Central Student Government

Subject: Central Student Government (CSG) Report

December 2022

President Ono, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, I am honored to submit the following report to you on behalf of the Central Student Government (CSG):

This report contains two appendices attached below:

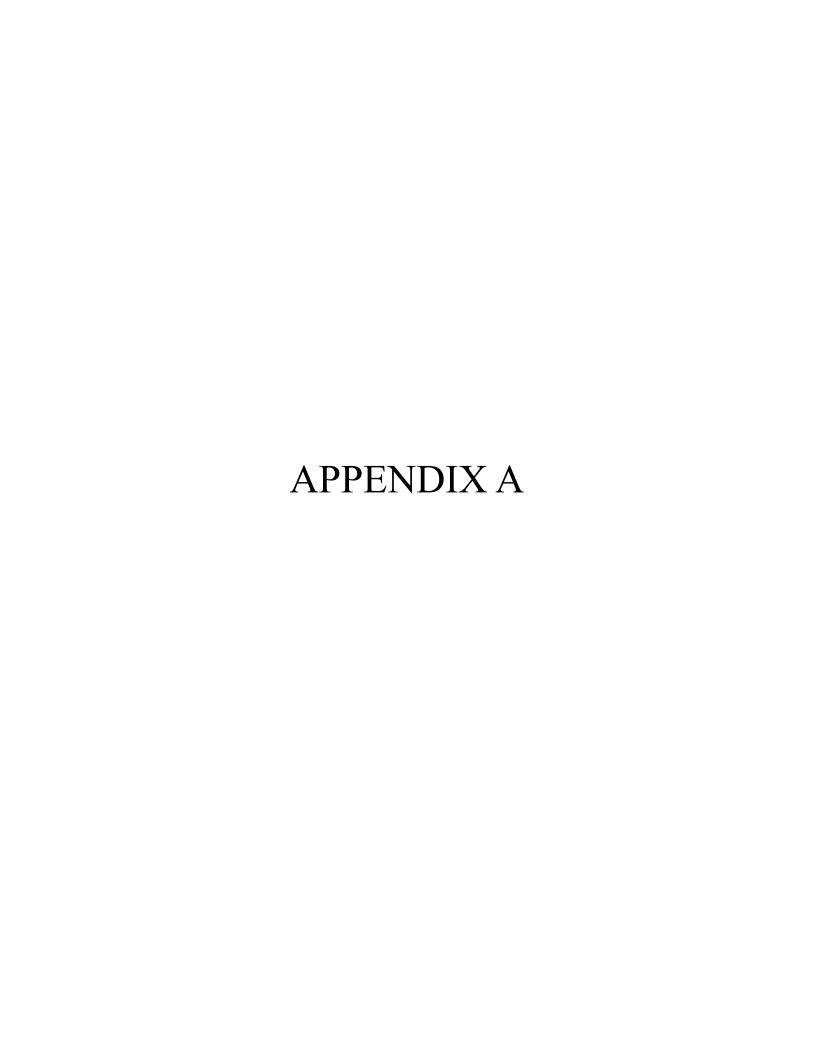
I. Current and Upcoming CSG Programming

A. **Finals Wellness.** In support of the wellbeing of the student body, Central Student Government is hosting three events during finals season. First, CSG will be coordinating a 'Winter Wonderland' event with a temporary ice skating rink on the Diag. Second, CSG will host a 'Finals Wellness Event,' where students can destress ahead of their exams. Third, CSG will provide a complimentary snack cart for students across UM's libraries.

II. Notices to the Board of Regents

- A. **FA22 Accomplishments.** Central Student Government has accomplished unprecedented programs, events, advocacy initiatives, and internal restructuring during the Fall 2022 semester. Highlights of this semester include increased revenue, the Wellbeing Day Event, and funding over 180 unique student organizations. A more detailed description of CSG's accomplishments is listed in Appendix A.
- B. Winter Priorities. As we close out the Fall semester, our administration looks toward what we can do for students in the Winter. Our priorities remain similar, but we want to emphasize the importance of student organization advocacy, our role in representing graduate and professional students, and performing an inventory of student-facing programs. A press release detailing more in-depth priorities and plans will be issued in the coming weeks.
- C. **Former Fleming Site ("Regents Plaza").** Central Student Government polled students in the most recent midterm elections to ask students their preference for what to put on site formerly housed by the Fleming Administration Building ("Regents Plaza"). An overwhelming 55% of respondents voted to keep the Regents Plaza as a permanent greenspace. CSG, in conjunction with the Student Carbon Neutrality Network (SCaNN) and LSA Student Government (LSA SG) strongly urges the Board, President Ono, Vice President Chatas, AVP Baier, and others to keep the Regents Plaza as a permanent greenspace. A letter of support is listed in Appendix B.

Through the close of the Fall semester and the beginning of the break, we thank you, the Board, President Ono, and the Executive Officers for all the work that you have done. We are excited to continue to work with you and build a strong relationship. The Central Student Government continues to strive for excellence in representing all students on the Ann Arbor campus. If you have any questions or want to meet with the CSG President and Vice President, please contact csg.president@umich.edu.



Fall 2022 Accomplishments

Executive Branch

Internal Operations

- Streamlined the Operations and created SOPs
- Created email signature templates/guides for Cabinet positions
- Restructured Executive Team
- Restructured format of the All Campus
 Emails to be more engaging
- Presided over the refresh of the CSG
 Website
- Created/repaired relationships with Board of Regents and University Administration
- Created Executive Committee guidelines/criteria through Executive Orders
- CSG Tabling for Communications

Advocacy

- Increase CSG Revenue by \$300k (Student Fee from \$9.19 to \$11.19)
- Campus-wide \$15 minimum wage
- Advocated for the creation of a SAAS Co-Curricular Fund

Programs

- Grad Gown Distribution
- Bystander Intervention Training Refresh
- NightCap Distribution
- NYT and WSJ Subscriptions
- Calm App Subscriptions

Events

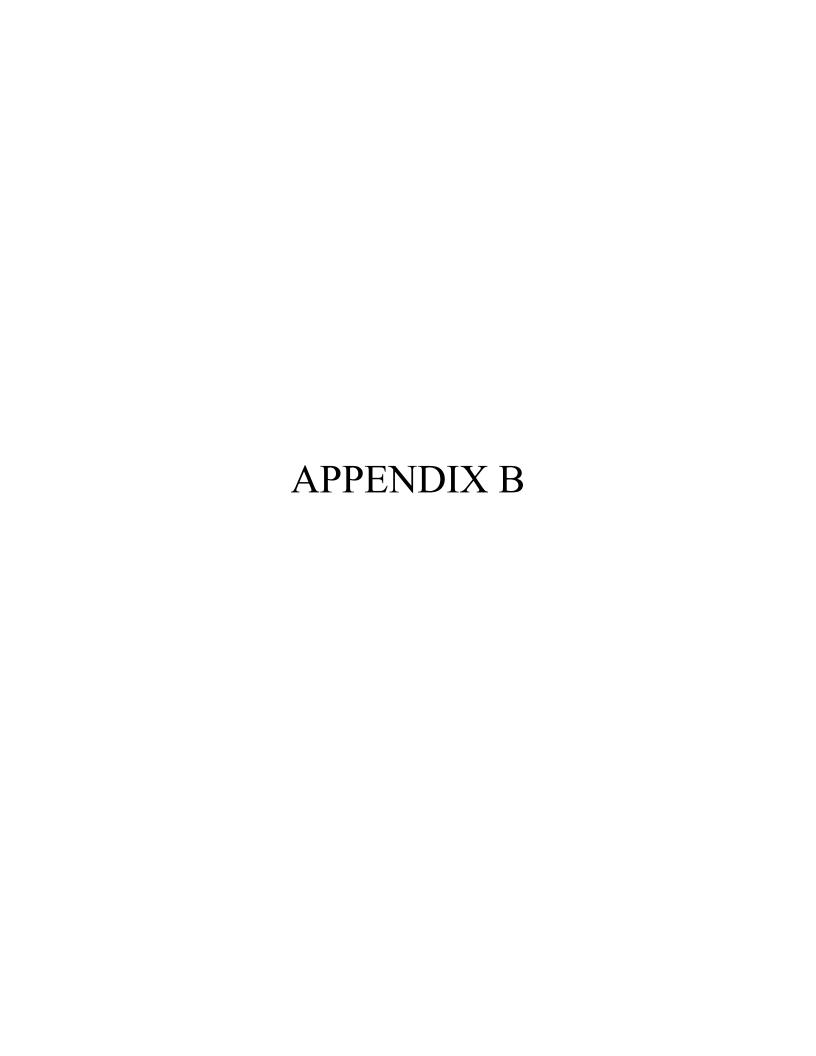
- Internally Planned Events
 - Wellbeing Day
 - Alumni Meet and Greet
 - Reproductive Justice Event
 - Take Your Professor to Lunch
 - Affordable Housing Panel
 - Native American Heritage Month
 - CSG Elections
 - Winter Wonderland
 - Finals Wellness Events
- Co-Sponsored Events
 - Hydration Stations
 - Pride Outside
 - Midterm Elections Tabling with B1G Voting Challenge
- Other Events CSG Participated In
 - Festifall North/Central
 - UCC's Suit Up
 - Suicide Prevention Month Tabling

SOC

- SOFC
 - Funded 187 unique Student Organizations
 - 296 applications
 - \$166,480.74 granted
 - \$506,155.74 requested
- WCG
 - ∘ 11 organizations funded
 - \$17,952 granted

Legislative Branch

- 30/36 total resolutions passed the Assembly
- 1/1 Constitutional Amendments passed the Assembly and Student Body
- 11 Resolutions advocating for the betterment of student life
- 4 Resolutions directly appropriating funds
- 19 Resolutions changing the internal operations of the Assembly, CSG, or the engagement with the student body



We are writing to you on behalf of the student body that supports turning the current demolition site of the Fleming Building into a permanent greenspace for students to enjoy and benefit from. The Fleming Building site is ideal for this space due to its central location on campus in close proximity to student spaces like the Michigan Union, the LSA Building, and several residence halls.

The Fleming Building and Regents Plaza area attract many visitors due to the iconic Cube statue. However, this space is not utilized to its full potential. There is not much greenspace in this central campus area, and the current concrete space surrounding the Cube does not provide accessible and comfortable seating for students. Giving the community a green space to congregate would be highly beneficial in bringing more usefulness into this area in the long term. Furthermore, studies demonstrate how spaces integrated with plants positively affect students' mental well-being. A permanent greenspace on the Fleming Building site would help fulfill the University of Michigan's mission to promote the mental health of its students. If the Fleming Building site were to remain an outdoor greenspace, it would provide students with an established place to study, grab food from the Union and eat outside, admire the Cube, gather in between classes, and much more.

We believe constructing another building in the space will consume resources, drain University funds, and dig the University of Michigan deeper into an emissions deficit, especially concerning Scope 3 emissions. Instead, we support converting the Fleming Building site into a carbon sink that will provide valuable green space and environmental education to students in an area severely lacking.

From a broader perspective, the decision not to develop the space into another building will signal to the University stakeholders that constant development and expansion are no longer the main priority of the University, something that is necessary for long-term sustainability and the achievement of the University's carbon neutrality goals.

Signed,

The Student Body of the University of Michigan

The Student Government of the University of Michigan - Dearborn



December 2022 Regents Report

President Ono, Members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, it is our honor to submit the following report to you on behalf of the administration of University of Michigan-Dearborn's Student Government (UMDSG). We look forward to updating you on our initiatives and our progress.

Our Plans for the Remainder of the Semester:

UMDSG is currently working on a multitude of projects. Currently, the Executive Board is working on exam support bags. These will contain testing materials and encouraging messages. We feel it is important for students to feel nourished during their exams. My Vice President, Darena Matti, has been working closely with Dearborn Support, a new department on our campus, to make sure our student body is aware of the resources provided for them. To alleviate concerns about students dropping courses, we have started to work with UMDearborn's Hub for Teaching & Learning Resources. After conversations with faculty in that program, we plan to encourage instructors to post their old syllabi. This will allow students to better understand how the course may look and will lead to a lower drop rate.

Passing the Torch:

With my semester of student teaching due to begin in January, I want to inform the Regents of the University of Michigan that this will be my final report. Since student teaching requires me to be in a classroom daily, I cannot have the same presence on campus that I do now; it would be unfair to my students, my family, myself, and to all of you if I try to be in two places at once. It is time for me to focus on the next chapter of my life: teaching the leaders of tomorrow.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the University of Michigan-Dearborn. I am filled with gratitude for the kindness that has been shown to me by all of you. I consider myself incredibly blessed to have had the opportunity to work with UM-Dearborn's administration, faculty, and staff. I am incredibly thankful to Darena for all that she has done this semester. Darena is a remarkable person and a strong leader with an incredible vision for UM-Dearborn. I am lucky to call her my friend, and I look forward to cheering her on as she takes my place. Darena will do a wonderful job as UMDSG President.

To Conclude:

I hope everyone found time for relaxation with family and friends over the November break. I wish the entire University of Michigan System the best during the final weeks of the Fall Semester.

Forever proud to be a Dearborn Wolverine,

Ezra J. Houghtby

Student Body President, University of Michigan-Dearborn



President Ono, members of the Board of Regents, and Executive Officers of the University, I am pleased and honored to submit this report on behalf of the University of Michigan-Flint Student Government. Below is an update on Student Government's activity in the previous month.

Student Government hosted its annual State of the Student Address where we heard invaluable feedback directly from our student body. Several consistent themes have emerged and we are working with administration and members of the senate to rectify these issues. We have continued our regular weekly feedback tabling, conversing with students, and being available to students on campus.

We have continued our community involvement by co-hosting the second annual Inclusive Halloween, an event oriented to children in the community with developmental disabilities that could preclude them from a normal trick or treating experience. The event had an amazing turnout with over three hundred attendees. This was an amazing event put on in collaboration with the Honors Program and National Pan-Hellenic Council. A great time was had by all who volunteered and all who participated.

We concluded our voting registration efforts for this past voting cycle with a panel featuring the Secretary of State Joselyn Benson where students spoke with the Secretary of State along with our local voting clerk. We brought in community members, along with Mott Community College and Kettering University students. The event was a great opportunity for students and community members to ask questions and gain better insight on the voting process. We are incredibly proud of our efforts this year and are grateful that we had the opportunity to help many college students register to vote this year.

We are also continuing our outreach events with our volunteering at the local food pantry and distribution center. The latter of which was an amazing experience for the entirety of student government and we were able to collaborate with our Black Student Union and our Latinos United for Advancement to bring this event to a large population of caring students who had a chance to make a difference for community members who need it most. We cherish and appreciate the opportunity to impact our city in a positive way.

I personally have had the privilege of representing our student body as the chairperson on one of the two committees that is leading the charge of our transformation project. This innovative transformational advisory board is continuing to put student interests at our forefront and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our gracious Chancellor Dutta for displaying his utmost care for the student body of the campus to let our voices be heard and represented in this transformational project.

As our days get shorter and our nights get longer moving into the winter months our administration is encouraging students to wrap up their semester strongly. We encourage all of our students to practice mindfulness and prioritize their mental health during their exam periods. Our students are tenacious and are working to exemplify the leaders and the best. Respectfully submitted,

Timothy J. Brooks

Student Body President

University of Michigan - Flint