

TTUHSC Student Government Association
Meeting Minutes
September 20th, 2022

Call to order 5:31pm by TTUHSC SGA President, Brianna Mendoza

Guest Speaker: Matthew Hernandez, Director of Institutional Diversity within Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)

- TTUHSC is hosting several events in observance of Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15th – Oct. 15th)
- “Office of DEI runs programs and resources to encourage a better sense of belonging within the TTUHSC enterprise”
- TTUHSC has partnered with TTU for some of these events
 - <https://www.ttuhsoc.edu/diversity/celebrations-of-diversity.aspx> - for a list of events happening on campus
 - “Every Wednesday at noon, there is a webinar event hosted by TTUHSC relating Hispanic Heritage Month (HHM)”
- TTUHSC has been designated as a Hispanic Serving Institution – we have met qualifications according to the Dept. of Education for undergraduate enrollment of students with Hispanic/Latinx background
 - “We intend to include more than one culture at TTUHSC”
- Office of DEI has been open since January 2022
- Total staff:
 - Matthew Hernandez
 - Jody Randall, Vice President of (DEI)
 - Doris Hereford, Director, Student Diversity and Inclusion
 - Acts as collaborator between office of Student Life and DEI
- Task: provide programs and resources for all campuses
- Mr. Hernandez discussed his vision of education in office of DEI
 - Support of the LGBTQ+ community during pride month – one week of programs
 - Hosted town hall on LGBTQ+ health
 - Drag Shows
 - “Out for Health” T-Shirt
- Office of DEI has officially launched research grant program in partnership with the office of the Provost and Dept. of Research and Innovation
 - Follow their website for regular updates
 - Grants up to \$15,000
- Feel comfortable to reach out to matthew.r.hernandez@ttuhsc.edu for more details about any information discussed.
- “Thank you for your leadership. It was an honor to speak at your first meeting of the year.”

- Dept. of Education determined TTUHSC met a 25% threshold of undergraduate enrollment of Hispanic/Latinx descent
- Search “IPEDS data” for stats

Officers proceeded to introduce themselves:

- Brianna Mendoza, President, 2nd Year, SOM
- Alex Sutter, VP of Operations, 3rd Year, SOM
- Joel Ennin, VP of Finance, 2nd Year, SOM
- Miguel McQueen, VP of Communications, 3rd Year, Au.D.

Goals for the year

- be aware of upcoming events and promote them
 - increase SGA presence on campus
- senator engagement & collaboration in meetings
 - asking questions, open forum
- improve community engagement
- increase SGA and institutional networking activities
- take and share more pictures

We would like to increase social media presence! Please take pictures whenever you attend.

Officer Reports

President

- Hispanic Heritage Month
 - Expectations
 - 2 points per event attended
- Standard meeting format
 - Be engaged! :)
 - Feel free to ask questions throughout meeting

Refer to Matthew Hernandez about the Hispanic Serving Institution committee. “Please spread the word.”

Please be engaged during meetings and don’t be afraid to ask questions.

VP of Communications

- Committees - recap
- Community Service (VP of Operations)
 - Overseen by VP of Operations
 - Collects volunteering opportunities available at all regional campuses as well as online service opportunities for distance students
 - Encourage senators to volunteer on their own time to fulfill service requirements
 - May plan group SGA service events; however, must be inclusive of all senators
- Finance (VP of Finance)
 - Overseen by VP of Finance

- Manages and approves allotted special projects funds to registered student organizations in equitable manner
- Organize and facilitate fundraising opportunities for Double T Scholarship
- Reviews student organization budget requests and determines budget allocations annually
- Operations (VP of Operations)
 - Overseen by VP of Operations
 - Shall assist with review of TTUHSC SGA Constitution and Bylaws to propose any amendments.
- Public Relations (VP of Communications)
 - Overseen by VP of Communication
 - Shall organize and oversee all TTUHSC SGA social media and marketing efforts of TTUHSC SGA sponsored events
 - Shall support and promote events of other TTUHSC organizations and events
- Scholarship (VP of Finance)
 - Overseen by VP of Finance
 - Coordinates with the Office of Student Life the application, promotion, and review for two scholarships
 - Phone-a-thon Endowed Scholarship
 - Star Spangle Double T Scholarship
- Social (VP of Communications)
 - Overseen by VP of Communication
 - Shall coordinate and publicize the institution wide social functions of the TTUHSC SGA
 - Campus & Virtual Senator Meet & Greets
- Senators who are on the scholarship committee are eligible for scholarships.
- Meeting Times
 - Set by the committee chair and committee
- Attendance send to miguel.mcqueen@ttuhsc.edu
 - Questions on general senate meetings or events attendance please direct to alex.sutter@ttuhsc.edu
- GroupMe
 - Please include Keri Shiplet

VP of Operations

- Cameras on during meetings
 - Maintenance submission form: <https://ttuhsc.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/450864>
 - Interests and Complaints submission form: <https://ttuhsc.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/467469>

Our goal is to encourage senators to engage. VP of Operations, Alex Sutter will count senator as absent if cameras are not on. Senators are a representation of their classmates, being the face and voice for them. Also in courtesy of our guest speakers, please have cameras on.

Please share interest form link. Your classmates can input concerns that we as senators turn into legislation. Any legislation ideas can come from this form.

Total: 30 points needed

- Community Service
 - 1 hour = 3 points
- Awareness
 - Attendance of event SGA hosts = 2 points
 - Promoting even on social media = 1 point
 - Both will require photo or screenshot
- Attendance
 - Every meeting = 0.5 points
- Legislation
 - Congratulatory = 5 points
 - Action = 8 points

Attending a Hispanic Heritage Month event will earn a senator 2 points. Please submit a picture for community service credit.

Senators are required to write at least 1 piece of legislation for the year.

Please submit absence request 24 hours in advance.

- **Absence request form:**
 - <https://ttuhsc.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/558389>
- **Submit points:**
 - <https://ttuhsc.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/558390>

Community service hours are counted no matter the location. Senators must earn 30 points by May.

VP of Finance

This Year's fundraiser plan:

- "Virtual Red Raider Run-Off"
- Registration begins: September 16th, 2022
- Registration ends: October 14th, 2022
- Race Day window: Sat., November 12th - Sat., November 19th
- Recommended apps: Strava, AllTrails
- Fall Fundraiser:
- The Virtual 5k (3.1 miles) Red Raider Run Off is a fundraiser towards the Double T Scholarship.

Race Day T-shirts

- Registration fee: \$30 (This price is subject to change based on collaboration with vendors)
- Award categories: 1st, 2nd, 3rd places (Men's Division, Women's division), Honorable mention (best race day photo)
- Open to the entire community

Announcements

- **What:** Quality Enhancement Plan
- **Why:** Educational Enhancement
 - **When 1:** September 21 @12:00 - 1:00 PM
 - **When 2:** October 12 @12:00 - 1:00 PM
 - **Where:** Zoom
- **Why:** Increasing your emotional intelligence
 - **When:** September 30 @1:00 - 3:00 PM
 - **Where:** AEC Lubbock + Tech Link at other campuses
- **Why:** Increasing your emotional intelligence
 - **When:** October 28 @11:00 AM - 12:30 PM
 - **Where:** Zoom + on campus
- **What:** Suicide Prevention
- **Why:** Keep yourself and others safe
 - **When :** September 21 @12 - 1 PM
 - **Where:** Zoom

Link to GroupMe

- https://groupme.com/join_group/89583791/GB8mSyKd

Legislation Collaboration

- https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Uo-T9-u8aRPxDIe7ivTxBk7r72a8tKwQZhQwioru_NA/edit#gid=0

Alma Nevarez, motion to adjourn

Kinyata Cooper, second motion to adjourn

Adjourned Brianna, 6:58pm