

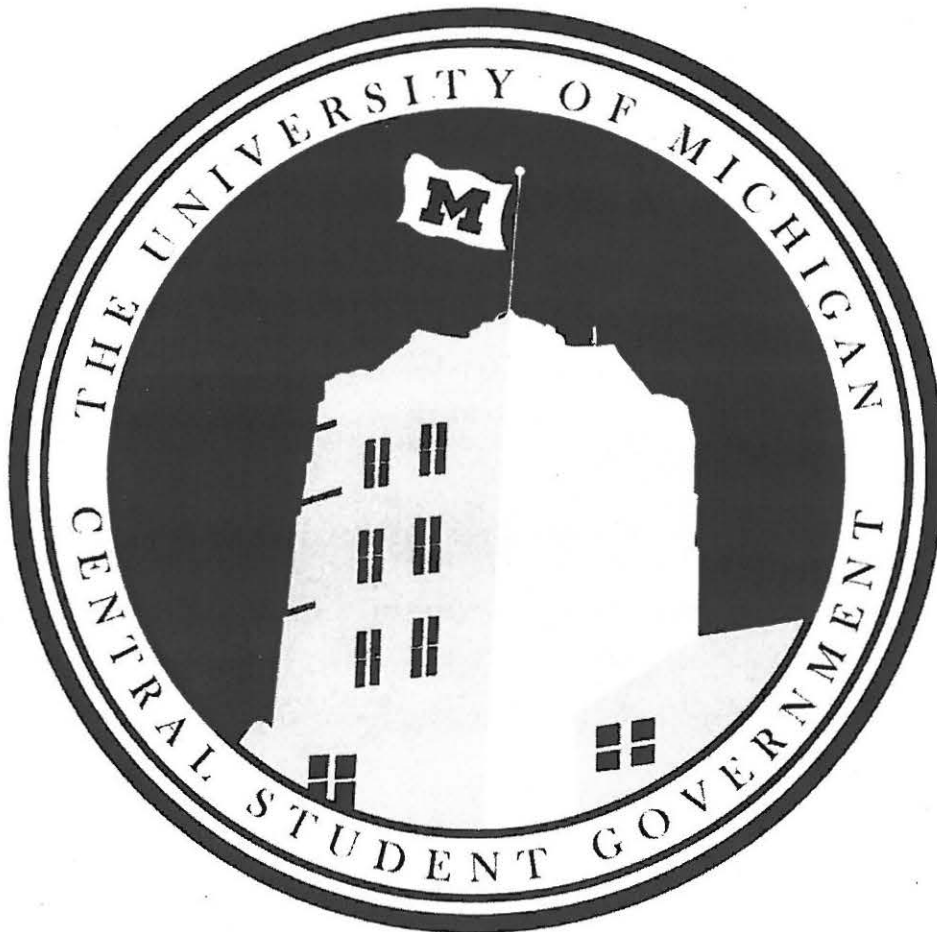
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ITEM FOR INFORMATION

Subject: Central Student Government Report

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



Respectfully Submitted,

Bobby Dishell
President, Central Student Government

May 5, 2014

President Coleman, 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.

Night Owl

- This past semester we partnered with the Interfraternity Council to pilot a late night bus route that ran to off-campus neighborhoods Thursday through Saturday from 10pm to 3am. The Night Owl serviced 6,445 students and we believe that this number would have been much higher with proper marketing and institutional support.
- When we surveyed students at the end of the year 72% stated that they were supportive of the Night Owl. The number one reason for not using Night Owl was that it did not stop near the student's residence. The number one suggestion to improve Night Owl is to place it on the Magic Bus service, which shows students where buses are and when they will arrive at their next stop.
- We hope to alter the route so that it can best suit students' needs, place the route on Magic Bus by working with Parking and Transportation Services, and make other necessary improvements to the route so that we can continue to make Michigan safer at night for students.

Napping Stations

- CSG began its pilot program of napping stations in the Shapiro Undergraduate Library during the winter exam period. The napping station is intended for 10 to 30 minute naps. In a University survey 96% of students stated that fatigue was affecting their performance.
- The napping stations have cots, pillows with replaceable pillowcases, sanitary wipes, and organizers of the project are working to get lockers and make other accommodations so that this project can be a success.
- Pending the success of this program we hope to be able to bring this to other University libraries.

Summer Assembly

- The Summer Assembly began meeting on May 6, 2014. The Summer Assembly meets primarily to allocate money to student organizations that hold events over the summer and during Welcome Week.
- Dozens of organizations present to the Summer Assembly to request funds for their events and projects. The representatives comprising the Summer Assembly have the responsibility of awarding CSG's limited funds to these student organizations.

Wolverine Support Network

- According to the National Institute of Health roughly one in three college students reported feeling “so depressed that it was difficult to function”. Depression comes in many different forms and different levels for students, however all of us should have a place to go for peer support.
- This year we will be working to institute a peer support network, called the Wolverine Support Network, where students can come to talk about what is going on in their lives and receive support from their peers.
- The groups will have two senior leaders, two junior trainees, and 10-15 other students and will meet weekly in locations best for them. We will work with Counseling and Psychological Services to ensure that students are equipped with the proper tools to handle anything that may arise.

Respectfully submitted,



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May 2014 Regents' Report

President Coleman, 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).

This is the first official report submitted to you on behalf of the newly elected Student Government at UM-Dearborn. We truly appreciate this opportunity to inform you on all the new initiatives and accomplishments the new administration hopes to achieve.

Safety Initiatives: Safety Walk is a program created this past year to ensure student safety while walking to their vehicle or apartment by volunteer SG escorts in the program. This year, SG hopes to expand the program by enlarging the volunteer base with the assistance of other student organizations and using a more efficient marketing strategy to educate campus students of the program. SG also seeks to work with facilities to provide adequate lighting on all the dark areas of campus to enhance student comfort and safety while walking campus in the evening.

Athletics Department: Last year, a new Director of Athletics was created in SG. This position proved to be an exceptional success and SG is looking forward to continue its partnership with the Athletics Department to further improve the quality of athletics on the UM-D campus. SG has funded many initiatives to improve services in the gym, on the court, and in the locker rooms as well as branding “We are Wolverines” all over campus. A main focus this upcoming year will be to continue to better the Wellness Center as well as promote athlete’s games to the student body.

Commitment to Inclusion: Student Government has worked diligently this past year to commit to our mission of being an inclusive campus and it was an honor serving as the previous Director of Inclusion to be the voice for students’ inclusive needs. One of SG’s successes included hosting the first annual Inclusion Week. We hope to make this an annual tradition and expand our inclusive initiatives by continuing to work with administration, students, and other organizations.

Student Organization Advisory Council (SOAC): Last year we were able to help raise the budget for Student Organization funding. This achievement was essential because an overwhelming amount of funding was needed for new student organizations being created, who in the past were turned down by the lack of financial means. By working to increase the budget once more, the UM-D campus will be able to offer greater financial assistance to help student organizations thrive and achieve their goals.

Thank you for taking the time to read this report and I look forward to updating you on all our initiatives this upcoming year.

Warmest Regards,

Sarah Elhelou

President, Student Government