

SBA REPORT TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS
MARCH 2017

In this report are accomplishments and future activities of the Student Body Association. With all the activities being done and planned, SBA intends to promote student's engagement within all aspect of their studies here at the College. Promoting student engagement not only focuses on the students' academic success, but also ensures a greater positive impact on the community we live in, whether in terms of sports or just socializing.

Here are some highlights of what we have accomplished so far this year:

- In our college community, committees are formed focusing on different aspect of the college, within these committees are student representative. These representatives are there to voice the students concern and help build a better college community by giving input from the students' perspective.
- The Student Body Association had been able to attain a Student Center, with a lounge and an office for the Director of Student Life. This includes a computer lab and space for students to meet and study.
- A number of Forum Lectures have been held, each focusing on different fields of study and opportunities for the students. This includes the recent grand re-opening of the Practice Gym along with a Forum focusing on a scholarship that the Chinese Embassy is offering.
- Additionally, the Student Body held a Valentine Dance Night for the students to socialize and mingle with one another in hopes to improve unity amongst the students.
- Furthermore, with the help of the Peer Counseling Center, a retreat was held for YSO Residence Hall students, which concentrated on alcohol and drug abuse. KSO and CHUUCHOK Students Organization will be having their retreat after the midterm. During the retreat, the organizers manage to educate student on why alcohol is bad and the impacts it has on their education and bodies. The organizers of the retreat also mention the college alcohol policy and the consequences of violating these policies. After a couple of group discussion amongst students, they highlighted that having more activities would help decrease the abuse of alcohol in our college community. One example of this was a request to have a weight room, which is currently being worked on.
- In addition, the secretary of the Student Body, Ms. Hiromi Taulung, attended a meeting in Saipan last week, which focused on rising awareness about sexual harassment, and assault in our community.
- The Student Body held their second scheduled meeting with the President of the college on March 1st 2017, the first meeting was held in September, these scheduled meeting are

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held mainly to exchange update information between the President and the Student Body. During the last meeting with the president, we agreed to schedule meetings with him once every a month.

- Lastly, there was a total of 23 clubs formed by the students here at national campus, and just this semester, a new student club was formed, called the Women Literature Group.

With all these being accomplished, the Student Body Association, along with the help of the Director of Student Life Office, are preparing for the following upcoming activities.

- On March 3rd, there will be a congressional forum, where candidates will come and speak about the upcoming election.
- March 6th the Student Body will have another meeting with all the student organizations and clubs.
- March 30th would be the Founding Day for this year 2017, with the theme “*Unity Through Culture and Sport*”.
- In April, the Student Body will be having a retreat with a representative from each state organization to discuss issues and challenges from their respective groups and how the students can contribute to building a better and safer College of Micronesia Community.

In summary, this semester’s events have all been successful and the upcoming events are accordingly planned for. All meetings with the Presidents are already scheduled for once a month, and SBA meetings with the Director of Student Life are planned to take place once a week. As much as possible, the Student Body along with the Director are trying every ways to meet the students’ needs in the College community, by providing them with what they need to be successful, whether in terms of academic, social or sports.

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