

**Dr. Peterson**  
**Academic Senate Meeting**  
Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2013

- **Update on Campaign Georgia Tech:**

- Homecoming - Class of '63: more than \$8M, Innovation & Entrepreneurship Endowment;
- Class of '73 over \$7 million, Innovation & Entrepreneurship Endowment
- Class of '88: Over \$1 million, supporting need-based scholarship and Innovation & Entrepreneurship Endowment

- **Innovation:**

- In DC earlier a couple of weeks ago to represent Tech at the National Competitiveness Forum and the Select USA Investors Summit. A recent Georgia Tech graduate and inventor was asked to participate in the National Competitiveness Forum. Erika Tyburski, a 2012 Georgia Tech Biomedical Engineering graduate. As her senior design project she developed AnemoCheck, a quick and reliable device to diagnose anemia. She came in 2nd in our InVenture Prize competition, and won the Institute's Ideas to Serve competition. She is working with the Global Center for Medical Innovation to develop a prototype, and it is in the process of getting FDA approval. She took full advantage of the resources Georgia Tech provided, and is on her way to not only a successful career but is making a solid contribution in the healthcare field at a very young age.
- Tech Square Anniversary Oct. 17

- **Federal Budget:**

- The agreement legislators reached last month is temporary.
- If the legislators fail to reach a budget agreement by January 15, 2014, the country could end up in another government shutdown. If an agreement is not reached by the debt ceiling deadline, we could have another debt ceiling crisis on Feb. 7, 2014.

- Our Executive Leadership Team, Office of Federal Relations, and the Institutional Working Group are monitoring the situation and developing plans in the event of a recurrence of a full or partial federal government shutdown in January.
- **GT Website Redesign:**
  - Responsive design: on computer, laptop, iPad, or smartphone, better able to highlight research and teaching we are doing, makes it easier for prospective students and the general public to access and navigate.
- **Strategic Plan:**
  - Integrating it in all we do. We are nearing the end of a calendar year. Good time to be reflecting on what you and your department or group are doing to help us implement the goals of the plan.