

**Truman State University Student Government
Tenth Session of the 2021-2022 Executive Committee
November 10, 2021**

Convened: 8:04 p.m.

1) Preliminary Items

a) Roll call

2) Auxiliary Reports

a) Speaker of the Student Senate

i) O. Smith: Overall, I thought that the meeting went okay, especially for a meeting that drew 50+ people. Some people got gaveled down with the two minute limit, so I think if we encounter that sort of scenario again we need to make sure that we continue using that rule. As far as the live stream, that was through TMN, and I told Anas that people liked it.

ii) S. Myers: If you're going to remove someone from the Zoom, I think you should tell them that you're removing them.

(1) O. Smith: I think that's a fair criticism.

iii) Kershaw: If you have anything that you want to discuss not at ExComm, feel free to come to Shania and/or me.

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b) Academic Affairs Committee Chairs

i) Purinton:

c) Diversity and Inclusion Committee Chair

i) Cooper:

d) Environmental Affairs Committee Chair

i) Sprehe: We finally have dates for Campus Cups. That will be happening from the 27th of November through the 10th of December. I'm going to slack Alex to ask if we can make poster, and we're also partnering with TruMed.

ii) Krishna finally had his first meeting with Dan in Residence Life, and they had a great meeting.

iii) We're working on ESFAC proposals as a committee.

iv) We have a money motion for the True Cost documentary.

e) External Affairs Committee Chair

i) Owsley: Registration Friday is this Friday and we got the stickers and posters.

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

i) Grandstaff:

- ii) Woods:
 - (1) I'm meeting with Ryan Nely next week sometime, and I'm going to do something with the condoms that I have, and I want to talk to you about dental dams for inclusivity.
 - (2) My organization is going to be working with Purple Friday for Epilepsy Awareness Month. I'm not sure if Health, Wellness, & Safety will be spending anything, but I have a meeting with Tino tomorrow to talk about it.

g) Purple Friday Committee Chair

- i) Bono:

h) Student Affairs Committee Representative:

- i) Bishop:

i) Legislative Director

- i) King:

j) IT Director

- i) Myers: I updated the website for the first time!

3) Executive Reports

a) Treasurer

- i) Wren:

b) Secretary

- i) Reynolds:

c) President and Vice President

- i) Montúfar:

(1) I'm going to send our apparel survey in the next few days, so be ready to fill that out!

- ii) Kershaw: Room Lottery is open for the Spring, so please get any requests in to Shania. It is very difficult to get a room.

4) Discussion items

a) President's Roundtable

- i) Kershaw: There will be small breakout room sessions, so please all of you come if you can and let me know if you cannot.
- ii) Woods: The group that I was with last year was placed with a lot of the health organizations in campus, and they wanted to do another one. I don't know if that will come up again, but if it's the same people then I'll ask them about it again. GlobeMed and SPHA brought it up to me.
- iii) Bishop: I have all the group assignments if you want me to share them?
 - (1) O. Smith: Yes, could you put them in the ExComm channel?
 - (a) Bishop: Yes.

b) Gov Docs Proposal

- i) O. Smith: The problem that we have run into is that in the last two years we have not filled our Senior Senator spots. We've thought about reducing the service requirement to be more accommodating. We would reduce it to one year as a Voting Senator or one year on ExComm. I made an example in the [document](#) to show our issues with voting. Our current system allows losers to win. Depending on the results of the election, someone could lose because they chose the "wrong" position (Voting Senator/Incoming Senator). We want to remove the choice from people who qualify for multiple positions. I think you'll agree with my committee and me because it makes sure that people who get the most votes will win.
- ii) Woods: What makes the difference between an Incoming Senator and a Voting Senator then? Is this going to make it any logistically different?
 - (1) O. Smith: We discussed nixing Voting Senators and Incoming Senators, but it would be a whole lot more work to get rid of one of the titles.
 - (2) Woods: I'm just concerned about the titling because I feel like that could be a logistical issue.
- iii) Montúfar: I might need to look back at past elections, but I'm trying to remember if Incoming Senator positions are more competitive. I think we usually have more positions open?
 - (1) O. Smith: I think we always elect one more in the Spring, but I'm not sure.
 - (2) Montúfar: How many ran this year?
 - (a) O. Smith: Four voting and five incoming.
- iv) Montúfar: I think the first part of the suggestion is fine, so I have no concerns about that part, but I'm just concerned how that would have played out in past elections.
 - (1) Grandstaff: It's hard to tell how that would have played out because we're trying to fix the voting pool.
 - (a) Montúfar: I see, it would be a bit hard to tell because past elections haven't followed the guidelines that you have created.
 - (b) O. Smith: Yes, for example, when I ran as Incoming Senator, you can only run as that, so it would be difficult to see how many I would have gotten.
 - (2) Montúfar: Okay, I think it would be okay as long as it doesn't get too competitive.

- v) Kershaw: That's also assuming that people vote in the whole election and not just for the two people that they know.
- vi) O. Smith: We might bring this up on Sunday, but it will definitely come up before Winter Break.

Adjourned: 8:33