

**Truman State University Student Government  
Fifth Session of the 2021-2022 General Body  
September 12, 2021**

**Convened: 5:02 p.m.**

**1) Preliminary Items**

- a) Roll Call
- b) Approval of Previous Minutes
  - i) Approved.
- c) Changes to the Agenda
  - i) Kershaw: I motion to move resignations so that Em can be here.
    - (1) Approved.
- d) Gallery Introductions & Business
  - i) Luke Rascher: I previously served on the student body in the 2019-2020 academic year, but I am here again to run for voting senator.
  - ii) PJ Wuennenberg: I am running for the senior senator slot.
  - iii) Colleen O'Reilly: I'm a freshman and I'm running for voting senator.
  - iv) Jae Cauldwell: I'm an incoming freshman and I'm running for voting senator.
  - v) Blaine Smallwood: I'm a sophomore running for voting senator.
  - vi) Alexis Cook: I'm running for voting senator.
- e) Membership Appointment & Resignation
  - i) Minor Appointments
  - ii) Major Appointments
    - (1) Maddie Meyer as Chair of the Parking Appeals Committee
      - (a) Kershaw: We interviewed Maddie last week and she's very passionate about parking related issues and she had a lot of ideas on how to make parking better on campus.
      - (b) Meyer: I'm excited to be appointed to this position and I have a lot of ideas that deal with expanding the parking options on campus. A few years ago we had DPS come talk to us and they told us that we typically sell more parking stickers than there are spots available on campus, so I'm going to meet with them soon to see where those numbers are now.
      - (c) Appointed.
  - iii) Resignations
    - (1) Em Smith as Senior Senator and Co-Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee
      - (a) O. Smith: Em could not be here to say a few words, but they asked me to read something for them.
      - (b) Resigned.
- f) Oath of Office

**2) Auxiliary Reports**

- a) Speaker

- i)** O. Smith:
  - (1) I am looking to get the second voting poster out on Tuesday this week. I will also need help with the yard signs so let me know if you're able to do that.
  - (2) Additionally, I will need some help with our election banner that hangs in the SUB.
  - (3) We will have election info meetings on Monday and Wednesday this week at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom.
- b)** Faculty Advisor
- c)** Staff Advisor
- d)** Board of Governors Representative
- e)** FAC Representative
- f)** RHA Representative
- g)** SAB Representative
- h)** Organizational Representatives
- i)** Athletic Fee Accountability Committee
- j)** Environmental Fee Accountability Committee
- k)** Academic Affairs Committee
  - i)** No report.
- l)** Diversity and Inclusion Committee
  - i)** Cooper: I am working on getting the stuff for National Coming Out Day put together. I met with SAB about it last week and they're still figuring out what activities they want to do, but the ball is rolling on that.
- m)** Environmental Affairs Committee
  - i)** Sprehe: We will be hosting a movie on Monday of Sustainability Week and I have a money motion at the bottom of the agenda.
  - ii)** O. Smith: When is sus week?
    - (1) Sprehe: October the 4th.
- n)** External Affairs Committee
  - i)** No report.
- o)** Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee
  - i)** Woods: I hope to be back with you all in person soon. In the meantime, if you have any concerns or questions please direct them to Josh as I will be home indefinitely.
  - ii)** Grandstaff: As Tori said, hit me up with any concerns.
- p)** Student Affairs Committee
  - i)** Barge: Right now I'm thinking of logistics for Student Appreciation Week and I'm thinking we could do it next semester. My rationale for that is that if we do have a vaccination mandate on campus, we can allow that to take effect before hosting big events.
  - ii)** Grandstaff: What would change for student appreciation week if there was a vaccination mandate?
    - (1) Barge: I think the biggest thing would be being able to be in a room and smile at people and just make those connections in person.
  - iii)** O. Smith: Will there be a t-shirt gun?

- (1) Barge: I think that would be incredible, but there were some safety concerns last year.
- iv)** Woods: I would highly caution the t-shirt cannon because we could be held liable if there were to be an injury.
- q)** Purple Friday Committee
- i)** Bono: I wore purple last Friday and I really enjoyed it and I think it went well. My main thing for this week is to call U&I and reserve as many tabling slots as I can for the rest of the semester. I talked to Kennedy a bit about tabling for National Coming Out Day and as a lot of people said, we're just getting the ball rolling.
- ii)** Kershaw: Are you planning to look into indoor tabling options?  
(1) Bono: Yes, I plan to look into that when it starts getting colder.
- iii)** Owsley: Do you have a rough timeline of new Purple Friday merch?  
(1) Bono: No, I'm looking at options that would be most cost-effective, though.
- r)** Parking Appeals Committee
- i)** Meyer: I'm planning on going in tomorrow to get information on appeals, and if anyone wants to be our secret member from the student senate then reach out to me or Ethan or Shania.
- s)** Legislative Director
- t)** IT Director
- u)** PR Director
- i)** Alex: I put a Google Form in the general channel of Slack, so fill that out if you have ideas for what I'm posting on social media. Let me know if you feel like there's a question missing from the Google Form and I'll add that as well.

### 3) Executive Board Reports

- a)** Secretary
- i)** Reynolds: Tomorrow I'm going to send out a form for you all to put your availability for office hours, so please be on the lookout for that.
- ii)** O. Smith: Will office hours start this week or next week?
- iii)** Reynolds: Next week.
- b)** Treasurer
- i)** No report.
- c)** Vice President
- i)** Kershaw:
- (1) First, we should take note that the survey for vaccination status has closed, so we should be hearing the results of that survey soon.
- (2) Retreat is Sunday, September 26th from 12:00-3:00 p.m. and remember that it is a mandatory event.
- (3) Make sure that you're still encouraging people to run for elections.
- (4) Shania and I are hosting a President roundtable event, and we were trying to informally get your opinion on if we should have it on Zoom or in person, and when in October we should have it.

- (5) Sprehe: In terms of in-person or Zoom, I think you could have the option for both, but if you're going in person you should have proof of vaccination, if we're allowed to do that. And in terms of when, I think after midterm break in October would be best.
- (a) Bono: Sweet Nothings was not allowed to ask about vaccination status so I'm not sure how that translates to us.
- (6) Kershaw: I'm unsure of how it would play out if we offered both options because it would be two split groups.
- (7) Purinton: I don't know if I would go with that mixed option either, but maybe you could get RSVPs to see how high the attendance would be could help make that decision.
- (8) Wren: I'm an advocate for fully in-person because I think students attend better and I think the participation is better, and if we can fit a thousand students in an auditorium safely for homecoming then I think we can have a roundtable safely.
- (a) Sprehe: Since we don't know the vaccination numbers, I don't know if we're in the position to put everyone in a room together.

#### 4) Old Business

- a) N/A

#### 5) New Business

a) [Office Supplies Money Motion](#) (Kershaw)

- i) Kershaw: Shania and I were working in the office last Friday, and we noticed that our staplers don't work and that we didn't have enough shelves. Our plan is to order staplers, big staples for our staple gun, and shelves.

(1) Bono: On Thursday I tried to use the staplers so I can confirm that they did not work.

- ii) Passed.

b) [Sus Week Money Motion](#) (Sprehe)

- i) Sprehe: The post that you can see online is the rough design that I want to use for stickers for sus week. I should have the actual design by Tuesday so I will be sending that in the general channel.

- ii) O. Smith: When I read the part that says "there is no planet B" I expected there to be more text, did you get any questions about that?

(1) Sprehe: I think that phrase is very common in the climate change community.

- iii) Passed.

#### 6) Announcements

- a) Kershaw: We have a flag football game and a volleyball game tomorrow.
- b) Meye: I am directing the blackbox show in the theater this fall.
- c) Wren: If you're a part of an organization, I would recommend that you tell your president to nominate individuals for homecoming royalty. We will ultimately choose twelve students and then the student body will vote on two royalties.

- d) O. Smith: If you are a candidate running in the election, you can see me after the meeting for more information.

**Adjourned: 5:39 p.m.**