Division of Student Affairs

Year in Review

2012 – 2013
Vice President’s Update
• **Staff Changes**
  – Student Life
  – Enrollment Services
  – Health and Recreation

• **Revision of VPSA web pages**
  – Organization has changed
  – Content has changed, “Faces of SA”

• **Staff Development Committee continues to work**
  – Two new hire orientations, next is September 18
  – March Madness Bowling Tournament
  – 3rd University Day
Bragging Rights
• Alex Gutierrez, associate director of the Career Center and Andrew Toles, Financial Aid counselor, were honored at the Annual Campus Awards Ceremony for their contributions to the university.
• Phase II, *Employer Feedback on Talent Needs and Preparation*, was one of three finalist for the National Association of College and Employers Innovation and Excellence Award.

• Mike Gibson, assistive technology coordinator in DRC, was the commencement speaker at the May 30 graduation ceremonies for the Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf and Blind in Gooding.
• Wendy Turner, Director, has been named president-elect of the Idaho Partnership on Higher Education and Disability (IPHED). IPHED is the state affiliate of the Association on Higher Education and Disability (AHEAD), the national organization for disability service providers in higher education.
• Campus Bookstore Received “Honor Roll” for National Association of College Stores Collegiate Retailer of the Year.

• The Bookstore Returned $600,000 to the university for scholarship funding. YAY!!!

• The Children’s Center successfully completed the NAEYC reaccreditation process. Accredited for 5-year term.
• The Student Union won a Community Builders Award for Excellence in Facility Design from the Association of College Unions International.

• Rebecca Stich, promotions coordinator for Campus Services, received a second-place award from The Association of College Unions International Excellence in Graphic Design for her design of display panels in the Sustainability Center.
• Leslie Webb received her Ph.D. and was promoted to Associate Vice President for Student Affairs.

• The American Collegiate Hockey Association awarded Boise State Hockey Club the 2012 National Overall Community Service Award for the finest charitable fundraising of any collegiate club hockey team in the United States.
• Lindsey Ward, promotions coordinator for Student Life, received a second-place award for her design of the Women’s Center brochure from The Association of College Unions International Excellence in Graphic Design.

• Jeremiah Shinn, Director of the Student Involvement and Leadership Center, received his doctorate and is serving as the president of the Association of Fraternity/Sorority Advisors.
• Dean Kennedy is the new Director of Housing & Residence Life. Dean comes to us from the University of Houston.

• Our Women’s Center is the Recipient of $5,000 grant through the Avon Foundation for Women to fund the Healthy Relationships Peer Educator Program.
• Hosted NASPA’s *Power of One* Conference on campus. Had the greatest number of participants in its history with 241 registrants and 30 Boise State volunteers.

• 85.6% of participants indicated that the conference demonstrated “extreme” or “above average” success in facilitating their examination of “how gender and sexual orientation intersect with other aspects of identity (race, class, ability, etc.).” 68.33% of participants rated the conference “extremely” or “above average” in teaching useful leadership skills.
• A case study of our financial literacy efforts was featured in the Decision Partners national newsletter. Boise State was the first university featured.

• Sixth Annual Beat Coach Pete Scholarship Run/Walk raised $35,000 for the General Scholarship Fund. To date the department has donated $173,000 to Financial Aid for scholarships and emergency funding.
• Over a 160 participants took part in “Yoga on the Blue” which made local, national and international news.
Highlights
• New dining options:

- Provisions on Demand (P.O.D.) and Starbucks in the Wilkerson Lobby of Chaffee Hall

- Subway in the Student Union

- Papa Johns and Panda Express in the ILC
• Partnered with COBE residential college and ARAMARK for a new food outlet located in the COBE building, providing an entrepreneurial learning environment for the COBE LLC students.

• Health Services sponsored an Annual Health Fair which offered free or low-cost early detection and preventative health screenings and educational opportunities from 50 exhibitors for the campus community.
• Opened new Bronco Shop in Meridian, bringing total to five Bronco Shops from Twin Falls to Nampa.

• SUB first floor food court is being renovated!!

• Plans underway to renovate the Children’s Center playground.
• Provided 10 internships for Environmental Studies students through the Roof-Top Garden, Apiary and Sustainability Information Center.
• Student Rights and Responsibilities, Disability Services, University Media, and Veteran Services units were incorporated under the new Office of the Dean of Students to deliver key services to students.

• Complete Withdrawal process has been streamlined and placed on-line.
• Developed and piloted *Dean on Call* protocol.

• Accessible technology for blind and visually impaired students is now available on all library computers.

• Phase I, II and III of the Collegiate Employment/Workforce Readiness Project have been completed. Phases IV and V are underway.
• *Bronco Mobile*, a mobile application created by Student Media containing news, radio, video and advertising, boasts over 4,500 downloads.

• *The Arbiter Minute*, a new video news program, appears twice weekly in the Student Union and on the Arbiter’s website, and hourly on The Pulse radio.
• US Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Eric K. Shinseki visited the Veterans’ Center and met with student veterans.

• Financial Aid implemented a phone system which increased efficiency and decreased the number of dropped calls and average wait time.
• In collaboration with the Honors College, the Office of Admissions hosted the inaugural “An Evening with Honors” with 72 participants, of which 35 have been admitted for Fall 2013.

• Recruitment and outreach included 427 high school visits, 127 college fairs, 12 summer send-offs, 34 community college transfer fairs and visits, and 16 visits to the campuses of College of Western Idaho.
Boise State Admissions hosted a total of 2204 campus guests for Discover Boise State, Fab Fridays, and Blue and Orange Saturdays events during the 2012-13 academic year. Participation in these programs increased by 17% from the 2011-12 academic year.
• For students entering in fall 2012, the Office of New Student and Family Programs hosted 8 two-day Bronco Venture programs with 1946 traditional aged students attending. They also hosted 11 one-day Bronco Venture programs with 1650 transfer and non-traditional students attending.
• In collaboration with Student Media and IT, implemented a distance orientation option for students, parent and family members, domestic and abroad who are unable to attend orientation.

• The newly formed Parent & Family Association boasts a membership of 3,000 family members.
• The Office of the Registrar rebranded Bronco Help Desk to Bronco Web in response to implementation of my.boisestate.

• ES units assisted with the Roadmap and upgraded our People Soft versions for better functionality in serving students!! YAY!!

• Partnered with OIT to roll out the new on-line change major functionality and linking to the Buy your Textbooks on-line and Clearinghouse for Enrollment Verifications.
• Boise State’s 92nd Commencement ceremony celebrated the success of more than 2,200 graduates, bringing the total number of graduates to more than 3,700 for the year.
• Cycle Learning Center parked ~1,300 bikes at home football games assisting with sustainable transportation efforts.

• The annual University of Idaho v. Boise State hockey game raised $16,000 for the Meals on Wheels Program.

• Since 2011, 80 Boise State students have participated in Project Jamaica, a week long international immersion trip designed with a focus on serving Jamaican communities.

• ISS developed and delivered cross-cultural trainings 7 times this year to ~150 faculty and staff in Academic and Student Affairs.
• The Career Center implemented a new web application, *Internship Application for Academic Credit*, which includes an online orientation workshop YouTube video. Boise State’s internship program provides an unique opportunity for practical work experience in the student’s chosen field of study.

• 995 new users have participated in SIGI 3, the new career assessment, since implementation.
• Participation in the Tunnel of Oppression increased from 1100 to 1500 in the fall and an additional 700 students in the spring.

• Viewers of the Diverse Perspective Film Series increased from 25-100 per session to 75-200.

• Anti-bias training sessions increased from four to ten sessions.
• MSS continues to partner with the Red River Pow Wow Association and hosted 20th annual Seven Arrows Pow Wow.
• More than 120 students participated in the nationally renowned LeaderShape Institute.

• Two sessions of Lead(IN), an organizational development initiative, reached 70 leaders of student organizations.

• More than 100 students participated in 2 sessions of Catalyst, an intensive one-day program designed to assist students articulate powerful visions and to build capacity for change.
• An average of 100 students participated in each of the six Service Saturday programs to produce over 1800 hours of community service.

• Thirty new student organizations were added to the student organization community that numbers ~200 groups.

• Two new chapters joined the fraternity/sorority community. Since 2010, participation in fraternities and sororities has grown by more than 500%.

• Facilitated more than 100 unique campus activities that facilitated nearly 50,000 hours of student engagement.
• Bronco Welcome offered more than 40 individual programs for new and returning students during the fall semester opening.
• Housing and Residence Life established an integrated and long term leadership training component of RA/CA training in partnership with Student Involvement and Leadership Center.

• Piloting new Engagement Center in Towers Hall in partnership with Health & Wellness, Campus Recreation, Career Center, The Writing Center, Academic Advising & Enhancement, Campus Read Read and many others.

• Housing and Residence Life began partnership with Fraternity/Sorority Life to provide housing for Alpha Xi Delta, Sigma Chi, and Delta Sigma Phi.
• 133 Wireless Access Points were added to interior and exterior residence halls to more than double the capacity (now 221 total), providing all residence rooms in the halls with wireless access.

• The Women’s Center hosted 28 programs, 55% of which were new to campus. Launched a new volunteer program which resulted in over 450 hours of outreach and event support.
During April, Sexual Assault Awareness Month, the Women’s Center hosted 9 trainings and events focused on healthy relationships and/or sexual assault with a total of 233 participants. Of the 180 participants who completed evaluations, 78% indicated an improved ability to identify actions they could take to prevent sexual violence and/or promote healthy relationships.
• Health Wellness & Marketing in coordination with Housing and Residence Life implemented the E-CHUG on-line alcohol education program for students living on campus. Of those who participated, 85.5% completed the program.

• Health Services, in conjunction with campus partners and Boise Police Department, hosted House Party, a new and innovative educational program on alcohol use and abuse. Over 140 students were in attendance. House Party is being considered as mandatory outreach to new students.
What’s Next?
• VPSA office will be moving in July to 2nd floor of Administration Building, Suite 208.

• Work continues on:
  - Re-imagining and staffing changes
  - Student Affairs Strategic Plan
  - Student Affairs Annual Report
  - Strategic Enrollment Plan
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THANK YOU!