

President Schlissel, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, I am 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.

Mental Health Support

- Support for mental health initiatives was a cornerstone of the previous CSG administration, and we plan to continue and further develop this focus. We firmly believe that more funding, staffing, and support options are urgently needed to, at the least, place our services on par with schools across the country. Michigan's current counselor-to-student ratio falls well below the "Gold Standard," which stipulates a 1:1000 ratio.
- The University needs, and the student body deserves, more counseling and support options, not a treatment center or medical clinic. Special attention should be given to faculty training and understanding of mental health accommodations, as well as the availability of resources on North Campus. We are currently working on a survey, with supervision from select research associates, to gauge how students and faculty perceive the climate around mental health in classrooms.

Summer Assembly

- The first meeting of the Summer Assembly will convene within the next week or two. The purpose of the Summer Assembly is to allocate funds to student organizations who might be holding events during the spring, summer or Welcome Week. Last year, the Assembly allocated more than \$30,000 to a number of different organizations. We expect a similar demand this year.

Cross-Student Government Collaboration

- In the year ahead, we aim to strengthen and advance the University of Michigan's role in cross-student government collaboration, both among Michigan's public universities and fellow B1G schools. We plan to increase our presence at the Association of B1G Schools (ABTS) and the Big Ten on the Hill Conferences, to facilitate idea sharing on pressing campus issues.
- We have also been in touch with the newly elected Student Body Presidents at UM-Flint, UM-Dearborn, and Michigan State University.

University Council (UC)

- Another vehicle for collaboration is the University Council (UC), which is chaired by the CSG Vice President and is comprised of representatives from each of the 19 schools and colleges.
- In the past few years, the UC has not been effectively utilized, and the possibility to form coalitions and work together on important campus issues has been lost. We have begun to reach out to student government leaders in the different schools and colleges to ensure that the UC is productive and efficient in the year ahead.

Student Safety

- In the last few years, our collective focus on sexual assault prevention, late night transportation options, and the culture of alcohol consumption has only grown. We hope to further enhance policies designed to ensure for student safety.
- Last year, CSG successfully partnered with Michigan Dining to open the South Quad, Bursley, and Hill Dining Halls early on Saturdays when there was a noon football game. In the same spirit, we hope to establish free hydration stations on football Saturdays for students in high-risk areas to ensure they are staying hydrated. We are also exploring the possibility of collaborating with student organizations and Student Life divisions to host at least one CSG-sponsored alcohol-free tailgate in the fall.
- In the area of transportation, students have expressed interest in expanding the SafeRide Service, which operates from 2am-7am, picks students up from the Shapiro Library and Duderstadt Center, and drops them off anywhere within a one-mile radius of campus. We are interested in exploring this possible expansion. We also aim to strengthen our partnership with the Division of Public Safety and Security (DPSS), as we advocate for an increase in the number of DPSS student employees.

Respectfully submitted,

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