

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
GENERAL MEETING  
October 07, 2012**

**I. Preliminary Items**

- a. Roll Call
- b. Approval of minutes
- c. Changes to the Agenda
  - c.i. Money Motion for Purple Friday
  - c.ii. Taking care of new business before old business
  - c.iii. discussion item to fill assorted roles
- d. Gallery Introductions/Business
  - d.i. Fran and Chelsea- supporting resolution in support of Farm to School program
- e. Membership Appointments/Resignations
  - e.i. Laura Van Genderen to Speaker *Pro Tempore* [Appointed]
  - e.ii. Matt Cooper to Student Affairs Chair [Appointed]
    - e.ii.1. Polwort- what do you want to see done as chair?
      - e.ii.1.a. First step is to search out the major problems students are having, because Matt hasn't been around very long and doesn't know what the actual big problems are
  - e.iii. Aaron Gershman to Comm Director [Appointed]
    - e.iii.1. Polwort- Comm Director has been in charge of roundtables in the past
      - e.iii.1.a. Roundtables: seem to be a great way to get student's voices on the matter
  - e.iv. Aaron Gershman to External Affairs VC [Appointed]
  - e.v. Dan Quarles to Grants and Sponsorships [Appointed]
- f. Oath of Office

**II. Auxiliary Reports**

- a. Speaker of the Student Senate
  - a.i. Next week's meeting is cancelled—enjoy your break
  - a.ii. Switched reports around whoo!
- b. Student Representative to the Board of Governors
- c. Faculty Advisor
- d. Staff Advisor
- e. Academic Affairs
  - e.i. Everything that was said at Ex Comm stays the same. Read those minutes if you're interested in what's going on!
- f. External Affairs
  - f.i. Thank you to David, Laura, John, and Matt—thanks for your hard work in the voter reg drive
  - f.ii. We are not reaching the goal of 500 voters.
    - f.ii.1. We cannot reach our goal without full participation from the whole body, regardless of what committee you are in

or what you're working on, everyone else in Senate needs your help

f.ii.2. If you are not going to put in the work, don't vote to agree with a resolution. Specifically stated that by passing the resolution, you were agreeing to help. You did not fulfill your part.

**g. Environmental Affairs**

g.i. Still working on the various projects that we've talked about in the past

g.i.1. Including looking into enforcing the current smoking policy

g.i.2. In the past, it has been brought up that DPS would be in charge of enforcement of the policy

g.i.3. Stephen- just make sure you check into the role and responsibilities of DPS

g.i.4. Glass recycling—how do we plan on spreading information about it???

g.ii. Stephen brought up physical plant being totally awesome, so he's gonna send them a thank you note from stugov

**h. Student Affairs**

h.i. **FIRST REPORT WHOOP WHOOP!**

h.ii. Nothing to report. let down.

h.iii. BUT if you have questions or comments let him know!

**i. Diversity Chair**

i.i. Poster series!

i.i.1. Variety of topics—promoting positive and inclusive ideas

i.i.2. hopefully we make them as hilarious and snarky as past years. because I have always loved hilarious posters coming from stugov. They're much more fun to read.

i.ii. Roundtable: inviting all multicultural groups to participate in a potluck! (Because who the heck doesn't like pot-lucks! FOOOOOOD!)

**j. Grants and Sponsorships**

j.i. 3 Grants: Service Board to use \$500 to disperse amongst service fraternities and sororities for their own projects (rejected- wanted to be the middle person between StuGov funds and the organizations who wanted to use the money); Sleep Awareness week (rejected- can't help fund events that have already passed because the committee hadn't been formed yet); Prism requested \$450 for the rights to purchase the Laramie Project (accepted)

j.ii. 1 Sponsorship: First Book to put on "Banned Books Week" (rejected- they wanted \$500 to use as a donation in order to stay in existence, and Senate can't do donations)

j.iii. Grant for prism is Approved!

**k. Purple Friday**

k.i. Finalized some homecoming events

- I. Webmaster
- m. Communication Director
  - m.i. Looking to work with Environmental to get the word out about glass recycling
- III. **Executive Reports**
  - a. Treasurer
  - b. Secretary
    - b.i. Committee meetings—if you do not attend a committee meeting, you are getting an absence. Committee heads simply send me a list of names of who attended a meeting. If you're name is not on that list, you will receive an absence. If you do not tell me you are not attending your committee meeting, you will get an unexcused absence,
      - b.i.1. Which is really just silly because I'm pretty flexible and extremely easy to contact...
    - b.ii. If you're committee doesn't meet during a week, your committee head will let me know, so don't worry your pretty little heads about that.
  - c. VP of the Student Association
    - c.i. Email to AMA about designing posters—let's help a brother out!
    - c.ii. Wants someone to help lead the October 20 homecoming senate alumnae brunch—it is a required event!
    - c.iii. Next steering meeting is November 1
    - c.iv. Grants and Sponsorships- send an email out on Friday with information about grants and sponsorships
  - d. President of the Student Association
    - d.i. Formed a partnership with the Adair County Clerk- they are looking for poll workers!
      - d.i.1. \$100 for the days work, but you have to be there from 5am-7pm, and you would miss class (although many professors would excuse you probably!)
    - d.ii. Voter Registration—some people really came through and some people dropped the ball. Hannah said "If you voted yes- you are saying you will help out with the drive." It's a little disappointing that people didn't help out
    - d.iii. Ex Comm has changed to 5:45 every Thursday in CSI Conference Room- though this Thursday there is no Ex Comm for break
    - d.iv. StuGov has a notary process- if you know anyone voting absentee let them know to visit senate.truman.edu
- IV. **Other Reports**
- V. **Old Business**
  - a. Budget (Gordon)
    - a.i. Changed wording so everything is capisce?
    - a.ii. Purple Fridays has \$3000 (the budget they submitted to us)-Senate is funding \$2000, while they will receive \$1000 from outside sponsors
      - a.ii.1. Student Appreciation Week? Pays for entire week's events
- VI. **New Business**

- a. Resolution in Support of the Farm to School Program (Kohler) [Adopted by Unanimous Consent]
  - a.i. Chelsea: farm to school program has been sponsored by a 2 year grant from the USDA. It funds local foods coordinator position and equipment costs
  - a.ii. Fran: with grant money, they started fruit and vegetable production at the farm, hired 2 interns, and hired a local foods coordinator who has established connections with Sodexo director in order to have plans for what the farm can grow versus what Sodexo needs. Difficult because Sodexo needs to plan so far ahead of times.
  - a.iii. Established market on the mall and donated to Salvation Army
  - a.iv. Year 2: Hired 3 workers, built up the relationship with Sodexo—this year they have sold (literally) tons of food that can be used in the cafeterias; doubled production at the farm; helped Jameson community garden get on its feet; donated to the Food Bank; expanded Market on the Mall.
  - a.v. Why this Program Should Continue by creating a permanent staff position in order to handle local foods coordination and other sustainability actions
    - a.v.1. The program has already have equipment to continue work
    - a.v.2. Brings together Truman and the local community
    - a.v.3. Educates students to where their food comes from; Kirksville is such an agricultural community and connecting with the farmers is very important
    - a.v.4. Has presented and done tours for many different groups
    - a.v.5. Bringing in featured farmers in order to show students how they can get involved, allowing for stronger ties between students and farmers
    - a.v.6. Helps further sustainability!
  - a.vi. Everyone has amazing experiences and learns a lot; they have all gained skills that will help them as they move into the future
  - a.vii. They have a meeting with the Provost, and they need all the support they can get in order to create a new position
  - a.viii. Sustainability resolution was passed by Truman awhile ago, giving an explicit statement that the school wants to work with local foods and other sustainable measures that this program supports, including closed loop food system
  - a.ix. Malin- absolutely 100% important to have that position exist, especially because if you've ever eaten in a dining hall you will notice the better quality fruit that comes straight from local foods
  - a.x. Gott- the can of spicy pickles I bought from market on the mall last week changed my life.
  - a.xi. Scheidt- everyone who's ever participated in any program agrees that it's fantastic.

- a.xii. Gordon- hopefully we can pass this resolution. This is a student organized and run group, and as Student Government we have a role in supporting this organization
- a.xiii. Fran: early frost killed off food ☹️
- b. Money Motion for \$150 for Purple Friday Committee Mocktails event (Simek) [Pass]
  - b.i. October 26 mocktails event and a party with student groups performing
  - b.ii. Money will be used for refreshments

**VII. Discussion Items**

- a. Role Fulfillment
  - a.i. Oct. 15-16 from 5-7:30= new student org hearing board: Katherine Scheidt
  - a.ii. Meeting twice for 2-3 hours= Conduct Board interview committee selection board: Erin Schroeder
  - a.iii. Service Board interviews- Hannah Overfelt
  - a.iv. Adair County Poll Workers: first 16 who send him an email
  - a.v. Every Tuesday at 12:30=Interdisciplinary Studies major/minor review board: Aaron Gershman

**VIII. Announcements**

- a. Clarification: when grants and sponsorships committee approves something, there must be a motion to veto what has been approved. No motion means senate approves the committee's decision.
- b. Zach: VP of Prism, trying to have a presence on campus and do activism for rights of LGBT- first big event is National Coming Out Day is Thursday (doing a week long event). Turning it into a support as well—coming out in support of someone who is already out. Tuesday night at 8pm in the SUB down under is streaming of the movie “The Laramie Project” (about Matthew Shepard case). Also thank you for funding us to get the rights to the movie.
- c. Scheidt: Homecoming team is having a philanthropy lasagna dinner (\$4) tomorrow behind Pi Kapp House
- d. Gott's team is doing chili night!