

Truman State University Student Government
Fifth Session of the 2023-2024 General Body
September 10th, 2023

Convened: 5:01pm

1) Preliminary Items

- a) Roll Call
- b) Gallery Business
 - i) Smith: Hello! I'm here because I want to run for election.
 - ii) Ryan: I'm Ryan. I'm here because I want to be a voting senator.
 - iii) Eli: Hi I'm Ella, I am running for student government this year.
- c) Changes to the Agenda
 - i) *New Business moved before old business*
- d) Approval of Previous Minutes
- e) Appointment & Resignation
 - i) Resignations
 - ii) Designations
 - iii) Major Appointments
 - iv) Minor Appointments
 - (1) Logan Metten as a Voting Senator on the Vision Docs Committee
 - (a) O'Reilly: Logan is currently a member of student affairs, he does great work and would bring a good perspective from student affairs to the vision docs! Logan, would like to say anything?
 - (i) Metten: I'm currently in student affairs, and my committee work goes hand in hand with vision docs, and makes Truman a better place to stay.
 - (2) Savannah Thomas as a Voting Senator on the Vision Docs Committee
 - (a) O'Reilly: Savannah is on the Health, Wellness, and Safety committee, she is wonderful and I've already talked to her about vision docs. She's already doing great stuff and I believe she will continue to be awesome on the Vision Docs committee.
 - (i) Thomas: Go vision docs!
- v) Oath of Office
 - (1) *Oath of office given - 5:06pm*

2) Executive Reports

- a) President

- i)** O'Reilly: Candidate nomination form for elections opens tomorrow! Everyone get on your phone right now and go share the post about elections. We need to make sure people know that this is happening.
- ii)** Additionally, fee based committees are open. Be talking to your friends about this. Once again, get on your phone and share the post about the fee based committees – this is something that a lot of students don't know anything about, but would join if they knew.
- iii)** The plan for homecoming is to tailgate and go to the game. We also really want to hype Purple Friday up that week. If anyone wants to chair the committee, please let me know.
- iv)** I'm going to get in contact with Ella this week about starting the process for the Board of Governors Representative. This is the resume builder of all resume builders. You serve on the board of governors of Truman, which are the ultimate decision makers. You are the student voice to them. This is a two year term, so sophomores and freshmen are most applicable, but I believe you can still serve as a graduate student, so it's kind of open to everyone. Please talk this up. More formal discussion about applications and stuff will be coming soon.
- v)** Keep your ears open for discussions about the reorganization. Let me know what you hear.
- vi)** Kennedy and I are going to meet with Jerry Wollmering this week, who is the Athletic Director, to talk to him about the AFAC changes resolution. That will be coming back soon.
- vii)** I will meet with President Thomas tomorrow. As always, if you have anything that you want me to address with her, slack me (before 9:30 tomorrow).
- viii)** I'm considering adding a Presidential Aide to serve as a historian for the year – this person would help format resolutions, distribute them, update the historical resolution sheet, make edits reflecting the changes to our documents that we pass (like operating procedures, standing rules, etc.) help with adding things to the shared drive, etc. If any of your friends would be good with something like this, let me know. There are no formal applications, so you should slack me or have them email me.
- ix)** Mairin and I are interviewing associate senators this week and Sexual Assault Prevention Designee candidates.
- x)** We've also had multiple people apply to be PR director, which we are so so excited about. We don't have interview times set for those, but hopefully we have a person to appoint within the next couple of weeks.
- xi)** Chase will be on the agenda next week to be appointed as Legislative Director.

xii) The office computer is acting weird and not letting us log into outlook. I put in a request to IT to get it fixed, but just know that it's not you, it's the computer.

xiii) Please join GovDocs. This is a great committee that helps you to learn more about StuGov, and we're covering interesting topics this year!

b) Vice President

i) Warner: The member of the week is Molly! She took the time to recruit a new associate, and invite them to a committee meeting to show them what it would be like to be a member.

c) Treasurer

i) Denklaus: The budget is prepared today, if you're spending money please let me know. It would make it easier for both of us if I knew you were spending money haha.

d) Secretary

e) PR Director

f) IT Director

g) Legislative Director

3) Advisor Reports

a) Staff Advisor

b) Faculty Advisor

4) New Business

a) [Fall 2023 Budget](#) (Denklaus)

i) Denklaus: A few things to note while looking at the budget, please look at the positive and negative amounts. These represent the changes in allotted funds compared to last year, and these were changed after talking to committee chairs to better fit our financial needs this semester. Look through it and let me know if you have any questions.

(1) Strub: How are you taking away \$150 from hoco if there's only \$150 in total?

(a) Denklaus: This amount (Referenceing the -\$150 on the budget) is the change from last year's fall budget. That is how much of a difference there is from last year. They will have \$150 less this year.

ii) *Discussion begins - 5:14pm*

iii) O'Reilly: I'm glad you reached out to us and Laura, this looks great Joseph, good job!

iv) *First read - 5:14pm*

b) [Ruth Towne Resolution](#) (Manalang)

i) Manalang: Me and Logan have created a *masterpiece* of a resolution. This building does not have a push button (referencing a handicapped button for automatically opening doors) but is still ADA (American Disabilities Act)

compliant. However, I still don't like this. This resolution was made to tell Truman we think there should be a push button!

(1) Peterson: How much will it cost?

(a) Manalang: Right now we do not know, right now we're just working on creating a resolution to show interest.

(2) O'Reilly: Who did you meet with about this?

(a) Manalang: Laurie Chook

(i) O'Reilly: Sounds Good! She is the perfect person to talk to about this.

ii) *Discussion begins - 5:16pm*

iii) O'Reilly: I think campus being accessible is very important!

iv) Thomas: I know Joseph mentioned we don't have a specific cost for this project, but keep in mind there is a tax incentive to add this (referencing the push button).

v) *First read - 5:17pm*

5) Old Business

a) [Resolution Establishing Ballot Language for a Mental Wellness Designee](#) (O'Reilly)

i) *Second read - 5:17pm*

ii) O'Reilly: This language is not in the constitution, just on the standing rules. Therefore, this will also not be on the ballot. This is a lot like the Sexual Assault Prevention Designee, however the Sexual Assault Prevention Designee is not a member of the executive committee even though they are treated like one. However, the Mental Health Awareness designee will be a member of the executive committee.

(1) Zelk: Are the standing rules being changed to make the Sexual Assault Prevention Designee a member of the executive committee?

(a) O'Reilly: No, we would need to meet with govodcs before we can change standing rules.

iii) Denklau: Are you looking for someone to fill this position on the body or not?

(1) O'Reilly: It is an open search, this position can be for anyone who applies.

iv) Thomas: Will they have to go through an election?

(1) O'Reilly: No, only voting members need to be elected, and they would not be a voting member on this body; just a voting member on excomm.

v) *Discussion begins - 5:19pm*

vi) Denklau: I think this is a really great idea for all of us to have.

vii) *Adopted by unanimous consent - 5:20pm*

b) [Resolution Amending the Operating Procedures for OAF](#) (O'Reilly)

i) *Second Read - 5:20pm*

- ii) O'Reilly: There have been no changes made since last week. I've talked to Tyana about this and she also thinks it's a good idea. I will reach out to her if we pass it to see if they think it looks good, and tell her to reach out if they don't like any parts of it.

iii) *Adopted by unanimous consent - 5:21pm*

6) Discussion Items

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7) Committee Reports

a) Academic Affairs Committee

b) Diversity and Inclusion Committee

- i) Cooper: Diversity and inclusion could not meet this week, as our schedules were too busy. The gender identity and non-discrimination policy is almost finalized, we are just waiting on the results of the survey. Once it has been finalized, it will be brought before the body. I've talked to Vanessa, and I've talked about national coming out day which is done every year.

c) Environmental Affairs Committee

- i) Dotson: We had our first committee meeting! We got a lot of ideas going, and some action started on items!

d) External Affairs Committee

e) Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee

- i) Humphereys: Thursday we have a collaboration with the Center for Diversity and Inclusion in then 1-3 Goerogian rooms. This will be a mental health activity, with many things like goodies setup on a table, and a partitioned area that has a 5 minute meditation room. This is aimed to be a quiet space to set aside for yourself. Finally, I am also working on finishing up the sliding scale.

(1) O'Reilly: Do you need any help from the body?

(a) Humphereys: We should be okay.

- (i) O'Reilly: I would still recommend putting it in the slack, as i'm sure there would be members on the body who would be willing to help

1. Humphereyes: Okay! I will do that.

f) Student Affairs Committee

- i) Manalang: We wrote this resolution, and boom we did it!

g) Purple Friday Committee

- i) Dotson: We tabled on friday, anbd wore purple on friday! Next friday mens soccer is promoting, thank you everyone who tableed on friday and IU hope you table this friday too!

(1) Thomas Will we ever get more cows?

(a) Dotson: That's out of my control unfortunately, they're sold out on 4Imprint.

ii) Manalang: When is the next pickup order for purple Friday gear going to be?

(1) Dotson: I'm unsure at the moment, I'll work on it and let you know.

h) Parking Appeals Committee

i) Athletic Fee Accountability Committee

j) Environmental Sustainability Fee Accountability Committee

k) Vision Documents Ad Hoc Committee

i) Cooper: We had our first meeting today, it was lit. I'll send out a When2Meet sometime this week; we will be spending less than \$100 on cookies and poster boards. On Monday September 25th, we are tabling on the quad. There will be a poster with questions, and if you can answer the question you get a cookie!

8) Auxiliary Reports

a) Speaker

b) Board of Governors Representative

c) Organizational Representatives

i) FAC Representative

ii) RHA Representative

iii) SAB Representative

9) Announcements

Warner: Election posters are printed! please hang them up when you have time (during office hours would be great just be sure to sign in) and repost all of the elections/fee based committee posts we make

O'Reilly: Candidate declaration opens tomorrow' it's election season so get excited!

Adjourned: 5:27pm