

Truman State University Student Government
Fourth Session of the 2021-2022 General Body
September 6, 2021

Convened: 5:59 p.m.

1) Preliminary Items

- a) Roll Call
- b) Approval of Previous Minutes
 - i) Approved.
- c) Changes to the Agenda
 - i) Jesse: Move to discuss the budget now.
 - (1) Passed.
- d) Gallery Introductions & Business
 - i) Emma: I just want to get involved in Student Government.
 - ii) Shane: I am here to talk on an issue later tonight.
 - iii) Jacob: I wanted to join and see what Student Government is all about.
 - iv) Holst: I'm a nursing major and I wanted to branch out and find things other than nursing to fill my time.
- e) Membership Appointment & Resignation
 - i) Minor Appointments
 - (1) Appropriations Slate: Morgan Sprehe, Maddie Meyer, Josh Grandstaff, and Hallie Holst as Appropriations Committee Members
 - (a) Wren: They are all voting senators, and Morgan and Maddie have both expressed interest in the past and Josh will have a fresh perspective.
 - (b) Sprehe: I really wanted to do more with appropriations last year, so I'm really excited that we can work more with it this year now.
 - (c) Grandstaff: I'm excited to bring in that new set of eyes like Jesse said.
 - (d) Holst: I'm excited to learn as much as I can and bring a different perspective to the table.
 - (e) Appointed.
 - ii) Major Appointments
 - (1) Santino Bono as Purple Friday Committee Chair
 - (a) Montúfar: Santino has a lot of experience with Academic Affairs and it's important to get people their purple apparel so that they can participate. I think they feel confident working with different aspects of the committee.
 - (b) Bono: I didn't get to participate as much as I wanted to last year, but each time I got to table it was a great experience to branch out and talk to new people. And I think Purple Friday is a great way to let people know about what Student Government does.

(c) Appointed.

iii) Resignations

(1) Erin Woolf as Voting Senator

(a) Resigned.

f) Oath of Office

2) Auxiliary Reports

a) Speaker

i) O. Smith: The agenda is online in case anyone would like to follow along.

ii) O. Smith: We have one more Voting Senator spot with Erin Woolf now gone.

iii) O. Smith: Election posters are in, if I could get some help with members from the body, I will make piles with the names of the buildings on the back so that they can be distributed.

b) Faculty Advisor

c) Staff Advisor

d) Board of Governors Representative

i) Smeltzer: In the past, there have been posters for board positions.

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) No report.

m) Environmental Affairs Committee

i) Sprehe: I had a meeting with the new ResLife coordinator and he was very involved with his student body and environmental groups when he was in college, so he's really excited to help us out and get involved.

n) External Affairs Committee

i) No report.

o) Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee

i) Grandstaff: Tori is very thankful to everyone for giving her support. Other than that, I have a resolution at the bottom of the agenda.

p) Student Affairs Committee

i) No report.

q) Purple Friday Committee

i) No report.

r) Parking Appeals Committee

s) Legislative Director

- i) King: I'm doing research and compiling information and revamping my spreadsheets and information packets. Be prepared to have some discussion next week.
- t) IT Director
 - i) No report.
- u) PR Director
 - i) Crawford: Owen made some posts for the election and I was able to add those to our Instagram and Twitter.
 - ii) Montúfar: How do you prefer that people send you things?
 - (1) Crawford: I will make my own Google Form or send me a message in Slack.
 - iii) Sprehe: I saw the gender neutral housing post and it was very informative.

3) Executive Board Reports

- a) Secretary
 - i) Reynolds: Please keep your schedule in mind because I want to start scheduling office hours next week.
 - ii) O. Smith: Just a reminder that office hours count towards attendance.
- b) Treasurer
 - i) Wren: If you're spending money make sure that you submit the online FRS.
- c) President and Vice President
 - i) Kershaw: We will be tabling again this Friday on the quad, so make sure you sign up if you can.
 - ii) Kershaw: Big news is that we have our first IM volleyball game this week!
 - iii) Kershaw: We're going to try and plan some kind of social event soon... it will be fun and covid-friendly.
 - iv) Kershaw: Last thing would be that associate applications are up so if you know anyone who is interested then let them know.
 - v) Montúfar: Ethan and I met with President Thomas again about the UCS concerns. Basically, they're still working through everything and trying to streamline it with UCS's scheduling process. President Thomas is also wanting feedback on the app, so send that to me if you have any.
 - vi) Montúfar: As far as other UCS questions, it is unclear if they are still offering waivers for individuals, and it is also unclear if they will be offering specific therapists for Queer and Black/Brown students, but I will be testing that in my next meeting.

4) Old Business

- a) [Elections Handbook](#) (O. Smith)
 - i) O. Smith: We updated the place for the retreat, I added in the extra Voting Senator spot, and everything else is the same as it was last week. Like Alex talked about, we have the social media posts that are starting to go out. And the first handbook meeting is this Wednesday.
 - ii) Kershaw: There are no signature requirements this year, correct?
 - (1) O. Smith: Correct. We are testing that out this year.
 - iii) Adopted by unanimous consent.

- b) [Fall 2021 Budget](#) (Wren)
 - i) Wren: The only change from last week was that we appropriated \$2,500 to appropriations.
 - ii) Approved by unanimous consent.

5) New Business

- a) [Vaccine Mandate Resolution](#) (Grandstaff)
 - i) First Reading
 - (1) Grandstaff: This resolution does two things: It supports an AAUP (American Association of University Professors) petition and it also voices our support of a COVID-19 vaccination mandate on Truman's campus. Truman's chapter of AAUP reached out to Shania to ask for Student Government's support.
 - (2) Myers: Could you go into more detail on the AAUP petition?
 - (a) Grandstaff: Essentially it's professors calling on Truman and Sue Thomas to create a mandate on campus.
 - (3) Meyer: Do you know if the AAUP has a suggestion for how to word a mandate?
 - (a) Grandstaff: As far as anything of that nature, it's all in the appendix and I don't think they have any verbiage yet.
 - (4) O. Smith: Are you planning to accept the changes to the resolution?
 - (a) Grandstaff: I want to open it up to discussion before I do.
 - (5) Montúfar: Laura told me that they want examples that are as close to Truman as we can, and also something about the language of the vaccinated students living with unvaccinated students in the dorms seems off.
 - (a) Grandstaff: I agree, I put the Ivy Leagues in there because they were the first ones that came out, so in that sense we would be taking the lead because Washington University is the only other comparable university in Missouri.
 - (b) Montúfar: I think you could even reorder them, so that Washington University is first and then delete the Ivy Leagues as you suggested. In regards to the second one.
 - (c) Kershaw: I think you could also add the University of Indiana, another public midwest university has mandated vaccines.
 - (6) Myers: The way we're doing this feels sleezy because we're only two weeks in and we haven't had any new appointments so we don't have enough representation before Fall Elections.
 - (a) Barge: I agree with Sam on that; I think we should have a week for people to know that we're passing this. I think that would improve transparency.
 - (b) Meyer: I disagree with that. This resolution is just saying that we support the idea of a mandate, not that we're passing one. It is just listing other places that have had success and saying

that we should follow them. I understand what you're saying, but there's not a lot in here that people could be upset about.

(c) Grandstaff: In response to Sam's point, previous bodies have passed resolutions before Fall Elections, so I don't think that waiting a week would change anything. I do appreciate and understand your opinion, though.

(d) O. Smith: I have been updating the website with information about the meetings and the Zoom links, so our meetings have been accessible.

(7) Montúfar: On the note of first and second reading things, I generally don't think that it's a great practice, but this is a time-sensitive issue.

(8) Grandstaff: I changed the wording as far as vaccination status in the residence halls.

(9) Kershaw: Are you going to resolve the other comments?

(a) Grandstaff: Yes, I am going to add Sutton's suggestions from the Student Health Center website and I am going to add Abby's as well

(10) Sprehe: Do we need to have the doctor titles in front of all the professors?

(a) O. Smith: I don't know if it's required, but it might be nice for formality.

(b) Grandstaff: I'm not 100% if we've done that in the past, but their official title is on there so I'm comfortable with that.

ii) Grandstaff: Move to suspend the standing rules.

(1) Suspended: 12 Yes, 1 No, 4 Abstain.

iii) Second Reading

(1) Owsley: I like this resolution and I think as a body we should vote "yes" on it.

(2) Cooper: Is the Truman Media Network in the copies of the resolution? I was not seeing it.

(a) Grandstaff: Could you put that in a comment?

(i) Cooper: Yes.

(3) Crawford: There are some formatting inconsistencies; sometimes there are semicolons and sometimes there are commas.

(a) Grandstaff: I will change that right now.

iv) Adopted by unanimous consent.

6) Announcements

a) Bono: Auditions for Sweet Nothings are open so send in a video of you singing to our Instagram!

b) Kershaw: After this meeting, we need help moving our stuff back into the office so please help with that if you can.

c) E. Smith: Is there going to be something to de-moldify the couch?

i) I will call the physical plant and try to get us a new couch.

d) Cooper: Come to the planetarium at 6:00 p.m. this Wednesday to watch my show!

Adjourned: 6:54 p.m.