

MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH SMU STUDENT SENATE

GENERAL MEETING

January 21, 2014
Hughes-Trigg Forum



I. CALL TO ORDER

- a. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 P.M. by Parliamentarian Cornell, who proceeded to act as Speaker until Speaker Stephens' arrival halfway through Speaker's Podium.

II. VALUES STATEMENT

- a. *I, as a citizen of the SMU community, commit myself to upholding the values of intellectual integrity, academic honesty, personal responsibility, and sincere regard and respect for all SMU students, faculty, and staff.*

III. MOMENT OF SILENCE

IV. ROLL CALL

President Trespalacios	
Vice-President Malhi	
Secretary Ladner	
Chief of Staff Finnegan	
Parliamentarian Cornell	
Speaker Stephens	
Senator Adams	
Senator Barnes	
Senator Bonadelle	A
Senator Bouillion	
Senator Cavender	
Senator Conway	
Senator De Muth	T
Senator Dombrowski	
Senator Downen	
Senator Finley	A
Senator Forrest	
Senator Giap	
Senator Gracie	
Senator/Chair Harker	
Senator Hopkins	
Senator Hutcherson	
Senator Ibad	

Senator Jo Santillan	
Senator Kezar	
Senator McAuliffe	
Senator Noyce	
Senator O'Connor	A
Senator Osuchukwu	
Senator Pederson	
Senator Phillips	
Senator Pondrom	
Senator Pool	
Senator Porter	
Senator Rothstein	
Senator Sher	
Senator Stoker	
Senator Sunderland	
Senator Tuohy	
Senator Watts	A
Senator Wilson	
Senator Writt	
Chair Elmazi	
Chair Hami	
Chair Ona	
Chair Lee	
Chair McCluskey	
Chair Norkett	
Chair Whelan	

A - absent; T - tardy; E - excuse

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Add Parliamentarian Cornell's report
- Add Report for JJ
- Add Report to Chief of Staff Finnegan
- Add Clay Moore to Speakers Podium.
- Add Endowment Committee report
- Add "no report" for Vice President.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the December 3, 2013 General Meeting were approved with no additions.

VII. SPEAKER'S PODIUM

1. Lauren Cove

- (1) I used to work at the University of Texas-Austin. They have a guy there who is a West Point grad and started the leadership program there. He asked if any SMU students would like to attend the leadership program. We need two males and females. It starts Thursday February 20th and runs through the 22nd. There will be students from different schools and from different states and countries. This is a great way to learn way to meet people and learn about leadership. I just wanted to tell you all because I really want SMU represented well.

Question:

What is the cost?

Cove: travel and the hotel, which Ramon has already booked. All meals are provided.

Senator Harker: How do you apply?

Ramon: As of right now we just want to know who is interested and we will let you know further details.

Cove: My email lcove@smu.edu

2. Clay Moore

- (1) I am a Mustang Corral director for this upcoming summer. If you are interested, you must attend one info session and then sign up for an interview. I will leave a poster here to check out the time.
- (2) Senator Stoker: Do RA's have to interview?
- (3) Clay: I'm not sure.
- (4) Senator Thouy: If you are a previous leader do you have to interview.
- (5) Clay: Yes but you don't have to go to an info session.

VII. OFFICER REPORTS

A. President Trespacios

Last semester we accomplished a lot. We had many meetings, over 700 office hours, 8 campus wide events, 21 daily campus appearances, 24 scholarships, and none of this would have happened without you.

i. MLK Week

- a. This week we have been celebrating MLK. A lot of senate members participated in the parade.
- b. This Thursday: at 12:30 there will be an MLK walk on the blvd starting at the HT Commons.

ii. Shaping Great Alumni

We are working on a task force that will shaping how Alumni interact and carry on the SMU legacy.

iii. Common Resolution Groups

This semester find a new one. If you are still working on a project please continue.

iv. SMU Basketball (Ticket pick-up and traditions)

Go to the games.

v. Questions:

VP Malhi: are the common resolution groups done?

President Trespacios: No.

Chair Ona: Can you send me all those numbers

President Trespacios: Yes.

Rothstein: Where does the MLK walk begin.

President Trespacios: the Commons in the middle of Hughes-Trigg.

B. Vice President Malhi:

- i. No Report

C. Secretary Ladner:

- i. Give me a new office hour for this semester.
- ii. The Code of Conduct Committee is currently working on finding a date to go over the submissions. I will need two senators to sit on the board.

D. Chief of Staff Finnegan:

- i. if you have to change your committee meeting time or switch committee's because of the time conflicting with a class, let me know.

E. Speaker Stephens:

- i. No Report

F. Parliamentarian Cornell:

- i. Report

We have a new dean of student life, which means I will have to update the legislation template, if you want to submit a bill or resolution before the template is on the website, let me know and I will email it to you.

G. Executive Director Jones:

Crane leadership conference is coming up. You sign up on the website. Please come to represent.

Has anyone ever heard of leaderhape. This is a great experience, literally. Since we are the facilitates we get 500 dollars, so we can send 2 students to the conference. SMU used to do one and it is a pretty good program, and I really want 2 of you to experience this.

Also I am done with Chemo!!!

Questions:

Senator Stoker: Will you email me the dates?

JJ: Yes

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Finance
 - i. No Report
- B. Organizations
 - i. No Report
- C. Scholarship
 - i. No Report
- D. Diversity

Wednesday at 4:30

- i. Battling Bias (Sexual Assault) February 11th or 12th @ 6pm
- ii. Diversity Week April 7th-12th

6 days. I really need you guys to get organizations to help out. The fair will be that Friday. If you have suggestions now, please tell me.

-alternative breaks.

-Mustang Heroes

-scholars

-MPHC

Questions:

Senator Stoker: will this week be the same as last year?

Chair: yes.

- E. Membership
 - i. No Report
- F. Communications
 - i. No Report
- G. Endowment
 - i. Report

We had a meeting with alumni about fundraising. They said that we need to engage with senate alumni. So we will not be launching the \$100,000 campaign this semester.

- H. Student Concerns Committee
 - i. Report

I was pleased to find out how many general members that we have. I really like that we are able to get more people to participate. Our community will be focusing on what detracts from their SMU experience.

Questions:

Parliamentarian Cornell: I know this is a webmaster question, but you are the webmaster, so I'll go ahead and ask. Can you confirm that the Finance Committee Request Form will go live tomorrow on the website on schedule?

Chair/Senator Harker: Yes, I've already gotten it on the scheduler so it should go live tomorrow on schedule.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

No new business

X. OLD BUSINESS

F-13-11-13 A RESOLUTION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHOOL WIDE ADVISING DEPARTMENT EVALUATIONS

Senator Bouillion: We had this resolution on the table from last semester. This resolution talks about the advising department evaluations. So that we can improve advisors. At the end of every semester after one enrolls, you will fill one out. This will create accountability for the advisors. The administration is pretty behind this.

Senator Cavendar: Motion to move into debate. Approved.

Presenters Please approve it because people agree.

Senator Cavendar: Motion to call to question. Approved.

Final Vote: Approved.

F-13-11-18A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PRINTING QUOTA

Senator Santillan: There is one friendly to this legislation to clarify the position of the resolution towards the law library.

Senator Witt: So are you including the law library.

Senator Santillan: No.

Senator Conway: SO you mentioned CUL, so will it just be Fondren.

Senator Cavendar: How do the library people feel about this?

Senator Santillan: They have been slow to answer, but it should all work out.

Senator Harker: Who would you talk to?

VP Malhi: Mary Boyd.

Senator Noyce: Would you accept a friendly amendment to take out "Fondren Library" at the end and put CUL spelled out and make it plural?

Senator Santillan: Yes

Senator Witt: Where is the money coming from.

Senator Santillan: We just spoke about that

Senator Pederson: Can you change it to "libraries" in the last line.

Parliamentarian Cornell: Just to clarify, CUL is Fondren/Science/DeGolyer, Taos, and Hamon (Art), while the libraries of the Institute of Earth and Man, Bridwell (Theology) and Underwood (Law) are completely separate, except in the sense that they share one electronic library catalogue.

Senator Wilson: How many pages does undergraduates get to print for free?

Senator Santillan: None.

Senator Rothstein: Can you clarify what central universities are?

Senator Santillan: Hamon, the Fondren/Science/DeGolyer complex, and Taos.

Motion to move into debate. Approved.

Senator Santillan: As an engineer, I believe that all students should have the opportunity to print for free like I do.

Senator Cavendar: I agree. This allows them to know that there is support behind it.

Senator Pederson: I think this is fantastic as long as fees do not go up. Because I know that I do use the library when I run out of ink.

President Trespalacios: I agree with this piece. However, this will be ½ a million dollars to push forward and will be hard to implement without problems.

Senator Hutcherson: I do not agree with it.

Motion to call to question. Approved.

Final Vote: Passed

XI. SENATORIAL FORUM

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President: Student Pick up is next Monday! Go get tickets.

Senator Harker: if you have input on website, please stay and talk to me.

Senator Wittar: If you know any Cox Seniors please refer them to me because I need them to fill out the graduate survey for Business Week so Cox's rankings won't be hurt!

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:32PM.