

Associated Students of Boise State University
Spring 2023 Executive Election Results

The total number of voters in the Spring 2023 Executive Election was 1,770, which was 12% of the eligible voters. The results of the election are as follows:

- President and Vice President: Chey Sheen and Jason Holman win with 51.9% of the vote after the instant runoff system was taken into account, Isaac Celedon and Zachary Jorcyk received 48.1% of the votes after the instant runoff system was taken into account. A breakdown of the instant runoff results can be found below.
- Associate Vice President of Student Organization Affairs: Joe Engstrom wins with 55.2% of the vote after the instant runoff system was taken into account, Ian Peña received 44.8% of the votes after the instant runoff system was taken into account. A breakdown of the instant runoff results can be found below.
- Associate Vice President of Inclusive Excellence: **Diego Tapia wins** unopposed with 1,446 votes, 90.7% of the votes cast for this position.
- Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs: **Kalista M. Barklet wins** unopposed with 1,433 votes, 90.1% of the votes cast for this position.
- Proposed Constitution Amendments: **55.6% or 764 voters supported the amendments** and 44.4% or 611 voters denied the amendments, therefore the amendments passes with a simple majority needed.

ASBSU officers will have a transition period in April, and the Inauguration of new officers will take place on Tuesday, April 18, 2023.

Breakdown of instant runoff voting system results for the President and Vice President ticket:

Round 1

Chey Sheen and Jason Holman = 632 first preference votes (37.7%)

Isaac Celedon and Zachary Jorcyk = 576 first preference votes (34.4%)

Abby Smith and Sarah Kazarinoff = 403 first preference votes (24.0%)

Write-in Ticket = 66 first preference votes (3.9%)

The Write-In ticket is eliminated and the second preferences of Write-In ticket voters are distributed amongst the Chey Sheen and Jason Holman ticket, Isaac Celedon and Zachary Jorcyk ticket, and Abby Smith and Sarah Kazarinoff ticket. The results for the second round are:

Chey Sheen and Jason Holman = 632 first preference votes + 21 Write-In Ticket second preference votes = 653 votes (38.9%)

Isaac Celedon and Zachary Jorcyk = 576 first preference votes + 32 Write-In Ticket second preference votes = 608 votes (36.3%)

Abby Smith and Sarah Kazarinoff = 403 first preference votes + 13 Write-In ticket second preference votes = 416 votes (24.8%)

Since there is still no majority winner, the Abby Smith and Sarah Kazarinoff ticket is eliminated and the second preferences of Abby and Sarah ticket voters are distributed among the Chey Sheen and Jason Holman ticket and the Isaac Celedon and Zachary Jorcyk ticket. In order to ensure that all votes are counted we must take into consideration the people that ranked the Abby and Sarah ticket as their first preference and then ranked the Write-In ticket as their second preference, since Write-In Ticket and Abby and Sarah were eliminated. There are 40 of those voters. In this instance, we then use the third preference of those voters to redistribute those 40 votes.

Another issue is what to do with the additional 13 ballots where voters ranked the Write-In ticket as their first preference and the Abby and Sarah ticket as their second preference, since they are both eliminated. In this case, in order to account for those votes in the third-round allocation, we must take all the third preference votes of those 38 voters and redistribute them to the Chey and Jason ticket and the Isaac and Zachary ticket accordingly.

With all of this in mind, the results for the third round are:

Chey Sheen and Jason Holman ticket = 632 first preference votes + 21 Write In ticket second preference votes + 190 Abby and Sarah ticket second preference votes + 19 Abby and Sarah ticket third preference votes when Write-In ticket was second preference vote + 8 Write-In ticket third preference votes when Abby and Sarah ticket were second preference = 870 votes (51.9%)

Isaac Celedon and Zachary Jorcyk = 576 first preference votes + 32 Write-In ticket second preference votes + 170 Abby and Sarah ticket second preference votes + 24 Abby and Sarah ticket third preference votes when Write-In ticket was second preference vote + 5 Write-In ticket third preference votes when Abby and Sarah ticket were second preference = 807 votes (48.1%)

The end result is that the **Chey Sheen and Jason Holman ticket wins with 51.9% of the vote in an Instant Runoff Election.** 

Breakdown of instant runoff voting system results for the Associate Vice President of Student Organization Affairs ticket:

## Round 1

Joe Engstrom = 707 first preference votes (44.6%)
Ian Peña = 490 first preference votes (30.9%)
Paul Massaad = 319 first preference votes (20.1%)
Write-in Ticket = 68 first preference votes (4.3%)

The Write-In ticket is eliminated and the second preferences of Write-In ticket voters are distributed amongst the three candidates. The results for the second round are:

Joe Engstrom = 707 first preference votes + 29 Write-In Ticket second preference votes = 736 votes (46.5%)

Ian Peña = 490 first preference votes + 28 Write-In Ticket second preference votes = 518 votes (32.7%)

Paul Massad = 319 first preference votes + 11 Write-In ticket second preference votes = 330 votes (20.8%)

Since there is still no majority winner, the Paul Massaad is eliminated and the second preferences of those who voted Paul as their first preference are distributed among Joe

Engstrom and Ian Peña. In order to ensure that all votes are counted we must take into consideration the people that ranked the Paul Massaad as their first preference and then ranked the Write-In ticket as their second preference, since Write-In Ticket and Paul were eliminated. There are 18 of those voters. In this instance, we then use the third preference of those voters to redistribute those 18 votes.

Another issue is what to do with the additional 11 ballots where voters ranked the Write-In ticket as their first preference and Paul Massaad as their second preference, since they are both eliminated. In this case, in order to account for those votes in the third-round allocation, we must take all the third preference votes of those 11 voters and redistribute them to Joe Engstrom and Ian Peña.

With all of this in mind, the results for the third round are:

Joe Engstron = 707 first preference votes + 29 Write In ticket second preference votes + 128 Paul Massaad second preference votes + 8 Paul Massaad third preference votes when Write-In ticket was second preference vote + 2 Write-In ticket third preference votes when Paul Massaad was second preference = 874 votes (55.2%)

Ian Peña = 490 first preference votes + 28 Write-In ticket second preference votes + 173 Paul Massaad second preference votes + 10 Paul Massaad third preference votes when Write-In ticket was second preference vote + 9 Write-In ticket third preference votes when Paul Massaad was second preference = 710 votes (44.8%)

The end result is that Joe Engstrom wins with 55.2% of the vote in an Instant Runoff Election.

Adam Jones, 2022-2023 ASBSU President

Date

Angel Venegas, 2023 ASBSU Elections Manager

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Lacy O'Dell, Spring 2023 ASBSU Ethics Officer

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