THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

SUBJECT: 2014-2015 Fee Assessments for Central Student Government (CSG), Student Legal Services (SLS), and School/College Governments

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of the following fee assessments:
- $9.19 per student per term for CSG ($2.00 increase from 2013-14);
- $8.50 per student per term for SLS (no change from 2013-14); and
- $1.50 per student per term for School/College governments (no change from 2013-14).

Background: At the June 2013 Regents’ Meeting, the Regents reauthorized a fee of $7.19 per student per term for CSG and $1.50 per student per term for School/College governments. At the June 2013 Regents’ Meeting, the Regents authorized a fee of $8.50 per student per term for Student Legal Services.

CSG, SLS and School/College Government Fees: This year, Central Student Government believes that the current fee structure will no longer provide adequate funding for the coming fiscal year (see attached memorandum) and requests a $2.00 increase.

Student Life believes that Student Legal Services will have sufficient resources for 2013-2014 under the current fee structure. We believe the school and college government organizations are adequately funded. Therefore, no increase is being requested for SLS or the School/College Governments.

Recommendations: I recommend approval of the following fees for 2014-2015: $9.19 per student per term for Central Student Government, $8.50 per student per term for Student Legal Services, and $1.50 per student per term for School/College governments.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vice President for Student Life

Attachment
June 2014
TO: The University of Michigan Board of Regents
FROM: Central Student Government
RE: Student Fee Request for 2013-2014
DATE: May 22, 2014

This academic year, the Central Student Government fee played an integral role in enabling our organization to attain its goal of improving the student experience here at the University of Michigan. The hard work of our representatives, committees, and commissions has had a positive impact upon students all across campus through events like the CSG Under The Lights Tailgate, which provided a safe and fun place for students to tailgate before the Notre Dame game; Music Matters, Springfest, and MHacks Hackathon, large-scale events that engaged thousands of students across campus and made headlines in the media; creation of the Night Owl bus route, which allowed students to get home safe late at night; partnering with the University on sustainability initiatives by distributing reusable water bottles and adding multiple water stations throughout campus. Unfortunately, this year we saw a decrease in the amount of student funding we were able to provide. This increased the costs for students to put on their own events and in some cases, prevented the event from occurring.

We at CSG greatly appreciate the continuous support provided to us thus far, and we will strive to continue serving the growing needs of students during the coming year. This past year, we fell short in meeting students needs due to budget constraints.

Therefore, on behalf of the Central Student Government, I request that the Board of Regents authorize a $2 increase to the current CSG student fee of $7.19, bringing the total fee to $9.19 for the upcoming fiscal year. This will enable us to meet students needs and work effectively for the students of the University of Michigan.

Respectfully,

[Signature]
Bobby Dishell
President, Central Student Government