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Student Union Assembly (SUA), Stevenson College

February 3rd, 2014

Dear Chair Shaz Umer,

Under my duties as an appointed Stevenson College Representative of the Student Union Assembly and Article III Section A of the SUA Constitution, I present my January 2014 monthly report and evaluation to the Assembly. I will outline all of my events, logistical planning, activities and constructive criticism, with areas of improvement in hopes of providing a detailed account in this month's report.

Monthly update on events of the college/organization: (January 2014)

On Thursday (1/30/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund The Hmong Student Association \$100 for their culture show happening on March 9 th at 6 p.m. in the event center.	1/30/14	Complete
On Thursday (1/30/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund S.A.S.E. \$100 for their S.T.E.M. conference with other California universities.	1/30/14	Complete
On Thursday (1/30/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund N.S.B.E. \$400 for their national conference with other N.S.B.E chapters. There was a stipulation attached that N.S.B.E. must use the money towards Stevenson students first and must report back to Stevenson Student Council to discuss how their conference went.	1/30/14	Complete

<p>On Thursday (1/30/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund The Vagina Organization \$150 to put on their annual production of The Vagina Monologues.</p>	<p>1/30/14</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>On Thursday (1/30/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund J.S.U. \$250 for their Persian Shabbat Dinner/Event occurring on March 14th at 7:30 in the Stevenson Event Center.</p>	<p>1/30/14</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>On Thursday (1/23/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund The Stevenson BBQ Club \$200. This money was used to help fund the club itself since it is very new. The money was also used towards funding a BBQ event that took place at the Stevenson Knoll at 2:00 on 1/25/14.</p>	<p>1/23/14</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>A Stevenson/Oakes retreat took place 1/25/14 from 5:00-7:00 in the Namaste Lounge. Both Stevenson and Oakes are working to establish better connections with each other and are starting to collaborate more frequently.</p>	<p>1/25/14</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>On Thursday (1/16/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund The Kenctic's Poetic Project \$150 for their campus wide spoken word poetry contest that takes place at Porter dining hall. The top five poetry winners of their contest will get to attend a</p>	<p>1/16/14</p>	<p>Complete</p>

national poetry contest in Denver for three days. A stipulation was added that the money must only be used for the contest at school.		
On Thursday (1/16/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund J.S.A. \$100 for their recreation of a Japanese street festival. This event will take place in spring quarter.	1/16/14	Complete
On Thursday (1/9/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund S.A.F.E. \$400 for their day-long conference. This conference was meant to discuss, combat, and prevent all different types of violence.	1/9/14	Complete
On Thursday (1/9/14) Stevenson Student Council motioned to fund The Ethics Bowl \$400 . Thirteen UCSC students who are members of this philosophy debate group could then be sent to Florida to compete in this philosophical competition known as The Ethics Bowl.	1/9/14	Complete

***The total amount left in Stevenson Student Council's general fund for the remainder of winter quarter is currently \$450**

Month of January 2014: review areas of improvements:

- I believe SUA as a whole governing body, should be promoted and advertised more on campus. I also think it should be easier for more students on campus to become involved in different facets of SUA.
- I think any voting member of SUA should be able to express an opposing view or vote differently on an issue without receiving hostility from the rest of governing body.
- I think it is problematic that most SUA meetings typically last longer than 11:00 on a school night. I think time should not be extended past five minutes to discuss certain issues on the agenda.
- It would be nice if SUA officers and the chair could be less strict on procedure. These strict regulations make it extremely difficult and intimidating to speak on the assembly floor.
- I believe an individual should not be reprimanded if he or she forgets to address the chair when speaking at SUA meetings.
- I think representatives from each of the ten colleges should have the opportunity to get to know each other better and connect more. This way when SUA meetings take place there will be a sense of community and there will be less isolation as well as awkwardness between all of the colleges.

This has been a summary of my detailed monthly report for January, 2014. If you have any questions, contact me via e-mail or cell:

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Respectfully,
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