# TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT THIRTEENTH SESSION OF THE 2020-2021 GENERAL BODY October 25, 2020

# Called to Order: 5:04 p.m.

# 1) Preliminary Items

- a) Roll Call
- **b)** Approval of Minutes
- **c)** Gallery Introductions/Business
  - i) Janna Stoskopf: Working on diversity and inclusion task force
    - (1) Core group working on this project; six pillars
    - (2) If anyone is interested in these topical areas, sign up for the committee!
    - (3) Currently in the very first stages of this process; hoping to get it going quickly
    - (4) Inclusive excellence plans from 2016 and 2018 will be looked at for continued relevance, to honor work done beforehand
    - (5) Each committee will define objectives for the pillar, identify progress markers, determine baseline data, identify targets for objectives by 2025
    - (6) Hoping for plan to branch out into different areas of campus in order to see change throughout
    - (7) Round of applause for Jesse for helping out with Homecoming plans last week
  - ii) Liam Connolly; Caroline Vogl; Azeeza Eagal; Jemma Walker; Ruth Teferi; Kana Kassa
- **d)** Membership Appointment/Resignation
  - Azeeza Eagal, Black Student Representative (1) Approved
  - ii) Caroline Vogl, Associate Senator on the Environmental Affairs Committee(1) Approved
  - iii) Liam Connolly, ESFAC Chair(1) Approved
  - iv) Jemma Walker, Representative from the Residence Hall Association(1) Approved
  - v) Oath of Office
- e) Changes to the Agenda

# 2) Auxiliary Reports

**i**)

- **a)** Speaker of the Student Senate
  - i) No Report
- **b)** Faculty Advisor
  - **i)** N/A
- **c)** Staff Advisor
- d) Student Representative to the Board of Governors
  - i) Meeting on Saturday:
    - (1) Long-term debt down by 3.1 Mill; no findings in annual audit
    - (2) State released money back to Truman in addition to Bright Flight funding
    - (3) Enrollment down: scholarship program for covid, other measures
    - (4) Resolution to add masters in Ed Department
    - (5) Wren: Any discussion on Spring schedule?
      - (a) Smeltzer: Yes, but in closed session
- e) Athletic Fee Accountability Committee

**i)** N/A

- **f)** Student Representative to SAB
  - i) Cochran:

- (1) Halloween concert on Friday
- (2) Halloweentown showing on Saturday
- (3) Motioned to have SAB mask for next semester
- g) Academic Affairs Committee
  - i) Purinton:
    - (1) Last winter commencement interview on Monday
    - (2) Meeting with Bertha Thomas to discuss diversity in Self and Society
      - (a) Also talking with Dr. Kim to discuss potential S&S Research day
- **h)** Diversity Committee
  - i) Montúfar:
    - (1) Meeting with Janna to talk about GNH
- i) Environmental Affairs Committee
  - i) No Report
- **j)** External Affairs Committee
  - i) MacLeod:
    - (1) Dr. Bridget Thomas has been doing ballot notarization on the Quad; will be happening again this week, looking for ways to promote
    - (2) Talked about developing policy for permanent election day time off; will try to pass a resolution trying to get every November election and Presidential primaries in March off
    - (3) Reaching out to different diversity groups; have only received one response; still working on identifying contact info for some groups
- **k)** Student Affairs Committee
  - i) Barge:
    - (1) Focusing on Student Appreciation Week:
      - (a) Sponsors for t-shirts: CDI will contribute, Res-Life/RHA also willing to give money and would like to get involved
    - (2) Owen's Resolution regarding refunding money for students' required class travel (ex: Nursing):
      - (a) Met with nursing faculty; would need to be universal
      - (b) Faculty said there was not really funding; will continue to do research into this
- **I)** Health, Wellness, and Safety Co-Committee
  - i) Woods:
    - (1) Junior Sociology student will be interviewing Adam and Tori about attendance on campus
    - (2) Working on brochure for next semester
    - (3) This week will be handing out certificates for covid-safe businesses
    - (4) Still waiting to hear back about funding regarding accessible path at Thousand Hills
    - (5) Lots of Self and Society projects are starting -- look out for these!
  - ii) Barker:

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- (1) Covid tip sheet for voting, student health, mental health
- (2) Next faculty wellness spotlight will be Dr. Nancy Daley-Moore
- Tillman: Beta Theta Pi is running donations for trail expansion
- m) Purple Friday Committee
  - i) Myers:
    - (1) Got sticker approved and will be getting them next Wednesday, also got free bottle of hot sauce!
    - (2) Posters have not been approved yet; might be posting on social media
    - (3) Will be picking up candy and pumpkins after meeting
- n) Parking Appeals Committee
  - i) Paris:
    - (1) Sociology students also interviewed Adam about parking

- **o)** IT Director
  - i) No report
- **p)** PR Director

i) N/A

- 3) Executive Reports
  - a) Treasurer
    - i) Wren:
      - (1) Received no appropriations applications so far
      - (2) FRF typically takes about 4 weeks, so start now
    - **b)** Secretary

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- i) Lesch:
  - (1) Homebase is up on the office computer; please start using this to log office hours
  - (2) If you are in quarantine, I don't expect you to do office hours; just make sure you let me know the situation and keep me updated so I know to excuse the absence!
  - (3) Working on shared Google sheets for a calendar; I will be contacting chairs for committee meeting times
  - Meyer: Where can people find the election resolution?
    - (1) Lesch: Send them my way and I can get them the document
- c) The President and Vice President of the Student Association
  - i) Alexander:
    - (1) Decision regarding spring semester should be coming out this week
    - (2) Received 10 responses from businesses about getting certified for covid practices
    - (3) Faculty senate, decided to keep same attendance policy (grades cannot be determined by attendance)
      - (a) Also advocated for election day time-off, sent to faculty
    - (4) Continuing to advertise for Greek Student Rep
  - ii) German:
    - (1) StuGov Bonding: Among Us this weekend! Fill out the Doodle poll
    - (2) StuGov dinner will be in SUB downunder from now on
  - **iii)** Meyer: Is there a faculty senate meeting that students can attend to advocate for election day time off?
    - (1) Alexander: Meetings are only once a month, so sadly that has passed
  - iv) Tillman: Could you inquire about set protocol for quarantine procedure?
- 4) Old Business
- 5) New Business
- 6) Announcements

#### a) Myers: I will be sending out form for Halloween tabling on Friday

Adjourned: 5:52 p.m.