



Associated Students of Boise State University
Student Assembly Resolution FY2019 - #03

TITLE: Resolution Supporting a Comprehensive Tobacco and E-Cigarette Policy on Campus

DATE OF INTRODUCTION: November 14, 2018

INTRODUCED BY: Makaela Bournazian

I. Purpose

This resolution strongly supports a comprehensive tobacco and e-cigarette policy at Boise State University.

II. Rationale

WHEREAS, Boise State University is committed to promoting a healthy and safe environment for students, faculty, staff and visitors. This policy is intended to reduce the health risks related to smoking and secondhand smoke for the campus community. Smoke and tobacco-free policies are becoming a national standard in order to foster a healthy environment in all communities and for all people.

WHEREAS, 83.7% of college campuses in the U.S. have a comprehensive and prohibitive smoking and tobacco policy in place. 79.6% of those specifically prohibit e-cigarette usage.¹

WHEREAS, The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Commissioner classified e-cigarette usage among young Americans as an epidemic in September 2018.²

WHEREAS, a comprehensive tobacco-free and e-cigarette policy benefits students, staff, faculty, and visitors by eliminating the use of any tobacco product, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, mini cigars, hookahs, spit tobacco, snus, and other smokeless products. It also includes innovations in smoke or tobacco products and electronic nicotine delivery devices, such as electronic cigarettes (known as: e-cigarettes, e-hookah, snus, hookah pens, vape pens, juuls, etc.). A comprehensive tobacco-free policy addresses campus tobacco sales, marketing, sponsorship, and investments.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Associated Students of Boise State University that we support a comprehensive tobacco and e-cigarette policy in order to promote and a healthy and safe environment for all.

III. Provisions

¹Wang TW, Tynan MA, Hallett C, et al. Smoke-Free and Tobacco-Free Policies in Colleges and Universities — United States and Territories, 2017. *MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep* 2018;67:686–689.

²Statement from FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb, M.D., on new steps to address epidemic of youth e-cigarette use, Sep. 12, 2018

This resolution strongly encourages Boise State University Administration to enact a comprehensive tobacco and e-cigarette policy on campus, as drafted and approved by the ASBSU Assembly and Executive team. This resolution will enable the ASBSU Executive team to work with campus administration and draft a comprehensive tobacco policy for all Boise State students, faculty, and staff.

IV. Fiscal Impact

There will be no immediate fiscal impact.

TO BE COMMUNICATED TO:


University Interim President, Martin Schimpf; Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Leslie Webb; Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Jeremiah Shinn; Dean of Students, Dr. Chris Wuthrich; Director for Student Involvement and Leadership Center, Charlie Varland; Director for Student Diversity and Inclusion, Francisco Salinas; The Arbiter.

APPROVAL:

By the ASBSU Executive Council on (date) by a vote of (in favor) _____ and (opposed) _____ and (abstaining) _____.

By the ASBSU Student Assembly on (8/22/18) by a vote of (in favor) _____ and (opposed) _____ and (abstaining) _____.

By the ASBSU President

Kaleb Smith 

Date 11.29.18

By the ASBSU Vice President

Emily Rembert 

Date 11.29.18

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