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Vice President | Michael Kruse
Secretary | Elizabeth Gilbert
Speaker of the House | David Deniston
Treasurer | Justin Rode
Publicity Director | Mackenzie Ross

Trine University | Student Government Meeting Minutes

Roll Call:

- 31 Members of Student Government Present
- 4 Members of Student Government Absent
- Notes Sent: 2
- Voting Quorum: 21/24

Section 1: Call to Order

The weekly meeting of the Trine University Student Government was held on Monday, April 03, 2023, at 6:34 pm in Best Hall 221.

Section 2: Executive Board Reports

- *President, Caleb Kruse:*
 - We have elections coming up this week and next week, get excited
 - Elections timeline:
 - Tomorrow, April 4th at 5 pm we will be announcing candidates.
 - The Presidential Debate will be on Wednesday, April 12th at 8:30 pm.
 - Presidential Campaigning will be from April 4th-12th.
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- Voting will open immediately after the debate, and remain open for 24 hours.
 - Voting will close on April 13th.
 - The transition meeting will be held on April 17th at 6:30 pm.
 - At next week's meeting, we will be making new document changes. It is highly important that you are present for this meeting. We will be making changes to both the Constitution regarding the House of Representatives and the Finance Guidelines.
 - Take Back the Night is April 19th. Because our administration term is over, this will not be mandatory, however, it is highly encouraged. Linked in GroupMe is the signup sheet to volunteer. For those planning on running next year, the next administration might make it a required event.

→ *Vice President, Michael Kruse:*

- We are nearing the end; this is very bittersweet for the seniors, but also exciting! EBoard is working hard on making budget changes, and doing everything we can to end the semester smoothly!

→ *Secretary, Elizabeth Gilbert:*

- Continue working on all of your engagement events!

→ *Speaker of the House, David Deniston:*

- There were 40 clubs and organizations at last Thursday's House of Representatives meeting. There will be a couple of organizations in bad standing for next semester.

→ *Treasurer, Justin Rode:*

- There is currently \$7,058 remaining in the budget. All of this is already being allocated. Next year's administration should not assume we will be approved by storm chasers.
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→ *Publicity Director, MacKenzie Ross:*

- Thunder Olympics and Thunder Palooza are coming up. Thunder Olympics is from April 17-21. Thunder Palooza is on that Friday, April 21. We will be announcing the events for Thunder Olympics soon. The winner of the Olympics will be announced at Thunder Palooza.

Section 3: Senator Reports

→ *Freshmen Senators:*

- We finished all of our engagement events.

→ *Sophomore Senators:*

- We hosted an engagement event and got students to register to vote.
- Shout out to Senator Rivera and Senator Kazi on International Night.
- Talking with Rachel Campbell for help during Wish Week.

→ *Junior Senators:*

- We are taking our group senator picture for Instagram on Thursday. We are also done with our engagement events.

→ *Senior Senators:*

- Thursday, April 13 is the senior breakfast.

→ *Franks School of Education Senators:*

- We are talking next week with education majors encouraging them to vote and be involved in the election process.

→ *Allen School of Engineering Senators:*

- We are discussing our last engagement event.
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→ *Jannen School of Arts and Sciences Senators:*

- No Report

→ *Rinker-Ross School of Health Sciences Senators:*

- We got 12 new people to register to vote. We also ordered absentee ballots. Our next engagement event will be tomorrow in Best 229 for a media night!
- We are helping an honor student on behalf of SPEAK. There are recycling bins in all of the academic buildings. If you could do your part and put recycling items in the bins, this will help the honor student greatly!

→ *Ketner School of Business Senators:*

- No Report

→ *International Senators:*

- We are working on our last engagement event. Thank you to those who helped with International Night. Senator Ellyson was named Pretty Eyes and Senator Pacer was named Balloon Guy by those in charge of International Night.

→ *Greek Senators:*

- We sent out the survey to IFC and CPH to find out what they want and need from us.
- Greek week is April 10-12.

→ *Commuter Senators:*

- The Tin Caps game is a go. There are 21 spots filled already, and only 9 more to go!
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→ *Correspondents:*

- No Report

→ *Advisor, Blake Grosse:*

- To anyone that is running again, best of luck to all of you. I am super excited about the upcoming Senate and EBoard.

→ *Public:*

- No Report

Section 4: Committee Reports

→ *Binder Committee:*

- We will not be meeting this week. Watch for more information in GroupMe.

→ *Oversight Committee:*

- As mentioned before, engagement event forms need to happen. I sent out 19 emails to those who have not completed these yet. Communicate with me if you got an email. if you are running and don't have it done, you might not get your senior gift. Also, if you got an email, come talk to me after the meeting.

→ *Outreach Committee:*

- No Report

→ *House of Representatives Committee:*

- We will be meeting again this Wednesday at 6 pm to go over changes before next Monday's meeting.

→ *Finance Committee:*

- We will be meeting after this if you have any questions or suggestions.
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→ *Student Activities Committee:*

- Meeting with David Cox this week regarding Thunder Olympics.

→ *Public Relations*

- No Report

→ *Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Committee:*

- Meeting with Dr. Watson regarding the safe space program. We will be showing what we all have been up to. We were also asked by Jessica Taylor to inform on any DEIA information at Take Back the Night. Thank you to Advisor Grosse for your role in that!
- The display case is in the works. We will be emailing Dr. Franzen to schedule a meeting again this week. We will have this done by next Monday.

→ *Bon Appetit Committee:*

- Today we ran into an issue where no one signed up for the 11-12 slots for the food waste initiative table. Thank you to those who stepped up to help fill the empty slots. This is an easy way to get engagement events!

→ *Food Bank Committee:*

- No Report

→ *Mentor/Mentee Committee:*

- We met with Logan Beck, the Director of Admissions. The biggest hurdle right now is that we don't necessarily want students to be running this, so admission might be able to fix that hurdle for us. They will be getting back to us this week.
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→ *Mental Health Committee:*

- We are posting the mental health flyers in the bathrooms. We will be finished putting these up by end of the week.

→ *Basketball Court Committee:*

- We are nearing the end, but there is still a lot to do. We will not be meeting today. Next Monday we will be coming up with a plan to ask organizations for funding. This will be handed over to the next administration.

Section 5: Old Business

→ There is no old business to be discussed at this time.

Section 6: New Business

→ There are K-Cups in the Link, and people are asking if we can put them back in the evening.

- Advisor, Blake Grosse, talked to those in the Link, and although they cannot put them out all the time due to theft issues, they are going to be putting them out in the evenings during finals week and possibly the week before as well.
- This is something we will be looking into further in the Fall.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 pm by President Caleb Kruse.
