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1U Newsletter! 1U Ann Arbor Mass Mtg TONIGHT!

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Dear One University Coalition,

In the second 1U Newsletter, the first of 2020, we have much to report.

At their retreat in January, the UM Board of Regents established a subcommittee to assess the needs of the Dearborn and Flint campuses, showing that the administration is beginning to take seriously our concerns about campus equity. The 12th District Democrats at their January meeting endorsed a resolution in support of our campaign by unanimous vote. And as the Chancellors of Flint and Dearborn prepare to unveil their strategic plans, we will continue to build a public campaign to pressure them to demand a higher level of support from the Ann Arbor campus.

If you have questions or feedback about anything reported in the newsletter, or have a 1U update to share for the next one, please contact info@oneuniversityumich.org.

Continue reading for the campus updates!

Ann Arbor
Big things are happening here in Ann Arbor. Our organization is finally official with the university and **our first mass meeting is scheduled for TONIGHT, Thursday, Feb. 6th from 9-10pm in 2436 Mason Hall. You can subscribe to our Facebook event here. Please share widely!!** Following our mass meeting, we are having a letter-writing event on Feb. 13th from 7-8 in 2436 Mason Hall in preparation for the Feb. 20th regents meeting. The letters will be addressed to the Regents and the President to express the ongoing frustrations and concerns we have with them. Aside from our upcoming events, Allen and Molly from the Ann Arbor branch presented on the One University Campaign two weeks ago during the CAM Teach-In. It went great, and we are hoping we can continue that momentum in the coming weeks.

If you want to get involved with One University on the Ann Arbor Campus, please email Molly MacLeod at macleodm@umich.edu.

Dearborn

We've made considerable progress in recent weeks. We are thrilled to report that the UM-Dearborn Student Government passed a resolution in support of the One University Campaign by unanimous vote last Friday. The constitution for the 1U Student Org has also been approved, which means we are almost official! Next week, student and faculty supporters will meet with key 1U ally Regent Paul Brown to share our concerns about campus equity and encourage the Board of Regents to better support our campus. Membership in our core steering committee has grown from two to twelve in the past week. In the coming weeks, we will table in the University Center and Fairlane Center to engage students and faculty about the needs of our campus. We are also developing a plan to inspire Chancellor Domenico Grasso to include ambitious requests for resource support from UM-Ann Arbor as part of his Strategic Plan, which he will announce by the end of this semester.

If you want to get involved with One University on the Dearborn Campus, please email Amanda Saleh at salehama@umich.edu.

Flint

The Flint student organization is continuing to cultivate active leaders in our coalition. We are currently in the process of setting up this month's meetings, but we will update the campus community as soon as the times are finalized. Additionally, we are planning a mass informational meeting on campus in the coming weeks. The 1U student organization is also partnering with other student organizations to develop a letter, responding to incredibly important topics on campus. These include issues with the campus climate, the formation of the DEI committee, and the Chancellor's plan for the future of UM-Flint. The Chancellor's plan calls for Ann Arbor to fund additional advisors on the Flint campus. While we are glad to see the silos begin to break, additional advisors on their own will not translate to an equitable student experience for all students at the University of Michigan.

If you want to get involved with One University on the Flint Campus, please email Lucine Jarrah at lucinej@umich.edu.

In Solidarity,
One University Steering Committee

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