

**TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT
FIFTEENTH SESSION OF THE 2019-2020 GENERAL BODY
December 1, 2019
Called to Order: 7:00 P.M.**

1) Preliminary Items

- a) Roll Call
- b) Approval of Minutes
 - i) Approved.
- c) Gallery Introductions/Business
- d) Membership Appointment/Resignation
- e) Oath of Office
- f) Changes to the Agenda
 - i) Diversity Resolution prior to reports.

2) Auxiliary Reports

- a) Speaker of the Student Senate
 - i) No report.
- b) Faculty Advisor
 - i) N.A.
- c) Staff Advisor
 - i) Next Sunday (Dec. 8), Finals Scream will be in the SUB HUB.
 - ii) PR Director job was posted. On Dec. 3rd and 4th there is open forums in Violette with the candidates for the position. (Travis Miles/Libby Roerig); they will be taking over Heidi Templeton's position.
- d) SAB Representative
 - i) N.A.
- e) Student Representative to the Board of Governors
 - i) N.A.
- f) Food Pantry Committee Student Government Designee
 - i) Tabling had happened in the SUB last week that advertised what we are doing and hope to do.
 - ii) We've been talking to Brad from the CDI and are hoping to get him on the committee.
 - iii) Talking to Laura about food storage options.
- g) Athletic Fee Accountability Committee
 - i) N.A.
- h) Environmental Sustainability Fee Accountability Committee
 - i) Still in the process of soliciting proposals and may have to extend the deadline.
 - ii) We are editing the rubric to make costs more quantitative.
- i) Academic Affairs Committee
 - i) No report.
- j) Diversity Committee
 - i) Tabling for International Day of Disabled Persons this Tuesday (Dec. 3); we will need help with tabling. The link will be in Important Links Slack channel.
- k) Environmental Affairs Committee
 - i) Last Friday was the first meeting with PSAC; doing research for them to see if certain testing metrics are worthwhile to observe the campus-wide level.
 - ii) Still working on the state park brochure
 - iii) No new info on the labyrinth.
 - iv) The plaque should be moved back to the tree.
- l) External Affairs Committee
 - i) Looking at the voting registration drive, planning posters and costs; hoping to do it in the beginning of next semester
 - ii) Alumni newsletter in final edits, will hopefully be sent out in two weeks.
 - iii) Hopes Kitchen got back to us; looking at dates for volunteering.

- m) Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee
 - i) No report.
 - n) Student Affairs Committee
 - i) Have the next tip of the week.
 - ii) Meeting time for next semester is set.
 - iii) Jacob's maps will be finished tomorrow.
 - iv) Made a lot of progress on Student Appreciation Week planning and picnic tables.
 - o) Purple Friday Subcommittee
 - i) Tomorrow Jesse will be posting the Purple Friday giveaway and advertisement for the Summer in December event this Friday (Dec. 6).
 - p) Select Committee on Parking Appeals
 - i) No report.
 - q) TEDx Ad Hoc Committee
 - i) No report.
 - r) Vision Doc Ad Hoc Committee
 - i) N.A.
 - s) Women's Leadership Conference Ad Hoc Committee
 - i) No report.
 - t) IT Co-Director
 - i) No report.
 - u) Public Relations Director
 - i) Giveaway winner has been notified to pick up her prize; looking at reviewing for the next giveaway.
 - v) Holiday Czar
 - i) This Friday (Dec. 6) at 5 P.M. will be the holiday party; looking to find a location.
- 3) **Executive Reports**
- a) Treasurer
 - i) Talk to me about your plans to spend money soon.
 - b) Secretary
 - i) No report.
 - c) The President and Vice President of the Student Association
 - i) The Athletic Fee Committee still needs a student at large.
 - ii) OAF has a slow start but we are working on a coordinated plan going into the year.
 - iii) UGC is this Thursday (Dec. 5) and Katie is presenting the Course Threads proposal at 3 P.M. In the Alumni Room.
 - iv) 5:30 P.M. Tuesday dinner at Ryle.
- 4) **Old Business**
- a) N.A.
- 5) **New Business**
- a) [Athletic Fee Accountability Committee Invocation of Emergency Clause](#)
 - i) [AFAC Operating Procedures- Section 5: Emergency Clause](#)
 - ii) The Athletic Committee has taken a look at the proposal; the committee met last Friday. They decided this is a valid use of the emergency clause and wanted to clarify the actual transport of athletes with this vehicle - they said it's not to transport seriously injured athletes but can provide transport to minor injuries.
 - iii) Questions:
 - (1) Meyer: How many people are on the Athletic Fee Committee; a less than a majority were in attendance?
 - (a) Schmidt: Yes. There's 11 on the committee and 3 had showed up.
 - (2) Rascher: Were you able to ask about the rationale of the make and model chosen?
 - (a) Schmidt: We have contracts with the state over which type of vehicles we are allowed to purchase.

- iv) Discussion:
 - (1) Bichsel: I don't think this is an emergency or a good use of an emergency clause because there's two golf carts while we were told they had one. Also the one that is in question does not appear to be in critical condition. I agree that the new cart is needed but I don't think that this needs to happen at this moment.
 - (2) Schmidt: I wanted to clarify that the second cart has actually already died. They only have one cart.
 - (3) Rascher: The second cart being brushed aside seems dodgy. I think we should also consider if the athletic department really needs this at this moment and I don't think there is an immediate danger.
 - (4) Meyer: The committee who are athletes thinks it's a good idea but I do have an issue that there wasn't a majority there. To the point of there being two carts, but there's multiple sports going on at one time, so I think we should consider taking care of our athletes. I think of the committee thinks it's a good idea, then we should support it.
 - (5) Kershaw: Deanna, you mentioned this could get passed later even if we nullify it, when does that happen?
 - (a) Schmidt: Proposals are sent out during the final few weeks of the fall semester and reviewed and passed during the beginning of the spring semester then they may purchase at the end of the spring semester.
 - (6) Holt: I don't think this is a question of athletic safety but there's a problem in them of engaging the emergency clause. The discussion is over if this is an emergency.
 - (7) Alexander: I wanted to comment from an athletic perspective, I think I would support this because the cart is used for emergency medical supplies. I can see how this would be an emergency.
- v) The nullification fails (1-12-2), the emergency clause is invoked.
- b) [A Resolution Amending Article X of the Constitution of the Truman State University Student Government and Article VIII](#) (Kolok)
 - i) This is to fix things and clarify with transparency.
 - ii) Discussion:
 - (1) Alexander: Did we discuss section 5 in our committee meeting?
 - (a) Kolok: We did not but that is from the original Constitution.
 - (2) Alexander: The only actual change of this resolution is that if you make a large expenditure you must provide an itemized list.
 - (a) Kolok: Correct.
 - (3) Holt: Should we change the budget to a bi-annual budget?
 - (a) Kolok: Yes.
 - (4) Schmidt: What was the rationale for an itemized list?
 - (a) Kolok: I'm not comfortable with someone spending something like \$500 without an itemized list but I don't want the cutoff to be something that high either.
 - iii) The resolution is first read.
- c) Discussion Item on the New Students Roundtable Part III: Diversity/Inclusion, Truman Culture, and any other closing comments (Schmidt)
 - i) Discussion:
 - (1) Leppanen: They don't see mental health as an issue on campus. They did not know what Typical Truman Student syndrome was. I think on the whole that there's definitely a shift towards a better state with new students.
 - (a) Schmidt: Our table also had this feeling. They were impressed with UCS' presence during Truman Week. They only see problems with the upperclassmen. A lot of students from West were voicing concerns of finding others in their hall who would like to get involved in organizations outside of the hall.

(2) Montufar: Something we talked about is the awkward period between Truman Week and the Activities Fair; we talked about creating a list that new students can sign up on with organization emails that interest them beforehand.

(a) Paris: I have a feeling this might impact attendance on the Activities Fair.

d) [A Resolution Endorsing the Ability to Remove “Dead Name” Initials From Student Emails](#)

(Montufar)

i) Late oct. focus group with Dr. Hart Dr. Lange and identity organizations, they didn't know of any process to remove dean name initials so Dr. Hart and Dr. Lange went ahead and worked on removing those through IT. This resolution just supports that.

ii) Discussion:

(1) Meyer: Is there a way they are planning on getting this motion out to students this may impact?

(a) Montufar: I think this is going to be forwarded to the identity based organizations but please let me know if you have suggestions.

(b) Schmidt: Last time we worked on the pronouns we went through the registrar to send out an all-school email.

(2) Bates: This seems like a frequently asked question on the IT website, that would be a good place to have it present.

iii) The resolution is first read.

6) Announcements

a) Meyer: D&D character building is next Friday, more details in Slack

Adjourned: 7:52 P.M.