SBP REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Full Board
November 21, 2014

“To do what ought to be done, but would not have been done unless I did it, I thought to be my duty.” - Robert Morrison

National Initiatives

It’s On Us
In conjunction with the White House, National Campus Leadership Council, and student body presidents from across the country, NC State Student Government is involved with the It’s On Us campaign to prevent sexual assault and raise awareness on college campuses. The campaign launched in September, we released a PSA in October, and will host a campus conversation series in the coming weeks. Students, faculty, and staff will be encouraged to take a pledge to be part of the solution to end sexual assault on campus. NC State "It's On Us" PSA

Local, State, and National Governance
Student Government partnered with NCPIRG to conduct nonpartisan voter registration efforts throughout the 2014 election cycle*. The efforts utilized an online voter registration tool, simplifying the process for students to register to vote. Additionally, SG is scheduling meetings with local, state, and federal officials to advocate for students, higher education, and the campus community. SG partnered with Senior Class President Molly Basdeo and the Senior Class Council to establish a student task force that assists Live it up on Hillsborough Street in policy decisions and student feedback.

*A report finalized prior to election day. Updated voter registration statistics and Get Out The Vote efforts will be provided at a later date. At the time of publication, NC State SG is a finalist for the Cosmopolitan Magazine Election Day Party Bus competition

A Message to Students
On October 7, I included the following message in my weekly email to students:

Last week, the NC State Tuition Review Advisory Committee recommended a 3% tuition increase in each of the next two years for graduate students and in-state undergraduates. Subsequently, it recommended a 6% tuition increase in each of the next two years for out-of-state undergraduates. The NC State Student Fee Review Committee recommended an approximate 3.9% increase in student fees for the 2015-16 academic year and 3.5% for 2016-17. On average, these recommendations are lower than in previous years. However, the existence of increases is the result of UNC Board of Governors directive and state divestment in higher education.

As we approach the midterm election, I implore each of you to register to vote, research candidates, and let your voice be heard. The decisions of today will affect us tomorrow. Each of
us has the opportunity to exercise our civic duty and moral obligation by engaging in the democratic process. I know you will vote with your heart and mind. That is all I can ask.

So please, encourage your friends and do the same, register to vote by October 10th. You can register today at Wolfpack Votes. This is a big year for NC State, the state of North Carolina, and the United States of America. I hope you will be a part of this process.

**Student Life and Campus Events**

**Diversity Education Week**
In its 5th year, NC State’s Annual Diversity Education Week (Think and D.E.W.) was held October 19 - 25. A joint initiative of the Office for Institutional Equity and Diversity and the UAB-Diversity Activities Board, the week was started by students in the spring of 2011 to promote awareness and understanding of our nation and world’s diverse cultures and foster intercultural understanding through a collection of engaging opportunities including lectures, workshops, panel and group discussions, information sessions, film, food, music, dance and more. To further equip NC State graduates with 21st century skills, Diversity Education Week advances learning and scholarship, builds understanding and respect among different peoples, and enhances constructive leadership and dialogue in our local and global community.

**Shack-A-Thon**
NC State student organizations sponsored shacks during Habitat for Humanity’s annual Shack-A-Thon. Participating groups constructed a 10’ by 10’ shack and lived in the shack for an entire week. Inclement weather caused a temporary halt in operations, but this did not hinder the event’s success, as it raised over $40,000 for Habitat for Humanity. Shacks included an ROTC encampment and a College of Natural Resources log cabin.

**Throwback with the Pack and Campout**
On October 17th, Student Government and the Wolfpack Men’s Basketball team hosted Throwback with the Pack and Campout at historic Reynolds Coliseum. In the final year before the Reynolds renovation, students and fans relived the memories of “The House that Case Built”. Students camped out to receive a basketball loyalty point incentive, which helps them obtain tickets to Wolfpack Men’s Basketball games.

**Wear Red Fridays**
Student Government is conducting weekly Wear Red Fridays that encourage the NC State community to wear red. On certain weeks, Student Government distributes prizes to students who wear red and spirit citations to those who fail to show their Wolfpack pride. We intend to work with the Alumni Association to extend the impact of Wear Red Fridays to Wolfpack fans worldwide.
Student Government Initiatives

Student Ticket Policy - Football and Basketball
Student Government worked with the Student Ticketing Advisory Committee to make significant changes to student ticket policies. The committee established mobile ticketing for students and extended student parking pass distribution opportunities. New parking pass distribution schedules include additional locations, times, and days, as well as a presence on Centennial Campus.

Tailgate Policy
Alongside the Student Ticket Advisory Committee and the Interfraternity Council, Student Government established policies to create a more safe tailgate environment for students. Changes include reserved spaces for IFC chapters, additional incentives to encourage appropriate behavior, and increased transportation for Greek students. All students are still able to obtain parking passes through the traditional process, thereby ensuring a fair method of parking pass distribution that ensures an equal opportunity for all students. Student Government received positive feedback to these changes and NC State University Police is pleased with the implementation. We are working to maintain a family friendly tailgate and Carter-Finley experience.

Wolfpack Pick Up
Student Government, in partnership with the Division of Academic and Student Affairs, officially launched Wolfpack Pick Up, a mobility impairment transportation service. The program was initiated in Spring 2014 by Student Government and is now a university owned and operated service. DASA owns two golf carts, one of which is wheelchair accessible, for Wolfpack Pick Up to transport students to and from class.

Thank you for your continued service to the NC State Wolfpack. In the spirit and pride of the Pack,

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