

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
September 2, 2020
Called to order: 7:49 p.m.**

1. Auxiliary reports:

- a. Kershaw: Environmental Affairs
 - i. Have the design for the state parks brochures -- just need to add the logo
 1. Trying to print 100
 - ii. Talking with the Sustainability Office about take-out containers/utensils
 - iii. Also discussed Sustainability Week with the Sus. Office
 - iv. Setting up standard communication method for campus environmental groups
 - v. Encouraging BOG to divest University from fossil fuels
 - vi. Inter-committee cooperation -- promoting biking in the Kirksville community; environmental health
 - vii. German: Health concerns with reusable containers?
 1. Kershaw: Health and safety of workers are top priority; looking for recyclable or biodegradable options
 - viii. Montúfar: PSA (SDS) worked on the divestment project for a long time -- maybe contact them
 - ix. Smith: Why doesn't the green box container work if it works the same as washing plates/other utensils? Do different dining halls have different boxes?
 1. Kershaw: Probably would have to do a similar quarantine process as what the library is doing. Not sure if they have enough boxes to account for this.
- b. Barker and Woods: Health, Wellness, Safety
 - i. Highlighting faculty wellness honoree: Dr. Dickson
 - ii. Just finished a social media poster campaign highlighting healthy practices (Masks, hand sanitizing, wellness) -- check this out on social media!
 - iii. Mask Up Campaign
 - iv. Lack of security in the dorms -- no night monitors, can walk in at any time, no SA rounds (meeting with Dr. Van Boxel)
 1. Purinton: Some residence halls are still doing rounds
 - v. Will begin work on the attendance policy
 - vi. Trying to plan something to go along with the poster campaign -- any ideas for wellness giveaway items?
 - vii. Woods: Creating wellness resource page
 1. Pamphlet/brochure for Freshmen that lists mindfulness and wellness resources
 - viii. Alexander: Care kits for giveaway items? (Stress balls, coloring pages, crafty things...)
- c. MacLeod: External Affairs
 - i. Talking with assistant city manager -- voter registration campaign
 1. Perhaps work this in as a resolution so it can go to the entire student body
 2. This would need to be done before October 7th
 - ii. Constitution day events and presidential debate watch parties?
 - iii. Having time off for election day? (Efforts led by Student Climate Union)

1. Too late to formally modify the calendar, but perhaps informally encourage professors to not schedule synchronous activities
- iv. Trying to change off-campus student housing to be included in on-campus voting
- v. Working on urging mask mandate for city of Kirksville
- vi. Alexander: Have you reached out to anyone on faculty governance regarding time off on election day? Contact Dr. Alberts and Dr. Brammell
- vii. Wren: Polls close at 7pm -- could be an argument that most classes end before this time. Maybe include extracurriculars/scholarship jobs in your reasoning?
 1. MacLeod: Most classes that do go late are on Tuesday/Thursday, so having time off would be especially important
- viii. Wren: Street cleanup?
 1. MacLeod: A little unclear at this point.
 2. Smith: We do not currently have a street. Students can't currently go to pick up street cleanup materials. Maybe try reaching out to Physical Plant about it? Or contact Ireti?
- ix. Montúfar: Are we still looking into standardizing voter registration (perhaps through Truman Days for future years)? Maybe have some kind of initiative for time off that would allow faculty to sign?
 1. MacLeod: Trying to come up with some kind of standardization, perhaps along with an incentive of some kind.
- x. Barker: Not comfortable with the idea of Student Government sponsoring a walkout. Would you consider making a resolution for time off?
 1. MacLeod: Mostly want to let everyone know that StuGov is listening to the student body. Some sort of resolution would be helpful, along with working with faculty governance.
- d. Montúfar: Diversity
 - i. Still working on gender-neutral housing
 - ii. Land acknowledgement, printing something to hand out to faculty (similar to the safe zone signs)
 - iii. Let Shania know if there are any little projects others would like to pick up
 - iv. Purinton: Dr. Fine from the art dept. gave a shout out to StuGov for the land acknowledgement!

2. Executive Reports

- a. Speaker:
 - i. Elections are happening! Already have 7 or 8 people who have declared candidacy
 - ii. Having some difficulty with posters, so keep sharing on social media!
- b. Treasurer
 - i. Drafted first round of budget with Katie and Josh
 - ii. Doing some research on appropriations for other Universities
 - iii. Laura would like to pass some kind of standing rules to lay out specifically what appropriations can go towards
- c. Secretary
 - i. Keep an eye out for a sign up sheet for office hours!
- d. The President and Vice President of the Student Association
 - i. Planning a Presidents' Roundtable for the fall (not doing a Freshman roundtable)
 1. How can campus organizations be part of health and safety efforts?
 - ii. Working on different trial positions to increase representation on the body

1. Some groups on campus that don't have much representation/communication with StuGov (Black student rep, Greek rep, disability advocate)
 - iii. Lots of applications for associate senators -- probably won't staff until after the retreat
3. Questions:
- a. Wren: Statement regarding covid-19 from the president?
 - i. Alexander: Dr. Thomas is actually very pleased with how the university is doing! And, we won't wake up to an email that we are kicked off campus. There will be more of a warning email if we reach a point of overwhelm.
 - b. Montúfar: Actions listed in the statement -- when will these happen?
 - i. Alexander: Some plans for retreat. One of our first meetings after we have the whole body will cover this.
 - ii. German: Bertha Thomas will speak, as will David Bonner.
 - iii. (To discuss next ExComm)

Adjourned: 8:52 p.m.