



**Brad Little**, Governor  
**Tom Kealey**, Director

## **IGEM INVESTMENT SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING**

April 30, 2020

Idaho Department of Commerce

Meeting held via teleconference due to COVID-19.

### **IGEM Investment Subcommittee Members Phone:**

Bill Gilbert, Chair  
Dr. David Hill  
Tom Kealey  
Rick Stott  
Janine Rush-Byers  
Paul Judge

### **Idaho Commerce Staff Present:**

Matt Borud, *Marketing and Innovation Administrator*  
Carmen Achabal, *IGEM Program Manager*  
Mark Blaiser, *Grants and Contracts Analyst*

### **Call to Order**

Carmen called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m., upon request by the Chair. All members attended via phone due to COVID-19. Membership meets quorum and can legally enter executive session.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The IGEM Investment Subcommittee (ISC) meeting minutes from February 4, 2020 are before the ISC for approval.

### **Motion: To approve the minutes from the ISC meeting on February 4, 2020.**

Moved by: Dr. David Hill  
Seconded by: Tom Kealey  
All in favor. No discussion.

### **Motion approved.**

### **IGEM Application Review and Discussion - Carmen Achabal**

*Carmen provided an overview of the third and final round of funding application for fiscal year 2020.*

### **APP #3981: BSU – Coating Inhibits Adhesion of Viruses & Bacteria on Surfaces in Medical & Food Processing**

Carmen summarized project details and submitted comments. ISC discussed the project. Investment Subcommittee made a change to the agenda. They elected to render funding decisions after discussing them, except for the 3 projects in executive session.

### **Motion: To not advance this project for funding consideration by the IGEM Council.**

Moved by: Dr. David Hill  
Seconded by: Tom Kealey  
All in favor. No discussion.

Motion approved.

**APP# 3988: ISU – Optimization of a Filterless Air Purifier for Pathogen Removal from Industrial Facilities**

Carmen summarized project details and submitted comments. ISC discussed project.

**Motion: To not advance this project for funding consideration by the IGEM Council.**

Moved by: Dr. David Hill

Seconded by: Rick Stott

All in favor. No discussion.

Motion approved.

**APP# 3989: ISU – The Shoulder Pillow**

Carmen summarized project details and submitted comments. ISC discussed the project.

**Motion: To not advance this project for funding consideration by the IGEM Council.**

Moved by: Tom Kealey

Seconded by: Dr. David Hill

All in favor. No discussion.

Motion approved.

**Enter Executive Session and exit the Public Session.**

**Bill Gilbert, Chair entertained a motion to enter executive session to discuss applications that contained confidential and or proprietary information.**

*Pursuant to Idaho Code 74-206 (1) (d) to review records exempt from public disclosure under Idaho Code Sections 74-107(1), 74-107(6).*

Moved by: Tom Kealey

Second by: Dr. David Hill

Roll call vote was taken at 9:24 a.m.

All in favor; no discussion.

Motion approved.

**No notes were taken during Executive Session.**

**Exit Executive Session and return to the Public Session.**

**Bill Gilbert, Chair entertained a motion to return to public session.**

Moved by: Tom Kealey

Seconded by: Dr. David Hill

Roll call vote was taken.

All in favor; no discussion.

Motion approved.

The ISC returned to the public session. The Chair noted that the ISC:

1. Reviewed the applications submitted for IGEM funding:  
*APP# 3952: BSU – Novel Movement & Inspection System for Drones to Improve Infrastructure Safety Assessment*

*APP# 3984: BSU – Using Integrated High - Speed Video System to Evaluate the Attenuation Ability of HOPlite Skate Armor under High-Velocity Impacts*

*APP# 3986: UI – Free to Feed Food - Allergen Test Kit for Human Milk; and*

2. After discussions were concluded, closed the Executive Session with a roll call vote of the ISC membership; and
3. No funding decisions were made in Executive Session.

### **IGEM Application Funding Consideration – Bill Gilbert**

APP# 3952: BSU – Novel Movement & Inspection System for Drones to Improve Infrastructure Safety Assessment

**Motion: To recommend this project for funding consideration by the IGEM Council.**

Moved by: Dr. David Hill

Seconded by: Tom Kealey

All in favor. No discussion.

Motion approved.

APP# 3984: BSU – Using Integrated High- Speed Video System to Evaluate the Attenuation Ability of HOPlite Skate Armor under High-Velocity Impacts

**Motion: To not advance this project for funding consideration by the IGEM Council.**

Moved by: Tom Kealey

Seconded by: Paul Judge

All in favor. No discussion.

Motion approved.

APP# 3986: UI – Free to Feed Food Allergen Test Kit for Human Milk

**Motion: To recommend this project for funding consideration by the IGEM Council.**

Moved by: Dr. David Hill

Seconded by: Janine Rush-Byers

All in favor. No discussion.

Motion approved.

### **Public Comments**

The IGEM Council will meet on May 12, 2020. Two project will go through along with 3 previous projects that will present an update: (1) Dr. Kenneth Cain on the fish probiotic (UI) (2) Dr. Nadar and Dr. Mullner on the Micro-pump (BSU), and (3) Dr. Marco Schoen on the Augmented Reality Platform with House of Design. The VPRs and Dr. Hill have been asked to provide a succinct overview on the state of the universities: financial, fall registration, etc. due to COVID-19. Additionally, they were asked to discuss the succession/transition of the VPR position. IGEM will also provide the Council with program history and current information.

### **Adjournment**

**Motion: To adjourn the meeting.**

Moved by: Dr. David Hill

Seconded by: Tom Kealey

All in favor. No discussion.

**Motion approved.**

Bill Gilbert adjourned meeting at 10:00 a.m.