

**TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
TENTH SESSION OF THE 2019-2020 GENERAL BODY  
OCTOBER 20, 2019  
Called to Order: 5:00 P.M.**

**1) Preliminary Items**

- a) Roll Call
- b) Approval of Minutes
  - i) Approved.
- c) Gallery Introductions/Business
- d) Membership Appointment/Resignation
  - i) Major Appointment of Austin Derbak to the Vision Doc Ad Hoc Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - ii) Major Appointment of Emily Donahue to the OAF Committee as the Third Student at Large (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - iii) Minor Appointment of Jose Reyes as the Athletic Fee Accountability Committee Student Government Representative (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - iv) Minor Appointment of Jordan Donaldson and Nina Guerrero as Associate Senators on the Women's Leadership Conference Ad Hoc Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - v) Minor Appointment of Kavya Singh as an Associate Senator on the Diversity Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - vi) Minor Appointment of Nick Nguyen as an Associate Senator on the Academic Affairs Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
- e) Oath of Office
- f) Changes to the Agenda
  - i) Moving the Money Motion before Auxiliary Reports.  
(1) Approved.

**2) Auxiliary Reports**

- a) Speaker of the Student Senate
  - i) No report.
- b) Faculty Advisor
  - i) N.A.
- c) Staff Advisor
  - i) I will be out of the office Thursday (Oct. 24) to next Monday (Oct. 21). If you need anything Slack or email me, but I will be facilitating a conference and won't be responding immediately.
  - ii) If you are a chair I work with, and we haven't met, please sign up for an appointment.
- d) SAB Representative
  - i) Rocky Horror Picture Show event on Friday (Oct. 25) at 8 P.M .at the SUB.
- e) Student Representative to the Board of Governors
  - i) We have a board meeting on Friday (Oct. 25)
  - ii) The board will be allocating money toward Greenwoods.  
(1) We gained 1.28 Million from a private foundation.
  - iii) There was a report from Dr. Lang, and there are three main initiatives to change the way we work as an admissions office.
    - (1) They are removing the idea of highly selective terminology.
    - (2) They are pushing branding for interim, so those changes won't happen until the next cycle. The 2020 cycle has a focus towards online media.

(3) They are switching from promoting a 'value' aspect to the 'experience' aspect available from Truman as a university.

- f)** Athletic Fee Accountability Committee
  - i)** N.A.
- g)** Environmental Sustainability Fee Accountability Committee
  - i)** N.A.
- h)** Academic Affairs Committee
  - i)** We got the email sent out to graduating students.
  - ii)** I have a meeting tomorrow (Oct. 21) with Dr. Gooch, reach out to me in Slack if you want me to relay something to her.
  - iii)** Looking at potential ideas for Academic Affairs to work on in terms of class attendance policy. So far we are looking at moving from 2-3 days and the pros/cons of doing so.
- i)** Diversity Committee
  - i)** Tomorrow (Oct. 21) is a focus group with admissions, and it concerns increasing diversity within admissions, 7-8:30 A.M. There will be a sign-up sheet in Slack.
  - ii)** We are working towards a collaborative event with CDI (Trans-day Remembrance with CDI, Tru-Trans, and Prism; we will be meeting sometime next week.)
- j)** Environmental Affairs Committee
  - i)** Met with Lauri Shook to talk about the Labyrinth and we are developing a schedule for that.
  - ii)** Conducting research about energy usage on campus, that is ongoing.
  - iii)** Questions:
    - (1) Bates: Are there still energy meters listed online?
      - (a) Rollings: Yes, they are still online, just really hard to find.
- k)** External Affairs Committee
  - i)** Homecoming was on Saturday.
    - (1) We met with young Alumni of the year.
  - ii)** Ireti and I went to Mainstreet Kirksville Committee and planning to stay involved with them.
- l)** Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee
  - i)** Looked at the Newsletter, it is done and we are going to finalize with Jesse.
  - ii)** Investigating campus safety and the app.
    - (1) We are looking at mental health built-in days and the policy that Disabilities Services has available.
  - iii)** Getting ready for Mental Health Awareness Week.
    - (1) I have a meeting with Eric Dickson, he is one of the professors of Music Department and a mindful/space/wellness coach and I want to see his ideas and bring those to meeting.
    - (2) We want to hand out stickers and stress balls for Mental Health Awareness week and we need someone to design those regarding the 8 areas of mental wellness.
- m)** Student Affairs Committee
  - i)** Moved our meetings to Sundays.
  - ii)** First tip of the week (which we are designing tonight): regarding the topic of registration.
  - iii)** Jacob has been working on printing labeling maps and emailing Dr. Shook, we are waiting on the files of the maps from her.
  - iv)** Going to be discussing Student Appreciation Week, and I talked with Laura about that. She gave me some past ideas, so this week we will be talking about three of our own ideas that I will be bringing to Laura to see if they are possible.
- n)** Purple Friday Subcommittee
  - i)** I got the Snapchat for the last day of classes and we want to do a Summer in December event.
  - ii)** One of my members made a Purple Friday Awareness poster and put it up in some businesses in town and looking for permission in others.



- (2) Self and Society is hosting upcoming seminars.
- iii) New Student's Round Table is coming up. Invites were sent out and were due Tuesday, but we only had 3 RSVPs.
  - (1) We are switching to invite the entire Freshman class/transfer students and the first 100 get to go.
- iv) Working on the next podcast/video.
- v) All-school email going out 1st of November, add your last bits by Wednesday (Oct 31).
- vi) Sent out something about the Room Lottery - Laura needs info by 27th of October. (reserving rooms in the SUB). Fill that out this week.
- vii) Alexander went to UGC and discussed the resolution about online courses. Faculty seems to empathize with flexibility on online courses and seemed to like Quality Matters but expressed problems with the Deans' approach.
  - (1) There are two resolutions of the floor of the UGC agreeing with the Deans but some faculty don't like that it is discussing powers they already have.
- viii) Tuesday (Oct. 22), 6 P.M., is the first soccer game so no StuGov dinner.
- ix) Questions:
  - (1) Meyer: Well will the invite be sent out to Freshman students?
    - (a) Schmidt: Tonight or tomorrow morning.
  - (2) Meyer: The link for the newsletter, could that be resent?
    - (a) Schmidt: Yes.
  - (3) Wuennenberg: When will the New Students Round Table be?
    - (a) Tuesday, Oct. 29th

**4) Old Business**

- a) N.A.

**5) New Business**

- a) [A Resolution Amending the Ethical Code of Conduct of the Truman State University Student Government](#) (Kolok)
  - i) This is just a resolution format that was requested last week that is meant to be a paper trail/rationale as to why this is necessary.
  - ii) Questions:
    - (1) N.A.
  - iii) Discussion:
    - (1) Alexander: I would like to clarify that this resolution is fixing a citation error and we are not changing anything.
  - iv) The resolution is first read.
- b) Discussion on How to Write a Professional Email (Schmidt)
  - i) These are tips on writing emails to other students/outside the community/faculty and staff and how to represent this organization properly.
    - (1) Always double check the title of who you're addressing the email to.
      - (a) Google their name and address them appropriately, if there's no doctorate, address them as Professor. Only use their first name if they have told you to.
      - (b) CC relevant people, even if you're responding to an email.
    - (2) Be direct, open, and enthusiastic.
    - (3) Do not state Student Government opinions unless we have officially passed one.
    - (4) Do not commit to project ideas without discussing with someone else on the body.
    - (5) Emojis are not okay.
    - (6) Proofread, be respectful and add a signature.
    - (7) Ask older members if you have any questions.
    - (8) Please don't email while frustrated.
    - (9) Do not be waiting for a response and expect one within an unreasonable time.
- c) \$100 Large Expenditure Money Motion for Commencement Speaker Posters (Sarasio Meyer)
  - i) I move for no more than \$100 before December 25th.

- ii) Commencement speaker email has been sent out so we need to advertise that. I've submitted the request for the posters and now we need to spend the money for those.
- iii) Adopted unanimous consent.

**6) Announcements**

- a) Bichsel: Tonight in Centennial Hall, I am watching Nightmare Before Christmas and anyone is welcome to join.
- b) Bichsel: Ten Candles is in four days, please sign-up and play.

**Adjourned: 6:13 P.M.**