



STUDENT UNION ASSEMBLY

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Position: Internal Vice-Chair

Responsibilities:

1. Internal Campaigns Operations/ Campaigns
2. Assist/ Act as substitute when needed for Chair
3. Chair of the Student Committee on Committees
4. Organization of student participation on all campus-wide committees, boards and task forces
5. Overseeing the appointment, tracking, communication, documentation, and orientation, of the student representatives on campus-wide committees

Getting Started: This past month has been focused on getting started. After organizing and cleaning the SUA office I began looking through old internal files to compile information. For approx. two weeks the old officers came into the SUA officer to transition the incoming officers. They put on a series of workshops which highlighted their experiences of the last year and allowed for them to give recommendations for the incoming officers. Along with workshop the old officers came and individually transitioned the incoming officers based on position. SOAR also came in and gave various trainings such as Conflict Resolution, Leadership, and Managing Moneys. After the various workshops and transition I have decided this year to focus on three major internal campaigns and start a month newsletter issued monthly put on by the SUA internal Office.

Campaigns: Through research I have decided that one of the campaigns will be Outreach. I have began to research and contact the company which the SUA general body voted to purchase various outreach items from last year, to make sure the items that are to be purchased are sweatshop free. The goal on the campaign is to bring the campus together in an effort to familiarize our students with the different orgs and committees on campus, specifically SUA. The other campaigns have yet to be decided. But I am leaning towards a sort of Awareness campaign with something along the lines of SUA bringing proposed speakers for the student body. I have already began to research bringing speakers on campus that have different political/conscious ideals and focuses. I am hoping to partner up with different orgs to put on the events, and have free admission for students.

Newsletter: Outside of internal campaigns I have began to develop a Newsletter that I hope to get started in the fall. The design thus far includes SUA updates, Org Announcements, and Sports announcements. I am hoping that it will be able to be mass produced and emailed out to all students on a monthly basis. The Newsletter will contain announcements and updates printed for free for orgs but will lack any informational commentary. Contact will be made with the GSA in hopes in some kind of collaborated effort.

Frosh Page: As part of the Outreach campaign I have begun to formulate an SUA general Information page that I hope to get into frosh arrival packets. It outlines what SUA is, who the different officers are, who makes up the SUA general body (voting representatives) and how you can get in contact with our office.

UCSA Congress: Recently five out of six officers traveled to Santa Barbra for the University of California Students Association Congress. There we were joined by delegations from all of the other UC campus. This gave us opportunities to network and compile information from other campuses. I specifically collected various newsletters and informational handouts from around campus. I attended different workshops with subjects ranging from Affirmative Action to Student Advocacy fighting student apathy all information that I will bring back to our campus.

Recommendations: I think that potentially starting earlier might be very beneficial. Because often times I found myself not being able to get a lot of work done on my personal projects because we had meetings and workshops all throughout the day, often without even time allotted for lunch. So I think that it might work better for the incoming officers to come in maybe a week instead of a few days earlier. Or Visa Versa the outgoing officers come in one day after the incoming officers in late June so transitioning can be over with and serious work on our personal projects can begin. Also I hope that next year during the transition from old to new officers the office can be organized before the new officers come in. There are some major technical problems that have affected our work, such as the lack of internet within the office. A recommendation for myself would be probably more willingness for group interaction. I am so wrapped up in my own personal projects, like getting the newsletter up and running, that I often get annoyed when I am asked to do group meetings. For the officers I recommend better communication because during transitioning there was a lot of confusion about when meetings where and what they were for despite cruz time.

I, Samantha R Baker., do hereby submit this report to the Chair of the Student Union Assembly and the General Body of the Student Union Assembly.

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