TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT TWENTY-SECOND SESSION OF THE 2020-2021 GENERAL BODY February 14, 2021

Called to order: 5:00 p.m.

1) Preliminary Items

- a) Roll Call
- **b)** Approval of Minutes
- c) Gallery Introductions/Business
- **d)** Membership Appointment/Resignation
 - Major appointment of Alex Crawford as Ethics Justice Pro-Temp

 (1) Approved
- e) Oath of office
- **f)** Changes to the Agenda

2) Auxiliary Reports

- **a)** Speaker of the Student Senate
 - i) E. Smith:
 - (1) Beginning to look at election stuff for spring; have lots of signs and have banners ordered
 - (2) If you have any questions or concerns about the elections rules packet, let me know
 - (3) Committee met for the first time this weekend, will have more soon
- **b)** Faculty Advisor

i) N/A

c) Staff Advisor

i) Bates:

- (1) Provost office sent out clarification on Friday about alternative course method plan on Friday and Monday; let Sutton know if you hear this not happening
- (2) Make sure you are dressing for the weather and keep an eye on your living space; CDC has some good winter weather tips
- (3) Don't park in Violette Hall parking lot
- d) Student Representative to the Board of Governors

i) N/A

- e) Athletic Fee Accountability Committee Chairi) N/A
- f) Environmental Fee Accountability Committee Chairi) N/A
- g) Student Representative to SABi) N/A
- **h)** Student Representative to ResLife
 - i) N/A

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- i) Organizational Representatives
 - Student Climate Union Johnson:
 - (1) We have divided into committees to help develop our student climate proposal; anticipate to present after spring break
- **j)** Black Student Representative
 - i) Eagal:
 - (1) ABC Week is this week
 - (2) Talking about creating an underrepresented students luncheon for Truman Week
 - (3) Black History month events Land of Opportunity and coffee hour
- **k)** Academic Affairs Committee

- i) Purinton:
 - (1) Academic Accolades nominations close 11:59 tomorrow evening
 - (2) Have reached out to Pershing Society, McNair, and Office of Student Research, but have not heard back; looking for outside perspectives for interview process
- **I)** Diversity Committee
 - i) Cooper:
 - (1) This week will meet with someone from University of Vermont about their interfaith center to get more information about how we might improve Truman's
 - (2) Land of Opportunity and coffee hour in two weeks; still working on getting posters
- **m)** Environmental Affairs Committee

N/A

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- n) External Affairs Committee
 - MacLeod:
 - (1) Bringing forward resolution for JoEllen Engelbart
 - (2) Will start working on Election Day holiday resolution, have started reaching out to community officials for other things
 - (3) Barge: I think the academic calendar was just approved through 2023 by the BOG
 - (a) MacLeod: I will make adjustments as needed
- o) Student Affairs Committee

i) Barge:

- (1) Worked on getting more information about institutional jobs at Truman; Owen got a lot of good information on how these work at Truman; main problem seems to be state/national policies restricting institutional jobs
- (2) Talked about student pay increase during ExComm; will talk to David Rector about this
- (3) Bates: Are you looking at TruPositions to see what jobs are being posted regularly? Some departments are starting to post jobs for the summer/fall
 - (a) Barge: There were six jobs that didn't require special skills, but some seemed difficult or were seasonally-limited
- (4) Karki: There's also GSE (Guaranteed Student Employment) besides Institutional jobs that the CIS office offers to international students in need. Students typically work 4 hours a week and get paid \$1,200 per year
 - (a) Bates: This is like an international student version of Work Study
- **p)** Health, Wellness, and Safety Co-Committee
 - Barker:
 - (1) Have money motion for tabling; creating some anti-smoking posters
- **q)** Purple Friday Committee
 - i) Myers:
 - (1) In the process of updating posters for this week's Purple Friday
- **r)** Parking Appeals Committee
 - i) Paris:
 - (1) Common occurrence of people not being able to see signs/parking lots not being plowed well; direct to online parking map if you hear people talking about signage issues
 - (2) Karki: Can we make a social media post about parking maps?
- s) IT Director

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- i) Eagal:
 - (1) Put in a form for webmaster access

(2) Made folder in the Drive with a to-do list, suggestions, and readme text for next IT Director

t) PR Director i)

Knight:

(1) Had second weekly giveaway this week and second alumni post

- 3) Executive Reports
 - a) Treasurer
 - i) Wren:
 - (1) We have several leftover prizes that I have offered to Purple Friday and Alec, but let me know if you need giveaway items
 - (2) Hopefully we will have budgets updated on the website; have been spending a lot of time organizing and elaborating on our older budgets
 - (3) We still have not received any appropriations requests; will work with Alec on a social media campaign about funding
 - (4) Planning on creating informal report for rules revision committee; send any suggestions my way
 - (5) Met with SAB and FAC on Friday; shared budgets, discussed how we work, working on some collaborative projects:
 - (a) Hyperlinking other budgets on each others' websites; work together to create a collaborative resolution encouraging treasurers to meet once a semester
 - (6) Remember to let us know a few weeks in advance if you are planning on spending money
 - **b)** Secretary
 - i) Lesch:
 - (1) Will be sending out form for Spring Roster this week; please fill this out even if you did so last semester
 - c) The President and Vice President of the Student Association
 - i) Alexander:
 - (1) Meeting with Dr. Thomas:
 - (a) Talked about covid testing/athlete surveillance testing; surveillance testing has largely not been testing positive, the high case counts have been coming from a few specific groups
 - (b) Talked about snow days and university cancellation policy; if there is a virtual day, no professors should be having in-person classes; in general, if there is inclement weather, professors should work with students who are unable to make it to campus; let Sutton know with any questions or concerns
 - (c) University counseling/health center is now partnering with Hannibal Regional: will have extended hours for services. student access to a physician for health-related concerns, no increase in UCS charge this semester; all of the staff at both of these institutions will be kept for at least a year
 - ii) German:
 - (1) Racial justice discussion will be next meeting
 - (2) Nominate for LRPS awards -- link on Slack
 - (3) StuGov dinner cancelled tomorrow; unsure about Rec games, but have asked for our game to be moved
 - (4) UGC updates:
 - (a) Nancy Daley-Moore has reported that the 10-day quarantine is now in place
 - (b) We now have a pass rate of 98% on the Civics Exam; revision of bad questions will be in place

- (c) Russian Studies minor deactivated; pre-art therapy minor approved
- (d) E. Smith: What was the pass rate for the civics exam before? German: I believe in the 60s (i)
- (e) Tillman: Concerns with lack of diversity in Health Center/UCS staff -- will this be taken into account?
 - Bates: They have one counselor of color, virtual (i) counselor; some planned staff departure before the transition was planned; hope this will be brought up as part of the hiring process; they will be outside contractors, so the transition might be a little bumpy
- (f) Myers: Is the Rec open on Snow Days?
 - Bates: The university is technically open, the only thing (i) that is cancelled is in-person classes; everything is expected to be open normal operating hours

4) Old Business

5) New Business

- a) A Resolution Proclaiming February 27, 2021 as TRIO Day
 - Montufar: Stephanie Raymond from McNair asked us to create this; describes i) TRIO, talks about its importance, proclaims the 27th as TRIO Day; discusses StuGov's willingness to work with/support TRIO in the future
 - ii) Discussion:
 - (1) Tillman: Will we be doing anything to celebrate this?
 - (a) Montufar: Most things will be digital; not sure if I should include anything about supporting the digital programming in the resolution itself
- **b)** A Resolution in Memorial of JoEllen Engelbart, Truman State University Alumna
 - MacLeod: A lot of this is modelled after similar resolutions in the past; I **i**)
 - originally had memoriam, but all our previous resolutions had "memorial" Discussion:
 - ii)
 - (1) Alexander: I was wondering what other people thought about adding the GoFundMe?
 - (a) Bates: Thinking about this going to her husband, and based on how active she was different communities. I wasn't sure about including this; there are also opportunities to give financially to her family/in her name besides the GoFundMe
- c) HWS Money Motion
 - Barker: Planning on ordering more stress balls for heart health tabling, as well as i) some posters on the dangers of smoking
 - (1) Bates: Do you remember what we spent when we bought those last spring?
 - (a) Barker: \$238; we are buying 150
 - ii) Approved by unanimous consent

6) Announcements

- a) Wren: If anyone is interested in serving on the Homecoming committee, reach out to me
- **b)** Alexander: As far as I know, the conduct board applications are still open; this is a very important role on campus, and you process disciplinary issues/discuss policy

Adjourned: 5:53 p.m.