

**Truman State University Student Government
Sixth Session of the 2021-2022 Executive Committee
October 6, 2021**

Convened: 8:02 p.m.

1) Preliminary Items

a) Roll call

2) Auxiliary Reports

a) Speaker of the Student Senate

i) Smith: Gov. docs is starting on Sunday and right before I came here I updated the Student Senate website with our new photos! All the other pages still need to be updated.

ii) Reynolds: Will we know all the committee members this week?

iii) Smith: It changes throughout the year as people resign and join.

b) Academic Affairs Committee Co-Chairs

c) Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair

i) Cooper: I emailed Donna Liss because the pronoun option was not on Portal. She said that at this time the university only allows you to select a chosen name and that adding pronouns is a work in progress. I will be meeting with her and Tammy Roberts sometime next week about this. I also want to make sure that it says “pronouns” or “personal pronouns” and not “preferred pronouns.”

ii) Rainbow Friday is this Friday, so please sign up to hand things out! Same thing for Monday. I’m going to make a playlist for that. Lastly, I’m still waiting for the stickers to arrive.

d) Environmental Affairs Committee Chair

i) Sprehe:

(1) Sustainability Week is still happening! Sign up to table if you can.

(2) In other news, Chrstine Harker is planning on retiring and she wants her final lecture to be during Earth Week.

e) External Affairs Committee Chair

i) Owsley:

(1) We had our first committee meeting two hours ago. We talked about external priorities and we pitched some ideas to each other. Some initial things would be that we’re going to hammer in on voter registration. We want to set up a voter registration drive in November.

- (2) We have also talked about Homecoming– I talked to Ethan earlier and I liked the idea of buying cider and cookies. I talked to Warren about wristbands, but I liked the idea of cider and cookies better.
- (3) I had not informed Dan that our meeting was today, but we would love to have him in attendance in the future.
- (4) We also talked about writing a resolution for the legislative house in Jefferson City and about doing some sort of Primary event. The group thought it might be good to do some kind of on-campus forum.
- (5) Also, if there are issues that you hear students bringing up over and over, please let me know so that we can take it to Jefferson City.
- (6) Smith: How many resolutions do you foresee writing?
 - (a) Dan: It solely depends on what the House and the Senate do. If they spend this Legislative Session attacking higher education, we'll probably do a lot. But if they talk about other hot issues, we probably won't be getting as involved.
 - (b) Owsley: We're going to pursue rules relating to Truman students.
- (7) Montúfar: We met with President Thomas earlier today, and she had some really good insights about how Truman lobbies in Jefferson City. She will meet with anybody at any point, so I think it would be a great idea to talk to her because she knows a lot about repeated issues. Also, there are a lot of efforts from the Health Department... We need to get in contact with Jim because they're trying to do different vaccination incentives and it would be great if we could get involved in that.
 - (a) Owsley: That's very helpful, thank you. Please Slack me his email.

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

- i) Grandstaff: We talked to Ryan Nely about the demographic information survey that goes only to new students. Essentially it conflates gender and sex, so that would be something for you Kennedy to bring up.

g) Student Affairs Committee Chair

- i) Barge: Yesterday I chatted with SAB about Oktoberfest, and we talked about being able to compliment each other. We talked about having sweets, kind of like Mike said, but they said they would appreciate it if we stuck to a Halloween theme as far as treats/cookies go, but that we were free to hand out StuGov stuff. I've heard that it costs about \$6/per dozen cookies, and we

have \$100 in our budget for this, so I was thinking we could buy a lot of them.

- ii) As far as the President's Roundtable event, there are a few things we are wanting to use that for. We're wanting to jumpstart some of Student Government's programs, and it should be used as a way for Student Government to get in contact with other organizations and for other organizations to get in contact with each other. We're looking at holding it in late October or early November, and we want to be able to ask people if there are any major projects that you want the other organizations to know about.
- iii) Montúfar: If you're wanting to be doing catering on campus, you'll need to use Catertrax, which is a website where you can see all the pricing and submit the order. If you do cookies, you have to special request gluten-free and vegan cookies, so make sure you do that. The last thing for you is talk to the Committee about what topics you want to bring up, and then bring them to Ethan and me.
- iv) Grandstaff: Could you plug appropriations as an option at the Roundtable event?
 - (1) Barge: Yes we could.
- v) Smith: How much money is left in the appropriations budget?
 - (1) Kershaw: I think about \$700?
 - (2) Montúfar: We have money in the reserves so we would need to decide if we want to appropriate more.
- h) Purple Friday Committee Chair
- i) Parking Appeals Committee Chair
- j) Legislative Director
 - i) King:
 - (1) The regular session does not start until January, so unless stuff starts popping up now, then I'm gonna continue working on the background stuff like networking.
 - (2) Owsley: How do you go about setting up a meeting with Dr. Thomas?
 - (a) Montúfar: lrhall@truamn.edu is the email of her secretary. Let her know that you're wanting to talk about external affairs' role.
- k) IT Director
- l) PR Director

3) Executive Reports

a) Treasurer

b) Secretary

i) Reynolds:

(1) I have made the committee attendance sheet so I will share that with you all soon.

c) President and Vice President

i) Montúfar:

(1) Ethan and I just took 15 minutes to find out that we have to fill 38 positions for OAF and SFAC and AFAC. Several of those are Student Government representatives, but don't overextend yourselves. There are close to 10 student-at-large positions so we just need to pool who we know and get those applications out. Just know that we'll probably be asking for help with that.

ii) Kershaw:

(1) Only the Academic Affairs Committee and the Gov. Docs have put things into their folder in the Shared Drive, so I just wanted to remind you all to begin adding things in those.

(2) It sounds like Mike is starting to get some ideas out there for Homecoming, so I wanted to give you all the opportunity to throw some stuff out there. This is a good chance to talk to alumni for sure... I don't know if we'll be doing anything on the day of Homecoming. I don't know if we're going to find a vehicle to have in the parade.

(3) Owsley: Could we establish a Homecoming Committee in the future?

(a) Sprehe: Since it's not all year around, maybe it should just be temporary?

(i) Montúfar: Yeah, it could be an ad hoc committee.

(b) Motúfar: who would be interested?

(i) Kennedy: I would be interested.

(4) Montúfar: I think it would make the most sense to make an ad hoc committee for people to communicate together in one place and to set up the float idea to make sure that everyone is on the same page.

Adjourned: 8:37p.m.