

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT
GENERAL MEETING
September 16, 2018**

Called to Order: 5:01 p.m.

Preliminary Items

- a. Roll Call
- b. Approval of Minutes
- c. Gallery Introductions/Business
- d. Membership Appointment/Resignation/Removals
 - i. Appointment of Tanner Zeil to the Male Varsity AFAC Representative (Leppanen)
 1. Approved
 - ii. Appointment of the Purple Friday Subcommittee Slate (Leppanen)
 1. Approved
 - iii. Appointment of Caroline Costello to Appropriations Committee (Leppanen)
 1. Approved
- e. Oath of Office
- f. Changes to the Agenda

Auxiliary Reports

- a. Speaker of the Student Senate
 - i. Elections begin tomorrow at 8 a.m.! Online at vote.truman.edu. Please tell your friends to vote! Tell everyone to vote!
 - ii. We have a resolution coming up later about absences to hopefully pass.
- b. Student Representative to the Board of Governors
 - i. I was confirmed on Thursday!
- c. Faculty Advisor
- d. Staff Advisor
 - i. There was an internal candidate for the dean of science and math. Keep your ears open - this has had two failed searches so far.
 - ii. The provost's office is doing a faculty and staff book club. They are doing discussion in two parts.
 - iii. We are gearing up for health screenings and such for faculty and staff - important for us.
 - iv. The institutional compliance officer starts in a little more than a week and a half.
 - v. There will be some changes in Residence Life - John Gardner resigned to go to A.T. Still. William Nelson will be filling in. This is a loss to the university, but is great for him. He will be finishing up in two weeks.
- e. Academic Affairs Chair
 - i. I am meeting with Dr. Gooch this week. I am also meeting with the Admissions Office this week.
 - ii. Sam has been investigating the idea of commencement speakers
 - iii. UGC - They are not continuing the COMM 170 test-out option, but there are two more options for them to fulfill that requirement.
 1. They are discussing whether or not ENG 190 will become a pre-rec for writing enhanced classes.
 2. They are creating speaking enhanced classes.
 3. There is a committee being formed to review the statistics essential skills.
 - iv. Q: You stay with the catalog that was in effect when you started.
- f. TEDx Ad Hoc Committee Chair
 - i. We had 50 speaker applications and 12 spots, so those spots are filled!
 1. The speakers will be notified this week.
 - ii. We are probably getting a \$250 sponsorship from SAB and getting \$40 off the price of recording from TMN.
 - iii. We are moving it to the Georgian Rooms for lighting purposes.
- g. Parking Ad Hoc Committee Chair

- i. No report.
- h. External Affairs Chair**
 - i. This week is the voter registration drive! Volunteer situation is looking ok. I need someone to cover a 45 min shift from 11:15-12 on Monday. The Dems have mostly filled their slots, and the Repubs are working on it.
 - ii. I will spend \$57.54 on pizza for Wednesday, and I am upping it for Thursday, \$76.
 - iii. I am going to call the high school for Nov 10th to confirm our service event.
 - iv. Kaylee is going to go to their meetings at 7:15 a.m. Bless her.
 - v. This week after Thursday(8:30), we will start planning for homecoming.
- i. Environmental Affairs Chair**
 - i. I had two interviews this week that went pretty well.
 - ii. I emailed everyone on our list for the liaison program.
 - iii. ESFAC has their first meeting on Tuesday.
- j. Student Affairs Chair**
 - i. I talked with Donna Liss and with the way we do printing and the tech fee, it is impractical to get printing in common academic buildings. There are apparently 12 classroom printers in Magruder that you can use if you know they are there.
 - 1. I'm going to ask for a pilot in the cyber cafe of Magruder.
 - ii. I have a meeting with Janna Stoskopf on Tuesday, and Justin from Sodexo.
 - iii. We are working on hammock rentals through BNB.
 - iv. Q: Bates - Did Donna have an inventory of those printers? I would encourage you to ask her for a list or direct you to someone who does.
- k. Diversity Chair**
 - i. The info night was a little disappointing, but that's ok.
 - ii. I am working on the committee for International Education, that meeting will happen later this week.
- l. Appropriations Committee Chair**
- m. Athletic Fee Accountability Chair**
 - i. We just got a male rep.
 - ii. In the next week or two we will have a deadline set for proposals.
 - iii. Still looking for a student government rep and a student at large.
- n. Environmental Sustainability Fee Accountability Chair**
- o. Health, Wellness and Safety Chair**
 - i. The JED committee is great! Caroline and KP are now on the committee. We are going to be working on a campaign that typical Truman students should not be neurotic and unhappy. We are looking to change that culture.
 - ii. I spoke with J.D. Smiser about Medical Amnesty. All is good.
 - iii. Deck: Red poles - students don't use them. Also, students are unaware of the services of DPS. Maybe we need to advertise their phone numbers and services so that students can be safer and take advantage of their escort program, etc. DPS will patrol more if they get more complaints in a certain area.
- p. Sexual Assault Prevention Committee Chair**
- q. SAB Representative**
- r. FAC Representative**
- s. Public Relations Director**
- t. Legislative Director**
- u. Parking Appeals Committee Chair**
- v. Purple Friday Subcommittee Chair**
 - i. I have a full committee!
 - ii. I am spending \$60 on a photo booth for next Friday! (Sept 28)
 - iii. At some point I will make a candy order for that event.

Executive Reports

- a. Treasurer**

- i. We finally got the bill from ResLife - it went a wee bit over budget, but I planned for it, fret not. (\$1,519 - housing and food)
 - ii. Let me know if you are going to spend money.
- b. Secretary
 - i. No report
- c. President and Vice President of the Student Association
 - i. There is an appropriations slate tonight - stay tuned.
 - ii. The retreat is next Sunday! Be in the CSI complex by noon! It counts for two absences. It will be from 12-4 p.m., and then there will be time to change into business professional for pictures and the meeting. There will be food (gluten free and veggie options!)
 - iii. We divvied up the Index columns.
 - iv. UGC - PHRE will be voting on adding a BS to their department.
 - 1. Course repeat came back up - FS did not approve it in May. UGC did not vote to change anything, so they will vote and send it back to FS.
 - v. We had our meeting with Pres. Thomas, unfortunately Stoskopf was sick.
 - 1. We talked about Medical Amnesty - there is a clause about organizational amnesty that is seemingly counter-productive. I have talked with J.D. and everyone is in support of a reset button for them. The question is what is enabling this reset, how long it takes it to roll over. I suggested a two year reset for organizations. It seems to be a happy medium. Maybe expect a resolution soon.
 - 2. We had a great discussion about diversity, etc. They have updated the inclusive excellence plan that details lots of the big initiatives that are going on.
 - 3. Symposium times - currently at night time, the suggestion is to put it right in the middle of the day, but is very logical. It will restructure the course slots, there would be severe implications with science students and labs, as well as the student advisors, so there is a lot of discussion surrounding that. Stay tuned. The recs are going through UGC, but this is something that the president and the provost sign off on.
 - 4. Student body email - SEND ME YOUR BLURBS! It's fine. We need to send this, hopefully next week.
 - 5. We are beginning to turn our focus to the presidential round table and the organizational liaison.
 - 6. We have been interviewing a lot of associates! Yay!
 - 7. Tomorrow is Constitution Day! We will be reading excerpts from it tomorrow on the quad (at noon!)
 - 8. Volleyball - we won a game!
 - 9. Dinners are still Wednesday in Ryle! Not just limited to us - bring anyone who would like to chat with us!

Old Business

- a. Second Read: A Resolution Amending the Standing Rules of Student Government: Attendance and Absences (Barker)
 - i. We first read this last week, two changes:
 - 1. Every position is required to work an office hour, there is now a clause that the speaker must work an office hour.
 - 2. Section 6 - I wanted to clarify who could tell associates what their duties are.
 - 3. Clause 5 of the removal process - this was a long argument. A lot harder than you would expect. We decided to simplify it and take care of everything that way.
 - ii. Discussion:
 - 1. Wissler - The change in Clause 5 is so much better.
 - 2. Bates - this is in line with past precedence.
 - iii. Passed by unanimous consent!

New Business

- a. First Read: New Member Handbook (Leppanen)
 - i. Question: Schmidt - Is this just for the year? Or do we keep them? A: I would hope that it is comprehensible enough to last a few years. I have given this to the speaker from now on, so this will be something that they will update. My plan is an electronic copy on the website and distributed to new members upon appointment. I have also put in something to allocate money for nice bound copies for the office and possibly the archives.
 - ii. Wissler - Are we printing them to be borrowed and returned, or does each new member get a physical copy to keep. A: the nice ones would be kept in the office, and new members would get digital copies.
 - iii. Discussion:
 1. DeWitt- I don't understand printing nice physical copies when this is somewhat subject to change. I can see this lasting 5 or more years, so that would make sense.
 2. Bates - I would be cautious of what is going to change more frequently, esp. the org chart because that is very subject to change. Save this in the google drive, loaded into slack, etc.
 3. Slama - organizational thing; please put page numbers :)
 4. Leppanen - I still think that there is benefit to printing three copies: for our office, the archives and general records to add weight to the document. There is power having it on the bookshelf - that is how I have learned most of what I know. Duly noted about the hierarchy chart changing. I think that a lot of this is going to last quite a long time.
 5. DeWitt- \$100 threw me off, because 3 copies wouldn't come close.
 - a. Leppanen - I have no idea how much it would be, it's only up to \$100, not spending exactly that much.
 - iv. First Read.
 - v. Standing Rules Suspended to second read the resolution.
 - vi. Passed: 9-0-1
- b. Appropriations Slate (Schmidt)
 - i. This is very time-sensitive, they asked for the full \$650 to fund the insurance and then extras after that. We suggested that we give them \$550 to pay for their t-shirts and glow sticks.
 - ii. Passed 8-0-2

Announcements

1. Sexual Assault Awareness Week is this week - keep an eye out for our events and please come out to support!
2. Voter Registration is this week!
3. NACA is hosting a webinar about the ear of free speech, let me know if you would like to view it. (Tuesday Sept. 18 at 1 p.m.)
4. Index - Exercise Science article - Roberta Donahue has submitted corrections for that...

Adjourned 6:35 p.m.

Links

[Purple Friday Subcommittee Slate](#)
[Standing Rules Changes- Attendance and Absences...](#)
[NEW MEMBER HANDBOOK](#)
[New Member Handbook Resolution](#)
[Appropriations Slate](#)