LETTER FROM OUR NEW SGA PRESIDENT

JOSH SANDY

April was a time for transition. Transitioning can lead to many different things. If a basketball team is able to run transition well, it can lead to two easy points. Minot State runs Transitions, an orientation event that helps prepare new students for life in college. Now it is time for MSU’s Student Government Association to transition. It’s a process we go through every year. We thank the outgoing officers for all their hard work and for preparing the new officers for what awaits them in the coming year.

Hi, I’m Josh Sandy, the new SGA president, and I look forward to making this transition worth it for this university. We’ve got a great team assembled, from the newly elected Senate to the electrifying new officer team. Marley Kotylak, Nikki Egge (Co-directors of Entertainment), Ward Lamon (Director of Marketing), and Anzley Harmon (Director of Media Relations) have already been hard at work. They attended the National Association for Campus Activities Convention to plan and book some outstanding events for next year. The Co-directors of Intramural Sports, Casey Feldner and Luke Leitner, have been busy learning the ropes, along with planning a busy schedule for next semester. Meanwhile, newly elected Director of State Affairs, Emily Anderson, has been working closely with the Vice President of Finance, Kelsey MacNaughton, and Secretary, Alex Buchholz, along with myself, to advocate for the students of MSU as the Legislative Session comes to a close.

The SGA Scoop is just one way we would like to relate to the students we represent. Please feel free to stop by the SGA office on the 2nd floor of the Student Center to visit with us about your thoughts as a student at MSU. And be on the lookout for the releases of more SGA Scoops next semester!

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 1 // 11AM - 2PM // KARAOKE
MAY 1 // 9 - 11PM // MOVIE NIGHT
MAY 2 // 7 - 11PM // BATTLE OF THE BANDS
MAY 6 // 9 - 10:30PM // FINALS BREAKFAST
On April 12-13, the North Dakota Student Association had their end-of-the-year meeting. The last meeting is a time of officer nominations. Minot State University’s Brooke Domonoske was elected to NDHECSAP, the North Dakota Higher Education Consortium for Substance Abuse Prevention. Bekka Ryan was nominated for delegate of the year, an honor. Ryan has been a committed member of NDSA for five years and will graduate this semester. MiSU President David Fuller was nominated for the student advocate of the year. This award is given to an individual what has worked on behalf of the students throughout the year.

NDSA is open to all students who wish to participate in the university system and have a say in matters that are of student concern. The NDSA is a representative body of the 48,000+ students of the 11 institutions of the North Dakota University System. The North Dakota Student Association:

- Advocates for all students within the North Dakota University System
- Advocates for student issues that come before the North Dakota Legislature
- Provides student perspectives to North Dakota University System councils, including the State Board of Higher Education and the Interim Higher Education Committee
- Works with student governments on University System campuses to best meet student needs

More information can be found at http://northdakotasa.org. Minot State University will be hosting NDSA next year in February. For more information, swing by the Student Government office in the Student Center and talk to Emily Anderson, SGA Director of State Affairs.

**Senator of the Month**

**Emily Anderson**

Emily, senator for the College of Education and Health Sciences, was selected as SGA’s senator of the month for March 2013. Emily is currently a junior studying history education. She is also involved in History Club, NDSA and Beta Theta Sorority. Her March nomination was her fourth time being nominated for this award, so when she actually won the award, she was beyond happy. She recalls joking with Derek Van Dyke (also nominated) in the hallway while the Senate decided, saying, “I bet you’ll get it.” “No, you are going to win for sure,” Van Dyke said. She is grateful for the recognition from her peers and the pretty plaque she received. The parking spot for her invisible car was also nice. It was a great way for her to end her last month of being senator. Emily is now the Director of State Affairs and loving her new position.

**Intramural Spotlight**

Taylor O'Shea, Brady Lysne, Kirby Kain, and Nathan Donnelly were the winners of Spring Intramural Bowling at MSU. The league will begin again next semester.