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Chair S. Umer,

Under my duties as Commissioner of Academic Affairs of the Student Union Assembly and Article III, Section A of the SUA Constitution, I present my monthly report and evaluation for the month of April 2014 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.

## Goals and projected timeline for the pay period of 30 March - 26 April 2014.

Goals	Timeline	Progress
Office Hours	Tuesday 3p	Ongoing.
SUA meetings	Tuesday 8p	Ongoing
Staff meetings (whole staff & individual)	Tuesday & Friday	Ongoing
Hires, Trainings, and Transitions	Emilia	Completed
Library Referenda	On ballot	Upcoming elections
CLASSurvey	Analysis & presentations	Week 7-8
COLASC	Biweekly, Thursdays 12p	In progress & keeping up with minutes
CEP	Wednesday 11a	In progress & keeping up with minutes
Prep for transition		
Officer meeting	Johanna is planning May & April was done by the chair	Ongoing & completed
University librarian search committee	Meet & greets	Completed and ongoing process
Self care & mental health week	Week 9-10	Ongoing

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## Completed projects, campaigns, events, and/or activities.

- Met with Chief of Staff and planned the general timeline of spring quarter & explained elections.
- Closed CLASSurvey
- Trained interns on the elections timeline & how to prep for the flood of work.
- Officers met to discuss the quarter over lunch. Topics discussed were the meeting timeline, budget, sua productivity, divestment, elections, neutrality.
- Met with institutional research analysis team t discuss the presentations that could be made with the results from the class survey. Pro/con statement for the library referenda is a possibility.
- Met with the University Librarian selection committee just after finals to interview potential candidates, the process will continue to spring quarter with meet & greets & final selections in the next month and a half.

## **Total Number of Hours Worked: 82**

## **April Review and Areas of Improvement:**

- SUA meetings can be quite contentious so it is imperative to remember professional courtesy towards all speakers and represent ices in the room.
- A lot of the issues came up when we were trying to distribute the CLASS survey with the survey link and there was a long delay with some changes that CPB requested. As a result, the survey was launched a lot later than expected as were the email reminders to have students take the survey. This lowered the overall umber of responses but we were able to get over 2000 that seemed to be representative of the overall student population, at first glance, we are double checking those answers.
- We did have an officer meeting to discuss the quarter. I would like to remind both the students and the officers that the efficiency of the SUA space is directly affected by how willing we are to listen to differing perspectives and how all perspectives are presented without attacking individual or groups of students.
- As we come into elections season, I want to try to keep the SUA space from becoming too
  policised by the upcoming student government elections where party politics could severely
  impact the function and efficiency of the SUA space, as it has in past years.

In conclusion, I provide this summarised account of my monthly report for April 2014. Any feedback, criticisms, and/or questions that you may have are welcome and please feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:suacoaa@ucsc.edu">suacoaa@ucsc.edu</a>.

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