February 5th, 2013: What Do You Want Wednesday Report

The purpose of What Do You Want Wednesdays is to allow Mason students and Mason’s Student Government to interact in a one-on-one basis to facilitate conversations regarding desired changes or questions about campus issues. This month we were able to identify 222 concerns, feedback, and requests from the student body.

University Services

Parking/Transportation (32)

- Free Visitor Parking (x11)
- More parking on campus (x3)
- Parking policies are unclear (x1)
- More buses to various places (x6)
- Lower parking rates (x3)
- More appeal time for parking citations (X5)
- Less passes given out to give guaranteed spots to students (X3)

Dining (71)

- Southside quality is down (x6)
- Southside has gotten better (X1)
- Late Night Southside needs to be improved (x9)
- More food choices (x7)
- More weekend options (x18)
- More vegetarian options (x9)
- Don’t require meal plans if there is a kitchen in close approximation (x1)
- More Local foods (x3)
- Coffee at late night southside (x4)
- Open Chickfila for the weekend (along with tacobell) (X8)
- Prices too high for off campus food (X5)

Health and Safety (19)

- Non-smoking around buildings must be enforced (x9)
- Designated smoking locations (x3)
- People should not be able to smoke on campus, because it is a health hazard for people with asthma (X7)
Facilities (16)

- Provide more signs around sidewalk repairs/construction (x3)
- More picnic tables around dorms (x7)
- More late night lighting for students (x3)
- Very good, well built gyms (x3)

Mason Police/Drug Enforcement Polices (21)

- Police are very impolite and will stop you for not doing things wrong (x7)
- Police are not lenient to anything illegal (x3)
- Don’t care about safety, but more about punishing (x11)

University Services/ University Life

Student Centers (0)

University Life

Residence Life/Housing (12)

- Greek housing on campus (x3)
- Flexible housing is awesome (x6)
- Housing isn’t letting people know that their applications are out (x3)

School Spirit (23)

- Request for a football team (x8)
- More incentives for students to go to the basketball games (x10)
- Better basketball team (x5)

Events for Students (11)

- More events and things to do on weekends (x6)
- More events which tie the school to the students (x5)

Governmental and Academic Affairs (x4)

- More financial aid for students (x4)

Professors (8)

- Good professors, very high quality (x3)
- Need more professors that are easier to understand (x5)

Diversity and Multi-Cultural Affairs
Shared Governance/Other Task Force Issues

General Notes for Student Government (5)

- Love What Do You Want Wednesday (x3)
- Thank you SG for the awesome snacks!! (x2)
- Other