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- **Game Day @ ASU** ASU vs USC at Sun Devil Stadium, 7:15pm

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What does an ASASU president do with their time?

- **Meet with ASU Administrators** during regularly scheduled meetings in the Office of the President, during Arizona Board of Regents meetings, and at other ASU sponsored events such as football games, university initiative presentations, and public affairs events. These meetings are held with ASU's Senior Administrative team – Drs. Crow, Rund, Capaldi, Wilkinson, Olson, and Allison; and with specific business units: Parking & Transit, Sun Devil Athletics, Office of Financial Aid, University Technology Office, ASU Police, Offices of the Deans of Student Affairs, Alumni Association and many others
- **Serve on university boards and committees;** this year the GPSA president is serving on the following boards and committees:
 - University Senate
 - Intercollegiate Athletics
 - Facility Fee Board
 - Tri-university Health Insurance RFP selection committee
 - ASASU Presidents Council
 - O'Connor House Project
 - Arizona Students' Association (Treasurer and member of the Board of Directors)
 - Arizona Board of Regents Capital Planning Committee
- **Respond to ASU issues** as they arise to provide quick resolution when possible. A recent example of this type of student advocacy happened 9/22 when the GPSA President asked Dr. Crow to intervene to insure that student facility fee revenue would be celebrated by conducting university sponsored ground breaking ceremonies. Although the ASASU Presidents Council had been told on 9/20 the university would not be conducting ground breaking ceremonies and instead they would be small and student driven, Dr. Crow fully supported publicized traditional ground breaking ceremonies.
- **Collaborate with all five ASASU presidents** on "One University, Many Places" issues impacting students, ASU, and to a limited extent our community. A sampling of current issues being discussed include: financial aid; disparity in tri-university funding; voter registration, game day; Changemaker Central initiatives, plus many other issues and topics of concern.

- **Negotiate tri-university matters** with student leaders from Northern Arizona University and the University of Arizona. This work is performed primarily through meetings scheduled through the Arizona Students' Association; meetings are held at ASU, NAU and U/A.
- **Provide oversight for day-to-day GPSA and GSC Operations** through regular conversations with GPSA Executives, GPSA Directors and GPSA Support Staff. Some of the regular duties include reviewing and signing all funding requests; responding to student complaints; connecting students with campus resources; and monitoring safety issues at the GSCs.
 - A major issue that the GPSA Executive committee is working on currently is the overuse of free printing at the GSC Tempe campus. The following information was provided by Annette Jecker:

The Canon maintenance agreement for the copier/printer in the conference room has a 60,000 copy limit for the year. Currently we are at 661,955 total copies since 6/15/2010. The cost of copies over the contract amount is \$.0067 per page. Since Canon did not bill us last year, if we deduct 60,000 from 2010 year and 60,000 from 2011 year, the cost currently for copies over 120,000 is \$3631.10. They send invoices in May/June if they are going to do so. I know in April, 2011 the count was 399,501 and they didn't send an invoice in May. If they invoice for this year only, we are at 262,454 (minus 60,000) for a cost of \$1356.44 to date. From now until the end of the year (June, 2012), each time a page is printed, it could potentially cost .0067 for GPSA It is only September and we've printed 66% of all the copies we printed last year.

What an ASASU president needs from their Senate or Assembly:

- Feedback on issues raised by your constituents
- Your thoughts and ideas on Health Care Insurance
- Suggestions for improving campus life and university policies for graduate students

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