Chair Cowles and Board of Trustees.

First, we're happy to announce that we have had a successful search for our new Executive Director. We're pleased to say that Thomas Anderson is our new Executive Director! We're excited to hit the ground running and look forward to our future with Thomas at the helm. Second, with another round of finals behind us, we would like to take a moment to congratulate all our graduates! We wish you all the best of luck in your post-higher education journeys.

In other news, since the last time we spoke, we have continued our legislative advocacy by speaking at a rally at the State Capitol with students and legislators and by testifying at the Conference Committee on behalf of Minnesota State's supplemental budget request for mental health funding, expanding the Hunger-Free Grant Program so that campuses can access additional funds to curb food insecurity on campus, and supporting the Emergency Grant Program to help students stay at our colleges and universities and make sure their lives are not derailed by an unexpected expense.

Also, as stated last month, we would like to invite you all to our annual Penny Golf Scramble, where we'll celebrate 35 years of Penny scholarships and fellowships. Join us as a golfer or sponsor on Thursday, June 2nd at 11:30 a.m. for lunch, a program, and golf. We're at a new location: Gopher Hills Golf Course in Cannon Hills. You can sign up on our website at https://www.studentsunited.org/pennyscramble. As per your request last month, we have also sent this link to all of you via email. The registration deadline is Wednesday, May 25th. We hope to see you all there, and thank you for your time!

Thank you all for taking the time to hear from us these past two days!

Sincerely,

Emma Zellmer, 2021-2022 State Chair

Arnavee Maltare, 2021-2022 Vice Chair

Pierre Young, 2021–2022 Treasurer