

## Faculty Senate Talking Points, January 28, 2025, Meeting #20

- **Legislative week.** President Green is speaking before JFAC at the Higher Ed hearings that are happening this week. On Friday, JFAC is planning to set the budgets for the hearings they heard this week.
- The Trump administration issued a number of **executive orders** that may impact federal grants. At this time, the university's approach is to hold the course and continue what we are doing.
- Faculty Senate held a brainstorming session on the university's relationship with the legislature/perception of higher education in Idaho. The goal is to consider creative ways to "rebrand" ourselves in the mind of the public and legislature. Some ideas included a messaging that "We are Idaho" leaning in to our longevity and all we do for the state. Others included sending strategic delegations to meet with legislators or to make fun marketing videos (sizzle reels). Share your ideas with Senate leadership: [khaltinner@uidaho.edu](mailto:khaltinner@uidaho.edu)
- If you need assistance with financial planning, visit Fidelity's [Appointment Scheduler](#)

## Important announcements and deadlines

- **February Faculty Gathering in Moscow.** Hosted by the College of Business and Economics, to be held on Wednesday February 12, 2025 from 4:30-6:30 PM PT in the Albertson Building Atrium. Please complete this [RSVP form](#) if you plan to attend.
- **Early Warning Grades** are due February 11. (Note that they are back to Banner.)
- **Black Excellence Gala** is this Friday in the International Ballroom. It's a great way to support Black students who created this event following the closure of the Black and African American Cultural Center. <https://www.idahobca.com/gala>

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](mailto:khaltinner@uidaho.edu)).

**Remember to share these talking points with faculty and staff in your colleges**