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MINUTES OF APRIL 22, 2026 COMMITTEE MEETING

FREE SPEECH & STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
ALUMNI CENTER, REIMAN BALLROOM
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Committee Members

Greta Rouse, Chair	Present
Lucy Gipple, Vice Chair	Present
Nancy Dunkel	Present

Also Attending
Regent Christine Hensley
Regent Robert Cramer
Regent Sherry Bates
Regent JC Risewick
Regent Kurt Tjaden
Toyia Younger, ISU Senior Vice President of Student Affairs
Sarah Hansen, UI Vice President for Student Life
Heather Schroeder, UNI Vice President for Student Life

Call to Order
Chair Rouse called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Minutes of November 12, 2025 Committee Meeting
✓ *The committee recommended approval by GENERAL CONSENT.*

Student Financial Aid Report
Jason Pontius, Associate Chief Academic Officer for the Board, and the three university directors of student financial aid presented on the annual Student Financial Aid Report. In addition to reviewing financial aid data, the directors provided an overview of how the One Big Beautiful Bill will impact university financial aid.

Report on the Free Speech Survey
Pontius presented the results of the third biennial Free Speech Survey to the Board. Students reported positive feedback on their campus' free-speech environment for the third straight survey while faculty staff feedback was less positive than prior year survey results.

Chair Rouse adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m.