

**STUDENT GOVERNMENT
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
April 15, 2021**

Called to order: 8:00 p.m.

1) Preliminary Items

a) Roll Call

2) Auxiliary Reports

a) Speaker of the Student Senate

i) No report

b) Academic Affairs Committee Chair

i) Purinton:

- (1) Undecided project videos have been filmed, planning to start editing and have them done by Friday the 23rd for last meeting with Jonathan Viker; include next steps in end-of-year report
- (2) Reach out to Truman Today to advertise Academic Accolades ceremony
- (3) Committee members are working on their parts of the end-of-year report, meeting tomorrow to touch base
- (4) Gifts might need to be delivered after the banquet
- (5) Meeting with Dr. Gooch this coming Tuesday, Slack Sutton with anything you want to discuss with her
 - (a) Alexander: Could you check in with her on the GPA requirements?

c) Diversity Committee Chair

i) Cooper:

- (1) Working on resolution; emailed Brad, but have not heard back; want to meet with him to ask him questions from meeting to get his thoughts
- (2) Working on finishing up resolution and end-of-year report tomorrow

d) Environmental Affairs Committee Chair

i) Kershaw:

- (1) The first event we hosted was Monday night and we had three virtual speakers from the Great Rivers Environmental Law Center. We had over 20 people attend and the law center offered several ways for students to get involved with links available on the stu gov link tree.
- (2) We also had a speaker on Wednesday and while attendance was lower at this event, there was still an interesting discussion over energy policy in Missouri presented by the Executive Director of Renew Missouri.
- (3) Obviously tonight I am at another event of ours in conjunction with the Center for International Students. On Friday, stickers should arrive and we will be passing those and the seedballs out at Earth Fest from 3-6pm Friday so check us out on the SUB Mall!
- (4) Also, feel free to look over the two resolutions that I am hoping to second read on Sunday, I made the changes that were discussed in meeting so I think they will be ready to be voted on. Let me know if there are any questions, and see you all Sunday!

e) External Affairs Committee Chair

i) MacLeod:

- (1) Working on end-of-year report:
 - (a) Want to do a solid section about the lines of communication between Student Government and the city
 - (b) Committee members are writing short sections about what it is like to be a committee member
- f) Health, Wellness, and Safety Co-Chairs**
 - i) Woods:
 - (1) Still figuring out the brochure, meeting next week
 - (2) Need to reach out to discuss Wellness Committee stuff
 - (3) Will be doing sexual assault prevention stuff coming up; mugs, stickers, stress balls
 - ii) Barker:
 - (1) Tabling next week Wed-Fri, 10:30-2:30; will be sending out sign up sheet
 - (2) Academic Accolades next Thursday at 5:30
 - (3) Working on end-of-year report next week
 - (4) Alexander: We should try to think of ways to advertise MySSP app
 - (a) Woods: People don't seem to be aware of the app; I think the struggle is that it's convenient but there are still problems; not sure if people who have the app are getting the help they really need, logistical issues
 - (b) Barker: From what I've heard, it's not really perfect for every situation
 - (c) Alexander: Best uses/biggest problems?
 - (i) Barker: Good use would be just if you need general help but don't want to go through all the channels of UCS, or if there is an acute crisis; probably not good for long term mental health support
 - (ii) Woods: Once you start up the chat, you can't leave the app or turn off the phone or it will time out -- an issue especially with long wait times; great resources, such as anxiety/depression/substance use quizzes, but not sure how much students will use it
 - (d) Alexander: Ways to advertise?
 - (i) Barker: An email from the administration might be good; maybe next year in Self and Society/Truman Week
 - (ii) E. Smith: They already have sessions devoted to mental health, so they could include information during this; could it be listed as a resource on UCS website?
- g) Purple Friday Committee Chair**
 - i) Myers:
 - (1) Last Purple Friday is tomorrow in front of the SUB, sign up sheet in the general Slack; encouraging people to vote in the StuGov elections
 - (2) I still like the idea of feather flags, but I think it's too late at this point in the semester and they are very expensive; I would like to put this on the end-of-year report to make sure it is considered next year
 - (3) Purinton: Sam has done an awesome job planning Purple Fridays this year!
- h) Student Affairs Committee Chair**

- i) Barge:
 - (1) Info on our wording for the new dress code; committee discussed working on something along the lines of “Everyone must wear a top in the weight room, defined as covering at least part of the torso; concerns must be seconded before addressing”
 - (a) Alexander: Do you think it might cause issues if multiple people were having to evaluate someone’s dress?
 - (i) Barge: I feel like the annoying part would be actually approaching someone and telling them to leave, this would minimize that; I think it’s a trade-off situation, and I think this would reduce the likelihood of a student being approached and told to leave, but I understand that having two people look at you would be weird
 - (ii) Myers: Could we say that we encourage Rec Center employees to check with a coworker beforehand?
 - (iii) E. Smith: It seems like that could be just implemented in the workplace rather than needing to be in the specific policy
 - (b) Myers: I’ve been in the gym a lot lately, and I haven’t seen anyone without shirts, which is what we are trying to avoid; should we consider implementing this if it becomes a problem rather than trying to solve an issue that doesn’t exist?
 - (i) Barge: I think right now, people aren’t aware of the changes. If they’ve just taken down dress code posters, it will take a couple weeks to catch up
 - (ii) German: We are trying to get ahead of this policy, since it would be a lot harder to formulate something once a problem exists
 - (c) Alexander: What if you used the top definition and then tried to have a conversation with the Rec staff about how they would implement the policy; internal procedures rather than necessarily written strictly in the policy
 - (d) German: I would want it to be okay for people to wear sports bras if they feel comfortable; not sure if current language reflects that

i) IT Director:

- i) Knight:
 - (1) Earth Week posts are up
 - (2) Election posts are up
 - (3) Giveaway tomorrow

3) Executive Reports

a) Treasurer

- i) Wren:
 - (1) Finished with end-of-year report
 - (2) Meeting to look at new storage area tomorrow; Mural, TedX letters and stairs, mostly event storage
 - (3) Double checking that budget is accurate

- (4) Starting to look at Truman Week 2021, not sure how purchases over the summer will work but want to make sure things are set up for the next treasurer
- (5) Tori, if we need to print brochures finals week, we can do that so long as money is available; I would bring forward a motion on Sunday to print/spend money by June 1st

b) Secretary

i) Lesch:

- (1) Brainstorming/writing report, making sure things are well organized and prepped for the next secretary

c) The President and Vice President of the Student Association

i) Alexander:

- (1) Meeting with Dr. Thomas tomorrow; will update with anything big
- (2) There will be Capri Sun at our transition meeting!
- (3) Developed ballot language for OAF, ready to go for Sunday
- (4) Working to get Athletic Fee Slates ready to go as well

4) Etc.

- a)** Woods: Does anyone know who stole the Walter H. Ryle portrait? My SA wants to know if anyone has information
- b)** Purinton: Will we be having a special ExComm next week? Expressing gratitude?
 - i) Alexander: We will be expressing gratitude/do something special
- c)** Myers: Student Research Conference is Thursday! Presenting on AI predicting student test scores

Adjourned: 8:43 p.m.