

**Truman State University Student Government
Fifth Session of the 2021-2022 Executive Committee
September 29, 2021**

Convened: 8:00 p.m.

1) Preliminary Items

a) Roll call

2) Auxiliary Reports

a) Speaker of the Student Senate

i) O. Smith:

(1) The governing documents review board is coming this weekend to Gen. Body with an executive order from Shania. If anyone would like to see it, let me know and I will send it to you. Please check the Important Links section of the Slack to apply to be in that committee. Em will be a member of this board because they were a former speaker and there's nothing in the rules that says they can't. The attendance policy and the appropriations mission are things that we want to work on. We also want to look at the requirements for Senior Senators... Right now we have two empty spots. What I would personally like to do is allow Associate Senators to move up to Voting Senators and then to Senior Senators, instead of requiring two years in the Voting Senator position.

b) Academic Affairs Committee Co-Chairs

i) Purinton: No report.

c) Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair

i) Cooper:

(1) It took awhile to hear back from publications about the National Coming Out Day stickers, so I eventually sent them another email and they approved them about thirty minutes later. The stickers are now in the process of being purchased.

d) Environmental Affairs Committee Chair

i) Morgan:

(1) I met with Donna today and she said that PSAC would be happy to help with everything that we're working on right now. I'm excited to meet with my committee, also!

e) External Affairs Committee Chair

i) Owsley: No report.

f) Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee Co-chairs

i) Grandstaff: No report.

ii) Woods:

- (1) We're very excited to have a committee. One person I know applied for an associate position, so hopefully that will be another member. Any newcomers feel free to ask any questions, or go to Josh!

g) Student Affairs Committee Chair

- i) Bishop: We're trying to schedule our first meeting... two of the associate senators aren't in the Slack. Our main focus is the president's roundtable event and we'll also be meeting with Laura next week.

h) Purple Friday Committee Chair

- i) Bono: I have a meeting with Shania tomorrow and I'm starting to get my committee together.

i) Parking Appeals Committee Chair

j) Legislative Director

- i) King: No report.

k) IT Director

l) PR Director

3) Executive Reports

a) Treasurer

i) Wren:

- (1) Appropriations is meeting after this and we have three applications coming to the body on Sunday.
 (2) If you're spending money please let me know and I'll be sending my first check-in to chairs in the next couple days.

b) Secretary

i) Reynolds:

- (1) I have sent out the office hour availability sheet to the new members, and some of them have already filled it out, but I'm still deciding if I'll have them start next week or the week after that.

c) President and Vice President

i) Montúfar:

- (1) This is mostly a brief check in for committee chairs, but think about making sure all of your members are in your Slack. In past years we've made channels for committees, so that would be another good thing to do. After that, figuring out a whentomeet or a Doodle poll, but it sounds like a lot of you have already been doing that. After that, creating a big poster to use as a timeline can be really helpful and a great way to stay organized.

- (2) If any of you are ever unable to attend ExComm, you can send a member of your committee in your place, or you can send Abby a report.
 - (3) We were asked for a Truman Days representative, but we can talk about that at Gen. Body.
 - (a) Wren: You basically meet every other week; we were meeting with Janna and ResLife and different professors. We made all the flextime activities. It is a time commitment and I had something going on for that committee almost every single day.
 - (4) The last thing I'll talk about is Shania's Wellness Survey. I'll show you some figures. It seems like most of you are feeling very confident in your roles and that's great to see, but let us know if there is anything we can do to support you. As far as communication about Gen. Body and ExComm, most of you are in the four and five range as well. It seems like most of you are fairly stressed out, which did not surprise me. Please make sure you're taking care of yourself, which is easier said than done. Some people are getting a nice good full night's sleep, while others not so much, so please make sure you're getting enough sleep! Not a lot of you seem to be using the mental health resources on campus, and I can't tell you what to do, but I would suggest that you utilize them because I certainly do. As far as group wellness activities, it seems like most people were interested in the designated "walk around" time, and then the next two were hiking and book club. If you have any suggestions of other wellness activities, or if you have any comments, let me know!
 - (5) Smith: Which mental health resources on campus do you think are the most effective?
 - (a) Montúfar: UCS. My SSP can take a long time to get back to you, so it might not necessarily be the best resource if you're in a pinch.
 - (6) Grandstaff: Dr. Bird and I talked about putting together a positive psychology program that you could take home, and we could even use it at ExComm to see if it would be possible with the workload of a student. It involves tracking your wellness throughout the week and the goal is to increase overall happiness. I just wanted to throw it out there as a casual idea.
- ii) Kershaw:

- (1) We met with President Thomas today and we brought up some things from Josh and Tori's committee, like the crosswalk issues and the bike theft problem. We're currently trying to work with the city on that because it's not just Truman's property.
- (2) We're also looking into the best places on campus to add cameras... it would be absurdly expensive to put cameras everywhere, so they have to be strategic about it.
- (3) Bono: I work at the City Hall and they are resurfacing some of the sidewalks, so maybe they would do some of ours too.
- (4) They are also looking into card-swiping technology to enter any building, which would probably entail a small security fee. That's just something to keep in mind, but there is nothing concrete yet.

Adjourned: 8:27 p.m.