# Truman State University Student Government Second Session of the 2021-2022 General Body May 2nd, 2021

## Convened: 5:02 p.m.

# 1) Preliminary Items

- a) Roll Call
- **b)** Approval of Previous Minutes
- c) Gallery Introductions & Business
  - i) Kaycee Little
  - ii) Sam Meyer
  - iii) Abby Reynolds
- d) Changes to the Agenda
- e) Membership Appointment & Resignation
  - i) Minor Appointments
    - (1) Kaycee Little as SAB Representative
      - (a) Little: New external affairs chair.
      - (b) Kershaw: What is your favorite color?
      - (c) Woolf: What has been your experience on SAB?
        - (i) Little: This has been my first year but I am a junior.
      - (d) Bates: Fee based selects the people who come to our meetings, we just approve them.
      - (e) Approved
    - (2) Morgan Sprehe and Grace Rowley as Presidential Aides (On-Campus Summer Aide & Campus Housing Aide) (Montúfar)
      - (a) Montúfar: Morgan is here to help us over the summer for in person things. Grace has the goal of working with housing.
      - (b) Sprehe: I just want to get things organized and ready for next year. I would love suggestions from others as well.
      - (c) Rowley: I was the housing coordinator for Panhel and I have been working with the CDI, so gender neutral housing is on my radar.
      - (d) Woods: How long are these positions for?
        - (i) Montúdar: over the summer and then Grace is long term.
  - ii) Major Appointments
    - (1) Abby Reynolds as Secretary (Montúfar)
      - (a) Reynolds: Owen reached out to club tennis, where I am the secretary, and I had a quick interview and I am looking to getting more involved with the campus.
      - (b) Bates: How do you keep yourself organized?
        - (i) Reynolds: Virtual sticky notes and my planner.
      - (c) Wren: How many words per minute?
        - (i) Reynolds: 90 to 100.

- (d) Sprehe: E Board can be exhausting, how will you keep yourself together?
  - (i) Reynolds: ResLife has prepared me pretty well. I focus on communication.
- (e) Approved in Closed Session.
- (2) Jesse Wren as Treasurer (Montúfar)
  - (a) Montúfar: Was really good last year with development and feels like a natural transition to reappoint.
  - (b) Montúfar: What do you like about the position?
    - (i) Wren: I like the detailed and repetitive nature of the job. I also like helping various people in the body. I like the organization, and I look forward to the SAB project.
  - (c) Woolf: Do you give money to committees?
    - (i) Wren: I will work with the president and vice president to make a budget for each committee as well as the executive budget. There are tabs for each of the committees and this is live on the website.
  - (d) O. Smith: What is the future of the appropriations committee?
    - (i) Wren: Maybe going extinct and transitioning into something different. Maybe something like summer research or student assistance, as well as moving that money to somewhere else in the budget.
  - (e) Approved in Closed Session.
- (3) Sam Myers as IT Director (Montúfar)
  - (a) Montúfar: He was the Purple Friday Chair, but he feels like this will be better for his skills and his CS Major.
  - (b) Myers: I want to get the website upgraded.
  - (c) O. Smith: How do you plan to restructure the website?
    - (i) Myers: It's really wide with drop down menus for no reason.
  - (d) Approved in Closed Session.
- (4) Emily Smith as Academic Affairs Committee Chair (Montúfar)
  - (a) Montúfar: Really excited for her to join us in a new format.
  - (b) Smith: I've always found the work to be important and interesting and I want to see what concerns we will be able to address
  - (c) Meyer: As a past chair, it is one of the busiest chairships. Do you have the time?
    - (i) Smith: I have a lighter class load and we are looking at getting Sutton back on to explore delegation.
  - (d) O. Smith: Will you have a subgroup for academic accolade?
    - (i) Smith: Maybe, but no solid plans now.
  - (e) Approved in Closed Session.

- (5) Kennedy Cooper as Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair (Montúfar)
  - (a) Montúfar: Kennedy was the last chair and she did a lot of good work and we want to see her continue to grow.
  - (b) Woolf: How do we get on the committee?
    - (i) O. Smith: It all will be ironed out in the fall.
  - (c) O. Smith: How will you work with the new CDI director?
    - (i) Cooper: We have already started working together and we are continuing to do so.
  - (d) Approved in Closed Session.
- (6) Morgan Sprehe as Environmental Affairs Committee Chair (Montúfar)
  - (a) Montúfar: She has worked on WLC this past year so we think she can lead well and she is passionate about this position.
  - (b) Sprehe: I want to be active in the environmental affairs committee and this is my chance. I plan to focus on education and programming, continuing the work that the precious chair has done.
  - (c) Woolf: In what ways do you personally live sustainably?
    - (i) I recycle and have been trying to shop clothing sustainably. I try to walk everywhere that I can. As well as encouraging my friends to do the same.
  - (d) O. Smith: The environmental liaison program?
    - (i) Sprehe: I would like to take that position on while delegating to a future vice chair.
  - (e) Approved in Closed Session.
- (7) Mike Owsley as External Affairs Committee Chair (Montúfar)
  - (a) Montúfar: Has a strong interest in local politics and more. He has a good relationship with the prior chair as well.
  - (b) Owsley: Very excited for this position. I care a lot about local government, it was part of the reason that I came to Truman, to make an impact on the town.
  - (c) Wren: Can we expect the first lady?
    - (i) Owsley: That's a high bar, but I will do what I can.
  - (d) E. Smith: The Street and the news letter?
    - (i) Owsley: Will be giving it to a member in the committee.
  - (e) O. Smith: How will you have better communication with the adair county health board?
    - (i) Owsley: They've listened to us in the past and we need to continue to build that relationship. Steady communication and clear understanding of goals.
  - (f) Woolf: How do you plan to include student feedback?

- (i) Owsley: Being a student senator, I see my role as being an ambassador. I would not be opposed to sending out forms or talking to students for direct feedback.
- (g) Approved in Closed Session.
- (8) Tori Woods and Josh Grandstaff as Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee Co-Chairs (Montúfar)
  - (a) Montúfar: Tori has already served in this position, as a co chair which has shown to be successful. They were the first people to reach out for chairship.
  - (b) Woods: This will be my last year. I am really passionate about this committee. We have a lot of really good ideas, particularly about mental health. We still have our wellness brochure coming out soon.
  - (c) Grandstaff: I served on the committee this past year and I am super excited.
  - (d) Woolf: How will you work with the Student Health Center and UCS?
    - (i) Woods: The campus wellness committee will be working with that. We will continue with the communication we started last year.
  - (e) Wren: A special project instead of HIV testing ideas?
    - (i) Woods: Still a discussion. We are looking at a Mental Health Awareness Week, as well as diversity wellness which would allow for various committee involvement.
    - (ii) Grandstaff: We are going to have to have a conversation to figure it out.
  - (f) Woolf: What ideas will you be including sexual wellness and education?
    - (i) Grnadstaff: Will be looking to appoint a sexual assault prevention designee
    - (ii) Woods: We are looking at working with the WRC and the ongoing LGBTQ+ group.
  - (g) Owsley: What about possible substances on campus?
    - (i) Woods: We are exploring medical marijuana on campus, particularly with safe storage. Also looking at the alcohol policy.
    - (ii) Grandstaff: We can't make any promises, but we are looking into it.
  - (h) Approved in Closed Session.
- (9) Warren Barge as Student Affairs Committee Chair (Montúfar)
  - (a) Montúfar: He was the prior chair for this committee and he is looking into new and creative ways to have groups communicate together and to student government.

- (b) Barge: I see us facilitating conversation across campus with various organizations. We need to work with other organizations to have large scale projects. Try to encourage interactions between organizations for bigger projects across campus. Smaller versions of presidential roundtables.
- (c) Grandstaff: How will you work with reslife?
  - (i) Barge: They did provide some funding, we have worked with RHA, but I am looking to work more with reslife in the future. They are closely linked.
- (d) Approved in Closed Session.

Oath of Office

# 2) Auxiliary Reports

- a) Speaker
  - i) O. Smith:
    - (1) I will send out information about joining the StuGov Slack. Also, if you have no report, please just say no report.
- **b)** Faculty Advisor
  - i) N/A
- c) Staff Advisor
  - i) Bates:
    - (1) Labyrinth is going to start making movements.
    - (2) Sexual assault prevention and awareness stuff showed up.
    - (3) Expenses will need 10 business days to process requests.
    - (4) I am also in Slack, but I am a human being and might need to take time for myself. I am not ignoring you, but I try not to respond on weekends.
  - ii) Woolf: Can you explain what Labyrinth is?
    - (1) Labyrinth is a circle in the ground that has meditative properties that will be constructed on campus.
- **d)** Student Representative to the Board of Governors
  - i) Smeltzer:
    - (1) Here to garner student opinion and let you know what the board is doing.
- e) SAB Representative
  - i) Little:
    - (1) Excited to work with everyone.
- **f)** FAC Representative
  - i) N/A
- g) RHA Representative
  - i) N/A
- h) Organizational Representatives
  - i) N/A
- Athletic Fee Accountability Committee
  - i) N/A

- j) Environmental Fee Accountability Committee
  - i) N/A
- k) Academic Affairs Committee
  - i) No report.
- 1) Diversity and Inclusion Committee
  - i) No report.
- m) Environmental Affairs Committee
  - i) No report.
- n) External Affairs Committee
  - i) No report.
- o) Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee
  - i) Woods:
    - (1) Let us know if you have any concerns or questions and message me or Josh on Slack if you do.
  - ii) Montúfar:
    - (1) Who is behind the committee?
      - (a) Bates: It's a faculty charged committee. The provost and the president specifically were tasked with coming up with a definition for wellness.
- p) Student Affairs Committee
  - i) No report.
- q) Purple Friday Committee
  - i) N/A
- r) Parking Appeals Committee
  - i) N/A
- s) Legislative Director
  - i) N/A
- t) IT Director
  - i) Myers:
    - (1) I will be working on revamping the website this summer.
- u) PR Director
  - i) N/A

#### 3) Executive Reports

- a) Secretary
  - i) No report.
- **b)** Treasurer
  - i) Wren:
    - (1) We want to bring a budget to the first meeting of the academic year. If you have something that you know needs to be funded, Slack me so that we can get that ready.
- c) President and Vice President
  - i) Kershaw:
    - (1) Went to undergraduate council this week.

(2) Old attendance policy will be going into effect next fall, basically meaning that you will need a doctor's note. Let me know if you want to set up a meeting with Shania or me.

## ii) Montúfar:

- (1) Planning on meeting with Dr. Thomas soon, so let us know if you have any questions you want us to ask her. Also, we are spending \$99 or less on office supplies.
- (2) Woolf: Check with the sustainability office to see if they have extra supplies to save money.

# 4) Old Business

a) N/A

### 5) New Business

- a) Truman Week Funding Resolution (Wren)
  - i) Questions:
    - (1) O. Smith: Who does this?
    - (2) Wren: Members volunteer during Truman Week for all the StuGov events.
    - (3) Bates: You move in the day before move in day and are given money to cover the cost of food. The bonus bucks are for those who live off-campus and are assisting. You are expected to be out and be visible during that time.
    - (4) Sprehe: Is this added on to my summer duties?
    - (5) Bates: Typically only if we get supplies, but I will be letting you know.
    - (6) Wren: It's important to pass this resolution.
- **b)** Table Runner Money Motion (Wren)
- c) Discussion Item: Informal Summer Meetings (Montúfar)
  - i) Montúfar: We're not planning on extending the gen body this summer, but the idea is that we could meet once a month for project development or to get to know each other. No expectation of attendance.
  - ii) Kershaw: It will be a great way to get to know each other.
  - **iii)** Montúfar: A survey indicated that 80% of people were interested in such meetings.
  - iv) Discussion:
    - (1) Woolf: What dates and times?
      - (a) Montúfar: Consistent day each month, but we would send out a poll to find a day that works for everyone.
    - (2) O. Smith: Are you planning to have different days for different subjects?
      - (a) Montúfar: Probably just one meeting per month.
    - (3) E. Smith: I am concerned that this won't give new members a good idea of how we run our meetings.
      - (a) Montúfar: I understand, but I think it will give people confidence for August.

- (4) Kershaw: We plan to move ahead with finding a schedule that works for everyone.
- (5) Montúfar: It's not right around the corner because we will wait for people to solidify their summer schedules.

## 6) Announcements

- a) Woolf: UNI is giving out free succulents and prizes!
- b) Bates: Free snacks around this coming week and free coffee vouchers being given out.
- c) Montúfar: Take the snacks from the back!
- d) Meyer: If you didn't meet your scholarship hours, send an email to financial aid because they are waiving incomplete hours for this semester.

Adjourned: 6:32 p.m.