Student Commission Meeting
March 28, 2024
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Admin - 404
Zoom link- https://michigantech.zoom.us/j/85061070101

AGENDA and MINUTES

I. Welcome
II. Updates from Student Affairs
    A. 20% of the student body completed the student satisfaction survey. We will hold 5 focus groups in April.
    B. Graduate Commencement is April 26 @ 3 pm in the Ice Arena
    C. Undergraduate Commencement is April 27 10:30 am in the Ice Arena
III. Updates from Student Government
    A. Daniel Branagan, USG Student Affairs Committee member
        1. USG body and E-board turn over just happened
        2. Releasing our student activity fee report
    B. Austin DePottey, GSG VP
        1. Officer elections
            a) GSG President: Lauren Sprague
            b) GSG Vice-President: Matt Sisson
            c) GSG Secretary: Sarah Larkin
            d) GSG Treasurer: Aritra Chakrabarty
        2. Chair elections will be held during the April 2nd General Body Meeting
IV. Updates from Around Campus (Current improvements, issues, etc)
    A. Light posts are out around campus
        1. 0505
        2. 0490
        3. 0525
        4. 0540
        5. 0838
        6. 0770
        7. 0780
        8. 1060
V. Old Business
    A. College Pads
        1. Once the SSO is integrated we will be live. Preview site: https://mtu.rentcollegepads.com/listing
    B. Non-motorized transportation committee
        1. The committee did not meet
    C. Crosswalk Updates (Public Safety)
        1. (Update March 27th 2024) MDOT - Thank you for the feedback. I passed this along, and the signals group has it set appropriately for this type of use. By description, an LPI gives pedestrians a chance to occupy the crosswalk before vehicular traffic to help with vehicular yield rates, but it isn't intended to be a full scramble phase as the initial request came in. Software is at its max time.

D. Keweenaw Accessibility Advocacy
    1. Concern about Wads elevator breaking down and students with mobility needs will be trapped,
        a) Possible solutions are purchasing Evacuation sled or add a ramp
        b) Matt Weekley is out this week but is going to look at options and follow up with Disability Services regarding communications

VI. New Business
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VII. Public Comments
    A.
VIII. Thank you and closing remarks!

Student Commission Meeting
March 7, 2024
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Admin - 404
Zoom link- https://michigantech.zoom.us/j/85061070101

AGENDA and MINUTES

IX. Welcome
X. Updates from Student Affairs
    A. Student satisfaction survey is live: 738 UG students as of this morning and 215 GR students, over 100 students have indicated they wanted to participate in focus groups. We will set these up in April
    B. A final reminder will go out next week, the survey will close next Friday.

XI. Updates from Student Government
    A. Daniel Branagan, USG Student Affairs Committee member
        1. E-board elections have concluded
        2. Representative nominations are open
        3. Planning ai discussion
    B. Austin DePottey, GSG VP
        1. VP, Secretary, and Treasurer elections to be held on March 19th for the 2024-2025 session
        2. Tickets on sale for end of semester bus to Chicago
XII. Updates from Around Campus (Current improvements, issues, etc)
    A. We've heard the HSTEM move has gone as well as expected.
    B. Parade of Nations (2024) will not go from Hancock to Houghton, it will just be in Houghton, as the City of Hancock is not participating any more due to Finlandia University closing. The route will be from the Rozsa to the Dee stadium.
XIII. Old Business
    A. College Pads
        1. Here's the preview site: https://mtu.rentcollegepads.com/listing
        2. Laura B is meeting with their team this afternoon to finetune the website based on feedback from students
        3. Waiting on IT to connect it to single sign on

B. Non-motorized transportation committee
    1. SS4A grant applications opened for 2024 year
    2. Meeting yesterday to look at application materials and process
    3. Will meet in ~2 weeks to start application and discuss bike lanes
C. Crosswalk Updates (Public Safety)
    1. Still waiting to hear from MDOT
D. Keweenaw Accessibility Advocacy
    1. Concern about Wads elevator breaking down and students with mobility needs will be trapped,
        a) Possible solutions are purchasing Evacuation sled or add a ramp

XIV. New Business
A. Potholes in Daniel Heights 1800 block
    1. Wasn't this going to be repaved last summer?
    2. It was scheduled to be repaved, but bids came in high. The project was recently rebid and costs are now within budget. The project has been awarded and the work is scheduled to start this Spring. Paving will be completed after the underground work is completed.

XV. Public Comments
A.

XVI. Thank you and closing remarks!

Student Commission Meeting
February 15, 2024
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Admin - 404
Zoom link- https://michigantech.zoom.us/j/85061070101

AGENDA and MINUTES

I. Welcome
II. Updates from Student Affairs
    A. Student satisfaction survey is being sent out to the students next week, a separate survey will be sent to UG students and GR students.
        1. First one since 2018
        2. Separate surveys for undergrad and grad students
III. Updates from Student Government
    A. Daniel Branagan, USG Student Affairs Committee member
        1. Break bus for lower Michigan is sold out
            a) 15 students are currently on the waitlist
            b) Now using MTU ticketing system
        2. Thoughts on a commuter lounge?
    B. Austin DePottey, GSG
        1. GSG will be running a bus to Chicago airport at the end of spring semester
            a) Jamie in IPS does the fall international student bus - tickets are $100
IV. Updates from Around Campus (Current improvements, issues, etc)
    A. Experience tech survey will be going out on March 1, 2024
    B. MUB is moving to digital table tents in 1 month.
        1. March 10 MUB will be sending an email to RSO's about scheduling next semester
    C. HSTEM move-in starts next week
V. Old Business
    A. Tripshot app
        1. 700+ users on the app
    B. College Pads
        1. The contract has been approved and we are working on scheduling a demo.
            a) Need to work with IT and UMC to sort out the website name
            b) The off-campus housing site will be branded.
    C. Non-motorized transportation committee
        1. Waiting on SS4A grant materials to become available for 2024 application cycle
    D. Crosswalk Updates (Public Safety)
        1. Still waiting to hear back from MDOT
    E. Keweenaw Accessibility Advocacy
        1.
VI. New Business
    A.

VII. Public Comments
    A.

VIII. Thank you and closing remarks!

Student Commission Meeting
January 25, 2024
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Admin - 404
Zoom link- https://michigantech.zoom.us/j/85061070101

AGENDA and MINUTES

I. Welcome
II. Updates from Student Affairs
    A. Currently working on Winter Carnival posters and safety messages
    B. USG conversation: walking to/from campus east of town
        1. No real walkable path
    C. February is a busy month: Winter Carnival 2/7-2/11, Career Fair 2/13, Blood Drive 2/13 & 2/14, Spring Break 2/24-3/3
III. Updates from Student Government
    A. Isobol Bowker, (fill in) USG Student Affairs Committee member
        1. Going forward break bus tickets will be sold through MTU Ticketing to lower cost
        2. Joint statement with GSG in support of underrepresented groups sent out
    B. Austin DePottey, GSG
        1. No major updates
IV. Updates from Around Campus (Current improvements, issues, etc)
    A. Snow removal complaints have been average
    B. Cleaning out residential lots by Wednesday
    C. Slip, trip and fall on city property, technically the city handles their property however if someone puts in a request we will try to salt and plow
    D. The MUB campus store shipping area- installing a selfie wall, possible customization
        1. Judy Z is the contact person
V. Old Business
    A. Tripshot app
        1. 620 riders signed up for TripShot
        2. All announcements regarding shuttle are being sent through the app
    B. College Pads
        1. Update from Laura to follow
    C. Non-motorized transportation committee
        1. Will be putting together application to apply for Safer Streets for All (SS4A) grant
        2. Intent is to use grant to hire consultant to help put together a comprehensive non-motorized transportation plan that complements campus master plan
    D. Crosswalk Updates (Public Safety)
        1. From MDOT: I'm pretty sure that the signals group has it set appropriately for this type of use. By description, an LPI gives pedestrians a chance to occupy the crosswalk before vehicular traffic to help with vehicular yield rates, but it isn't intended to be a full scramble phase as the initial request came in. They are double checking with the signals group to see if this can be extended.
    E. Keweenaw Accessibility Advocacy
        1. None
VI. New Business
    A. Move to H-STEM building

1. Concerns brought up in GSG meeting about the timing of the move. 1 week to pack and move labs is not much time. Also weather during the week of spring break is usually not good.
    a) Facilities will provide boxes ahead of time so everyone can be packed and ready to move.
    b) Share other concerns to the chair

B. Upcycle Food Opportunities
1. Working with a group of students and staff to coordinate with Chartwells. They have two funds for sustainability and food insecurities.
    a) A portion of them to revamp WADs garden area
    b) Food insecurities- Husky Fan may have opportunity to have prepared meals
        (1) Prepare meals, individual packaged food from WADS
        (2) Working with Student Affairs to work on details
        (3) Food license does allow prepared meals from the dining hall

VII. Public Comments
A. Library Cafe will be rebranding to Velodrome Coffee Company
1. Students will have the opportunity to stay with Chartwells or move employment to the subcontractor, Velodrome Coffee Company

VIII. Thank you and closing remarks!

Student Commission Meeting
December 7, 2023
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Admin - 404
Zoom link- https://michigantech.zoom.us/j/83928268220

AGENDA and MINUTES

IX. Welcome
X. Updates from Student Affairs
A. All gender restrooms map is out of date
1. New ones exist that are not on the map
    a) CFRES
2. Dow restroom is labeled wrong

XI. Updates from Student Government
A. Mariah Mellendorf, USG
1. Break Bus tickets are still on sale, 20-some left for both lower Michigan and Wisconsin/Chicago
2. Student Affairs Chair will likely be attending next semester

B. Austin DePottey, GSG
1. President elections were held on December 5
Lauren Sprague is the 2024-2025 GSG President

XII. Updates from Around Campus (Current improvements, issues, etc)
A. H-STEM building should be ready for occupancy in February

B. The gateway stones were delayed, this is why it is not ready yet
C. East Hall
    1. Everything is going well so far, 1 stairwell is built

XIII. Old Business
A. Tripshot app
    1. Hancock Commuter, Hancock Shuttle, Lamers are all active on Tripshot, will be getting the City of Houghton on the app soon, 104 downloads so far
B. Housing website
    1. College Pads update
        a) Looking at both models- Fee model and University model
            (1) Requested contracts for both models
        b) Timeline-depends on how quickly we are ready
        c) Sublease and looking for roommates are sign in (mtu credentials required)
        d) Report an issue
        e) University dashboard
            (1) How many units
            (2) Average cost
            (3) Financial aid could use data
        f) Integrates with university software
        g) USG did a straw poll on what funding model would be best
            (1) Overall consensus was that we should try to find way to fund the university model (some feel that landlords won't use it if they have to pay)
        h) Landlord funding model could result in a cleaner site/listings being taken down when they are full since they are paying for it
C. Non-motorized transportation committee
    1. Meeting on November 29th
    2. Discussed draft e-bike policy (also covers non-e bikes, other personal mobility devices)
        a) Everyone seemed happy with it, tabled for now
    3. Decided on changes to bike path (on waterfront) intersection near facilities building to improve bike path <-> vehicle traffic visibility, looking at changing this for next summer so that it is safer for people on bikes
    4. Discussed possible bike path along Cliff Drive
D. Crosswalk MacInnes US-41
    1. US41 crosswalk history
        a) Been on everyone's radar for a long time, 1969
        b) Came close to a solution at one point, never came to be
        c) Some work has been done
        d) Bridge
            (1) Expensive
            (2) Where would it go/etc
        e) There is a delay on the crosswalk where this some walking time before cars can go

(1) Working with MDOT to see if they can increase the timing
(2) Still looking for the vehicle that was hit it during the storm

E. Crosswalk for East hall
1. In discussion to determine the best place to put it
a) Potentially it would be directly across from where the McNair stairs are along with a ramp
b) Maybe move the speed limit 30 sign further out so people are slowed down before coming to this new crosswalk

F. Cliff Drive
1. Painting it better in the Spring/Summer to make it more clear
2. Confusion on yield to pedestrians on Cliff Drive

XIV. New Business

A. Keweenaw Accessibility Advocacy
1. QR code proposal update- Stelle Barone
2. Elevators are a frequent concern
a) Survey with qr code to gather data and more details about elevator issues
b) At the end of the survey, it asks if you have filled out a maintenance request and directs you to it
c) Want to see them posted at every elevator
d) Working to get them approved with residence education
e) A lot of students don't understand how to use Maintenance Direct, working on showing people how to use it
f) Main wads elevator keeps going down
g) Struggling to get in contact with someone from each building to get this implemented
(1) Bring them to facilities office Gregg Richards to have them laminated and put up
h) Having someone checking it daily to make sure a maintenance direct request gets filled out

B. Fisher stairs
1. Concern raised about edging peeling up, causing trip hazard
2. Maintenance Request was put it, it was being looked at
3. In the process of looking into it

C. Fall Bike Pickup is next week
1. Wednesday or Thursday around 2-3pm
2. Any bike on campus gets picked and brought to secure storage
3. If not claimed in over a year, they get donated

XV. Public Comments

A. Childcare on campus
1. Commissioners meeting on Tuesday to support funding for childcare issue
a) Let Danielle Meirow know if you want more info

XVI. Thank you and closing remarks!

A. Pancake Dinner 7-9pm in Library Sunday

Student Commission Meeting
November 16, 2023
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Admin - 404
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AGENDA and MINUTES

XVII. Welcome Kellie Raffaelli, Associate Vice President and Dean of Students
XVIII. Updates from Student Affairs
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XIX. Updates from Student Government
  A. Mariah Mellendorf, USG
    1. Break Bus, there are still tickets left for Wisconsin/Chicago Thanksgiving Break and Winter Break tickets for Lower Michigan and Wisconsin/Chicago are launching soon
  B. Austin DePottey, GSG
    1. 3 Minute Thesis competition
    2. Presidential nominations for next year is open, elections in December
XX. Updates from Around Campus (Current improvements, issues, etc)
  A. CDI - putting a name on open office hours, advertising
    1. CDI is open next week if students are around
  B. Husky Eats wants feedback from RSO's and other groups that are looking to fundraise and collaborate with.
  C. Dean will be available in the Library one or two days per week to stop and chat
  D. East Hall is still moving forward
  E. SDC Hours for break
XXI. Old Business
  A. Tripshot app
    1. Transportation will communicate when the app is ready and launched
  B. Housing website
    1. Still being reviewed
  C. Non-motorized transportation committee
    1. Next meeting November 29th, 4pm, Admin 404
      a) Phoenix Drive intersection with bike path by motor pool
      b) E-bike policy
  D. Crosswalk MacInnes US-41
    1. No report
  E. Crosswalk for East hall
    1. May intersect where the stairs are going up
XXII. New Business
  A. Student Commission Meeting Time Spring 2024
    1. Mariah will proposed options for next meeting
XXIII. Public Comments
  A. Keweenaw Accessibility Advocacy:
    1. Concerned about the accessibility of the elevators
      a) They created a QR code document that would be posted at the elevators for quick access to the report issue that they can use to report an issue.
      b) Wants to connect with Facilities

c) Secondary measure to give data as to how many students are having issues
d) Live by end of break
e) Link to facilities work order
f) sbarone@mtu.edu for questions/suggestions

XXIV. Thank you and closing remarks!

Student Commission Meeting
October 26, 2023
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Admin - 404
Zoom link- https://michigantech.zoom.us/j/83928268220

AGENDA and MINUTES

XXV. Welcome
XXVI. Updates from Student Affairs
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XXVII. Updates from Student Government
A. Mariah Mellendorf, USG
1. OneUP Conference Nov. 4th: Undergraduate Student Governments from LSSU, NMU, MTU
2. Break Bus: Launching a Chicago/Wisconsin Break Bus for Thanksgiving, 3rd Bus for Downstate
B. Austin DePottey, GSG
1. Special election for research chair happened
2. Nov 9th, 3-min thesis competition, registration closed next Monday
XXVIII. Updates from Around Campus (Current improvements, issues, etc)
A. Alumni Gateway in process
1. Lights should be in next week
2. Waiting on center arch piece
B. Slight issues with Cliff Drive one-way
1. People ignoring barricade, going wrong way
C. New lot will be graveled next month (Lot 26)
1. Not paved for winter but will be open
D. East Hall being constructed
1. Wall structures will be built off site and shipped here in Spring
XXIX. Old Business
A. Tripshot app
1. Transportation will communicate when the app is ready and launched
B. Housing website
1. Talking with various people in the university to see plausibility of CollegePads
C. Non-motorized transportation committee
1. Waiting to see clarification on E-Bike policy
2. Looking into Phoenix drive intersection pedestrian issues
D. Crosswalk MacInnes US-41
1. Reprogrammed to get a lead time

a) Trying to extend the time

XXX. New Business
- A. Winter Bike Storage Coming Soon
  1. Now have a gated area for abandoned bikes

XXXI. Public Comments
- A.

XXXII. Thank you and closing remarks!

Student Commission Meeting
October 5, 2023
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Admin - 404
Zoom link- https://michigantech.zoom.us/j/83928268220

AGENDA and MINUTES

XXXIII. Welcome

XXXIV. Updates from Student Affairs
- A. Updates made to Student Commission website
  1. Updated goals - removed last goal, changed wording on 2nd goal
  2. Updating accomplishments - adding Hancock shuttle as accomplishment
  3. Added current roster as PDF (changes to roster can be made here)
  4. Meeting minutes will be stored in google drive and linked on website
- B. TELUS app usage is up ~25% from last year

XXXV. Updates from Student Government
- A. Mariah Mellendorf, USG
  1. All but 2 rep positions on USG have been filled
  2. I am in contact with CollegePAD
- B. Austin DePottey, GSG
  1. Research committee chair opening / elections - election on October 17th
  2. Approximately halfway through department meet & greets
     a) Some concerns on evening shuttle to Hancock delaying the Walmart route

XXXVI. Updates from Around Campus (Current improvements, issues, etc)
- A. Update to university food policy - oversight will be shifting to Risk & Compliance group, will be adding exemption to events <25 people and not open to public, will be adding policy for potlucks
- B. Speed limit signs on Cemetary Rd have been installed

XXXVII. Old Business
- A. Tripshot app
  1. Still planning to be rolled out by end of October
- B. Elevator Updates
  1. AOB - may be several weeks until the elevator is back in service
  2. Hillside - working with inspector, hoping to get running by middle of next week
  3. McNair is ok

C. Housing website
    1. Meeting with CollegePads - October 4th
        a) I think this is a great software and thing to pursue - Mariah
        b) I have an official quote/terms of service contract to review - Mariah
        c) Two funding models
            (1) Landlord pay for listings
            (2) Flat fee by University & free listings - $15k/year
    2. Meeting with HIDE enterprise on how building a housing website in-house would potentially work - October 6th, 11am, Zoom
D. Non-motorized transportation committee
    1. First meeting Friday, October 6th, 1:30pm in Admin 404
        a) Will be discussing goals, scope, and brainstorming projects

XXXVIII. New Business
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XXXIX. Public Comments
    A.

XL. Thank you and closing remarks!

Student Commission Meeting
September 14, 2023
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Admin - 404
Zoom link- https://michigantech.zoom.us/j/83928268220

AGENDA and MINUTES

I. Introductions and welcome from the Interim Dean of Students
   A. Laura Bulleit

II. General Items for 2023-2024
   A. Updating goals for Student Commission
      1. Reviewing goals to see if they line up with what we think student commission is/should be doing
         a) To eliminate barriers or obstacles that stand in the way of student success: Can't always eliminate these barriers. Maybe update this to "Evaluate" or "Address"
         b) To define a set of best practices to guide us in our relations with students and other University constituents.: Focus on larger systemic issues rather than small things that may already have a process in place (ex: Work Order). Communicate the ways in which to address these smaller issues (advertising how to do this, etc.)
         c) To ensure that the student voice is heard and that students are provided a forum to express their support, ideas and concerns: Yes, definitely a goal.
   B. Bringing items to the Student Commission
      1. Decision Matrix; submitting work orders, Report a Concern page
         a) Showing students other ways to submit concerns rather than bringing them to the student commission. Put together a decision matrix to show all the avenues to submit a concern.
            (1) Work orders, report a concern, dining hall feedback forms
      2. Tabling of items brought forward
         a) Some agenda items seem to get carried forward month-to-month with no solution, maybe just take things off the agenda until we are ready. We really want to see things be solution focused. When hearing a concern, try to ask what possible solutions they have come up with.
            (1) There are a lot of things students notice that we may not. Ex: Many e-bikes or fat tire bikes don't fit in standard bike racks.
   C. Advertisement & Marketing of Student Commission
      1. Posters - do we like the message?
         a) We should put up the posters to help spread the word. Take business cards to put at your offices, etc.
      2. Business cards
      3. Website updates
         a) Update the accomplishments, link the roster, link the minutes, updating the make a suggestion form
      4. Adding meetings to University Events Calendar
         a) Meeting info will be added to calendar

D. Adding Agenda Items
    1. Add new business items prior to 8AM on Wednesdays before meeting days
        a) Allows people to do some research on the issue prior to the meeting.

III. Updates from Student Government
A. Introduction to incoming USG and GSG VPs and co-chairs
    1. Mariah Mellendorf, USG
        a) Elections are opening on Monday
        b) Bathrooms now have dispensers
    2. Austin DePottey, GSG
        a) No major updates from GSG

IV. Old Business
A. Lighting along cemetery road - Daniel Liebau
    1. Lighting went in early summer, seems to be working. Speed limit signs seem to have been taken. More signs have been ordered to replace them.

B. Hancock shuttle - Gail
    1. Is running, currently using one of their own vans to run it.
    2. Few issues - vans are requested out, so some scarcity
    3. Reaching out to Ford, etc. to purchase but supply is limited
    4. 77 riders in one day
    5. Tripshot app is in progress, eta: October

C. Elevator Concerns - Facilities
    1. New elevator being installed in DOW - Summer 24 completion
        a) Still on track for eta
    2. Hillside - new drive installed.
        a) Was down for move-in, Hillside is backup functioning, some more testing to do
    3. Hired an independent consultant to oversee our elevator contract.
        a) Will be doing quarterly visits, a more proactive approach to make sure things are getting done.
    4. New service contract does includes an increase in expected time allocation to all our elevators (ie more resources available and expected to address maintenance issues, and less down time)
        a) Contract should prevent some of the past issues
        b) MEEM elevator 3 is in process

D. Inclusive Restrooms - Gregg
    1. Status of projects
        a) Forestry - On hold
        b) Rozsa - Progressing
        c) Fisher - On hold
        d) H-STEM - building will be opened in February
        e) Others -
    2. Map of all inclusive restrooms?
        a) Available on the interactive map

E. Non-motorized Transportation - Austin
    1. Restarting committee, aim to have first meeting the first week of October

a) Reached out to past committee members to see if they are still interested

V. New Business
   A. Off-campus housing website - current options for finding housing last minute are not good. Postings are split up between multiple facebook groups, other webpages, etc. Can we get an official website to consolidate this into one central place, similar to how Barkboard was?
      1. Currently quite difficult to find housing if you come in late/need a sublease
      2. Potentially looking into CollegePADs as an option
         a) Past issue when discussing this is landlords have to pay a fee
         b) USG/GSG will work on getting a quote for this
      3. What options could IT or maybe an enterprise create?
   B. Commuter Space
      1. Used to be a space in Walker
      2. Commuters want a more comfortable space
      3. Not entirely sure what the needs/wants of a commuter lounge is, maybe a survey from USG/GSG about needs, USG will develop a survey
      4. Where would this space go?
      5. In master plan- work in progress
      6. Library is being utilized
         a) No privacy
         b) Second Floor
         c) Napping on 3rd floor
         d) $10 per semester for lockers
      7. Microwaves and refrigerators
         a) Microwaves, toasters are something many students would like more of around campus
      8. CDI - anyone can use the space
         a) No mobility in basement
         b) Lighting has been updated

VI. Public Comments
   A.

VII. Thank you and closing remarks!

Student Commission Meeting
April 5, 2023
Time: 3:30 pm
Location: Admin - 404
Zoom link-https://michigantech.zoom.us/j/83928268220

Attendance:

AGENDA and MINUTES

VIII. Introductions and Welcome from the Interim Dean of Students
   A. Laura Bulleit

IX. Updates from Student Government
   A. USG, Secretary Isobel Bowker
      1. Rollover Use Proposal passed! Thank you for your feedback
      2. New body sworn in on 3.29
      3. Mariah, our new VP, will likely be attending next semester for USG

   B. GSG, GSG Vice-President [Shreya Joshi]
      1. Elections held
      2. Austin DePottey is the new VP and co-chair for next semester

X. Old Business
   A. Lighting along cemetery road Daniel Liebau
      1. With the help of a task force will can work on a grant: Transportation Alternatives Program
      2. A capital project request was submitted, Results in early March
         a) Estimate - $310,000 including lighting and a paved pathway
      3. Reached out to UPPCO about lighting potential
         a) Agreement with UPPCO, will hopefully be putting lights up on 12 existing light poles over the summer, waiting on a signature
      4. Do we have results from the Capital project?
         a) No update, results at the end of April

   B. Transportation, Gail
      1. Pilot program was successfully launched!!
         a) Still running 3 times a day, ~28 rides
         b) Most ridership is in the morning
      2. Shuttle confirmed for next year, any other updates?
         a) Reaching out to City of Hancock, hoping to hear back soon
         b) If no interest from Hancock, will reach out to the City of Houghton
      3. Laura has reached out to Whitney Boroski to help promote the health center in Hancock as that is a stop on the shuttle

   C. Elevator Concerns (Wads East, others?)
      1. The council thought having an online reporting system that tells you which elevators are down is one of the best approaches to mitigate that issue.
         a) No update, operation is the priority right now
      2. 3rd party Elevator consultant has been reviewing the elevators on campus
         a) Help prepare us for contract bid
         b) Just received the report this week, will be reviewing with our current vendor
         c) New contract on July 1st
      3. Dillman elevator is the next on the list
         a) Waits an excessive amount of time to open and close doors

   D. Inclusive Restrooms
      1. Report from Gregg Richards
         a) Currently reviewing FY24 capital projects for the next cycle.
         b) Status of current projects

(1) · Forestry - reviewing a request to change the men's and women's bathrooms into several gender-neutral restrooms and one lactation space.
(2) · Rozsa - reviewing a request to add a new ADA bathroom on the first floor, (currently the only bathrooms are in the basement). This would be a gender-neutral facility. Also looking at adding a lactation space.
(3) · Fisher - The 3rd floor is a good candidate for transforming it into a gender-neutral cluster of bathrooms. We do not have any funding set aside for this.
(4) · H-STEM - The new addition will have gender neutral bathrooms exclusively on each floor.
(5) · We do have projects identified in the ME, EERC, and Chem-Sci as candidates for some equity adjustments. There are more men's facilities than women's. We were originally looking to address this, but now we may be better off with going down the gender-neutral path pending funding.

2. No update

E. Non-motorized Transportation
   1. Housed under GSG
      a) Walking paths, bikes
      b) Working on forming the committee

F. Intersection between MacInnes and Townsend
   1. Crosswalk light is on when the light is green, cars do not stop for pedestrians
   2. Student asked if we can have a dedicated crosswalk light
   3. Marc reached out to MDOT
      a) Concern has been forwarded to the right people, waiting to hear back for a more concrete answer
   4. Did we hear back?

As of March 16th:

Good morning Marc,
I've forwarded this request on to our signals group. I've heard of this practice, sometimes called a "scramble" phase, but I'm not sure if we use this in Michigan. There is only so much time to go around though. The more phases that a signal has the more everyone (vehicle and pedestrian) is delayed.
I hope to have a concrete answer for you soon.

Thanks
-Ben

XI. New Business
   A. Finlandia Hoursing? Has been brought up at GSG meetings
      1. Group from the University looked at the housing, we are hopeful that we could turn it into useful housing but the University is not pursuing a purchase
         a) Could be done by a private developer, turn into apartments, etc
   B. Concerns about potholes in lower daniel heights
      1. It's that time of year, patching when we can
         a) Any patches usually get destroyed by the weather

2. Road behind Wads in not University jurisdiction
3. If there is a particularly bad pothole report it through a work order
    a) Students, faculty, and staff can all submit work orders

XII. Public Comments
    A.

XIII. Thank you and closing remarks!