

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
September 24th 2019  
Called to Order: 9:00 P.M.**

**Preliminary Items**

- a.** Roll Call

**Auxiliary Reports**

- a.** Speaker of the Student Senate

- i. Please read the Constitution and Standing Rules.
  1. I am working through the line-by-line change for next Sunday meeting.
- ii. Rules Revision meeting tomorrow at 9:30 P.M and it is open to others.

- b.** Academic Affairs Chair

- i. Going to get started on the fall commencement speaker.
  1. Next meeting we are bringing forward prompts and poster designs to talk about. This will be using material and information we gathered from last year to make the process smoother.
  2. We are supposed to have speaker chosen a week before Thanksgiving Break.
- ii. We are talking about scholarship jobs in relation to GPA scholarships.
  1. Dr. Thomas is looking into differentiating the hours based on job difficulty. Some of this already exists, such as nursing jobs being more compensated.
- iii. Also looking into student retention.
  1. It was kind of brushed off, this was relayed from Dr. Thomas by Dr. Gooch to me.
    - a. Looking to find another way to address this.
- iv. Regarding the Academic Integrity Brochure, we are looking into plagiarism of international students. There seems to be a cultural difference so we are looking to express the definition of plagiarism clearly and provide tips to combat that.
- v. Next meeting is this Thursday.
- vi. Questions/Discussions:
  1. Schmidt: What exactly are you looking at for retention?
    - a. Meyer: I'm not sure, I personally didn't feel like we should clump in student retention with scholarship jobs but Dr. Gooch suggested that. I'm going to re-approach that.
      - i. Schmidt: Dr. Thomas' big thing is about student retention.

- c.** Diversity Committee Chair

- i. Indigenous People's Day Tabling is Oct. 15, 10 A.M. - 3 P.M. and posters are ready to be sent to publication and printing.
  1. The sign-up to tabling in the important links section.
  2. We will be informing people about awareness and handing out bookmarks.
- ii. Emails for the focus group is ready (oct. 21) and are going out sometime this week
- iii. Met with Laura to talk about projects.
  1. Talking about Diversity week in November.

- d.** Environmental Affairs Chair

- i. Going to meet with Sam Guth tomorrow to discuss the paver situation.
- ii. I'm trying to organize the budget for the labyrinth.
  1. Kolok: I would disregard most of my notes and discuss with Sam Guth, also we can talk more after meeting.
- iii. 11 A.M. - 3 P.M. is the Sustainability Festival this weekend, and we will be there. We talked with some members of the Bike Committee and they showed me how to register students' bikes and to push them to sticker their bikes with DPS. That will be part of the tabling.
- iv. Committee meeting tomorrow.

- e.** External Affairs Chair

- i. We are working out a solid plan for homecoming, and I am filling out FRFs for that.

1. 40 gallons of Cocoa/40 Gallons of cider
  - ii. Looking to find more ways for Luke to be involved in city council meetings.
  - iii. Drafted an email to Travis Miles (head of PR) to talk about Truman at the Capitol event and looking to see if that's something we can begin setting up
  - iv. Haven't heard back from Hope's Kitchen (hopefully going to have an event in November).
  - v. Drafting emails since Luke was the only one who showed up to the meeting.
- f. Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee Chair**
- i. We had an online meeting yesterday.
  - ii. We talked about the newsletter and improvements we can make. Also discussed the topic for next month, which will be environmental health
    1. We want to shout-out Emma's/Environmental's events.
    2. Want to ask for ideas for the newsletter.
    3. We came up with biking topics (renting from the rec or the coop), the importance of recycling on campus and groups that promote environmental health, talk about social and physical health of campus. We want to look at talking about specifics and need some ideas.
      - a. Woods: We are trying to personalize for students so it is more applicable but also have them understand the positive effects of the environment (which can include things like communication skills).
      - b. Rollings: Well getting outside is really important for mental/environmental health.
      - c. Kolok: We worked on a park passport last year that you could work with.
  - iii. Updates on Sexual Assault Awareness week
    1. Talked with Caroline
      - a. She talked about setting up another pledge drive in Homecoming and we can help her with that.
  - iv. Talked about Mental Health Awareness week
    1. Getting a tentative schedule, we have events we would like to do. We don't think we have events for everyday. Right now we are thinking of like QPR training and UCS screenings and trying to bring in a student who has had a nutrition capstone.
      - a. Talking about looking at a faculty panel/forum to talk about psychological effects.
      - b. Talking about handing out pamphlets/stress balls/motivational stickers with our logo.
      - c. The biggest thing we are talking about is the safety polls, maybe we could work with Caroline about Sexual Assault Prevention
  - v. Talked about allocating money towards a newsletter site that every member could use for their committee.
    1. Only chairs could use it.
  - vi. Questions/Discussion:
    1. Schmidt: I am a fan of spreading events for Mental Health Awareness over the week because people don't always go to everything. Having too much stuff in one day might be impactful. The faculty thing needs to be worked out, you should talk with Katie and I.
    2. Wren: I will be purchasing a subscription to Canva and there are tons of options for newsletters.
- g. Purple Friday Subcommittee Chair**
- i. We had a meeting yesterday, and we are going to do some Sodexo orders. We are wanting to have popcorn, apple cider, and a pumpkin treat.
    1. We also had the idea of the last day of classes to be a summer in December with summer treats like lemonade.
  - ii. The first Bulldog Shoutout and next one goes out Friday. We are hoping to have three a week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday).

- iii. I need to know how many cups we have left (the color-changing ones).
  - iv. One of my members had the idea of a trivia night in the SUB with Kahoot (about Truman things).
  - v. We had another idea of a flyer at tabling events for awareness months (facts, dates, months, etc.)
  - vi. Spooky Purple Friday post going out tomorrow that we can share on social media.
  - vii. Had the idea of a Purple Friday flyer to put in local restaurants.
  - viii. Looking at an email to send to organizations to advertise Purple Friday
  - ix. Maybe working something out with the high school.
  - x. Questions/Discussion
    - 1. Meyer: If we are encouraging the high school to wear purple to support us, do you think we should suggest wearing orange to support their school?
      - a. White: Maybe, these are just ideas and we can put them off until next semester.
    - 2. Schmidt: I'm worried about the high school feeling like they are always connected to us, I think we should have a connection but not dominate their school spirit.
      - a. Alexander: I like the restaurant ideas.
    - 3. Schmidt: You can talk to me about emailing all organizations
    - 4. Montúfar: I lived in an area that's similar to Truman/Kirksville and restaurants had special offers for showing school spirit on some days.
    - 5. Schmidt: You guys are tabling this Friday?
      - a. White: Yes in Magruder, we will need help next week in the SUB
    - 6. Schmidt: How did the Bulldog Shoutout go?
      - a. White: We got 17 responses.
- h. PR Director**
    - i. We are going to split the Canva subscription three ways, spending \$39.
    - ii. Met with Purple Friday and have a post ready for Friday.
    - iii. In the planning process for giveaways for social media that promotes the message of student government (benefitting the students).
      - 1. I have \$150 left in my budget and looking to spend most of that for giveaways.
    - iv. Post reach increased by 70% for September. Total engagement has increased as well.
    - v. Looking to balance the important and fun content for posts.
  - i. Student Affairs Chair**
    - i. We had our meeting today.
      - 1. Discussed accessible printing. I had talked to Adam and he told me there are printers in every building just not very accessible and new students don't know where they are.
        - a. We are going to focus on maps to point out the printers/water stations in buildings.
      - 2. Also talked about picnic tables, we don't have much info but I'll meet with Laura next Monday.
      - 3. Talked about a tip of the week/quote of the week board for outside the office that Jesse could promote on PR as well.
      - 4. Talking about Student Appreciation week after midterm break.
    - ii. Questions/Discussions:
      - 1. Schmidt: There are printers but for student accessibility but some are in faculty member only areas. One thing to do is to check with department chairs to make sure that students can actually use them. If they can't actually use them then we know which buildings to target for student printing.
  - j. TEDx Conference Ad Hoc Committee Chair**
    - i. The second round of workshops happening this Wednesday and Thursday.
      - 1. Sent a link regarding ticketing reservations, this will occur in the Stu. Gov. office on Oct. 21-25, 10 A.M. - 2 P.M. and we need someone in the office could use this as your office hours.

2. Sending a link for a third workshop critique volunteership. Dr. Self will be there to guide everything and we just want you to give perspectives on their talks.
- ii. Most actively working on the conference activities.
- iii. FRFs are ready for you Rachel.
- iv. Does anyone know the dimensions of our photo backdrop?
  1. Holt: Laura said it is the exact same dimension as the one you want to order.

## **Executive Reports**

### **a. Treasurer**

- i. Met with Laura (I meet with her every week so I can talk to her for all of you chairs)
  1. Figured out the Canva subscription.
  2. Bit of an issue with the (PEK) Appropriations slate because they are not copyright friendly which would have our logo.
    - a. Sent an email to see if they will have another poster since the one they have will not get approved.
    - b. Have not gotten me their t-shirt design.
    - c. Need to talk to Deanna and Katie because the dimensions for the picture doesn't work but we have other options. Basically we might want to go a little bigger. So we have not ordered.
    - d. Name tag orders have been sent out.
    - e. If you fill out FRFs you might not get the bill right away, so keep track and I will update as soon as I get them. I am trying to keep as detailed a budget as possible. Look at individual tabs for specific committee expenditure.
- ii. Applied for an email for the Stu. Gov. treasurer and got it, this will replace the appropriations email/drive.

### **b. Secretary**

- i. No report.

### **c. President and Vice President of the Student Association**

- i. It has come to our attention that we should encourage all to you to check with us before committing with university administration.
  1. Physical Plant thought we committed to laying pavers and now they are less willing to work with us in the future.
- ii. Podcast is still just on Spotify. Working on getting it uploaded to other platforms
- iii. The all-school email needs verification by Laura and Dr. Edwards before it goes out this week.
- iv. Questions/Concerns about Round Table
  1. White: Do presidents go to each table?
    - a. Schmidt: You have assigned tables and presidents for the first two rounds will be matched to topics that coincide with their organization purviews. The third round will be associated with whatever they marked as they were interested in.
  2. Woods: Is it more of a listening experience rather than a discussion? Should we listen and take notes rather than provide discussion?
    - a. Schmidt: We do want you to take notes and listen but also we want something productive to come of this. We should work through issues if they are angry about something.
  3. Schmidt: Emily and Alek are now in Diversity, Rachel has her own table and Tori is with Adam Barker for Safety.
- v. Trying to get a random selection of students for the New Student's Round Table
  1. Meyer: Are you looking into demographics?
    - a. Alexander: We are looking at that with specific lists of students from the IT department. If anything it will be a random sample. We are trying to make sure this is well represented.

- vi. We have been interviewing chairs for the Women's Leadership Committee, but the committee has not made yet so that will be an executive order this Sunday meeting and appointing a chair the following weekend.

**Adjourned: 10:02 P.M.**