Undergraduate Student Government

Erik Riutta
16-Feb-2011
Agenda

• Campus safety
• Building access
• New program ideas
  – 1st Year Programs
  – Reinforce Fundamentals Program
  – Exam Review Program
• Senior Prom
• MTU’s Got Talent
Campus Safety

• **Bluelight phones**
  – Located across campus for people to use during an emergency or for getting in contact with public safety for other reasons

• **Bluelight phone inconsistency across campus**
  – There is no standard bluelight phone and some are not simple
  – Would like to see improved bluelight system across campus
Bluelight Phone Comparison

MTU VS. NMU
Campus Safety

• Parking lot cameras
  – Some students have reported incidences of theft in vehicles
  – Cameras not in enough locations or clear enough to apprehend thief
  – Dr. Les Cook is looking into the matter
Building Access
Building Access Problems

• Several buildings on campus have doors that are very hard to open
  – From personal experience, I found it extremely difficult to enter the MEEM with crutches
  – It would be even more challenging to enter with a wheelchair
  – Cody Roy, future mechanical engineering student
  – Powered doors should be installed to make entry easier
New Program Ideas
New Program Ideas

• Personality Type Profile During Orientation
  – Evaluate a student’s weaknesses and strengths
  – Provide material with strategies to harness strengths and overcome weaknesses
  – Empower students to reach their full potential while in college
  – Raise academic quality of student body
New Program Ideas

• Plan for the future
  – Mandatory career/post-bachelors informational class
  – Low credit/big benefit
  – Empower students to plan for the future early
  – Allow students to begin building a strong network for a future career
  – Explain how a strong performance while seeking a bachelors degree can help for future education
New Program Ideas

- **Students empowered to make an impact**
  - Make attendance at one USG meeting a mandatory requirement
  - Could be in a university wide class (Revisions, Perspectives, etc.)
  - Will allow students to make positive changes on campus by working with the university
  - More active student body will result in a better college experience for everyone
New Program Ideas

• Require/encourage higher level class exams to review major specific fundamentals
  – Could be as extra credit or a small percentage of the exam
  – Will help students remain strong on all course related material
  – This will help students on future exams (Fundamentals of Engineering, etc.)
New Program Ideas

• All students scoring a set percentage below the average should have to review the exam with the professor before getting any credit for the exam
  – By making a personal connection with the professor and learning the how to improve, future success will be much higher
  – In my experience, meeting with a professor and reviewing an exam helps me improve in a class
Senior Prom
Senior Prom

- USG is hosting a Senior Prom this spring
  - The event is targeted toward residence of the Bluffs Community
  - Event’s goal is to create an enjoyable event for seniors to enjoy while interacting with students
  - Will increase MTU student’s positive community interaction
MTU’s Got Talent
MTU’s Got Talent

• Talent Show will be sponsored by USG on April 1st at Standathon
  – Standathon is fun, all night event, hosted to raise money for Bay Cliff Health Camp
  – In the past activities have included live music, sports, such as, volleyball, ping pong, kickball, and laser tag...
  – Located at the SDC and starts at 7pm
Bay Cliff Website

Bay Cliff News

I am Blessed!
Read about Rebecca Klump's amazing story and more in Bay Cliff's Fall 2010 Newsletter.

Apply Today!
Staff applications for Children's Summer Therapy Camp are now available.

Make a Difference in the Life of a Child
Donate to Bay Cliff's Annual Campership Appeal!

Shoot for the Stars
Bay Cliff is opening up the night sky to children and adults of all abilities with our new astronomy program.

DNRE holds annual program for women
Ladies, get out your fishing poles and parkas for a great winter weekend getaway in the U.P.

"We're mighty glad you're here!"
Bay Cliff is a place apart... where children and adults with physical disabilities learn to believe in themselves, strive for fuller lives, and realize their dreams. We also are a place that offers a warm, friendly environment and excellent facilities for guest programs promoting health, wellness, education and youth development.

Donate Now!

"Oh, What a Blast!"

Days ‘til Bay Cliff Kids Arrive

138 days
8 hours
30 minutes
4 seconds

In memory of...
Nicole & Dana Smith, Ethel "Easy" Tommors, and Carl Barkow.
Bay Cliff Health Camp

• Children’s Therapy and Wellness Center
  – “Bay Cliff is a year-round, nonprofit therapy and wellness center for children and adults with physical disabilities. Bay Cliff's priority program is a seven-week, summer therapy camp session serving children with orthopedic, speech, hearing, and vision disabilities. The children work towards goals of increased independence and living a fuller life.”

http://www.baycliff.org/site/about-us.html
MTU’s Got Talent

• Looking for Faculty Judges and Performers
  – Would raise student interest
  – Increase the proceeds to Standathon for Bay Cliff
  – Allow for more positive student and faculty interaction

• Get the word out
  – If you let your constituents know about the event, we can raise awareness and find participants