# STUDENT GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

September 23, 2020

Called to order: 7:46 p.m.

# 1. Preliminary items:

- a. Roll Call
- 2. Auxiliary Reports:
  - a. Environmental:
    - i. Kershaw:
      - 1. First committee meeting yesterday; gave an overview of goals for the year

# b. Health, Safety, and Wellness:

- i. Woods:
  - 1. Looking at the Disability Advocate description today
    - a. Tweaked a few things; keeping it broad
  - 2. Partners in Prevention meeting
    - **a.** Asked to look into mask distribution; doing another giveaway for off-campus students?
      - i. Smith: The UNI still has these available; we can direct students here if they need a mask.
      - ii. German: We will be getting StuGov masks at some point.
- ii. Barker:
  - 1. Met with Dr. Van Boxel from ResLife re: changes to dorm security
    - **a.** ResLife staff does a lot of monitoring that students might not be aware of; will include this information in the next "Read It Don't Delete It" email.
    - **b.** Thinking about expanding hours that dorms are restricted (i.e. need your ID to enter)
    - **c.** Dr. Van Boxel would like to see more partnership between. StuGov and RHA
      - i. Montúfar: Lizzie and I have met with them for GNH.
  - 2. Interviewing Dr. Eric Dixon tomorrow for first faculty wellness spotlight!

## c. Diversity:

- i. Montúfar:
  - 1. Moonlight showing happening next Friday
    - **a.** How can I make a Facebook event for this?
    - **b.** Alexander: Message Alec about this
    - **c.** Smith: SAB is also showing a movie that night on the Quad (Into the Spiderverse)
  - 2. Scheduling meeting with Janna about GNH
  - **3.** Talking with ITS about deadname removal process in usernames; in the future will be giving randomized initials for usernames
  - **4.** Also talked about getting Land Acknowledgement on the University website

### d. Academic:

- i. Purinton:
  - 1. Emailed Jonathan Vieker, will be meeting soon about advising
  - 2. Emailed Jeremy Hopkins to look into Civics Exam

- **a.** Alexander: There are more materials on this because they discussed it on faculty governance last year. Deanna might have some information.
- **3.** First committee meeting will be next week (Monday), hoping new members will be appointed on Sunday
- **4.** Very excited about Winter Commencement, having two speakers (one for BA and one for BS)

#### e. External:

- i. MacLeod:
  - 1. First committee meeting today went great.
  - **2.** Election day time off:
    - **a.** Faculty concern: don't want students going home to vote.
    - **b.** Make election day time off push in terms of getting a resolution passed through StuGov and then start a petition for faculty.
      - i. Will do this after voter registration period.
    - **c.** Alexander: Are you advocating for certain hours of the day or for the whole day?
      - MacLeod: I want the resolution to be informal so that professors are not actually forced to cancel classes.
        Strongly encouraged, but ultimately up to professors.
    - **d.** Barker: What would the petition say?
      - i. MacLeod: I would like to coordinate with a faculty member on this. Basically just professors saying they support having time off on election day. Nothing binding, just a show of support.
    - **e.** Alexander: Have you talked to any professors? Have they been supportive of this?
      - i. MacLeod: Yes, Dr. Alberts has said he supports it but doesn't think it would pass in faculty senate. Shania has given me other professors to reach out to.
  - **3.** Short-term priority is getting people registered in Kirksville
    - **a.** Hoping to support the Sigmas on their efforts; giveaways, additional staffing, having more days a week for tabling.
    - **b.** Montúfar: Have talked with president of the Sigmas; would like to do more advertising. This might be something we can help with.
  - **4.** Planning on setting up a meeting with county clerk about boundaries for Truman precinct
  - **5.** Asked committee about other ideas for engagement; Mike Owsley mentioned planning something with the campus Film Festival
    - **a.** Kershaw: Emma would like to work with External about promoting biking on campus
    - **b.** Alexander: Film club would be interesting, make sure it is focused on the Kirksville community

#### 3. Executive Reports:

- a. Speaker:
  - i. Smith
    - 1. No report

# b. Secretary:

- i. Lesch:
  - 1. Getting everyone set up with Office Hours
  - 2. Also considering making a shared calendar of sorts

#### c. Treasurer:

- i. Wren:
  - 1. Still looking into appropriations committee and how we can get this started
    - **a.** Alexander: Have you looked at the Standing Rules regarding this?

## d. President and Vice President:

- i. Alexander:
  - 1. President's Roundtable is tomorrow!
    - **a.** Questions are developed, along with answers to potential FAQs
    - **b.** Read through these questions and familiarize yourself with the University website guidance on Covid. If you are unsure of how to answer any questions, direct them back to Katie and Josh
    - **c.** Goal is to have information that everyone can read to work from going forward -- what is the best way to organize notes?
      - i. Ideas: Google Folder, then turn into Google Sheets with different tabs?
      - **ii.** Montúfar: Do we want to have a template for everyone to use? For example, make uniform questions for putting all the information together?
      - **iii.** Smith: Maybe having both detailed notes and questions that address the major takeaways
  - **2.** Have position descriptions done; would like Executive Committee to review them. Please look these over and let Katie and Josh know your thoughts.
  - 3. Racial justice meeting will be next Sunday
    - **a.** Will plan discussion topics, including going committee-by-committee to discuss what each group can do in relation to equity and inclusion
      - i. Please discuss ideas with your committee members in the coming weeks
    - **b.** Putting together document with goals of the meeting and required readings
  - 4. University is looking for us to share our efforts in promoting equity
  - 5. Chair meetings will start next week
  - **6.** Katie is taking Mondays off from Student Government, so reach out to Josh if you need to communicate something major
- **4.** Meeting with the city regarding covid-19 policy
  - a. MacLeod:
    - i. MO law says that city councils shall have the authority to help contain infectious diseases
      - 1. Kirksville says this is county health jurisdiction
    - **ii.** County health board meeting coming up (Sept. 28th at 3:00) -- everyone is welcome to attend

- **iii.** Also directed to Chamber of Commerce in regards to business concerns
  - 1. Social distancing and mask ordinances, talking with bars, etc.
- **b.** Alexander:
  - i. City recommended that we try to talk to the Chamber of Commerce to describe what Truman students are looking for in terms of practices
    - **1.** Also suggested we try to promote business with safe practices
  - **ii.** Kershaw: Will this route create quick change?

Adjourned: 8:49 p.m.