Item for Information

Subject: Central Student Government Report

Attached is the May update on the projects and activities of the Central Student Government.

Respectfully Submitted,

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May 3, 2013
President Coleman, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, I am both pleased and honored to submit the following report to you on behalf of the Central Student Government. Below is a brief update of our activities, operations, and goals as we continue to serve the students of this University.

New Football Ticket Policy

- On April 22, 2013 the Athletic Department released its 2013 U-M Student Football Ticket Policy, which noted that student tickets would now be **general admission rather than assigned seats** based on credit hours earned at Michigan.
- Reaction from the student body to this new policy was **overwhelmingly negative**, with a CSG **UPetition** in support of grandfathering in the policy over several years, rather than implementing it immediately, **receiving 3,569 student signatures**.
- At the first meeting of the newly elected Third Assembly, CSG passed a resolution calling for **student input in ticketing policy changes** by a margin of 45-1. It also passed a resolution **opposing** the immediate implementation of the **general admission** seating policy.

Student Input in University Decisions

- The University is undergoing a series of **significant changes** in the coming year, from changes in leadership to the physical structure of the University to major policies that directly affect students.
- As the voice of the student body, CSG would like to **set a precedent of student input** in major decisions. We are willing and able to offer student input in these major decisions this year and in years to come.

Summer Assembly

- The Summer Assembly holds regular meetings beginning on **May 15, 2013**. The Summer Assembly meets primarily to **allocate money to student organizations** that hold events over the summer and during Welcome Week.
- Dozens of organizations present to the Summer Assembly to describe their events and request CSG funds. The representatives comprising the Summer Assembly have the responsibility of **awarding CSG’s limited funds** to these student organizations.
**Under the Lights Tailgate**

- Before the 2011 **night game** against Notre Dame, CSG hosted a fun and safe **tailgate** for students that was attended by over **8,000 students**.
- Before the 2013 night game against Notre Dame, CSG plans to work with the Athletic Department, the Division of Student Affairs, and several other student governments to build on the success of the 2011 tailgate. We have begun **preliminary planning and budgeting** for this event.

**Late Night Campus Safety and Transportation**

- Currently the University offers several late night transportation services to students. However, these services are **hard to keep track of and burdens beyond capacity** causing **long wait times** for students.
- Instead, students often choose to **walk home alone** at night. A disturbing number of **crime alerts** in recent years indicates this is an unsafe status quo.
- This year, we are working to **improve late night campus safety** and transportation in a cost-efficient and effective manner. This includes **simplifying** the process for requesting a **late night ride home**. We are also exploring other transportation options, including the possibility of implementing a **new late night bus route**.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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