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RE: Monthly Report to James L. Shea, J.D.
Chairman, University System of Maryland Board of Regents

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On January, 31st, 2015, at Towson University, the USM Student Council met for their first executive board meeting of the semester. Included below is a summary of the discussion points that were discussed by the council.

Advocacy Day

This year for the first time the student council will be advocating members of the Maryland General Assembly in conjunction with the faculty council, staff council, and the foundation. We have secured meetings with all of the members of the Budget and Taxation, Ways and Means, and Finance committees. During these meetings students will advocate to keep tuition low, a tax free week to purchase text books, and a tax incentive for business that higher interns from USM institutions. In addition to advocating, we are hosting a reception for the legislators. During this reception we will receive greetings from President Miller and Speaker Busch. We are also having a brief meeting with Governor Hogan.

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Chancellor's Cup

In the spirit of bringing our system closer, the student council is working to create the Chancellor's Cup. This will be an event where all 12 institutions come together and have a large field day. Each game will have a coed team that will be coached by student athletes and leaders. In addition, after being challenged by Dr. Hrabrowski the student council is looking to add an academic component to this as well.

MCE visit

On January 8th members of the executive board, accompanied by Towson Student Government Association President, Kurt Anderson visited the Maryland Correctional Enterprise facilities in Jessup, MD. We had the opportunity to visit both the men's and women's prison as well as have an in depth discussion with those who have gone through the program. The visit was so impactful that we are planning to go again with additional students.

As shown above there is much work that is being done by the student council. As we continue to do our work we will work make sure to keep both the Board of Regents and Dr. Caret informed.

Respectfully submitted,

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President