Subject: Central Student Government Report

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Bobby Dishell
President, Central Student Government

November 10, 2014
President Schlissel, 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.

**Michigan Athletics**

- We look forward to working with the Athletic Department and new Athletic Director to continue to bridge the gap between the Athletic Department and the student body
- We hope that there will be ample student representation on the search committee for the next Athletic Director
- CSG will be surveying all students to see what students want to see in the next Athletic Director and other changes they would like to see in the Athletic Department
- As Michigan Basketball season begins, we know from previous surveys that one of the largest complaints is the lack of student seating in the lower bowl of Crisler Arena

**It’s On Us Campaign on Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention**

- On November 9th, I Will and It’s On Us in conjunction with CSG hosted a campus-wide Think-Tank style event where students were divided into focus groups based on categorical interest in sexual assault issues
- There were over 20 students in attendance and five groups were formed to focus on education, awareness, and student/survivor resources
- These groups will continue to meet intermittently throughout the remainder of the academic year to create action-items and ways to revolutionize the way that our campus deals with issues of sexual assault. We specifically worked on: education, awareness, and student/survivor resources
- An It’s On Us committee will be formed to host more events and foster the success of the groups
- We currently have almost 300 pledges

**Library Seating**

- We received several student complaints about limited access to library seating during midterm examinations.
- After speaking with the Provost, 50 additional tables and chairs were added to the Hatcher Graduate library and Shapiro Undergraduate libraries as well as several soft seats.

**Wolverine Support Network**

- We received a multitude of applications from student leaders across campus to participate in the Wolverine Support Network as group leaders
- The leaders will all participate in a 3-day training retreat November 14-16
- We want to provide as many leaders to facilitate groups of students as the number of interested students demands
- We look forward to improving mental health and stigmas surrounding mental health awareness on campus
- Currently, we will have the capacity to impact over 300 students

**Sustainability**

- Coffee grinds in Michigan Dining now go into pre-consumer compost

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President Schlissel, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, it is my pleasure and honor to submit the following report to you on behalf of the University of Michigan-Dearborn Student Government (SG). We truly appreciate this opportunity to inform you of the initiatives Student Government is working on for this upcoming year.

**Regents Forum:** On October 28, SG welcomed Regent White, Regent-Elect Mike Behm, Ron Weiser and Dr. Rob Steele to our campus for a Regents Forum. The successful event provided faculty, staff, and students the opportunity to hear the candidates share their respective platforms and answer questions from the audience. We would like to congratulate Regent White and Regent-Elect Mike Behm on their victory!

**College of Business (COB) Resource Center:** COB students are required to complete either a certification exam or a graduate school exam prior or post graduation. Many students may feel confused and prefer to have extra resources to guide them throughout the exam process. Thus, SG is creating informational binders for every exam COB students are required to complete. In each binder, a student can find tips, rules, requirements and other beneficial information needed to help mentor students. Along with the binder, SG and the COB will be purchasing study books to go along with each exam. The binders and books can be found in a new COB Resource Center created specifically for these resources.

**Anti-Bullying Week and Philanthropy Week:** SG was proud to sponsor Anti-Bullying Week, a week of awareness and educational programing regarding the impacts of bullying. Our Director of Inclusion partnered with PRIDE and the inCLUDe Office to spread inclusive messages and to dispel different stereotypes around campus. This week, SG is co-sponsoring Philanthropy Week with Greek Life. SG will be participating in a friendly competition of Penny Wars with Greek Life to raise funds for the Special Olympics. We will also be donating canned food to our campus food pantry. Volunteers will be participating in random acts of kindness, volunteering at Vista Maria, and/or raising funds for cancer foundations and children hospitals.

Thank you for taking the time to read this report and Student Government truly appreciates this opportunity to share our goals and accomplishments. We appreciate your diligent work and dedication to the University!

Warmest Regards,

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President, Student Government