I. Call to Order – 7:40pm
II. Opening Roll Call
III. Approval of the Agenda
   a. Motion to approve; seconded
   b. Vote in favor
IV. Approval of the Previous Minutes
   a. Minutes from 4th meeting on September 15th, 2015 (Sent via email)
   b. Motion to approve; seconded
   c. Vote in favor
V. Guest Speakers
   a. Erik Wessel – Director of OSCR
   b. 30 minutes allotted
   c. Good evening everyone; super excited to be here. I am Erik Wessel, the director
   of the Office of Student Conflicts and Resolutions. I want to start out by
   explaining to you what OSCR is and does, and also some issues that I think are
   important to the student body. Afterward, I want to take some questions. If we run
   out of time, I want to make myself available to you We’re going to talk about
   OSCR, about the fact that we’re in an amendment year for Student Rights and
   Responsibilities (SRR), and provide about 15 minutes for clarification questions,
   and comments. Let me tell you a little bit about OSCR; we are under the umbrella
   of student life. We seek to build trust, promote peace, and seek justice. Student
   conflict resolution competency is also something that we participate in, so if you
   are interested in that, please be in contact. We are the keepers of SRR, and also
   shepherd the amendment process. Why is the SRR important? It gives rights and
   rules that help to keep the campus safe and positive. The transition timeline began
   March/April 2015 with a dialogue, and September-October we will be having
   additional community dialogues. Those are opportunities for students to come talk
   about what is in the statement as well as what is not, and ought to be contributed.
   We will finalize amendments through three passageways in October, and in
   November, the Students Rights Advisory Committee will send them on to the VP
   of Student Affairs, then to President. If this process seems like a lot, it’s because it
   is. If there are specific questions, I can pass on the specific timeline to your
   leadership. The president usually seeks to have the amendments pushed through
   by April, with them going into effect in July. The CSG leadership has already
   been engaged with us in this in very impactful ways, so we are thankful for your
   leadership. The SRR has been listed as a top tier priority for CSG, which makes
   this more of a community process. We need your help promoting the dialogues
   across campus so that more students can be engaged in the discussion. We are
   also asking that you be creative and innovative; you have some of the best
approaches to that because you are actual members of this community. Next steps, where do we go from here? We’re already doing well with moving forward, we just need to assemble the advisory board and continue to get students involved. We also need to be working on drafting amendment proposals. Some suggestions:

I recognize that you may be thinking to yourself “I haven’t spent a lot of time poring over the statement recently…or ever,” so I encourage you to do that. Here are some things along the lines of SRR amendments that can help get your minds going: A few years ago, there was an amendment that was pushed through surrounding bullying, which helped bring that issue to light because before there was nothing in SRR about it. Another thing to focus on is student-university conflict; there are currently not things in place regarding that. When things are not in our statement, there are not ways to address them. Another thing is when students enter a university property unlawfully; again, there is nothing on record to help address that. That may not seem like an important issue, but it is; we can help students to better understand the impact of their actions. We work extensively with other offices and faculty members as an “entry point,” in order to route people properly and provide proper resources. The more we add to the statement, the better our community can be. The statement was created as a living and organic document, and continues to be. I’m now open for questions.

d. Q - Tim: Did you say that only university students should have access to university buildings? A – No, I was talking about students accessing university property illegally. Let’s say someone is caught after hours climbing a fence and breaking into the Michigan football stadium. We do not have anything currently in SRR about how to handle that, or how to have a dialogue with the student around that choice.

e. Q – Alex: What do you mean dialogue around that choice? A – In OSCR we have 2 ways that things are addressed; one is an informal process, and another is a student agreement. We give the student a variety of things that they can do in order to be restored back to the community. We also use a lot of students in the process, and engage them in the conversation, in order to help come to an agreement.

f. Q – David: I’m very interested in the medical amnesty policy; I think that Michigan’s is pretty abysmal compared to other states and schools. Why does the state of Michigan’s medical amnesty policy not apply to U of M? Do you have any information about how other states handle this? A – This is a place where I’m going to say to you ‘I’m not sure,’ so I’ll have to look into that. But if you think there is an element to that that can be helpful to our community, I’d encourage you to add that. I’d also encourage you to get in touch with Mary Ann.

g. Q – Erin: With regards to things that we are trying to bring in that are not currently there, how do we approach that? A – Sometimes those things can be
facilitated by the Dean of Students Office. OSCR also helps to facilitate those dialogues. If my answer was unsatisfactory to you please let me know.

h. Q – Lamin: What has been done in the past to have as many students as possible get involved with the amendment process? A – As it is currently written, again, the process only occurs every three years. So I wasn’t here three years ago, but I can share what we’re doing now. For example, earlier this month, myself and some CSG members went up to North campus and distributed 100 flyers encouraging students to get involved.

i. Q – Meredith: In the statement, if we were to suggest a change, do we have the authority as students to lay out disciplinary actions for the things we would mandate as against the rules? For example, the hypothetical with breaking into the Big House. A – The statement doesn’t specify procedure; I would be careful about that. The reason I would be careful is because we can get into trouble when we narrowly define procedure. There a million different circumstances to consider.

j. Q – Meredith (follow-up): So what does it do then, if we don’t add procedure? A – So let’s say “unauthorized entry” is our addition. If OSCR gets the complaint, we send a notice of allegation and request that they come in for a dialogue.

k. Q – Meredith (follow-up 2): If campus police apprehend someone, do they still have to come to OSCR? And is there a precedent in place? A – If it’s just the unauthorized entry, then it might just be us, but if there was something else involved, like alcohol, then it usually becomes a joint effort.

l. Q – David: I was talking to someone about advisor corps recently, and on page 14 CSG is allowed to create student-peer advisor corps. If you violate SRR, the students can help you, and it’s up to us to approve that. Is there a need for that, is it something we should look into doing soon? A – I would encourage you to take that up as a body, since there is not a precedent. There is a specific staff member in the Dean of Students Office that works with that type of support, so that may be a good place to start. There may also be opportunity for a student to use university respondent support, but we want a knowledgeable person who is a peer.

m. Q – Sarah: Where does OSCR come into play when alcohol is involved? A- We never describe ourselves as a “court process”; that process is designed to be punitive, and we are designed to be educational. To answer the question specifically, sometimes our process happens in tandem with a court process, but we don’t intervene with each other.

n. Q – Sarah (follow-up): What about DPS vs. AAPD? A – Authorities can use discretion, and choose not to write a ticket, and at times, they are sent to our office.

o. Q – Daniel Wilson: When students come to Michigan, are they required to read and accept the statement? And what measures do you take to make sure students know that it exists? A – What I’ve recognized is that in years past, admittedly,
we’ve done a poor job. We need to make students aware of the statement and what exactly they’re agreeing to. We print copies, and make them available to any student who wants it, and it’s available online, but we also acknowledge that people need to know that it’s available.

p. Jared: Motion to approve the speaker’s time by 5 minutes
   i. Seconded, time extension approved by vote

q. Q – David: I participated in OSCR facilitation training last year and it was fantastic. How do you get students engaged in this on a regular basis, so that people don’t just come to OSCR because of problems? A – Yes, yes, yes. Thank you David, for bringing that up. We are starting a strategic planning operation for our office, and right now we want to work on partnering more with students and student life divisions, due to that feedback, that we often get. We work with many offices, including Ginsberg, CCI, MESA, and Munger to partner in a way that reaches more students, student groups, and organizations. There is a lot of opportunity there, because conflict is not just individual, it also happens in groups. With that in mind, we are also taking a strategic approach to getting involved with Greek Life as well. We want to continue to help students continue to develop competency surrounding that.

r. Q – David: What’s your relationship with CAPS, Wolverine Wellness, etc, when conflict creates issues that affect people mentally? A – Confidentiality is a bit of an issue, particularly where CAPS is concerned. But there are a variety of alternative pathways that can be used to be helpful to students.

VI. Community Concerns
   a. Blaine Coleman (Boycott Israel) – Why boycott Israel? Why is it important? I’ll take your questions. You ask me.
      i. Ben – Why boycott Israel?
      ii. I’ll do my best with that. Most of Israel’s policy surrounds how to kill Muslims and Arabs. How many Arabs can we kill? Who should we pay to have them killed? And with foreign policy in the United States, we are funding that. How can we pretend that black lives matter when we starve Detroit, and keep the Panthers from coming back, and starve and kill black people? That’s domestic policy. Since the Civil Rights movement, we do it with a smiley face. With foreign policy, it’s become about where and how to kill Muslims. You can and should demand that not a dime be spent on Israel.

VII. Executive Communications
   a. Cooper – Steven and I would like to yield the majority of our time to Sean, who will explain the set-up of our commissions this year. We want to get this up and rolling by tomorrow night, and begin recruiting chairs shortly after. Please give questions at the end of the presentation.
b. Jacob – Thank you to Erik and his team at OSCR for their support. If you’re interested Monday 1-4 we’ll be tabling; I can talk to the speaker about that counting toward your attendance. There will also be discussions on October 1 3-5pm and October 7 1-4pm at Weill Hall. You saw Cooper’s executive orders over the weekend; if you’re interested in the committee, please contact me. Work with the student sexual assault policy—which is very different from SRR—is still underway, so please help with that. I’m also looking to hire an elections director, preferably a law student. Jared will speak to this, but if you’re interested in election reform, Rules is meeting tomorrow evening. Thank you.

c. Sean – I’ll need to forward you all the PowerPoint because we’re having some technical difficulties.

i. Last year we had 19 commissions, but they were not as active as they should have been. Transparency and accountability are extremely important. Improved communication, increased student engagement, and consistency are also very important goals for the commissions. We have a new recruitment technique with CCI and Maize Pages in order to make sure that student orgs that are doing similar work are contacted by CSG. Documentation has been a major issue, and that will be resolved in the way in which we handle things this year. We will be moving down to just 8 commissions, but all 19 matters from the previous commissions will be covered by them. Each of the 8 commissions will have a chair, which will submit tri-weekly reports, and there will be bi-weekly cabinet meetings. There will also be sub-commission chairs, and a commission secretary.

ii. Commissions:
   1. SOFC
   2. Statement Amendment Oversight Commission
   3. Bi-Centennial Planning Commission – Needs to get jump started now since the bi-centennial is in 2017
   4. Inclusive Campus Environment Commission – LGBTQ Affairs, Gender Equity, Racial Equity will be sub-commissions
   5. Campus Improvement Commission – Campus Accessibility and Disability Awareness, Campus Sustainability, North Campus, Athletics

iii. Motion to extend time by 5 minutes; motion approved, vote in favor

iv. Commissions Continued
   1. External Relations Committee – Voice Your Vote, Detroit Engagement, Government Engagement, Student Entrepreneurship
   2. Student Health And Safety – Mental Health, Physical Health, SA Prevention and Policy, Campus Safety
3. Student Resource Commission – Graduate Student Engagement, Non-Trads, Transfers, Internationals

v. Explanation of commission committee structure
vi. We need to do better with engaging student organizations that are doing similar work to CSG; it’s our job to do that so that we can put our best foot forward.

vii. Explanation of reporting framework
viii. The cabinet will meet every other Sunday, and the commission chairs will be part of that. It’s important to establish this, particularly so that intra-commission partnerships can be created, and intra-commission partnerships can be

ix. Questions?
x. Q – Would you consider an anonymity clause for students who want to get involved with LGBTQ issues? A – Yes, we definitely don’t want to out anyone or create issues there.

xi. Q – Lamin: What’s the logic behind moving down to 8, and why were there so many before? A – Whenever an issue came, a commission was established, but when if the issue went away, the committee became purposeless. Extensive conversations with Clyde and David about what was best also informed this logic.

xii. Motion to suspend the rules; seconded, motion approved by vote
xiii. Motion to extend time by 5 minutes; seconded, motion approved by vote
xiv. Q – David: Why, with everything we campaigned on, and with the current campus climate, is sexual assault being absorbed by a commission instead of being on its own? A: I don’t think it will weaken the issue at all; people are very interested, and there’s been an outpouring of support. With so many people involved, it actually leverages the issue.

xv. Meredith: Are any of these sortings subject to change, and/or flexible? A: Yes, that’s part of the whole point of the way we’ve set things up, to allow changes and flexibility as we see what needs there are.

xvi. David: How is it different from before if we have 8 commission chairs, and then tons of sub-comission chairs? A: Part of it is that all of those are meeting together; also the executive will have better communication with the commissions that way.

xvii. Cooper: Motion to approve provisional chairs for the interim process

1. Adam Wagonner – SOFC; wants to streamline the process, put it online, get more dynamic people involved (approved)
2. Jacob Perlman – Code of conduct advisory board, SRR Commission (approved)

VIII. Report of the Speaker
a. If you turn to your second page, you will see Operating Procedures of the Assembly. There have been a lot of questions lately concerning applause, so hopefully this helps to clarify. Moving forward this is how we will handle applause. If you are unsatisfied, you can write a resolution to amend it.
b. Backpack tags are on the way; if you would like to help, please let me know
c. Game day breakfast spreadsheet. We have a noon game, so our pilot program with dining will continue. I personally enjoyed my time as a swiper. I’ll send an email out tomorrow about Saturday.
d. We have two CSG mass meetings, the first of which is tomorrow 6-8 in the Pendleton Room. Please stop by if you want to help people get involved with CSG. If you want to go, that can count as your committee attendance for the week. If you’re interested email…too many cook
e. I mentioned last week that we are to have one community service event per semester, and two people need to be nominated for that.
   i. Lucky nominates self
   ii. David nominates Ben
   iii. Meredith nominates self
f. Vote in favor of approving all 3 nominees

IX. Representative Reports
a. None

X. Committee Reports
a. Rules Committee
   i. Jared: This week and next week there will be lots of people at the meeting. People will be coming to talk about election reform. I have to leave at 7:15 sharp tomorrow, so Ramon will take over at that point. Meeting starts at 6:15.
b. Resolutions Committee
   i. Lucky: We met last Sunday at 1 and discussed the medical amnesty issue, which David brought up earlier. We’ve sent out a doodle and if you’re interested it’s due Thursday by 1pm.
c. Finance Committee
   i. Speaking on behalf of Jake – Met Wednesday at 9:15. Went over agenda to establish goals, created uniform template for budget, planned to present to reps on how funding works.
d. Communications Committee
   i. Met at 7pm
   ii. Be on the lookout for a Facebook page. Share things to the page if you want people to get involved. We have also launched an Instagram: umichcsg.
   iii. Q – If you follow us on IG will you follow back? A: Yes.
XI. Election and Recall of Members
XII. New Business
a. A.R. 5-003: A Resolution to Enact the Fall 2015 Central Student Government Budget
   i. Kevin: We’re going through first reads, and the numbers are wrong, so I will be passing around a packet with updated numbers. Percentages are the same, so we can move on. The minimum we must allocate to the reserve is 5%, and I recommend that. CSG never really runs a deficit. I also think we can agree that we want the fees students are paying to be used during their time here. 4% (Operations) and 20% (Payroll) are the max, and I think that we should keep them that way, particularly so that Clyde can run CSG without having to worry about funding. We gave the legislative discretionary fund a lot because we want to see you do a lot more. The money can be moved around as necessary, or used together across interests. Ultimately, though, the goal is to use the money while people are here.
   ii. Jared: Summer assembly is ok with having 0% because it is not required.
   iii. Kevin: SOFC is obviously the hot issue here, with $167,592 just from student fees. We collect $919/student, and carry-forward is money left over in the CSG accounts. This is no-interest income. We want you to be bold, and give ideas for how we use the money. Questions, comments, concerns?
      1. Zach – In years past, CSG has sponsored AirBus; how is that done in this budget? A – AirBus is being operated separately so we don’t need to approve an allocation, and it is also self-sustaining. With carry-forward, there is $117k in the CSG account.
      2. Ramon – Last year SOFC was at 50% and that was a historic year for student org support. Why did it drop? A – I think it was below 50% to start last year, and then it increased over the course of the year (180k/200k example). There were a lot of questions about that. SOFC plays with fire a little bit each semester.
      3. Ben – Who runs AirBus now that it’s no longer under the discretionary budget? A – (Clyde reiterates previous explanation)
      4. Meredith – It’s not our money anymore? A: (Clyde) Last year we had $30k allocated to Airbus, and it was the first time in a long time that it made money, so it can sustain itself moving forward.
   iv. Referred to finance committee by Speaker
b. A.R. 5-004: A Resolution to Set the Fall 2015 Central Student Government Election Dates
i. Jacob: The assembly must approve elections for November and March. Nov 18/19 are the proposed dates. If you have questions I’m happy to answer, but I think this is a pretty straight forward resolution.

ii. Farah: What is voted on during this election? A – Any vacancies in the inferior governing body will be filled, and another DPS student commission member will be elected.

iii. Farah (follow-up): Is the appointment only interim, and subject to people voting? A – Yes.

iv. Referred to resolutions committee by speaker

c. A.R. 5-005: A Resolution to Increase the Pay of the Elections Director

i. Jacob: The elections director is only paid $500/semester currently, and I want that to be increased should they chose to stick around for March. It would be $500 in November and $750 in March. This is a very difficult job; some people have had emotional breakdowns from the stress. Usually a 3L will be billing about $600/hr once they graduate anyway, so this is really chump change.

ii. Zach: We know that this is a very difficult job, is there room to increase it beyond even the $250 increase? A – I’m open to that if there is consensus in the body.

iii. Ben: Do you think that increasing the payment will decrease the likelihood they’ll have a mental breakdown? A – No, not directly. The job is the job no matter what, and the example was meant to show just how tough the job can be.

iv. Ben (comment to improve) – Perhaps you could split the role. Jacob: I wouldn’t entertain or propose that due to the process that would be necessary and the fact that there are certain things that only one person can do.

v. Erin (comment to improve) – Inclusive use of pronouns. Jacob: Noted. I was going on previous wording but I will be sure to update.

vi. Zach (comment to improve) – Propose that the legislative discretionary fund route the money to payroll in order to fund the increase.

vii. Referred to finance committee by speaker

XIII. Old Business

XIV. Motions and Other Business

XV. Announcements and Matters Arising

a. Sierra – We have an opportunity to change the conversation and culture on campus, and I think getting involved with Wolverine Support Network is a great way to do that. Sign-ups are open, and it’s only one hour once a week.

b. David – Executive nominations will be meeting this week, and we will establish a concrete date and time. We will also be looking at the conditionally approved
chairs. Also, Sierra and I had a great meeting with Todd, the director of CAPS, about including mental health language. We will be discussing medical amnesty at 9:30 in the Union basement.

c. Ramon – Reminder that Rules is at 6:15 tomorrow. I also baked a cake yesterday and ended up with more than I expected so I’m not saying there will be cake…but there might be cake.

d. Daniel – Currently developing a mobile app called Stumped; we’re aiming to combat the issue of isolation that freshmen often feel. We want to connect students with their community by setting up meetings within the class, and discussing class matters anonymously. Launches tomorrow stumped.io is the website. We’d love to have you try it out and give feedback.

e. Noah – Be sure to post that on the FB page

f. Jacob – I urge you to come meet with the chief justice on Tuesday

g. Sean – I apologize for the tech fail; I’ll stay after to discuss if you have questions

h. Steven – Come to Hillel Friday for Shabbat dinner

i. Cooper – We’ve had 6 meetings since last Tuesday to explain about excitement over the energy we had at the last meeting. I had a negative tone the first couple of meetings, pushing you all, but we’re moving forward on a more positive note. Those of you getting out there, I applaud you. We need time to adjust, but come October 1, we all need to be working on something.

j. Brittney - Personal story about her experience with Alzheimer’s disease because of her mother, invite to Walk to End Alzheimer’s. The event will take place at WCC on October 4. Opening ceremony (where Brittney will be speaking) is at 11:45am, walk begins at 12pm and is 2 miles long.

k. Noah - October 27 meeting on North at Pierpont Commons.

XVI. Closing Roll Call

XVII. Adjournment – 9:23pm