN SOUZA: To that point page 6, tuition budget recovery numbers from other counties.
MARTIN: We charge a little bit more for out of county students, but we are supporting our lucrative students.
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ADJOURNED: There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Keough adjourned the meeting at 10:44 A.M.

Senator Keough
Chair

Amberlee Honsaker
Secretary