Report of 2020 STAC Activities

Dear STAC,

It has truly been an honor and a pleasure to serve as the Executive Chair of UMGC's Student Advisory Council this past year. As I mentioned in December, I am excited to welcome our amazing new group of undergraduate and graduate student leaders representing the UMGC student body of 90,000+ students in 23 countries around the world.

I want all of you to know that your dedication and commitment can truly make a lasting impact for students across the globe. In 2020, we faced challenges unlike never before with uncertainty about how we would balance responsibilities and fulfill the needs of students in the midst of a growing COVID-19 pandemic, but we pressed forward and accomplished a great deal.

Together, we-

- Completed STAC's Student Outreach Project, which gave students an opportunity to share their concerns and feedback.
- Conducted analysis of and submitted feedback for UMGC's Coronavirus web page.
- Conducted analysis of and submitted feedback for UMGC's Student Handbook.
- Provided feedback on <u>UMGC's Academic Integrity Policy</u>.
- Provided feedback to UMGC's Vice President of Digital Teaching & Learning.
- Recruited several new UMGC representatives to be elected and serve in numerous student leadership roles on the <u>University System of Maryland Student Council's Executive Board, Board of Directors, and Committees</u>, and the <u>Maryland Higher Education Commission Student Advisory Council</u>.
- Produced a welcome video to UMGC students for the 2020-2021 academic year.
- Enhanced our internal and external communications through messaging via UMGC's student web portal, campus announcements, and social media.
- Participated in UMGC's Prepare for Student Success Panel.
- Participated in UMGC's Presidential Search Committee and selection process for UMGC's new President.
- Participated in the Chancellor's Student Roundtable.

We accomplished all that we set out to do and so much more. I hope you all continue to build upon this foundation in 2021 and make our students proud. Always remember you are in this together and as a team there is no limit to what you can achieve.

I encourage you all to stay engaged and continue to work together and inspire each other. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me should you need anything.

Your Former Executive Chair,

Bernetta Reese

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