

#### ITEM FOR INFORMATION

Subject: Central Student Government (CSG) Report

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 (CSG). Below is an update on the work of CSG this past month:

Recent and On-Going CSG Projects

#### • Airbus:

Central Student Government is once again providing Airbus as a service for students to get to and from the airport during Fall Break. These pick up and drop off locations are often more convenient for students on campus and are less expensive than other alternatives. This service provides an affordable option for students, with a \$9 price roundtrip.

## • University Council:

o The University Council, which is comprised of representatives from all 19 colleges and the Residence Hall Association, has begun their weekly meetings. The UC has also established three commissions that are open for any student to join. This year, they plan on addressing mental health resource expansion, financial literacy and affordability, and M-Dining meal plan reform.

#### • Game-Day Hydration Stations:

O The previous two home game-day's (Rutgers and Iowa), CSG has hosted hydration stations with volunteers from the Fraternity-Sorority Life community. These stations help serve hundreds of students as they walk to the Big House, by handing out waters and free hot-dogs (courtesy of Ray's Red Hots). We were also able to pilot a transition to compostable cups, thanks to Michigan Dining.

## • Financial Literacy Workshop:

 CSG will be hosting a Financial Literacy workshop at the beginning of November that will be open to all students interested in developing more knowledge and best practices for their financial well-being. The event is in partnership with Student Legal Services and the University of Michigan Credit Union.



## • Office Hours:

O CSG President Ben Gerstein has established his office hours for the semester to be 10am-12pm each Sunday morning, starting Sunday, Oct. 20, in the CSG offices at 2450 North Quad. These office hours are a dedicated time for students to meet with Ben to discuss issues they see on campus and ideas they have for improving our campus.

Respectfully submitted,

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Benjamin Gerstein

President, Central Student Government



# University of Michigan-Dearborn Student Government

## October 2019 Regents' Report

President Schlissel, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, it is my honor to submit the following report to you on behalf of the administration of the University of Michigan-Dearborn Student Government (SG). We look forward to involving you in our initiatives and all that we have done in September and our plans for October.

**Food App:** Student Government is working on a survey for students to understand their interest in a mobile app which would provide food delivery on campus. We hope this will result in the creation of a food delivery app for students. An initial meeting with our food service provider, Picasso, was very positive. This would benefit our campus and satisfy our students when they are studying and don't have enough time to walk to the University Center, where our food court is located.

Amazon Locker: Student Government compiled data from students and found that a lot of students use Amazon for their text-book rental service; and, would like to have a drop-off location on campus. After speaking with Business Affairs, and sharing the interests of students, we are pleased to report that an Amazon drop-box is planned for the Union at Dearborn. We believe this will be well-used and eventually hope to expand to various locations on campus.

*UM-Dearborn's 60th Anniversary:* Monday, September 30, the University of Michigan - Dearborn proudly celebrated its 60th Anniversary. Student Government was pleased to support the kick-off pep rally, and volunteered to give out shirts for students during the festivities. Homecoming Week was very exciting on our campus, and Student Government was delighted to be a part of it.

**Student Life on Campus:** Student Government is working on providing hammocks and soccer nets to add more social elements to campus, to not only give students more reasons to stay on campus but provide opportunities for community building. In addition, having fun out-door games will increase students' healthy lifestyles.

Thank you,

Sarah Nassar Student Body President, University of Michigan-Dearborn



University of Michigan-Flint Student Government Report

President Schlissel, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, I am pleased and honored to submit the following report on behalf of the Student Government at the University of Michigan-Flint.

The Flint Student Government is expanding its members across campus to increase representation as we are the elected leaders of all the students. We have begun the process of identifying student representatives from different departments, colleges, and schools. Our student government administration aims to set up smaller entities to be the voice of all the students. These small entities will report different concerns and potential initiatives across the campus centralizing the process to student government.

Student Government continues to provide services like free bluebooks and scantrons to our students at no cost. We are also expanding this project to make it more accessible for students in different buildings on campus. Students will have multiple options across campus to obtain these items for free.

This year SG has allocated funds through the Senate toward on campus initiatives. This means that a certain section of funds are reserved for providing smaller facilities or resources to our students on campus. The student government with its auxiliary unit, the Funding Board, will approve requests for student organizations at a maximum of \$2300 per organization. We have also increased our budget allocation for funding board as we recognize that student organizations are creating the student life on campus.

A major development that is a potential and exciting project is SPIN scooters. This could change the problems of transportation to surrounding areas for the community on the Flint campus and even for our on-campus students. We are still investigating the possibility of bringing this to our campus. When choosing this project our aim as SG was to never use the student's money. Here are key reasons that we are looking into the project:

- Consumer Application: The university has no investment involved. Just like UBER, a student pays 15 cents per minute cost.
- Security: Each unit can be controlled to limit it in a geofence and speed zones. Also, these units will be rearranged and replaced daily.
- Jobs: It will create on-campus jobs and jobs for Flint locals for the charging warehouses.
- Financial Saving: We will be potentially saving \$10,000 annually on the Zagster bikes program with decreased costs and increased units.



Nationwide, food insecurity is a big challenge on college campuses. We are working with the university administration to expand the resources toward the food pantry. While this project is underway, we will be looking for student representatives and volunteers to help SG expand this project.

SG is committed to our students and our campus. Our senators caucuses and the SG team's goals are to work furthermore towards food insecurity, mental health, campus safety, community leadership programs, and increasing student life on campus with the university administration.

Respectfully Submitted,

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University of Michigan-Flint