# Truman State University Student Government Twenty-sixth Session of the 2021-2022 General Body March 27th, 2022

### Convened: 5:01 p.m.

### 1) Preliminary Items

- a) Roll Call
- **b)** Gallery Business
- c) Changes to the Agenda
  - i) Sarasio Myer: I have rehearsal at 5:30 p.m., can I please go after advisor reports?
    - (1) Approved.
- **d)** Approval of Previous Minutes
  - i) Approved.
- e) Membership Appointment & Resignation
  - i) Resignations
    - (1) Morgan Sprehe as Voting Senator
      - (a) Resigned.
  - ii) Major Appointments
  - iii) Minor Appointments
  - iv) Oath of Office

## 2) Executive Reports

- a) President
  - i) Montúfar: Petitions to run in spring elections close April 1st. Only six senators are signed up right now. I'm sending emails to all student organizations to recruit members. Please try to ask three people individually to get them to run. Now is a good time to do that. All of the information is <a href="www.senate.truman.com/elections">www.senate.truman.com/elections</a>. Election season can get a bit confusing, so please walk them through the process so they can confidently get involved.
  - ii) Montúfar: Transition meeting and Spring Retreat is coming up quickly on April 10th. End-of-year reports will be given during that time, so please start working on that. Retreat is in Baldwin Hall 114 at noon. Senior resolutions will happen at the retreat instead of the transition meeting. The new general body meeting will be at 5 p.m.
  - iii) Montúfar: I have few money motions and an executive order today.
- b) Vice President
- c) Treasurer
  - i) Wren: Ideally, no one else should be spending money, but if you are, please reach out to me today.
- d) Secretary
  - i) Cook: We are getting close to the end of semester so there may be temptation to send in an excuse and not attend general body meetings, ExComm, committee meetings, or your weekly office hour, but please

remember that you have a very limited amount of unexcused absences. If you are struggling with attendance, please talk to me. I promise I won't bring you to removal if you communicate with me about your situation.

- e) PR Director
- f) IT Director
  - i) S. Myers: No report.
- **g)** Legislative Director

## 3) Advisor Reports

- a) Staff Advisor
  - i) Bates: I'm trying to get money spent and tell you when your things are here.
  - ii) Bates: Good luck if you are starting to campaign!
  - iii) Bates: I will potentially not be here Sunday because of Greek Week.
- **b)** Faculty Advisor
- 4) Old Business
- 5) Discussion Items
- 6) New Business
  - a) Student Fee Executive Order (Montúfar)
    - i) Montúfar: For the past year, Ethan and I have been talking with students regarding student fees. There's the Information Technology Services fee, Student Health fee, Environmental fee, Student Activities fees, etc. We have a shaky review process for these fees. For the Environmental Sustainability Fees Accountability Committee (ESFAC) and Athletic Fees Accountability Committee (AFAC), we have a formal committee process. They've been successful in pitching proposals. For AFAC, they need a proposal in the fall semester which isn't super practical. For some of the fees that are tied to University operations, there should be more responsibility in the Administration to make these proposals. Generally, first or second year, unaffiliated students run those committees and it is often very challenging. We've lost \$500k across all of those fees, mainly due to low enrollment, but we aren't meeting the rates of inflation and we don't review those fees with a close enough eye. This executive order outlines a process for the administration to be involved in the process more. It wouldn't put the burden of the proposal on the Student Government because a lot of these fees aren't reviewed because we can't get a committee together to review them. There's still a lot of questions that aren't answered, but this executive order gives future bodies a chance to look at it. In something like the AFAC process, there's a lot of stakeholders in the process such as the Student Recreation Center, Club Sports, etc. It is a really convoluted process, but I hope this executive order clarifies this process.
      - (1) R. Myers: What is the advantage of doing this as an executive order over a resolution?
        - (a) Montúfar: There's still a lot of conversation to have about this. These would have to be changes to our Constitution and operating procedures, and while it was our hope to do that, it

- just wasn't possible. It is just my formal recommendation of what things should happen next.
- (2) Bates: Where do the 1-5 bullet points fit? It seems like two separate lists.
  - (a) Montúfar: They were Mike Garzanelli's suggestions and I tried to merge them. I can try to make a second appendix.
- (3) Bates: A portion of the activities fee is the Center for Student Involvement fee and it's \$9 and it helps specifically staff funding. That is not in here.
  - (a) Montúfar: Yeah, the student activities fee is broken down into different sections. I'll add an appendix.
- **b)** Spring Retreat Money Motion (Montúfar)
  - i) Montúfar: In two weeks, we will have a Spring Retreat and we want to get things purchased. We generally have food at the beginning, some activities, and the only addition I added is a set of frames for annual honors such as "Committee of the Year," "Chair of the Year," etc. Catering for the first part of the event is included. There is a group-collaging activity included, too.
    - (1) Bates: What food did you order?
      - (a) Montúfar: There's only two veggie options, so I will do one of those. There's not a lot of room in BH 114 so maybe consider nice boxed lunches.
  - ii) Approved.
- c) Merch Money Motion (Montúfar)
  - i) Montúfar: These are both merch items from 4Imprint. Laura reached out to us and asked if we wanted to collaborate with them for National Bulldog Day on April 21st so that's what this is. We are adding on to another order that Blaine is making.
  - ii) Approved.
- d) Student Appreciation Week Money Motion (Barge)
  - i) Barge: The vast majority of this budget are things we can do in-house which is convenient. We will be spending \$100/day throughout the week so we can spend it on food. We'll be spending \$500 on vouchers, \$100 worth of candy, \$100 worth of posters, and \$200 of stickers. For the stickers and posters, I'm unsure that we will use all of that money, but I want it to get passed so I have the authority to use all of it if I need to. I think it's okay to leave a bit of the budget behind. The design we will have for posters will come later, I just want this to get passed first, and then have dates and details added later. I just want to make sure we get this money motion passed in time.
  - ii) Approved.

### 7) Committee Reports

- a) Academic Affairs Committee
- **b)** Diversity and Inclusion Committee
  - i) Cooper: Diversity week starts tomorrow! You should come to all events. I will send out a Google Form for people to be there.
    - (1) Montúfar: Are you doing something with Colleen for Instagram?

#### (a) Cooper: Yes

- c) Environmental Affairs Committee
  - i) Smallwood: My committee decided to show Wall-E on the Friday of Earth Week at the Planetarium at 7 p.m. We're still working on getting proof of rights for the movie.
  - **ii)** Smallwood: The stickers and silverware should be ordered soon if they haven't already.
- d) External Affairs Committee
  - i) Owsley: I'm working on my end-of-year report and voter registration day on April 8th. We'll design some Canva graphics for April 5th. If you are registered to vote in Kirksville, please go out and vote! Keep your eye out for that graphic on social media.
- e) Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee
  - Fox: Wellness Week was a success! Thank you to everyone who helped out with it.
  - ii) Fox: Katrina and I are working on planning a memorial service.
    - (1) Bates: Health Sciences Honorary Organization is doing a Wellness Week this week, too. Maybe there could be some collaboration and possibly a Wellness Month? Might be useful for your end-of-year report.
- f) Student Affairs Committee
  - i) Barge: We just got our t-shirts today. I'm going to talk to my committee this week about the exact date for this event. With that in mind, I'll keep the rest of the body informed
- g) Purple Friday Committee
  - i) Bono: I plan to spend no more than \$99 on candy.
- **h)** Parking Appeals Committee
  - i) Sarasio Myers: I have scheduled a conversation with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) about parking appeals because we haven't been receiving appeals. If you have served on the committee before and have any ideas or suggestions on how to get in touch with DPS, please let me know.
- i) Athletic Fee Accountability Committee
- j) Environmental Sustainability Fee Accountability Committee

#### 8) Auxiliary Reports

- a) Speaker
  - i) O. Smith: Two President/Vice President tickets have been declared for the election, as well as six senators (one senior senator, five voting senators). This is currently a noncompetitive election. Please encourage those you know to run and get involved!
  - ii) O. Smith: The Presidential Debate will occur tomorrow night at 6:30 p.m. in Georgian Room B. Please attend with friends and see what the two tickets have to offer!
  - iii) O. Smith: As of 3:30 p.m. today, no candidate has sent me materials for their social media posts. Although this is optional, it lets people know what's going on and gives something to put out there for people to see. It's also free

- publicity if a race is contested. Please send those materials to the elections admin email (<a href="mailto:stugovelectionsadmin@truman.edu">stugovelectionsadmin@truman.edu</a>) when you have the chance.
- iv) O. Smith: I need help with the election yard signs this week. We need to print out pieces of paper, cut them out, and tape them on both sides of the signs. Then we need to take the signs and stakes and place them around campus. If I run into anyone in the office anytime before Thursday and you aren't doing much of anything, please consider helping out with this.
- v) O. Smith: I will chat with the presidents of the fee-based organizations and Janna Stoskoph to implement changes to the Organizational Activities Fees review board rules, in line with the requests of Dr. Barnes. We need to release the cap on the number of at-large members that can be on the committee to ensure all of the students he will have working on OAF can actually be on the committee. A resolution on that will probably come next week.
- **b)** Board of Governors Representative
- c) Organizational Representatives
  - i) FAC Representative
  - ii) RHA Representative
  - iii) SAB Representative

#### 9) Announcements

- a) Bates: Tomorrow is National Food-on-a-Stick Day and we are doing something in the Student Union Building, possibly around 11 a.m.
- b) Barge: We are no longer running for President and Vice President.
  - i) Cook: Is Owen's report reflective of you two dropping out of the race?
    - (1) Barge: No, I don't believe so.
- c) Bates: Thursday is the Job Fair if someone is interested in a job. We have positions in the Student Recreation Center and Student Union Building.

Adjourned: 5:39 p.m.