

**TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
SEVENTEENTH SESSION OF THE 2019-2020 GENERAL BODY**

**January 20, 2020**

**Called to Order: 7:05 P.M.**

**1) Preliminary Items**

- a) Roll Call
- b) Approval of Minutes
- c) Gallery Introductions/Business
- d) Membership Appointment/Resignation
  - i) Resignation of Josh German as a Member of the Diversity Committee  
(1) Resigned.
  - ii) Major Appointment of Josh German as the Co-Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - iii) Trey Maddelano as an Associate Senator on the Environmental Affairs Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - iv) Sutton Purinton as an Associate Senator on the Purple Friday Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - v) Emma Rollings as the Student Representative to the University's Strategic Plan Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - vi) Minor Appointment of Alex Crawford as the Student Government Representative to the Truman Week Planning Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
  - vii) Minor Appointment of Becca Rosenow as an Associate Senator on the Purple Friday Committee (Schmidt)  
(1) Approved.
- e) Oath of Office
- f) Changes to the Agenda
  - i) N.A.

**2) Auxiliary Reports**

- a) Speaker of the Student Senate
  - i) No report.
- b) Faculty Advisor
  - i) N.A.
- c) Staff Advisor
  - i) There will be a faculty training informational luncheon regarding Symposium at the end of the month.
  - ii) There will be a new deans coming into the School of Business and the School of Arts and Letters, they will both start July 1st.
  - iii) Showcase is this Saturday (Jan. 25). If you know of any groups of students that have won an award within the last calendar year, please let Admissions know. They are trying to show student awards and accolades so they are asking to borrow awards to showcase on that day. They would need the award/trophy by Thursday (Jan. 23) and would return it the following Monday (Jan 27).
  - iv) Our office supplier has changed, if you plan on buying supplies, Staples is our required vendor and you need a special login to look at pricing, so please use the guide online. Schedule a time with Rachel if you need help.
- d) SAB Representative
  - i) N.A.
- e) Student Representative to the Board of Governors
  - i) Hopefully there will be a new representative by March.

- f) Food Pantry Committee Student Government Designee
  - i) N.A.
- g) Athletic Fee Accountability Committee
  - i) N.A.
- h) Environmental Sustainability Fee Accountability Committee
  - i) N.A.
- i) Academic Affairs Committee
  - i) Working on a resolution right now.
  - ii) We will have first committee meeting tomorrow (Jan. 21) at noon.
- j) Diversity Committee
  - i) Overview of projects: Diversity Week (March 16-20), Land Recognition resolution, Advocacy Days, MAP, and Admissions. We will also be looking at gender neutral housing options.
- k) Environmental Affairs Committee
  - i) PSAC meets this week.
  - ii) Laurie Shook is having trouble finding a strict quote for the Labyrinth, she will have more soon.
  - iii) Earth Week is coming up.
- l) External Affairs Committee
  - i) Everything in place for the Voter Registration Drive. We will be getting posters through print. The drive will be held on Jan. 30/31.
    - (1) Tabling sign ups coming soon.
  - ii) Truman at the Capitol is happening, I will be meeting with the person in charge tomorrow or this week.
  - iii) New projects coming, possibly including a Student Government street.
- m) Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee
  - i) Meeting with Josh to talk about awards for Educator of the Year.
  - ii) Committee meeting on Thursday (Jan. 23) at 7:30 P.M.
    - (1) Talking about Mental Awareness Week.
  - iii) Meeting with Laura on Monday (Jan. 27).
- n) Student Affairs Committee
  - i) First meeting tomorrow (Jan 21)
    - (1) Talking about work from break.
    - (2) Finishing maps/picnic table discussion/and discussing Student Awareness Week.
- o) Purple Friday Subcommittee
  - i) Purple Friday tabling will now be once a month starting with Valentine's Day (Feb. 14).
  - ii) Questions:
    - (1) Holt: May I recommend Palentine's Day?
- p) Select Committee on Parking Appeals
  - i) I already have appeals coming.
- q) Vision Doc Ad Hoc Committee
  - i) Tomorrow is our first meeting (Jan 21).
    - (1) Going over notes from the break's work.
  - ii) Survey of the committees is being cut down.
- r) Women's Leadership Conference Ad Hoc Committee
  - i) Partnering with the Career Center for advertising both before and during the conference.
  - ii) Providing networking opportunities at the conference.
  - iii) Tabling document is coming soon; volunteering is optional.
  - iv) Posters coming out soon.
  - v) Reaching out to organizations/departments soon.
  - vi) Conference is 12-5 P.M.
  - vii) Keynote speaker is Dr. Gooch.
  - viii) Meeting with Laura/Dr. Gooch/and the client manager.

- ix) Spending no more than \$8 on a banner
  - x) Spending no more than \$20 on paint.
  - s) Sexual Assault Prevention Designee
    - i) Meeting with Dr. Melot.
    - ii) If you have ideas for t-shirts let Cami know.
    - iii) Trying to set up a meeting with Laura.
  - t) IT Director
    - i) No report.
  - u) Public Relations Director
    - i) Sent out the External Affairs committee newsletter to Alumni over break.
    - ii) Planning to use my budget for different weeks of celebration.
    - iii) Speaking with Rachel and Kaylee for the Women's Conference Facebook event.
- 3) Executive Reports**
- a) Treasurer
    - i) There's an open spot for Appropriations.
    - ii) There is a budget up tonight, this is only the first read so things are liable to change. Meet with me this week if you have proposed changes.
    - iii) I need to meet with Laura this week and make sure that her numbers line up.
    - iv) If you are spending money now, make sure you are making a motion since we don't technically have an official budget. Even if it is a small expenditure.
    - v) Try to get your requests in 3-4 weeks in advance.
  - b) Secretary
    - i) Office hours start this week.
    - ii) I will be reaching out to chairs soon about committee attendance.
  - c) The President and Vice President of the Student Association
    - i) Excom will be at 9 P.M. on Thursdays. First meeting is this Thursday (Jan. 23).
    - ii) OAF chair has changed. It will now be Emily Donahue.
    - iii) Dr. Gooch at UGC talked about the budget and enrollment. As far as the budget, the governor is recommending level funding. Enrollment projection is about 900 students for the Fall. They are looking to budget cut about 1 million. They don't know what the budget cuts will be. They are excited about the new enrollment process but it will be a slow recovery. New advertising plans will go into effect after spring break.
    - iv) The High Impact Experience Bill has passed an amendment that allows it to occur within a major, but not for all majors. Katie opposed this at UGC. This will create unequal work for students. Katie suggest we focus more on breaking down barriers that prevent students from taking an internship/etc. This seemed to be supported by the body of UGC. The bill is tabled and will return next month; however, there was talk of a substitute bill of taking HIE out of the bill. Deanna and Katie will be writing a resolution voicing the opinion of the Student Government.
    - v) More majors are moving towards having their own Self and Society and some people feel this is undercutting the idea of the Self and Society courses.
    - vi) Truman Symposium packets passed, additional classes for Freshman next Fall. It's a one credit hour experience where students may explore Truman inside and outside such as cultural experiences and a project based component that adds to the community.
    - vii) Activities Fair next Wednesday (Jan. 29). We will be resending the tabling link.
    - viii) Symposium committee is in need of another Student Government member. Talk to Deanna if interested.
    - ix) Need a student at large for the Athletic Fee committee.
    - x) Deanna and Katie are trying a new meeting schedule. They have office hours that are about 6-8 P.M. on weekdays. If you need to meet with them, sign up for a time (about 15-30 mins).
    - xi) Stu Gov dinners starting next week, Katie will be trying to reserve a room. There will be a poll for times so fill that out.

- xii) Apparel is in the office and organized, please come pick up your apparel. Everyone gets a free t-shirt, but please only take one. Only people who ordered a crewneck get one. Do not pick up the 3XL unless you need it.
- xiii) IM Volleyball starting soon.
- xiv) Questions:
  - (1) German: What about undeclared students for Self and Society?
    - (a) Alexander: Undeclared may choose anything.
  - (2) Rascher: For the HIE, it's currently on the Bill and they're thinking of removing it?
    - (a) Alexander: It was voted to be on the new curriculum but nothing was official. The Bill is to put it into place with the proposed system, but people are opposing it and now it is looked at not being in the curriculum.

**4) Old Business**

- a) N.A.

**5) New Business**

- a) [Spring 2020 Budget](#) (Holt)

- i) This is just a first look and the numbers are rounded. If you have questions that are pressing ask now.
- ii) The budget is first read.

- b) [A Resolution in Memorial of Dr. Debra Kerby, Dean of the Truman State University School of Business](#) (Schmidt)

- i) Student Government poses a resolution whenever staff or faculty pass away. Unfortunately we lost Dr. Kerby, and as she was an influential dean in the lives of students and we are looking to recognize that. If you have any suggestions please throw them out.
- ii) This resolution is first and second read via unanimous consent.
- iii) The resolution is adopted by unanimous consent.

- c) [Discussion and Evaluation of the 2019 TEDx Conference and a Potential 2020 TEDx Conference](#) (Montúfar)

- i) Suggestions include: running a dress run the day prior to the conference, we had a bit of misunderstanding with the floor preview. There are also suggestions for a different ticketing area. Only 60% of ticket reservations showed up, this may be due to a few factors but a clear cut suggestion is to price tickets or only do physical tickets rather than electronic tickets. Should we have it every year, every other year, in the fall or spring?
- ii) Questions:
  - (1) Tillman: If it was held in the spring do you think it could be held every year?
    - (a) Montúfar: I think it depends, part of me thinks we had already advertised to the same group of students from the last time we did Tedx.
- iii) Discussion:
  - (1) Schmidt: We've talked a lot with our older members and exec about TedX and Women's Conference alternating every other year. From a budgetary perspective we are splitting our budget in halves by hosting both events in a year and that has prevented us from hosting other events or ideas.
  - (2) Holt: There is a way for us to write resolutions and funds that carry over throughout the year that may allow us to put on better conferences. This is done through line items. Maybe even a portion of the money needed. I would also like to recommend more food if TedX for next year, if all people had shown up for the event we would have ran out.
  - (3) Tillman: If we were to alternate, would it be able to create a two year term for the chairships?
    - (a) Kolok: Technically Ad Hoc committees are up in the year, and the president or the senate may be able to make that happen within a resolution.
  - (4) Wren: Maybe we could do an events director position for a two year time frame that could work on both conferences.
  - (5) Alexander: I think that TedX would be much better if we did it every other year in terms of advertising and funding. I am interested in looking into how we can put that into legislation through the standing rules. I think we would need the chair search to end in March, then they could complete the application for the license over the summer, then they could have the fall and the beginning of spring to plan for the conference.

- (6) MacLeod: I think a combined position wouldn't be practical due to the different nature of both of the events.
  - (7) Rollings: I talked with my friends regarding the event who didn't submit anything due to the fact that they assumed TedX would happen every year so she would wait, also the novelty wasn't as prominent.
  - (8) Barker: My concern for the 'every other year' idea, it depends on who is the next body - the very next body could totally axe this idea.
  - (9) Alexander: One thing we might want to explore is legislation is having set programming for every other year that expects we put on some sort of conference. I don't want to put us in a box for those two events but maybe doing a professional conference in some form.
  - (10) Schmidt: I think that you never know the next leadership but the best thing we can do in our power is to write a resolution and hopefully they respect that legislation.
  - (11) Holt: I am a strong proponent of spending money in the fall. Also visibility in the fall would be more beneficial to us as opposed to a bulk in the Spring.
- d) [\\$370 Large Money Expenditure Motion for Women's Leadership Conference](#) (Jacobson)
- i) Motion for no more than \$350 for notebooks, balloons, and lunches for staffing and speakers by May 1.
  - ii) Motion is adopted by unanimous consent.
- e) [Appropriations Slate](#) (Holt)
- i) I brought up Sigma Tau Delta at the end of last year, we changed the number to include their flights from Kirksville to St. Louis.
  - ii) The committee didn't feel comfortable with their application for JujiTSU and their ability to bring recognition to the school so the committee denied the funding
  - iii) Last year's Chinese New Year was excellent and we felt was beneficial to the school so we decided to fund.
  - iv) Discussion:
    - (1) Schmidt: The biggest change with Sigma Tau Delta is that we are now funding all 6 students as opposed to 2 students. We are now funding the whole group.
    - (2) Wren: I believe we should fund the full \$650 since it's important in that they will represent Truman at a professional conference. It also gives them the opportunity to break down the barriers of opportunities to students which I think should be our goal.
    - (3) Schmidt: I think there's a difference in funding the whole organization as opposed to just students, so I like the idea of that.
    - (4) Emily Smith: I think that if we can't fund the full \$650 that I think we should pass what we have now.
    - (5) Alexander: I think the amount we have now is a great compromise between the two ideologies of the body we have seen so far.
  - v) Motion to amend Sigma Tau Delta's funding to \$650.
    - (1) Discussion:
      - (a) Emily Smith: It doesn't matter how you break down the money, but we are funding the organization to attend this conference in total. Don't look at it as an individual thing.
      - (b) Wren: It doesn't matter if we fund \$650 to an organization of 100 or 10 people, the full \$650 is only fair.
      - (c) Alexander: I think the \$240 is the most reasonable way to support their mission at this time regarding the amount of money we have left in our appropriations.
      - (d) Schmidt: I think it does matter how we phrase these things as it helps track down our rationale. It doesn't break down to pure numbers but the concept of what we are funding is that we are compromising to fund a group rather than individuals. Also keep in mind that this is the first meeting of the new semester and new clubs/organizations are just now beginning to plan their events.
      - (e) Barker: I think we should compromise and just keep in mind that we have others to fund and only a limited amount of money. We should try to appeal to more students as best as we can.
      - (f) Wren: If we fund the compromise, we can still only fund about 1/6th of another organization, not even a full organization. This has the opportunity to come back and impact more students in the English major, which is a large number of students even if we only fund 6 students fully.
    - (2) This amendment fails, 7-8-2.
  - vi) This slate is adopted, 13-2-2.

**6) Announcements**

a) N.A.

**Adjourned: 8:54 P.M.**