I. Student Allocations
   A. This year CSL received $47,570.79 in allocations request from student organizations, allocated $35,872.20 and spent $32,640.23. The funding has gone towards programs, conferences, lectures and other student related events and this is the most that the Council has ever allocated. Hat’s off to our student committee as well as staff persons who ensured the success of student allocations this year.

II. Campus Engagement
   A. In January the Council hosted the first Annual Rivalry Weekend, which featured weeklong events in preparation for the big Coastal Carolina basketball game, which our Eagles won.

III. Student Administration Liaison (SAL)
   A. The Council sponsored a forum that addressed landlord tenant relations with Winthrop alumni and attorney, Brian Murphy. Since the forum, Mr. Murphy has been able to provide legal counsel to several Winthrop students on the subject matter.

IV. Programming
   A. In January the Council sponsored the first annual Garnet and Gold Gala, a formal event which brought together nearly 300 members of the community together.

Chair Updates
- We recently concluded our third annual student body elections last week. Allow me to introduce our Student Body President-elect, Mr. Christopher Aubrie and Vice President-elect, Mr. Ian Deas. Mr. Aubrie is a junior international business major with a minor in international studies and Mr. Deas is pursuing a biology degree with a minor in chemistry. Nearly 800 students participated garnering a 16% student turnout. Let’s welcome them!
- Today is Eagle Fest in the West Center and the theme this year is the Wild Wild West. The student affairs staff has provided cowboy hats for each of you, so be sure to wear them when you head over to the event.
- It’s been an honor and privilege to have had the opportunity to serve as a member of the Winthrop University Board of Trustees for the past two years. Since day one, I was warmly welcomed and have been treated with kindness, respect and always felt sincerely valued. Over the next two years, I will be in the incredible position of serving as an elementary education instructor as a Teach for America corps members here in South Carolina. I’m excited about this opportunity and truly do look forward to making a positive difference in the life a child. For we know that knowledge is truly power.