

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
September 10th 2019
Called to Order: 9:00 P.M.**

Preliminary Items

- a.** Roll Call

Auxiliary Reports

- a.** Speaker of the Student Senate

- i. Are there any questions for the Code of Conduct?
 1. The code will be brought up this Sunday for a second read.
- ii. Committee meeting tomorrow at 7:30 P.M. for Rules Revision Ad Hoc to talk about constitutional rewrite.

- b.** Academic Affairs Chair

- i. I went to hang up the plaque and they had no idea what I'm talking about.
 1. Schmidt: the girl at the front is new.
 2. Meyer: I'm going in tomorrow to turn it in.
- ii. First meeting with Provost Gooch is next Monday (Sept. 23rd) at 12:30 P.M.
- iii. My committee has met and we are talking about the Academic Integrity brochure. Their suggestions are to cut info since it is too wordy. We also have ideas based on GPA scholarships/student retention/scholarship jobs and will bring those up to Provost Gooch.
 1. I have talked to students (dropped out/current/transfers) and one big reason many students have left is because the scholarship jobs were stressful while trying to maintain GPA.
 - a. Schmidt: Make sure you have data on Truman compared to other students before you talk to Gooch.
 - i. Meyer: No other university has scholarship jobs but work studies. We can't expect a rigorous course load as well as a time commitment with a job.
 - ii. Woods: My friend working as a TA only really has to work 1 hour while others have to work up to 8 hours, there are some jobs that are extensive and none not at all. There's a weird range.
 - b. Alexander: If you are going to use that anecdotal evidence, make sure you record those conversations and are taking written notes for credibility. In the future, maybe you could look at standardizing those methods of interviewing and data gathering.
 - i. Meyer: I have recorded calls already.
- iv. Tori Woods, do you want to do a collab project? Nothing official yet but my committee wants to work on stress.
 1. Woods: Maybe an event during Mental Health week?

- c.** Health, Wellness and Safety Chair

- i. Meetings are now at 8 P.M. on Mondays, and we discussed Mental Health week, this included speaking with a member of the department about a free screening during a day of the week; however, there are Partners of Prevention (who meet Wednesdays at 3:30-5:30 P.M.) and want a representative from Student Government. I will talk to my committee.
 1. We want to do a monthly newsletter about the 8 dimensions of wellness.
 2. Meeting with Dr. Thomas about her opinion/safety polls and wellness polls that have been conducted. Caroline as a Sexual Assault Prevention Designee will need help, and will talk to the body about tabling volunteers.
- ii. Questions:
 1. Schmidt: Katie and I type out an all-school email every month, would you like to partner to reduce the amount of emails sent to the student body? We are hoping

to send that out in the next two weeks. We would need it by next Wednesday 11:59 P.M.

- a. Woods: Yes that would be wonderful.
2. Schmidt: Do you have a plan for Mental Health Week
 - a. We are meeting next week to discuss daily events, we have a day dedicated to yoga/maybe a day set up for Kirksville, a chiropractor/therapists/etc. Another day would maybe be free screenings in the SUB.
 - i. Schmidt: Do you have dates yet?
 1. Woods: No.
 3. Montúfar: Do other health organizations have newsletters?
 - a. Woods: The Health department has one that discusses upcoming events but nothing about what to do. I am going to be talking to Brenda Embree to discuss their newsletter.
 - b. Montúfar: I think it would be valuable to maybe collaborate with other organizations.
 - c. Alexander: You can start with newsletter features, having some other organizations adding their own parts to your newsletter.
- d. Purple Friday Subcommittee Chair
 - i. Getting access to the Facebook page from Laura.
 - ii. 1-2 Sigma Kappas are volunteering to wear Spike's costume on Friday
 - iii. Candy with Rachel on Thursday.
 - iv. Working on finding a way to engage students with social media spotlights.
 1. Schmidt: we gave her the suggestion of talking with her committee, but is there anything else we can give her to ask students?
 - a. Montúfar: Do things like fishbowl fridays - fun questions.
 - b. Schmidt: would it be more interesting to have pictures and videos?
 - i. Yes.
 - c. Woods: What if we ask what students do in Kirksville for fun?
- e. TEDx Conference Ad Hoc Committee Chair
 - i. I had a meeting today, Sophia met with TMN TV, and they are going to be more actively involved. We are going to have a test run before the event. There will be a follow-up meeting next week even though Sophia and TMN TV member met and watched a video
 - ii. Met with UNI event planner, we figured out the flat situation, it's all accounted for except the curtains which we may have to rent online. We are going to get flats from theater, although they don't know which one's until we get there (there is a wide range).
 - iii. Social media is aimed to start in early October. Posters will happen soon. We have speaker bios ready and social media is getting ready. Taste of Tedx video is about ready.
- f. Diversity Co-Chair
 - i. I met with Carol. Talked about admissions, she liked the project direction. She talked about MAP and liked the idea of integrating more with Admissions; they seem more open to it so I am going to press that. It seems like both parties are interested in working together.
 - ii. Carol believes faculty and staff should be a heavier focus of diversity training. She has a fully structured project idea and I am going to see if it is possible.
 1. Montúfar: Is there anyway to have jurisdiction over the faculty course survey questions?
 - a. Schmidt: That is department based. So we would have to go in one by one to change those.
 - i. Montúfar: I think it would be important to have questions about mental health/diversity.
 1. Schmidt: I think that would fall more under Academic Affairs purview and it could also be a collaborative effort.
 - iii. I am meeting with Dr. Lang and Dr. Hart. They seemed to be enthusiastic.

- iv. We had our first committee meeting, we are starting to delegate more specific meetings to the members. There are some express interest in joining the committee from the people Josh talked to.
- v. Lizzie got in contact with disability professor who referred her to two student groups that she will get more information from.
- vi. Questions:
 - 1. Alexander: I think it would be important for you to be at the first meetings of big projects and bring a member with so that it makes it easy to transition on delegations of communications/projects.

Executive Reports

a. Treasurer

- i. I will have an appropriations slate by this Sunday, it shouldn't be crazy since we have funded them in the past.
- ii. I still need to order office supplies;
- iii. I'm trying to set up a meeting with Laura on Thursday and hopefully I can be a channel for communication for Excomm.

b. Secretary

- i. Sending out committee attendance sheet in Slack after the meeting.

c. President and Vice President of the Student Association

- i. For bureaucracy's sake, we meet with Dr. Thomas and Janna Stopskopf and that is to communicate broadly for student government. We tell her any news and any big projects; the correct channel of communication is to report to us and then we will meet with Dr. Thomas to discuss project ideas. We don't want to bombard them with multiple meetings.
 - 1. Woods: would you rather me not bring up anything about polls and more focus on her own opinions rather than stepping over lines.
 - a. We haven't talked with her about that yet, but in the future yes just talk with us.
- ii. We have a column in The Index and chairs are required to write one, there will be a sign-up sheet we will send out. If there are big events coming up, you could write about those, or just use it as a feature column for your committee to raise awareness. It'll be under 500 words and is super easy. ([StuGov Buzz](#))
- iii. We will be sending an all school email two Mondays (Sept. 30th) from now, need all blurbs by next Wednesday at 11:59 P.M. We will send out the link. ([All-School Email \[October\]](#))
- iv. Establish a regular meeting time, and take attendance. Explicitly remind members that those meetings are required. Talk with Alek about that or us to avoid any potential problems.
- v. Next week at ExComm we are going to be discussing goals, you need 3 tangible goals/projects/policies to bring to meeting, and also one leadership goal from chairs (bring potential ways to achieve those goals.)

Adjourned: 9:45 P.M.