University of Idaho
Faculty Secretary

<mark>**Faculty Senate Talking Points, April 15, 2025, Meeting #30**</mark>

- **House Bills**. The university is conducting analyses on HB 0178 (re: free speech) and HB 0264 (re: protecting the privacy of women). What needs to be done for compliance is unclear.

- SB 1198 (re: DEI). Senators are working on a **resolution** concerning this bill (which has passed into law, effective July 2025).

- **Vandal Giving Day** resulted in 1.28 million dollars donations, another record! The 500 million dollars campaign goal has been exceeded. This ten-year project is the largest fundraising initiative ever in the history of our state.

- There have been communications about the **Department of Energy** limiting F&A to 15%. Lawsuits have been filed. A number of **grants** from a variety of government agencies have been canceled or frozen in recent days. (See: https://www.usda.gov/about-usda/news/press-releases/2025/04/14/usda-cancels-biden-era-climate-slush-fund-reprioritizes-existing-funding-farmers)

- Funds that support **public health programs** are also being cut. See Senate Bill 1194.

- Director for IT Planning and Initiatives Teresa Amos spoke to senate about **OIT summer updates**. See document included with these talking points for more information.

<mark>**Important Dates and Events:**</mark>

- Wednesday the 16th and Thursday the 17th: the **State Board of Education** meets in the International Ballroom. Those meetings are open to the public. See link below for the agenda: https://boardofed.idaho.gov/meetings/board/archive/2025/041625/00%20AGENDA%20TO%20POST.pdf

- OUR Research Symposium: **April 21st, 2:30-4:30pm, Memorial Gym** https://www.uidaho.edu/research/students/undergraduates/symposia/undergraduate-research-symposium

- CDAR/CETL Accommodations Workshop: **April 30th, 1:30-2:30pm, zoom:** https://uidaho.bridgeapp.com/learner/training/077b2f5c/enroll

- ORED Listening Session: **April 16th, 3:00pm,** https://uidaho.zoom.us/j/83104628139

- Results from **Elections of AY 2025-26 senators** are overdue! Please let us know ASAP the names of the 2025-26 senators from your constituency group.

The Talking Points are approved by Faculty Senate Leadership as an informal communication tool to engage constituents and get quick feedback on issues discussed at the Faculty Senate weekly meetings. All Faculty Senate agendas (including attachments and supporting documents) and meeting minutes are made available on the Senate webpage: https://www.uidaho.edu/governance/faculty-senate/meetings. Please send your

questions, concerns, and feedback to the Faculty Senate Chair (khaltinner@uidaho.edu). **Remember to share these talking points with <mark>faculty and staff</mark> in your colleges**

OIT Summer Projects 2025

Below is a list of summer projects and upgrades planned for May through August 2025. Any questions on these projects can be directed to Teresa Amos (tamos@uidaho.edu).

Wireless Network

1. 267 Access Point Upgrades (LLC & McConnell)
2. eduroam integration with ISU/Idaho Falls Campus & NIC/CdA Campus

Academic Technology

1. Classroom Tech Upgrades – New equipment installs that align with AV Standards (replacing all of the AV equipment, adding a 2nd monitor at the lectern and a adding a rotatable mount to the webcam)

   - Upgrades (17 rooms): AD 225, AD 317, AD 336, AG SCI 204, BPC 040A, EP 122, JEB 221, LSS 163, MCCL 415, MINES 217, MINES 219, ALB 335, TLC 222, TLC 244, TLLC 247, NIC 006, NIC 301
   - AG SCI 106 large lecture hall upgrade
   - Zoom Enabled – video (19 rooms): AAS 103, AD 301, AD 307, BEL 116, BEL 118, BEL 346, CNR 209, LLC 132, LLC 133, LLC 144, MCCL 115, MCCL 117, MINES 212, MINES 214, MINES 306, NIC 206, REN 129, REN 132, SHOUP 307

2. Creating trainings for Fall:
   - Adobe (2), Zoom (2), Classroom Tech Review
   - Video tutorial creations for various tools and
   - Weekly tech tip postings

Technology Solutions Partners/Support

1. Campus wide Windows 10 to Windows 11 migration moving forward until Oct 2025
2. Beyond Trust Remote Support Upgrades

Security

1. Admin by Request - Enable faculty and staff to have faster and/or automatic access to administer their local computers and install software.

2. Review Multi-factor Authentication exceptions to comply with new Idaho law that requires all access to use MFA (possibly affected: Dual Credit, PEI).

3. Additional licenses for 1Password password management software.

Administrative Applications

- Argos/Evision Upgrades
- MyUI Refresh
- Intranet Implementation
- Decommission webpages.uidaho.edu (May 14)
  - Individual contributor pages only

IT Planning and Initiatives

1. IT Governance Process Review

IT Service Desk

1. FY 25 Procurement Finalization
   - Complete end of fiscal year purchases and fulfill orders.

2. AI Chatbot – Proof of Concept
3. Adobe Licensing
   - Expand availability of Creative Cloud applications for course work
   - Provide access to students to Adobe Express using a self-service method