STUDENT GOVERNMENT GENERAL TRANSITIONAL MEETING - Part 1 April 21, 2013

I. Preliminary Items

- **a.** Roll Call
- **b.** Approval of minutes
- c. Changes to the Agenda
 - i. Move FAC report to beginning of auxiliary reports
 - ii. group photo!
- d. Gallery Introductions/Business
 - i. All the new members
 - ii. Paige!
 - iii. FAC Members
 - iv. Tim our lovely photographer!
- e. Membership Appointments/Resignations
- **f.** Oath of Office

II. Auxiliary Reports

- a. FAC
 - i. Didn't fund Up till Dawn
 - 1. There was no direction, or many ideas for how to use fund
 - ii. Total amount they could allot \$55,549
 - iii. Total amount allotted \$50,155
 - iv. FAC funded groups \$27,725 (55%)
 - **v.** ICA \$22,680 (45%)
- **b.** Speaker of the Student Senate
 - i. explanation of what's going down
 - ii. Polwort thinks Brenden's awesome
- **c.** Student Representative to the Board of Governors
- **d.** Faculty Advisor
 - i. Graduating seniors- Dr. Shaw will be on the right side of the faculty tunnel FREE HIGH FIVES!
- e. Staff Advisor
 - i. Mike Polowort- meet with Sarah! Get grants paid!
 - ii. It's been a pleasure working with you!
 - iii. New people—looking forward to working with you!
- **f.** Academic Affairs
 - Not coming back next term, but doesn't mean he's going to be gone forever
 - **1.** take that as a warning
- g. External Affairs
 - i. No Report
 - ii. Miss you!
- h. Environmental Affairs
 - i. No Report! Will be back!

- **ii.** Waiting to hear back from Kirksville to continue moving recycling forwards!
- i. Student Affairs
 - i. Still working on getting two more prizes out of the office!
 - ii. Thanks for a great year!
- j. Diversity Chair
 - i. Will reimburse MAC for the Poverty Project
 - ii. Diversity Poster Series!!!
 - **iii.** Thanks for your work!
- k. Grants and Sponsorships
 - i. One last application—DSP wants \$100 to go to a conference in Seattle August 7-11 [Approved]
 - 1. Decided that it falls under this body's jurisdiction
 - 2. Committee passed
 - **3.** Money will cover registration costs
 - **4.** National DSP conference
 - **5.** Gordon- DSP MUST send 1 person (president) and actual cost is around \$1100, so they're paying the rest of it
 - ii. It's been a pleasure!
 - iii. Good luck with the new format and new methods
- **l.** Purple Friday
 - i. Will be out on the mall giving out snow cones
 - ii. next week there will be a bash on the quad with music and fun!
- m. Comm Director
 - i. working on publicity!
 - ii. Thanks everyone leaving-you made me love senate
- n. Webmaster
 - i. Working on cleaning up the website

III. Executive Reports

- a. Treasurer
 - i. 17,000 left in our budget
 - ii. if you need to fill out an FRF email her!
- **b.** Secretary
 - i. BYE!
- **c.** VP of the Student Association
 - i. Sorry for all the business
 - ii. Thanks—you've made a lasting impact on Ryan
 - **iii.** impressed with the dedication to the body
 - iv. Proud of how we started the year—huge effort in Truman week
 - v. Filled up our election for the first time in a long time
 - vi. Lots of energy, then we hit a wall!!
 - vii. But lot's of energy
 - viii. challenge to the new body—keep involved all year long
- **d.** President of the Student Association
 - i. Keep your eye on Jeff City- don't let politicians get away with ruining Truman!

- ii. Domestic Partner Benefits—reps from StuGov and Faculty Senate will be presenting at the June Board of Governor's meeting
- iii. Based on what he's been hearing, he predicts that Truman will offer Gender Neutral Housing
- **iv.** FAC-receive 9 times the amount of funding that StuGov does, though everything we spend goes in the Index, but there is no oversight for FAC
 - **1.** That information needs to be public—there shouldn't be \$100,000 spent with no transparency
 - 2. New body-make sure you hold their feet to the fire
- v. June board meeting is June 15

IV. Other Reports

V. Old Business

- a. Replacement of Section 18 of Standing Rules (Gordon) [PASS]
 - i. Sent out on Tuesday with more changes—highlighted which clauses are different (5 are same, 12 are different)
 - ii. Polwort- supports the changes (as current chair of the committee)
 - iii. Service Board also approved the changes
 - iv. Nely-impressed with the time and effort, so thanks!
- **b.** Resolution in Support of Guidelines for Changes to Grants and Sponsorships (Gordon) [11-0-0]
 - i. Same thing from Tuesday—3x's as many changes as non changes
 - ii. Some general rules, some specific rules
 - iii. RULES
 - iv. friendly amendment... to himself (getting rid of a quote!)
- **c.** Resolution for New Computer (Foley)
 - i. Dell, new monitor—should last many years!
 - ii. This computer is sooooo old
 - **iii.** Malin- weary on spending money on ourselves, but that computer is shot and we can't access files

VI. New Business

- a. Special Resolutions (Gordon)
 - i. will pass them as a slate
 - ii. UNANIMOUS CONSENT
 - iii. Dominque Magruder (Chair of Athletic Accountability Committee)
 - **1.** she is not a student senator, but has done a really awesome job, and has worked with a really hard group
 - iv. Stephen Gott
 - v. Michael Polwort
 - vi. Ierod Simek
 - vii. Kelsey Smith
 - 1. I AM AWESOME HEAR ME ROAR!!!!!!!!
 - viii. Ryan Nely
 - 1. he had difficulty trimming it down.
 - ix. Aaron Malin
 - x. Hannah Overfelt

- xi. Foley- you guys taught me how to be a sentor. thanks
- xii. A couple of friendlies for my resolution

VII. Installation of the New President

- a. Farewell address from President Aaron Malin
 - i. It's been fun—he has really enjoyed the 2 years he has spent with people
 - ii. Lot's of questions over how things got done
 - **iii.** Biggest struggles is the fact that students don't care about student government
 - 1. there's a reason for that!
 - **2.** this body would benefit from the fact that internal business is irrelevant to students
 - **3.** students only care about what we do if it effects them
 - **4.** the things that matter are the changes to the body
 - iv. This year, we have made a number of significant changes
 - v. really excited about the big projects, GNH, benefits, iTech—Thank you to everyone who participated in the projects
 - vi. How have we accomplished these things?
 - 1. Spent about 1 day a week in Jefferson City as President
 - **2.** Means that the way we make tangible changes is by working within the policy arena
 - **3.** The body can act as a policy making body, or more like a student council (most are a hybrid)
 - **4.** We deal in influence, not power, which makes it complicated when attempting to make changes
 - 5. It's really important to know who makes which decisions
 - **6.** Sometimes we took symbolic action, which has a place but the way to make big changes is by finding out who has the power to make a decision and figuring out how to influence them
 - **7.** People will act when they are forced to act, they probably won't otherwise
 - **8.** To make a policy change requires figuring out who has the ability to make the change, and who influences that individual
 - vii. So, when we do things like Domestic Partnership Benefits, it involves traveling to Jeff City/ finding out who you need to influence
 - viii. A lot of the things we did wouldn't have happened without alumnae
 - ix. Truman at the Capitol is really important, but it's important to maintain relationships with people in Jefferson City
 - **x.** The body is in good shape—Matt and Katherine will be a great team
 - **xi.** Thanks for everything we've done, and all the time we've spent
 - **xii.** I have a lot of friends, and a lot of teammates, and he appreciates the memories we've shared.

xiii. Announcements

- 1. Gordon-good luck
- **2.** Nely- giving thesis on the influence of religion on the 2008 elections Friday at 3:30 in Baldwin, and doesn't want to defend himself to an empty room
 - **a.** there will be cookies
- **b.** Swearing in of President-Elect Matt Cooper
- c. SUCCESS.
- **d.** Peace.
- **e.** Out.