

**Truman State University Student Government
Seventeenth Session of the 2021-2022 General Body
January 17th, 2022**

Convened: 7:17 p.m.

1) Preliminary Items

- a) Roll Call
- b) Gallery Business
- c) Changes to the Agenda
- d) Approval of Previous Minutes
 - i) Approved.
- e) Membership Appointment & Resignation
 - i) Resignations
 - (1) Joshua Grandstaff as Co-Chair of the Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee
 - (2) Alex Crawford as PR Director
 - (3) Grace Rowley as Voting Senator
 - (4) Brenna Larkin as Voting Senator
 - (5) PJ Wuennenberg as Senior Senator
 - ii) Minor Appointments
 - (1) Joshua Grandstaff as a member of the Academic Affairs Committee
 - (a) Montúfar: Joshua is stepping down from Health, Wellness, & Safety and he is interested in working with Academic Affairs, and I talked to Sutton about that. Joshua can speak about his interest.
 - (b) Grandstaff: I've had interest in Academic Affairs for awhile now, and going into education means that it's pertinent to what I want to do.
 - (c) Appointed.
 - iii) Major Appointments
 - (1) Colleen O'Reilly as PR Director (Montúfar)
 - (a) Montúfar: Colleen is already on the body and she is a first-year student. Our former PR director is no longer at Truman, so we wanted to fill that position relatively quickly. We are excited that Colleen was interested in the position because she is getting a minor in Political Communication.
 - (b) O'Reilly: I don't have much to say because Shania covered a lot of it, but like she said I'm working with College Dems so I have a relatively good grasp on what the position entails.
 - (c) Owsley: Is Colleen still going to be on my committee?
 - (i) O'Reilly: Yes.
 - (d) O. Smith: For those who are wondering, it's possible to be executive staff and be on committees.

(e) O. Smith: Shania mentioned The Index, but how are you going to communicate with them?

(i) O'Reilly: I already wrote an article for them last week, but also we use email to communicate. Alex asked people to write articles, so I might do that as well.

f) Oath of Office

2) Executive Reports

a) Legislative Director

i) King:

(1) There's a lot going on right now; legislative session is starting. Mike and I are planning a meeting with President Thomas.

b) IT Director

i) Myers:

(1) If you need anything up, let me know. I think we're all updated currently.

c) PR Director

i) O'Reilly: I'm going to send out a lot of links, like a Google Form if you want graphics to be posted.

d) Secretary

i) Reynolds:

(1) Mike, Warren, and Luke: you have not submitted your office hour availability. Please do so by the end of the night.

(2) Office hours will start on Monday the 24th. The format will be the same as last year in that I will ask that you sign in on the sheet that will be in the office.

(3) Absences MUST be submitted at least 48 hours in advance, barring emergencies. An absence submitted less than 48 hours in advance will result in an unexcused absence.

e) Treasurer

f) Vice President

i) No report.

ii) O. Smith: Any IM sports that we should know about?

(1) Kershaw: Yes! We will be participating in the 5 on 5 men's basketball. Let me know if you have interest in joining the team.

g) President

i) Montúfar:

(1) Make sure your Slack hasn't offloaded and that your notifications are still on.

(2) For all Chairs and Executive Staff, make sure you sign up to meet with us by the end of January on our Calendly!

(3) We met with the President and she suggested that we meet with Andrew Fajkus to talk through UCS and Health Center improvements during this transitional time with Health, Wellness, & Safety. We will be doing that next week.

- (4) As another reminder, Ethan and I will be do a Board of Governors report/update in February, so I will be asking the Chairs to send a bit of info closer to that time.
- (5) O. Smith: Will it just be you and Ethan going to the meeting?
 - (a) Montúfar: It will probabaly just be us two, and it should be relatively brief. I will updated you if Chairs should be there.
 - (i) Bates: Meetings are open to the public, and there are about 50 seats available.

3) Committee Reports

- a) Athletic Fee Accountability Committee
- b) Environmental Fee Accountability Committee
- c) Purple Friday Committee
 - i) No report.
 - ii) O. Smith: Sign up for Purple Friday tabling!
- d) Parking Appeals Committee
 - i) Meyer: I'm going in on Wednesday to pick up the appeals.
- e) Academic Affairs Committee
 - i) Purinton: We decided that our committe meetings will be held on Monday at 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Good luck this week!
- f) Diversity and Inclusion Committee
 - i) Kennedy:
 - (1) Diversity Week is the week of March 28th.
 - (2) The Resource Center is being discussed by the advisor board on Thursday. We're in the process of getting furniture and we're looking at opening this semester, which is awesome.
 - (3) O. Smith: Kennedy and I have a class that the same the Resource Center is in right now, so have you talked to them about it?
 - (a) Cooper: Not yet.
 - (b) Bates: I know that there are still desks in there, so I don't think they've gotten the Physical Plant to move things out yet. My guess is that they haven't yet moved your class.
 - (4) O. Smith: If all committee chairs could slack me when your committee is meeting, Sam or I can throw it on the website.
- g) Environmental Affairs Committee
 - i) Carey: The menstrual cups came in, so the WRC will be handing those out.
- h) External Affairs Committee
 - i) Owsley:
 - (1) Sad to see a couple of my members resign, secondly proud of Colleen. Thirdly, my big project right now is working with Kennedy on Diversity Week because we talked about including External in that.
 - (2) Like Dan mentioned, we will be meeting with President Thomas soon.
 - (3) O. Smith: How exactly do you see External working with Diversity Week?

- (a) Owsley: Kennedy can probably answer that better, but I think one of our movies was going to talk about voting.
- (b) Cooper: Just to go off of what Mike is saying, I'm looking to show a film about voter suppression and how it's targeting communities of color and queer people and college students. We also wanted to run a voter registration drive.

i) Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee

i) Woods:

- (1) At this time I do not know what time our meetings will be, so please be patient with me as I try to get things moved around.
- (2) Colleen, I will be reaching out to you soon to get some posts up about omicron.
- (3) Get ready for a Wellness Week this semester.
- (4) Feel free to reach out to me, and if I don't respond then reach out to Shania or Ethan and they will reach out to me.

ii) Sexual Assault Prevention Designee

(1) Fox:

- (a) I have my open mic event in February and I'm really excited about that, and I'll be pushing the Title IX event back just because of some scheduling things.

j) Student Affairs Committee

i) Barge:

- (1) We have Student Appreciation Week coming up.
- (2) We're going to be having our first committee meeting this week.
- (3) Also, I will be working with Em Smith on organizational development.
- (4) I would like to work with the Business Office and the Financial Aid Office on the resolution we passed last semester about raising the minimum wage.
- (5) Montúfar: Are you working on Denim Day?
 - (a) Barge: Yes.
- (6) O. Smith: Are you doing another President's Roundtable this semester?
 - (a) Barge: Yes.

4) Auxiliary Reports

a) Speaker

i) O. Smith:

- (1) We did not have a Governing Documents meeting this week, but we will next week. We are planning on looking at ESFAC, AFAC, and OAF, and I will try to put some documents about that in the Drive.
- (2) I plan to bring the election packets soon, and I'm going to talk to TMN to get some sort of coverage, maybe in the form of a presidential debate.
- (3) Lastly, I am going to put a link in the Slack to a Spreadsheet that I have been working on for awhile. It's an archive of or resolutions

from 2006-onward. Some of the information is missing, but I think this is going to be a super useful tool for committees to look back on what they have done in the past. It will also allow them to pick up old projects that were forgotten about.

b) Faculty Advisor

c) Staff Advisor

i) Bates:

(1) Owen if you're having gaps in the later years, I have all the binders in my office and you're welcome to borrow them.

(a) O. Smith: I might try to go to the Archives as well.

(2) If you're a committee chair who works more directly with me, I will be reaching out to meet with you.

(3) If you have things that you need to buy, you need to be thinking more than a week in advance. Kennedy gave us a bunch of stuff before break which is great, but with supply issues and delivery delays you need to get them in early.

(4) Student wages went up, and in March we'll start to have a good idea of our budget.

(5) If you are new to the body, the President will do an all-university address. I encourage you to go to this or watch it after the fact because she often talks about the budget and the strategic plan.

(6) Last week, 9 employees were out for positive COVID tests, and the majority of them had no symptoms, so please be mindful of your decisions. I got N95 masks from the website that Meg sent in the chat.

(7) O. Smith: When is the President's university address?

(a) Bates: There is no set date, but it's usually late-February.

d) Board of Governors Representative

e) Organizational Representatives

i) FAC Representative

ii) RHA Representative

iii) SAB Representative

5) Old Business

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6) Discussion Items

a) Parliamentary Procedure review

i) O. Smith:

(1) Resolutions: Two-week period. You can move to suspend the Standing Rules to do it in one.

(2) Point of information: You have information that the body needs to know. You are PROVIDING information.

(3) Point of clarification: You have a question about something that is being discussed. You are ASKING for information

(4) With questions and discussion, I have not been the best about this, but when we run out of discussion time, I'm going to ask that a

motion be made to extend discussion, end discussion, or exhaust the speaker's list.

- (5) I'm not going to entertain motions to exhaust the speaker's list unless we're out of time.
- (6) Resolution amendments: "Friendly" amendments are those which the resolution sponsor agrees with and wants to add of their own accord. "Hostile" amendments are those which the sponsor doesn't want to add, but the rest of the body does. We need to move to amend a certain line with certain language, and then there's discussion on the amendment, then a vote, then another vote on the resolution as a whole.
- (7) In closed session, we can recall people to ask more questions.
- (8) Anyone on this body can write a resolution; it doesn't matter if you're an associate senator, executive staff, whoever.
- (9) Montúfar: Where can people find better descriptions of our Parliamentary Procedure?
 - (a) O. Smith: In the Shared Drive there is an "Important Documents" folder that should contain that information.

7) New Business

a) [Diversity Week Money Motion](#) (Cooper)

- i) Cooper: Diversity Week is coming up, and the plan right now is to get this poster with a list of all the events. First we're going to show a movie, and then we're going to do a racial equity recap with Dr. Saint Rice. I plan to have that with a Zoom option, and I wanted to get cookies and fruit water for that. We also want to have a discussion about mental health, and equity and inclusion, but i just haven't come up with a name for it yet. Dr. Saint Rice thinks I could build off of his event that he's hosting this semester.
- ii) Montúfar: Is the movie going to be bought or rented?
 - (1) Cooper: To buy.
- iii) Carey: Does the 6 dozen cookie number include the 2 dozen gluten-free and vegan cookies?
 - (1) Cooper: No, so there will be 8 dozen total.
- iv) O. Smith: I would be thinking about ways to get people to attend the discussions, so some incentive would be good.
 - (1) Cooper: Dr. Saint Rice said he would help promote it through CDI, and we've had a lot of people express interest in attending.
 - (2) Montúfar: The original racial equity recap was almost over-attended, so I still have information on how I did that.
- v) Monied.

8) Announcements

- a) Bates: If you don't follow Truman Involvement or the Rec Center's Instagram, I would recommend that you go check them out for an opportunity to win free stuff. Also, swipes into the rec this week count towards entries.
- b) Montúfar: The first ExComm will be this Wednesday and we will meet in the Complex as usual.

c) O. Smith: If anyone wants to play badminton against me at the rec, I will win.

Adjourned: 8:11 p.m.