

Truman State University Student Government
Eighth Session of the 2022-2023 General Body
September 25th, 2022

Convened: 5:05 PM

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
 - ii)** Major Appointments
 - (1) Colleen O'Reilly as Student Affairs Committee Chair
 - (a) Cooper: Colleen applied to be Student Affairs Chair, and she has a lot of good ideas. We worked together a lot last year, and I know she's really good about following through with projects. I think she will do a great job.
 - (b) O'Reilly: I want to make sure we continue the President's Roundtable and get the right contact information for organizational leaders. I want to do something with Residential Life about getting people on a waiting list if they can't get approved for a dorm room immediately.
 - (c) Approved.
 - iii)** Minor Appointments
 - iv)** Elected Members
 - (1) Mairin Warner as Voting Senator
 - (a) Appointed.
 - (2) Emily Zuehlke as Voting Senator
 - (a) Appointed.
 - (3) Quinn Smith as Voting Senator
 - (a) Appointed.
 - (4) Jessie Philips as Incoming Senator
 - (a) Appointed.
 - (5) Lucas Manalang as Incoming Senator
 - (a) Appointed.
 - (6) Alexis Peterson as Incoming Senator
 - (a) Appointed.
 - (7) Soup Chinthia as Incoming Senator

(a) Appointed.

v) Oath of Office

2) Executive Reports

a) President

- i) Cooper: As a body, we had some questions about the Student Health Fee and I talked to President Thomas and Tyana Lange about it. The fee goes entirely to the Student Health Center and University Counseling Services. It doesn't cover the entire costs— It covers about 20-25% of the costs. A lot of students have had concerns about how the Student Health Fee doesn't cover everything. President Thomas explained that it depends on the student's insurance. The reason we merged with Complete Family Medicine is because we had a lot of waitlists at the Student Health Center, and it was ridiculously understaffed, so we switched so that we can accept more people, and so they use insurance.
- ii) Cooper: I want us to focus on having engaging conversations as a body. We need to put out good work, and if we aren't being productive in the meetings, we can't fully do that.

b) Vice President

- i) Fox: We are spending less than \$50 for Purple Friday on candy, and it'll come out of the Purple Friday budget. For your information, committee chairs can spend less than \$100 without a proper money motion, but you do need to mention it in your report.
- ii) Fox: By default, I am the Purple Friday Committee Chair and the Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee Chair until someone applies and is approved to be those committee chairs.

c) Treasurer

- i) Owsley: Thank you all for passing the budget last week.
- ii) Owsley: I'm excited to have senators Lucas and Alexa on the Appropriations Committee. I'm going to work on that soon so that we can get started on business as soon as possible.

d) Secretary

- i) Cook: I will be sending out the office hour schedule, contact form, and the link to join the Slack soon.

e) PR Director

- i) Hammock: At the end of last week, Laura helped us set up a meeting from the branding office at Truman to update our logo. It's going to be more cohesive with Truman's branding now because we're currently with Truman's old logo. We won't use that new logo until after National Coming Out Day.

f) IT Director

- i) Le: No report.

g) Legislative Director

3) Advisor Reports

a) Staff Advisor

- i) Bates: If you need me, please message me on Slack. Dropping in my office in the Student Union Building is fine, but I'm going to try to keep certain hours at the Student Recreation Center, and I would hate for you to come all the way to my office to not find me there.
- ii) Bates: If I don't know your name immediately, please don't take it personal. There are a lot of you, and I will learn your names very soon.
- iii) Bates: If you're spending money, please talk to Mike before you spend it.
- iv) Bates: For chairs that I will work directly with, please message me when you're free, so we can set up some time to meet. I would like to touch base with you all before we get too busy.
 - (1) O'Reilly: What committees do you oversee?
 - (a) Bates: That includes the Student Affairs Committee; Diversity and Inclusion Committee; Appropriations Committee; Health, Wellness, & Safety Committee; and Purple Friday Committee.

b) Faculty Advisor

4) Old Business

5) Discussion Items

a) Dr. Elizabeth Wiles as Faculty Advisor

6) New Business

a) [Sustainability Month Stickers Money Motion](#) (Smallwood)

- i) Smallwood: The Sustainability Office and the President's Sustainability Action Committee are hosting Sustainability Month which is the entirety of October. Within the Standing Rules, it says for Sustainability Month, I have to help out whenever I am asked. All of the designs were designed by people in the Sustainability Office in Canva, so we shouldn't run into any issues with copyright or anything. We will order 100 of each sticker. I'm not sure what the cost will be when we combine it with National Coming Out Day stickers.
 - (1) Bono: Are these stickers made sustainably?
 - (2) Nichols: Are stickers the best way to promote sustainability— by printing a lot of plastic?
 - (a) Smallwood: Stickers are a huge hit at our events. A lot of people come out to our events just for stickers.
- ii) Bono: There are a few typos, so I would recommend you go through those before you order them.
- iii) Kolesiak: I don't know much about sticker printing, but is there a way to make stickers that are in a more sustainable fashion?

- (1) Smallwood: I'm not sure. We've always used Sticker Mule for stickers, but I would love to look into a more sustainable way to print stickers.
- iv) Warner: Have you had a lot of stickers go to waste?
 - (1) Smallwood: No. Normally, they get handed out by the end of the event.
- v) Smallwood: These are the Sustainability Office stickers, but our name will also be on them. These stickers will be passed out from them— we are just helping them out by funding it.
- vi) Approved by Unanimous Consent.
- b) [Executive Order Establishing a Homecoming Ad Hoc Committee](#) (Cooper)
 - i) Cooper: The reason we are doing this is because we need to get our plans together for Homecoming. In the executive order, we are appointing Blaine to be the chair of the committee. Last year, he took on a prominent role designing the float for the parade and worked on a lot of it last year.
 - ii) Bono: Mike doesn't have his truck anymore, so if anyone has a car that they would like to donate to be decorated, let Blaine know.

7) Committee Reports

- a) Academic Affairs Committee
 - i) Holst: We got our committee today! We assigned people their jobs, and we're still trying to figure out one person. We have the things that we've deemed the most important.
 - ii) Holst: We met with Jonathan Vieker and introduced ourselves and explained that we would come to him every once in a while.
 - iii) Bono: We spent some time figuring out all of the things we need to get done this year, including the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges (COPLAC) Award.
 - iv) Bates: Are you meeting with the Interim Provost at all?
 - (1) Bono: I think Jonathan referred him to us.
 - (a) Bates: I would definitely talk to him to see how he can help you guys.
- b) Diversity and Inclusion Committee
 - i) Ghenima: Mark your calendar for National Coming Out Day. Rainbow Friday will be October 7th. I think the focus for my committee is to make sure the LGBTQ+ Resource Center is up and running.
 - ii) Ghenima: I want to reach out to organizations and tell them that the resource center is a good resource for them to use.
 - iii) O'Reilly: Do you have an idea of what resources will go into the Resource Center?
 - (1) Cooper: We will compile a list of health professionals that are LGBTQ+ friendly, some religious organizations that are welcoming

to LGBTQ+ individuals, and pamphlets of information that would be useful for people in the community to know.

- c) Environmental Affairs Committee**
 - i)** Smallwood: The committee is growing, so I will send out a When2Meet to set up a time for us to have our committee meeting.
 - ii)** Smallwood: Sustainability Month is coming up starting next weekend. Look out for events related to that!
- d) External Affairs Committee**
 - i)** Barge: In terms of things I worked on this past week, Alexis connected me with a member of the Adair County Democratic Party, and they are interested in hosting a voter registration event on campus. They haven't responded back to me just yet, but I want to make sure that they're fully aware of the new voter registration laws. Even if they are not Truman students themselves, I don't want them to get in trouble. I'm going to try to meet with J.D. Smiser about any lawsuits that have occurred with the new laws.
- e) Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee**
 - i)** Fox: Owen, you are on my committee. I will send out a Slack message afterwards. Alexa and I talked about things we want to focus on this year. We want to provide more resources for pregnant women because there are no spaces designated for breastfeeding. Maybe we can establish a physical space for that.
 - ii)** Fox: We have Wellness Week later on, and I might not even be the chair of this committee by the time that comes around, but that's something that is on our radar.
- f) Student Affairs Committee**
 - i)** O'Reilly: I sent out a When2Meet in the Slack for our committee meetings. I'm going to try to learn more about my role as committee chair this coming week.
- g) Purple Friday Committee**
- h) Parking Appeals Committee**
- i) Homecoming Ad Hoc Committee**
 - i)** Smallwood: For the parade candy, we will spend less than \$20 on that. If you would like to be on the committee with me, please message me on Slack so I can create a channel.
 - ii)** Bates: The parade does start at 9 AM on Saturday morning. You go from your placement all the way down Franklin Street. Someone must check in from 8:15 AM - 9 AM.
 - iii)** Cooper: The parade is super fun!
 - iv)** Smallwood: If you have a vehicle that you would like to donate, please let me know.

- j) Athletic Fee Accountability Committee
 - k) Environmental Sustainability Fee Accountability Committee
- 8) Auxiliary Reports**
- a) Speaker
 - i) Stout: I typically send agendas via Slack, so please make sure you have your notifications on. If you have any items for the agenda, please send them by Thursday night. We will publish the agenda on our social media, so we can invite the public to attend our meetings if there's an agenda item that is of interest to them.
 - b) Board of Governors Representative
 - c) Organizational Representatives
 - i) FAC Representative
 - ii) RHA Representative
 - iii) SAB Representative
 - d) Black Student Representative
- 9) Announcements**
- a) Cooper: We have a lot of shirts for you that are in the office.
 - b) Bono: We have College Democrats tomorrow night at 8 PM in VH 1010.
 - c) Bates: We don't have a representative for the Board of Governors, but there is a meeting for them, and it's public on the Governor's website. There are reports of varying kinds. I don't know what will be voted on, but typically they talk about the budget and alumni during this meeting. If anyone is free around 1-1:30 on Friday, October 7th, feel free to attend the meeting in this room.

Adjourned: 5:55 PM