

**BOARD OF REGENTS**  
**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**

**RECOMMENDATION**

**MONTHLY REPORT & MINUTES**  
**STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**ACTION REQUESTED**

It is recommended that the Student Affairs Committee Agenda for March 25, 2014 and the Minutes of December 10, 2013 be received and placed on file.

**STAFF SUMMARY**

The March 25, 2014 agenda for the Student Affairs Committee includes a presentation about 2013-14 Student Leader Group priorities, Student Government Safety Week and International Students at Eastern Michigan University; and a presentation regarding Title IX, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault -- Prevention, Education, Resources and Next Steps.

In addition, several announcements will be made.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

None

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION**

The proposed action has been reviewed and is recommended for Board approval.

University Executive Officer

Date

Eastern Michigan University  
Board of Regents  
Student Affairs Committee

Tuesday, March 25, 2014  
10:30 a.m.

Room 205  
Welch Hall

Agenda

1. Approval of agenda and December 10, 2013 minutes  
Regent Fitzsimmons
2. 2013-14 Student Leader Group Priorities Updates, Safety Week, and International Student Presentation  
Student Leader Group Members
3. Title IX, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault -- Prevention, Education, Resources and Next Steps Presentation  
Sharon Abraham, Ellen Collier, James Gallaher, Gloria Hage, Jesus Hernandez
4. Announcements

Eastern Michigan University  
Board of Regents  
**Student Affairs Committee**  
Minutes of December 10, 2013

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Regents: Beth Fitzsimmons

Administration: Reggie Barnes, Lucas Langdon, Perry Francis, Provost Kim Schatzel

Students: Ilkhomjon Amanov, Rachel Cane, Antonios Chionis, Katelyn Coberley, Melissa Heatlie, Nino Monea, Brent Myrand, Ameila Parnis, Jumanah Saadeh, Renee Walton

**GUESTS**

Administration: (as signed in) Marney Buss, Akosua Dow, Robertta Goffeney, Leigh Greden, Esther Gunel, Becky Janes, Melissa Johnson, Walter Kraft, Geoff Larcom, Lauren London, Dr. Susan Martin, Jeff Nesmith, Carl Powell, Roberto Quiroz, Becky Sipe, Eric Ward, Malverne Winborne, Kay Woodiel, Dave Woike, Ron Woody

Students: Desmond Miller, Rebecca Frank, Trevis Harrold, Michelle Paul, Lisa Swearingen  
Emily VanWormen, Melinda Walthen

Other: Jeffrey Chicoine

Regent Fitzsimmons convened the meeting at 10:00 am. Minutes from the October 1, 2013 meeting and the agenda for this meeting were approved.

**2013-14 Student Leader Group Priorities**

Katelyn Coberley read a statement indicating that the Student Leader Group supports the proposal to offer undocumented students in-state tuition.

Melissa Heatlie stated that the Retention and Completion sub-committee is working with Rhonda Longworth to review, and give feedback on, the current retention and completion plan that has been put in place by the university. The committee is also working with Career Services.

Amelia Parnis reported the Universal Restroom sub-committee has been collaborating with Student Government and the LGBT Resource Center regarding making universal restrooms more accessible on campus. They are planning to write up a proposal in 2014. They will also be asking for support letters. The goal is for each campus building to have at least one universal restroom.

Renee Walton of the Assisted Learning/ADA/Health Services sub-committee stated that the committee will be working closely with the new director of the Disability Resource Center when he begins work in January. The committee would like e-books to be made available earlier to students

who use them. The committee is collaborating with the Student Wellness Advisory Board regarding suicide prevention/education and self-defense classes, among other things.

Ilkhomjon Amanov stated that the Green/Sustainability sub-committee is planning to meet with John Donegan, Vice President for Operations and Facilities. They would like to see a decrease in pesticide/chemical use on campus, and an increase in the availability of recycling receptacles.

### **Phased Tobacco-Free Campus**

Rebecca Frank, student in HLED 550, and Katelyn Coberley, of the Student Leader Group, shared a presentation regarding a Phased Tobacco-Free Campus. Student Government, Student Leader Group and the HLED 550 class have collaborated on a proposal to move Eastern Michigan University to a tobacco free campus by the Fall of 2014. This proposal is supported by the Faculty Senate.

Western Michigan University just announced that the WMU campus will be tobacco free in the Fall of 2014. Washtenaw Community College banned tobacco use on campus in 2005. The University of Michigan became tobacco free in 2011. EMU is the only MAC school that is not tobacco free. Nationally, 1,182 campuses are smoke free. All public universities in Arkansas, Iowa and Oklahoma are tobacco free.

While EMU currently has a policy stating that smoking within 25 feet of buildings and air intakes is not allowed, the policy is not very well enforced. The group working on this initiative is proposing a phased approach. They will begin with education and advocacy. They plan to work with the Physical Plant to mark all areas around buildings so that people will stop smoking too close to the doors. Smoking cessation programs for students, faculty and staff would be offered by the Wellness Center and Human Resources. Bystander training, which will teach people how to approach someone using tobacco on campus, would be offered. Beginning in the summer of 2014, smoking would only be allowed on the perimeter of campus. The policy change would be extensively publicized/shared with current and incoming students, faculty, staff and campus guests. Cessation programs, health education and bystander training programs would continue. The goal is to move EMU to a tobacco free campus by the fall 2014 semester.

Rebecca and the committee that drew up this proposal believe that social-norming will work to enforce the policy change on campus. Once people realize that the change is to improve the health of all exposed to tobacco and tobacco smoke, they should more easily comply. Universities that have become tobacco free have seen a decrease in tobacco use among those on campus. The committee has received no push-back regarding this proposal, just positive responses.

This proposal originated in the HLED 550 class. Rebecca asked the regents to entertain the motion to adopt a tobacco-free policy for Eastern Michigan University. Regent Fitzsimmons stated that she will share the proposal with the regents, but it would not be voted on today.

Kay Woodiel, HLED 550 professor, stated that there are 13 graduate students in two classes who would be available during the Winter 2014 semester to plan programs to move this initiative forward.

## Announcements

- Ilkhomjon Amanov announced that the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Colors in Harmony is scheduled for March 15, 2014, from 6:00-8:00 pm. Regent Fitzsimmons attended in 2013 and stated that this was an awesome event.
- Antonios Chionis shared that there will be a Campus Life Snack and Study on December 11, 2014, and a Late Night Breakfast on December 12, 2014.
- Reggie Barnes shared upcoming Martin Luther King celebration week events. The events will begin on Thursday, January 16, 2014 and culminate on Tuesday, January 21, 2014. The theme of the week will be "Where Do We Go From Here?" Jeffrey Canada, CEO of the Harlem Children's Zone, will be speaking in the Student Center Auditorium at 10:00am on Monday, January 20, 2014. The annual MLK luncheon will follow at 11:45am. Tickets are now available. Information is available at [www.emich.edu/mlk](http://www.emich.edu/mlk).
- Renee Walton announced that Fatama Jabar has taken over as chair of the Student Wellness Advisory Board. The SWAB is working with private organizations and Public Safety to provide free self-defense classes. They are beginning an "Operation Smile" campaign to increase friendliness and kindness on campus. SWAB is in the process of recruiting members who would like to make a positive difference on campus.
- Regent Fitzsimmons stated that Nino Monea and his teammate, Steven Cole, had recently received the 1<sup>st</sup> Place Team Award at a Moot Court regional at Saginaw Valley State University. Nino also received the 1<sup>st</sup> Place Individual Attorney Award. They will participate in the national competition in Arizona in January.
- Perry Francis shared some follow up comments regarding the statement that Katelyn Coberley read at the beginning of the meeting. The Student Leader Group was moved by the presentation by the Latino Student Association regarding tuition equity for undocumented students. He applauds the Student Leader Group for taking a stand. He believes that we must lift all up if we desire society to improve.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Rich  
Student Affairs Committee Recording Secretary

## Disability Resource Center/ WELLNESS

Renee Walton  
Amelia Parnis  
Brent Myrand  
Caroline Horste  
Melissa Heatlie

## Disability Resource Center

- Working with Randall Ward to share his vision and mission for the DRC
- Social Media
  - Facebook
  - Twitter
- Student Advisory Board
- Emich.edu and my.emich.edu website changes to make DRC more visible
- Awareness across campus

## Wellness

- Reflection Rooms
- Partnering with GAs
  - Rebecca Flank
  - Michelle Paul
- Collaborating with Student Wellness Advisory Board
- 8 Dimensions of Wellness wheel in all colleges

## DCR/Wellness Together

- Mythbusters campaign
- Table Toppers in Student Center
- Rent Me signage/Brick walls
- Table dates:
  - March 3rd from 2-5p.m.
  - March 17th from 2-5p.m.
  - April 9th from 11-2p.m.
  - April 17th from 11-2p.m.
- Gorilla marketing
  - Handing out miniature candies with FAQs

## Sustainability Committee

Ilkhom Amanov  
Katelyn Coberley  
Nino Monea  
Katie Robey  
Jumanah Saadeh

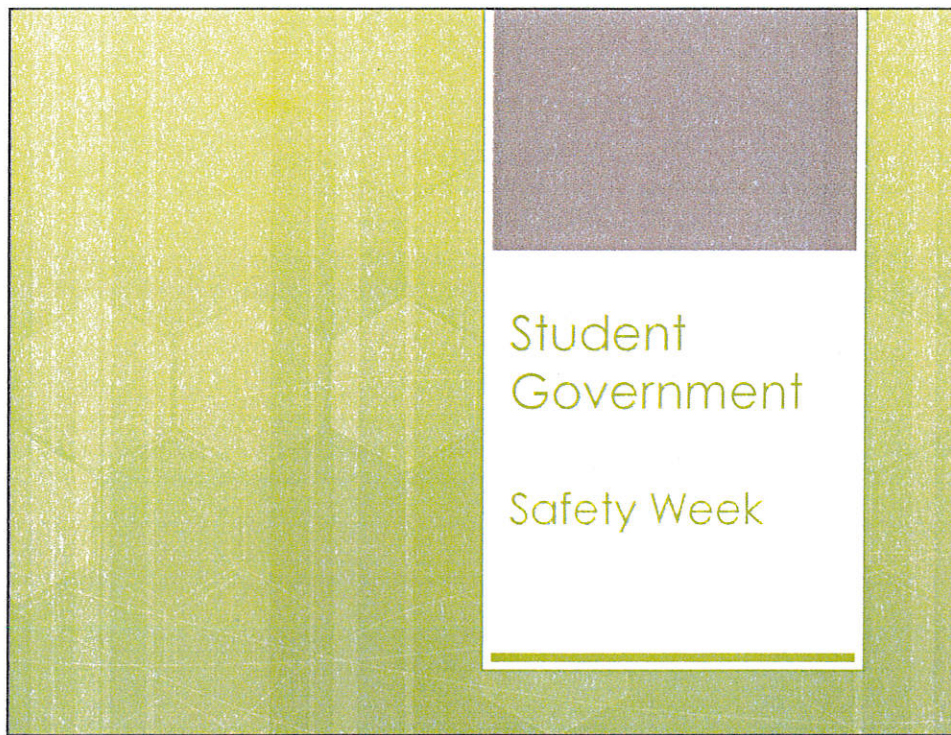
## Sustainability Committee

- Recycling Study
- Student Survey
- Peer University Research
- Coalition Building



## Sustainability Committee

- Family Friendly Restrooms
  - Gender neutral
  - Single Stall
  - Changing Station



## Safety Week

- A week of events to promote physical, emotional, and social safety.
- Do Snitches get Stitches?
- Don't Blame It on the Alcohol
- Sex Signals
- Free HIV Testing
- Off Campus Housing Fair

## Do Snitches get Stitches?

- A discussion to promote the act of relaying information in regards to safety, and why it has a negative perception attached to it.

## Don't Blame It on the Alcohol

- An event that teaches students how to drink responsibly. Students also get the opportunity to ask EMU staff questions regarding medical amnesty and EMU's alcohol policy.

## Sex Signals

- An educational program focused on sexual assault awareness and prevention. Two presenters use engaging, and often humorous techniques, to connect with the audience on serious issues surrounding sex, dating, assault and consent.



## Free HIV Testing

- Students are able to get HIV tested for free and know the results within 20 minutes.

## Off Campus Housing Fair

- Students have the opportunity to talk to realtors and representatives of multi-unit housing facilities about living options for the next academic year.

# International Students at EMU

## Agenda

- International Student Enrollment in the US
- International Enrollment in Michigan
- EMU international student trend
- Why EMU?
- International students at EMU

Source: Open-Doors 2013, IIE.org, & U.S. Department of Commerce

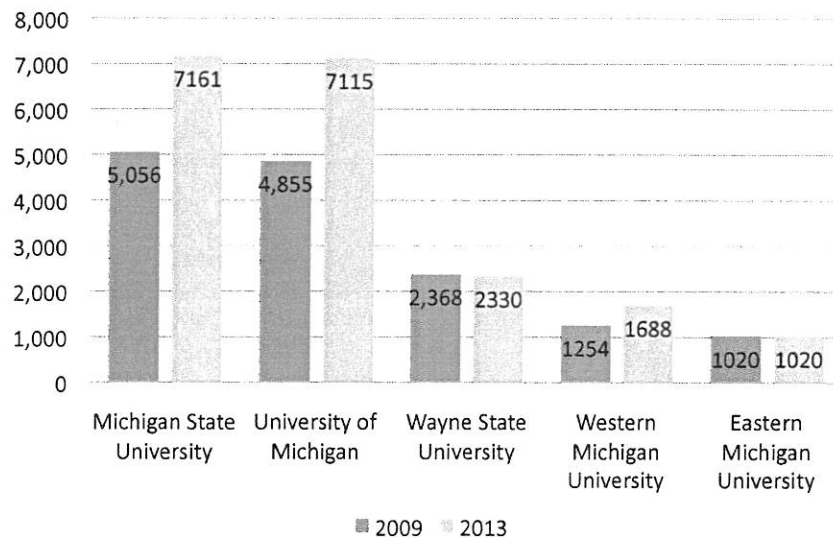
## International Student Enrollment in the U.S.

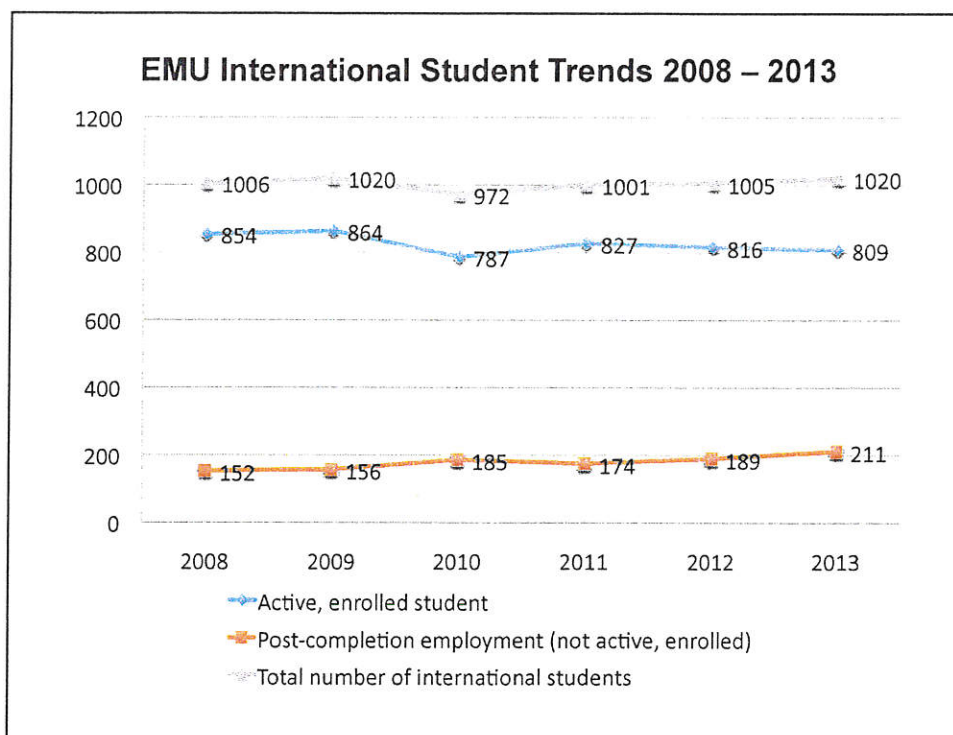
2012-2013

- ❑ In 2012-13, there were 819,644 international students studying in the U.S. The number of students studying in the U.S. grew by 7% over the prior year, and is at a record high
- ❑ Top 5 sending countries: China (29%), India (12%), South Korea (9%), Saudi Arabia (5%), and Canada (3%)
- ❑ International students contributed over \$24 billion dollars to the U.S. economy
- ❑ Michigan is ranked 9<sup>th</sup>, with 26,930 international students

Source: Open-Doors 2013, IIE.org, & U.S. Department of Commerce

## International Enrollment in Michigan





## Why EMU?

- Good living and learning environment & supportive community, recommendation from friends & family
- Affordable tuition, school & program reputation
- Diverse campus
- Supportive staff and faculty –
  - International Student Resource Center
  - Academic & Career Development
- Academic & cultural programs enrichment
- Favorable geographic location
- International partnership & exchange agreements

Source – Survey outcome from 632 international students in 2013

## International Students at EMU

- ❑ Globalized campus – promote diversity & cultural awareness
  - ❑ Bollywood Night
  - ❑ Chinese New Year Celebration
  - ❑ Parade of Nations
  - ❑ Japanese Dinner Show
- ❑ Enhance global learning - Fosters world-views & improves cross-cultural communication
  - ❑ Conversation Partners
- ❑ Enrich curriculum – internationalizing the classrooms
  - ❑ Model of study abroad experiences and encourage Americans to study abroad
- ❑ Expose to international perspectives and build global competence
  - ❑ Community outreach- Habitat for Humanity
  - ❑ Cultural presentations at local K-12 schools

Source: <http://today.duke.edu/2013/06/InternationalEngage>

## Globalized campus: promotes diversity & cultural awareness



Bollywood  
(Indian) Night



Parade of Nations



Japanese  
Dinner Show



## Enhance global learning: fosters world-views & improves cross-cultural communication



LINC program is a group of students interested in sharing their culture with the EMU & off campus community



Conversation Partners



## Enrich curriculum: internationalizing the classrooms



Model of study abroad experiences and encourage Americans to study abroad

Bring international perspectives to classroom



## Expose to international perspectives and build global competence



Presentation at a local  
K-12 school

Volunteering at Habitat  
for Humanity ReStore



## Colors in Harmony

