

Homecoming Coordinating Committee

Chair: Brett Meyer

Description: The Homecoming Coordinating Committee collaborates on events for the week of FHSU homecoming. These events come from the Foundation, Library, Student Engagement, FHSU Online, and Athletics with support from the President's office, University Communications, Band, and Hays CVB.

Key (Academic Year) Accomplishments

- FHSU Online and the Library collaborated to organize All In: Online Homecoming.
- We added a banner competition for all departments and student organizations. We had 16 registrations of FHSU homecoming-themed banners that were hung in the breezeway.
- We added a royalty meet and greet and treats events for the royalty candidates to hand out treats to passing students in the quad.
- Another event we added was the Tiger Trike Races, where students raced on the tricycles around the quad. This was a fun event to start the week off for the students.
- We updated the Homecoming Royalty process; previously, only student organizations could nominate one person from their organization. This past year, we opened the nominations to student organizations, faculty, and staff. We received 63 nominations and had 20 students fill out the application.

Homecoming Recap 2025

Homecoming 2025 was a success despite significant weather challenges throughout the week. Due to heavy rainfall, the traditional bonfire location was unusable, requiring the event to be relocated near Gross Memorial Coliseum. While the relocation prevented us from hosting the bonfire itself, the committee adapted by incorporating live entertainment and food trucks, creating a positive and engaging experience for students.

Through support from Dr. Linn's Mini Action Plan funding, Student Engagement was able to provide approximately 900 Homecoming t-shirts to students, helping increase participation and school spirit throughout the week.

The Homecoming Parade remained a highlight of the celebration and was successfully conducted on Saturday morning under beautiful weather conditions. The event ran smoothly and continued to serve as a valued tradition for students, alumni, and community members.

The Homecoming Committee met four times throughout the planning process. Student Engagement and Belonging representatives Brett Meyer and Hugo Perez played a significant role in coordinating committee efforts, event logistics, and Homecoming royalty interviews. A substantial amount of time was dedicated to planning and execution to ensure a successful Homecoming experience despite unforeseen weather-related challenges.

Committee Members:

Brett Meyer

Hugo Perez

Dr. Peter Lilpopp

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