## STUDENT GOVERNMENT

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

October 7, 2020
Called to order: 7:48 p.m.

## 1. Preliminary items:

a. Roll Call
2. Auxiliary Reports:

## a. Academic Affairs

i. Purinton:

1. Jessica will be taking over civics exam; Dr. Gooch suggested looking into open book test, online test rather than proctored, etc.
a. Looking into which questions are missed the most; According to Dr. Gooch's data, every 2 out of 3 students passes
2. Meeting with Jonathan Vieker; will be looking into improving advising for undecided students
3. Santino and Owen did a follow-up survey
a. Some miscommunication between students and preceptors
b. Advisors and students are also not communicating
c. Could symposium be optional? But then students likely wouldn't actually take it...
d. Alexander: Symposium committee is really active right now; encourage Santino and Owen to reach out to Katie so they can talk with the committee to get decisions made
4. Joshna and Ireti are collaborating on faculty diversification; using ABC petition to work on helping minority students
5. Alexander: Talked with Janna about scholarship options; Chegg services would technically count as taxable income; would have to go through Financial Aid services, and would be a bit of a complicated process
a. Have also found out that we can offer students scholarships, just can't necessarily be through a subscription service

## b. Diversity

i. No report
c. Environmental
i. Kershaw:

1. Sustainability fest is this Saturday, 10-2!
a. Still open slots for tabling
b. Goodie bags in addition to brochures?
2. Met with sustainability office and Dr. Seipel
a. Trying to work through physical plants to get composting set up for take out boxes
3. Talking with Shania about film showing -- Awake at Standing Rock
4. Emma Rollings is interested in bike racks idea, talking about bird houses on campus

## d. External

i. MacLeod:

1. Tabling went well! It seemed that having extra hands was a help
2. Committee is working on election day time off resolution -- will have completed by Thursday
3. Morgan and Mike were informed that they will not be getting notary stamps until past the date absentee ballots must be mailed
a. Social media campaign and posters for notary information
b. There is also another free notary in Kirksville -- Colleen Gooch (will reach out to her to see if she would be willing to help with absentee ballots)
c. Considering all-school email with notary information; SA emails
4. Identified diversity groups at AT Still and Kirksville high school
5. Montúfar: Making an infographic and dm-ing to other organizations would be helpful for an information campaign
a. Also, Shania has contact info for diversity groups at ATSU
6. Wren: Is it possible to talk to the business office about increasing hours for absentee ballots?
7. Barge: Why aren't classes cancelled for election day?
a. MacLeod: Late notice, some classes cannot miss a day; but, still pushing for no synchronous classes on election day, if possible

## e. Health, Wellness, and Safety

i. Barker:

1. Meeting tomorrow to discuss mindfulness event -- giveaways and resources, stickers
2. Reached out to identity org's and will be talking with RHA
ii. Woods:
3. Working on getting more information on brochure
4. Still looking for people for disability advocate position (will be info soon on social media)
5. October 10th is mental health awareness day
6. Received response from Julie Sneddon, will be sending out information to folks who might be interested
7. Tori will be taking the weekend off -- direct any questions to Adam

## f. Student Affairs

i. Barge:

1. Canon idea still possible, but need to get it checked for safety
a. SAB wants more information about how cost will be split
b. Alexander: What kind of event do we envision using this canon for? What is the accuracy of the canon? How powerful is it?
i. Barge: Maybe renting out mascot costume during Student Appreciation Week. I will have more information at the next general body meeting
2. Trying to figure out rules for providing food; looking to meet with Sodexo about policies
a. What type of food? Laura also suggested coupons for SUB food
b. Laura also suggested considering different giveaway items than water bottles
3. Laura thought about Purple Friday design contest
a. Could also partner with other clubs to cut costs
4. Sam contacted SAB president about Oktoberfest; they do not need help
a. Alexander: We usually set up a tent for giveaways
5. Alexander: Student username issue -- changing to usernames that are random letters rather than ones that match names. Can you find more information?

## g. Purple Friday

i. Myers:

1. Once a month big events for Purple Friday
a. This month, Halloween event on the 30th; giving away plastic pumpkin filled with candy
2. Can table in Magruder and McClain
3. Climate Strike will be occurring in the middle of Rainbow Friday -- will see how this affects the event
ii. Alexander: Purple People Eater for Halloween Purple Friday?

## 3. Executive Reports:

a. Speaker:
i. No report
b. Secretary:
i. Still considering collective calendar; will work more on this this weekend
c. Treasurer:
i. Wren:

1. Appropriations is meeting on Friday; coming up with funding plans and advertising applications
2. Looking into some amendments to the budget; paying more for apparel, gavel, no spending at Fall retreat
3. Sunday, October 18 th 3p.m. -- StuGov facilitating car parade for homecoming
4. Homecoming would like Friday October 16th, Purple Friday to be a pep day for car parade

## d. President and Vice President:

i. Alexander:

1. Spending no more than $\$ 75$ to pay Rachel for photography at retreat
2. Please fill out blurb for all-school email if you would like to share what your committee is doing in terms of equity and inclusion
3. Recently heard from Center for International Students, would like help sponsoring International Education Week
a. Barge: I think Student Affairs could pick this up
4. Meeting with student intern for CIS to talk about how we can support international students
5. Sarah Seifert will be coming to meeting on October 18th; is there anything in particular we would like to hear about?
a. Barker: Attempted assault from 10/6
b. Montúfar: Would like to hear more about TruAlliance; cameras in parking lots?; response to ABC petition; biases in arrest rates?; arming of campus police?
6. Met with Janna and Dr. Thomas
a. Talked about conversation on equity and inclusion; administration is working on new strategic plan
i. Janna offered to connect us to this committee; send Katie any tentative plans for your committee related to efforts towards equity and inclusion
ii. Montúfar: Shania can send the six pillar areas to see if anyone is interested in being staffed on a particular committee
7. Working on getting information out about safe businesses in Kirksville; have posters almost done for restaurants to hang up
8. Continuing to advertise for new positions -- and have received an application!

## Adjourned: 8:47 p.m.

