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I. ASBSU Purpose
   A. The core purpose of ASBSU is to advocate for students, empowering them with a voice on campus, and to facilitate direct student engagement in the campus experience, especially through student organizations.

II. Definitions
   A. **ASBSU Body**: Includes the Executive Council, Assembly, Student Funding Board, all ASBSU Committees and Executive Committees. This does not include Student Organizations.
   B. **ASBSU Committee**: Any subordinate body established by the Executive Council. ASBSU Committees may include phrases such as “task force” or “advisory board” in their titles and may be standing or temporary in nature.
   C. **ASBSU Executive Personnel or Executive Personnel**: Any elected, hired, or appointed student who works for ASBSU and is not an Assembly Member. This definition includes the Assembly Speaker. Delegates to the Executive Council are also included in this definition.
   D. **ASBSU Officer or Officer**: Any student holding elected office in ASBSU, or any student appointed to a position usually filled by election.
   E. **ASBSU Personnel or Personnel**: Any elected, hired, or appointed University student who works for ASBSU. Delegates to the Executive Council are included in this definition.
   F. **ASBSU Paid Personnel or Paid Personnel**: Refers specifically to ASBSU Personnel who receive compensation for their services.
   G. **Assembly**: The ASBSU Student Assembly. A body comprised of one member from every academic department on campus.
   H. **Chapter**: A portion of Code relating to one overarching theme (i.e. Financial Code, Assembly Code, etc.).
   I. **Club Officer**: A student that formally holds a leadership position in a Student Organization. Club Officers for each Student Organization are on file with the Student Involvement and Leadership Center.
   J. **Code**: Governs and specifies the actions of any ASBSU Personnel or Body on a consistent or long-term basis. For example, Ethics Code II specifies the guiding principles that ASBSU will always follow. Code is always subordinate to the Constitution.
   K. **Complaint**: A formal accusation filed against any ASBSU Personnel for violating Code or not fulfilling his job description.
   L. **Elections**: Inclusive of both Assembly Elections and Executive Elections.
   M. **Executive Council**: The ASBSU Executive Council, or Executive Council. The legislative body of ASBSU comprised of the President, Vice President, Secretaries, Directors, Delegates and Assembly Speaker.
   N. **Ethics Committee**: The ASBSU Committee that exists to aid the Student Ethics Officer in the fulfillment of his duties.
O. **Gallery:** Attendees at a given meeting other than the members of the body which is meeting.

P. **Student Funding Board (SFB):** The SFB is the standing body of ASBSU that is responsible for hearing and deciding on Grant Requests.

Q. **Student Involvement and Leadership Center (Student Involvement):** Student Involvement is the University department responsible for supporting and formally recognizing Student Organizations. Student Involvement also helps and encourages individual students to get involved.

R. **Student Organization or Club:** A student group that is officially recognized by the University through the Student Involvement and Leadership Center.

S. **University:** Refers to Boise State University. When used as a descriptor immediately preceding another word or phrase, it refers to the official body, department, officer, process, policy, or other attribute of Boise State University. Example: University Committee.

T. **University Committee:** Any body (task force, board of governors, advisory board, etc.) established by Boise State University policy or administrators.

### III. Gender Neutral Pronouns

A. In order to make the language more inclusive and concise, this Code uses the gender neutral pronoun ze instead of he/she and the pronoun hir instead of him/his/her.

### IV. ASBSU and Other Organizations

A. The Idaho State Board of Education

   1. Because ASBSU is part of a public university, its governance ultimately falls under the Idaho State Board of Education (SBOE). ASBSU officers are able and encouraged, both by University administrators and members of the SBOE, to attend SBOE meetings.

   2. State Board of Education Policy III.P.7.a.i. states that: “For tuition and fee purposes, the president, vice president, and senators of the associated student body government are considered full-time students when carrying at least the following credit loads: (a) president, three (3) credits and (b) vice president and senators, six (6) credits.”

   3. The legislative body for the Associated Students of Boise State University is defined as the Executive Council, which consists of the ASBSU President, Vice President, Secretaries, Directors, and Delegates, where Delegates have a substantially lesser workload than other members. The intent of the State Board of Education in Policy III.P.7.a.i. is to govern the legislative branch of the student government, therefore ASBSU interprets the SBOE policy to apply to the Executive Council in the following way:
a. For tuition and fee purposes, the president, vice president, secretaries, and directors of ASBSU are considered full-time students when carrying at least the following credit loads: (a) president, three (3) credits and (b) vice president, secretaries, and directors, six (6) credits.

b. Delegates are not eligible for credit load adjustment.