

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
February 21, 2019
Called to order 9:03 p.m.**

Preliminary Items

a. Roll Call

i. Present:

1. Keaton Leppanen, President
2. Deanna Schmidt, Vice President
3. Adam Barker, Speaker
4. Lauren Hogan, Treasurer
5. Sam Tillman, Secretary
6. Katie Alexander, Academic Affairs Chair
7. Jared Kolok, Environmental Affairs Chair
8. Rachel Holt, External Affairs Chair
9. Joe Slama, Health, Wellness, and Safety Chair
10. Caroline Costello, Sexual Assault Prevention Designee
11. Adam Paris, Student Affairs Chair

Auxiliary Reports

a. Academic Affairs Chair

- i. I ordered food for the Educator of the Year banquet, the entree will be Chicken Piccata like last year, with Greek salad, roasted red potatoes, green beans, and red velvet cake.
 1. Leppanen: Did you consider the possibility of a BUFFET?
 - a. No, this is a CLASSY event
 2. Paris: Capers on the chicken?
 - a. No idea. Ask Sodexo.
 3. Barker: A meat carving station?
 - a. Ummm, no.
- ii. Course threads: My presentation at UGC went really well! People were excited about it.
- iii. Freshman Guide: If I talk to you about adding to your sections, please do it ASAP.
- iv. I sent out the email to seniors with the Commencement speaker applications, that was terrifying, but at least it's over.

b. External Affairs Chair

- i. My committee met for the first time, woo!
- ii. College Democrats reached out to me about running a voter registration drive, which is cool, but there are a couple things with that: first, it needs to be under our banner so it is nonpartisan; second, we also should have the College Republicans there, too. I reached out to them, but I haven't heard back yet.
- iii. Truman at the Capitol: I hope that we can go sometime in the two weeks after spring break. There is a poll in the slack, I will also ask where in Missouri members of the body are from, so we can reach out to their representatives about the possibility of getting a brief meeting. I would also like us to go on a Friday so we can have a Purple Friday at the Capitol.
- iv. Poverty Banquet: April 14 from 5:30-8 p.m. It will be \$5/ticket, and the proceeds will go to AM Housing. Additional donations will also be accepted, and there will be a silent auction.
 1. A brief explainer about the dinner: when you arrive, you draw a card, and you either get a full meal, bread and soup, or rice. The point of this is to make people more aware of the issue of poverty, which is prevalent in Northeast Missouri.
- v. Rachel Owings is reaching out to Mizzou's Student Government to see if we can have a get-together, I have money in my budget to do that.
 1. Schmidt: Wow! Let's get as many schools as we can to participate.
- vi. Questions:
 1. Hogan: How close is AM Housing to their goal, and how feasible is this project?

- a. I don't know about the goal; we did have some reservations about doing this, that's why we didn't do something with them last semester. But I think this a noble thing to do, so it will go ahead.
 - 2. Schmidt: Shania asked if we have ever had a candidates' forum for City Council, would we be able to host something like that?
 - a. I think that's definitely a possibility.
- c. Environmental Affairs Chair
 - i. Questions:
 - 1. Leppanen: How is Fair Grounds going?
 - a. The University is moving ahead with the plan to get a concrete slab to put exercise equipment on. I don't think that's the best idea; I kind of want to take a strong stance against that.
 - b. Leppanen: I didn't realize that they had already decided on that.
 - c. Yeah, I think I may write a resolution about that. On my end, Ernie Hughes is talking to Sue next week about naming protocol, and I need to reach out to Laurie Shook to see if there is a Fair plaque we can use.
- d. Student Affairs Chair
 - i. All three of my committee members are working on the Freshman Guide. We're also working on a resolution, that will be coming soon.
 - ii. Questions:
 - 1. Schmidt: Dr. Thomas asked if she and Janna could be involved giveaways for Student Appreciation Week; they want to order a couple thousand mini chocolates that say "Happy to be a bulldog" and hand them out. Could you incorporate that into the plan?
 - a. Yes
 - 2. When is tabling for that week?
 - a. Monday and Tuesday, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
- e. Health, Wellness and Safety Chair
 - i. I've written a resolution to codify Mental Wellness Week into HWS duties, in perpetuity.
 - ii. I met with the ATSU practicum student who is studying social norms on campus, she had a thick binder of literature on the subject.
 - iii. Questions:
 - 1. Hogan: Laura was wondering if you would sponsor \$100 from your budget for wellness stickers.
 - a. I will get back to her.
- f. Sexual Assault Prevention Designee
 - i. I sent out more emails. Tomorrow, I harass RHA and NRHA.

Executive Reports

- a. Treasurer
 - i. No report, I'll have something interesting on Sunday.
- b. Secretary
 - i. No report.
- c. Speaker of the Student Senate:
 - i. Joe's resolution will be on Sunday's agenda, so be prepared to discuss that.
 - ii. I will be gone, Jared will be Speaker in my place.
- d. President and Vice President of the Student Association
 - i. Everyone should submit at least one nomination for the CSI Leadership Recognition Program, it is in the Slack.
 - ii. Our meeting with President Thomas and Dr. Stoskopf was very interesting!
 - 1. We broached the subject of administrative communication with the student body, and some of our suggestions matched with some of the suggestions from the marketing consultants.
 - 2. The email advertising President Thomas' University Address has been well-received, several people have come up to me saying they appreciated the email and the video.

3. They are also on board with doing fun videos about members of the administration. President Thomas is interested in spicing up her social media, so we're thinking about pitching Fishbowl Friday.
 - a. Hogan: She should do a spring break video.
4. We would also like to make students more aware of intermediate members of the administration. On that subject, they were interested in our idea to distribute a directory/flowchart for who to talk to about specific issues. Though they are sometimes funny, I get some very weird emails; President Thomas gets more, and they are a lot weirder.
- iii. For those of you who haven't seen in the Slack, the faculty governance joint resolution (with everything wanted) won in a LANDSLIDE (22-2). This means that there will be a phase-by-phase implementation of the Dialogues, woohoo!
 1. Who voted no?
 - a. Candy Young and Debbie Cartwright.
- iv. *Brief pause for the distribution of Secretary Emeritus Maura Shimmens' delicious gluten-free pancakes*
- v. Student Survey:
 1. It is not statistically significant :(
 2. BUT... there are still a lot of good data points that we can use to check the pulse of the student body; a lot of the questions resulted in strong responses one way or the other, so we have a good idea of what to advocate for, what projects to pursue.
 3. Some specific data:
 - a. The student body is in favor of keeping the safety poles.
 - b. A lot of people said they didn't vote in elections because they didn't know about them.
 4. Lots of interesting comments! I suggest reviewing ones relevant to your committee.
 5. The way we've been approaching the post-Presidents' Round Table data hasn't resulted in the best discussions, so we will not have round three on Sunday. Continue to use the feedback going forward with your committees.
 - a. I did hear someone bragging about going to the Round Table.
- vi. Questions:
 1. Alexander: How many responses would have been needed to be statistically significant?
 - a. Kolok: Ten percent of the student body, so about 600.
 2. Holt: To be honest, the format of the survey made me not want to take it.
 - a. I know, it was the bane of my existence, but all surveys are kind of that way.
 3. Paris: Do we know how many people are eligible to run for Senior Senator?
 - a. I'm not sure, how about you all talk to each other and figure that out closer to the election?

Adjourned 9:38 p.m.