# STUDENT GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

**September 30, 2020** 

Called to order: 7:47 p.m.

## 1. Preliminary items:

- a. Roll Call
- 2. Auxiliary Reports:
  - a. Environmental:
    - i. Kershaw:
      - **1.** Had two members from the Sus Office come to committee meeting this week
        - **a.** Will meet with Dr. Seipel in regards to compostable take out containers
        - **b.** Will also talk to Alec about PR campaign for instructional info on composting
      - 2. Also sent Alec some copies of the brochure in preparation for the Sustainability Festival

## b. Health, Safety, and Wellness:

- i. Woods:
  - 1. Sent an email regarding the Disability Application to potentially interested groups
- ii. Barker:
  - 1. Also sent out info about Disability Advocate position
  - 2. Have meeting with UCS next week
- c. Diversity:
  - i. Montúfar:
    - 1. Moonlight is this Friday at 6pm -- Baldwin Little Theater
    - 2. Talking with Janna next week about Gender Neutral Housing
    - **3.** Sam talked with Donna Liss about how students can change usernames to remove deadnames
    - **4.** Section about Land Acknowledgement added to the Truman history page!
      - a. Got the okay from Laura to try to commission an artist
    - **5.** This week, thinking about what event might come next
    - **6.** Wren: Thank you Shania for representing Student Government and the student body at the Candlelight Vigil for Breonna Taylor

## d. Student Affairs:

- i. German:
  - 1. Working with the residence hall association and trying to choose a representative from Student Affairs
  - 2. Also thinking about helping out with homecoming -- t-shirt cannon?
  - 3. Student Appreciation Week during presentation week for TRU100
    - **a.** Want to work with Purple Friday for a "big ending"
  - **4.** Purinton: How about "Thank You For Being a Friend" as the musical number for Student Appreciation Week?

# e. Purple Friday:

i. German:

1. Next Friday is Rainbow Friday, will spend no more than \$99 on posters

#### f. Academic:

- **i.** Purinton:
  - 1. Meeting with Dr. Gooch on Friday
  - 2. Had first of two committee meetings this week
    - **a.** Santino will be heading up research project on symposium
      - i. Made survey and sent out to Freshmen class, with dissatisfied results
      - **ii.** Hoping to change some things with orientation and understanding of symposium
  - **3.** Winter commencement prompt is narrowed down
    - a. Talked to ITS and filled in the form
    - **b.** Will be getting list of December grads soon
  - 4. Looking into ways to spend money
  - **5.** Alexander: Faculty and Staff are trying to create survey to send to students at the end of the semester -- would Santino be interested in working with them on this?

#### g. External:

- i. MacLeod:
  - 1. Had meeting with County Clerk for Adair County regarding including off-campus students in Truman voting precincts
    - **a.** Cannot be changed before election day, but she is open to this idea -- planning on redoing precinct lines anyways
    - **b.** Committee will work on identifying areas with high student housing numbers
    - **c.** Montúfar: I wonder if the public directory might be able to give you information on housing data?
  - **2.** Considering carpool to the polls for election day, but this might not be possible with coronavirus concerns
  - **3.** Voter registration tabling went well, especially in terms of picking up absentee ballots
    - **a.** Sigmas are interested in doing this Monday and Tuesday of next week
    - **b.** Would like to continue helping students with absentee ballots after registration period ends -- including notary services
  - 4. Meeting with Adair County Health Board
    - **a.** Said they could not do a mask mandate, as that is under the City's jurisdiction
    - **b.** Would be open to selective mask mandates (for restaurant workers, etc.)
  - 5. Chamber of Commerce meeting this Friday at 4:00
  - **6.** Moving forward with resolution for Election Day time off
    - **a.** Also identified professor who might be able to get a faculty petition out

#### 3. Executive Reports:

- a. Speaker:
  - i. Looking into designing fake sorority t-shirts again
- b. Secretary:

i. Got roster turned in and set up new members with office hours

#### c. Treasurer:

- i. Wren:
  - 1. Will be serving on the 2020 Homecoming planning committee
    - a. Very much focused on service; Oct 19-24
  - **2.** Appropriations committee selection is underway
    - **a.** 3 voting senators selected
    - **b.** Searching for 1 student at large
    - **c.** When committee meets for the first time, will look over the standing rules individually and then come together; hope to have some changes passed by the end of the semester
  - **3.** Haven't spent much money yet, but let Jesse know if you need help with anything!

### d. President and Vice President:

- i. Alexander:
  - 1. Chair meetings have started
  - 2. Met with Dr. Thomas and Janna today
    - **a.** Gave helpful strategies for advertising the Black student representative
    - **b.** Discussed with communication issues from the roundtable (testing info, scholarship jobs, updated case numbers)
  - **3.** Plans for meeting on equity and racial justice?
    - **a.** German: For student affairs, attending meetings of different organizations
    - **b.** MacLeod: Reaching out to any identity groups in Kirksville community
      - i. Wren: Perhaps providing services to minority families in the community?
      - ii. Montúfar: Talk to Ashley about the Integration Committee
    - **c.** Barker: Reaching out to student organizations in relation to wellness
    - **d.** Kershaw: Discussed reaching out to identity groups, and perhaps educating on how climate change disproportionately affects minority communities
      - i. Emma also mentioned how outdoor activities are often portrayed as for White people
      - **ii.** Montúfar: Talking about Critical Environmental Justice would be interesting -- there's lots of literature on this
      - iii. German: Health Wellness and Safety could also do a kind of presentation on how mental health issues affect minority groups
    - **e.** Purinton: Shania suggested working with faculty diversification -- Joshna is interested in helping with this
    - **f.** Montúfar: Make commitments to meet with faculty in addition to student organizations

Adjourned: 8:40 p.m.