

The University of Michigan Regents' Communication

ITEM FOR INFORMATION

Received by the Regents

October 15, 2009

Subject: Michigan Student Assembly Report

Attached is a report with an update on some of the projects the Michigan Student Assembly is working on this summer and in the upcoming year. Thanks!

Respectfully Submitted,

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President, Michigan Student Assembly

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President Coleman, Executive Officers and Regents of the University of Michigan;

Project Update:

Homecoming - MSA's Homecoming festivities kicked off on Thursday September 24th with the Burrito Mile on Palmer Field, where about 50 students ate a burrito then ran a mile. Friday, MSA partnered with the Athletic Department for the MSA Homecoming Pep Rally at Crisler Arena. The event was successful, with about 1500 attendees and performances by student-run dance groups, the Glee club, Marching Band, Cheerleaders and Dance team and a speech by Coach Rodriguez. We'd like to thank the Athletic Department for helping us with the event.

SSRR - The Michigan Student Assembly's Student Rights Commission is working in tandem with OSCR in writing amendments to the University's Statements of Students Rights and Responsibilities. Amendments include the incorporation of the Adaptable Conflict Resolution, clarifying the language of the statement, clarifying the amendment process, changing the standard for sexualized partner violence from 'clear and convincing' to 'preponderance of evidence', removing gender pronouns, and adding 'ethnicity' to the language in the document.

Constitutional Convention - The all-campus constitution has not been rewritten in over 25 years and MSA recently passed a resolution to commence a Constitutional Convention that will meet throughout the course of the semester to rewrite it. The Convention will be composed of representatives from the student governments, representatives from key student organizations and students-at-large. We hope it will help clarify our rules and procedures for many years to come.

Campus Leadership Colloquium - MSA's Campus Governance Committee hosted its first annual Campus Leadership Colloquium in the UM Museum of Art. MSA invited over 100 student leaders from different areas of campus to network and talk about leadership on and off campus. We'd like to thank David Brandon of Dominos, Steve Grafton of the Alumni Association, Grace Singleton of Zingermans, Jan Svejnar from the Ford School, and Jen Cizner, Nick Colvin, Lisa Ellman and Eugene Kang from the White House for all speaking to our student leaders. If any of you are interested in being a guest in next year's Colloquium, please let me know.

MSA + MPowered Lunch - Anne Voshel, Michigan Alumnus and real estate developer in Chicago, spoke to students on a variety of entrepreneurship-related topics in the MSA Chambers. The event was co-hosted by MPowered, an organization that strives to promote entrepreneurship on campus.

Respectfully Submitted,



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