



GSG General Body Meeting Minutes

Start Time: 5:17 pm

Visiting Guest: Dr. Bonnie Gorman (Dean of Students and Associate VP)

- Here to discuss Three Online Resources for Students
 - Report a Concern
 - Website: <https://www.mtu.edu/deanofstudents/students/concern/>
 - Allows students to report concerns on a non-emergency basis
 - Reports can also be done anonymously and covers confidentiality
 - Types of Items that can be reported:
 1. Student of Concern
 - Examples:
 - Neglect of academic work
 - Excessive absenteeism
 - Behavioral concern (disruptive, tearful, decline of personal hygiene, etc.)
 - Family crisis
 - Mental health
 - Medical concerns
 - Personal challenges
 2. TIP Line (Goes to Public Safety)
 - Examples:
 - Somebody's well-being
 - Observations of unusual behavior
 - Concern that is time sensitive (non-emergency)
 3. Sexual Misconduct (Title IX)
 4. Discrimination and Harassment
 - There are more types of reports that can be given. For more information, click the link above.
 - Emergency Resources

- Website: <https://www.mtu.edu/deanofstudents/students/emergency-resources/>
- Financial Resources
 1. Betty Chavis Emergency Fund- for unexpected financial burdens.
 - For domestic undergraduate or master's students
 2. International Student Emergency Fund
 - Available to international undergraduate and graduate students
 3. Graduate Student Emergency Fund (Loan Program)
 - Available for domestic and international graduate students
- For emergency fund, takes a few days but it depends on student's situation.
- Husky Food Access Network (Husky FAN)
 - Website: <https://www.mtu.edu/huskyfan/>
 - For students that may have trouble purchasing food
 1. Food pantry is located in the Hamar House (CDI)
 - Open on Wednesday through Thursday 3-5pm
 2. Students can get meal swipes for the dining hall
 3. Emergency food packs available at Public Safety

Visiting Guest: Dr. Lorelle Meadows (Dean of the Pavlis Honors College)

- MTU wants their Honors College to provide ALL students a chance to enhance their education
 - Want graduate students that are highly motivated
 - Offers 6 Main Programs
 - Enterprise- partners with industry and government and brings students projects to work on
 1. Potential place for graduate students to engage with other students and gain professional skills

2. Enterprise students are highly marketable at Career Fair
- Innovation Center for Entrepreneurship
 1. Helps students develop an innovation and entrepreneurial mindset
 2. Grad students can engage by participating in the Makerspace in the basement
 3. Allows you to prototype something or work with your hands
 4. Open weekdays 3-9 PM
 5. Completely student run
 - NSF I-Corp Program
 1. Trains faculty, staff, students to take a technology you're developing to the market
 2. Currently has 20 graduate students involved
 3. Works through workshops
 - Husky Innovate
 1. Develop an original idea through the spring and pitch your idea at competitions where you can win prizes
 - Michigan Tech Peace Corp
 1. 30 grad students enrolled
 2. Program is ending but looking at another program to replace it
 - Community Ambassadors
 1. Enables returning Peace Corp grad students that work with undergrads to pair together and work with community programs
- Other Programs
 - Research Fellowships (Michigan Space Grant Consortium)
 1. \$5000 Research Fellowship
 2. Opportunity available for Earth and Health Science related fields
 - Honor's Pathway Program
 - Interdisciplinary Internships
 - Global Leadership Program- sends students to different countries

Pavlis Honors College program is good for graduate students that want to go to industry, looking for mentorship experience, work in governmental industry setting.

- **Link:**<https://www.mtu.edu/honors/>

President's Report

- Thank you to everyone who came out to the Special GBM last week
- Please come to the Campus Conversations being held on campus
 - Error online- is open to students, not just faculty and staff
- Insurance
 - 31 people responded
 - Range in responses (positive to highly negative)
 - When discussing insurance only referring to CHP (our current insurance)
 - Compared our insurance to other universities
 - Hard to find universities that were similar
 - Due to the fact that most universities have a University Health Center
 - Overall, found that our insurance is not that bad in relation to the kind of insurance coverage we have
 - Operational concerns have been voiced to insurance company
 - Insurance company assured us they are working to make improvements
 - Item coverage for insurance was found to be controversial because there was a lack of understandability and transparency from the insurance company.
- Looking for people to work with him to discuss issues and bring it to the insurance committee to tell them what we want

Vice President Report

- No major updates

Secretary

- Submit Meet and Greet form
- Sign the Attendance Sheet
- Find one Saturday this semester to volunteer at St. Vincent de Paul
 - Will send out Google Form to General Body

Treasurer

- 60 Travel Grants were submitted

- Needs a member from the Ways and Means Committee to help process applications
- Submit your Meet and Greet Receipts

Academic Chair

- Professional Development Workshops for Spring
 - Focus: How to Network
 - Partnering with Career Services and Graduate School
 - Date Selected: February 13th from 4-6 pm
 - Will be a two part session:
 - 1st hour: presentation on networking
 - 2nd hour: Mocktail with faculty, staff, industrialists to help grad students practice networking
- 3-Minute Thesis
 - Coming up: November 7, 2018 from 2:30-5:20 PM
 - Judges are needed!
 - Help us find judges!!!
 - ADVERTISE TO YOUR DEPARTMENTS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- LibCal events will be posted
- Upcoming Academic Seminars
 - Working with MATLAB Postponed to November 28th
 - Time Management - November 14th

Social Chair

- No Report

Public Relations Chair

- No Report

Meeting Adjourned 6:47 pm