



Student Union Assembly (SUA), Office of the Commissioner of Diversity

December 12, 2013

1156 High Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95064  
Student Union Assembly 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, c/o Soar

Dear Chair S. Umer,

Under my duties as Commissioner of Diversity of the Student Union Assembly and Article III Section D of the SUA Constitution, I present my August 2013 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.

**Goals and projected timeline for the month of August between pay periods of November 24<sup>th</sup> – December 21<sup>st</sup>.**

Work on new SUA Website	December	December 2013
Resource Center Advisory Council	August - November	Fall 2013
Planning Winter and Spring Quarter Events	November 2013- June 2014	Spring 2014
SUA Paid Internships	October 2013-Spring	Spring 2014
Martin Luther King Convocation	August 19-August 23	August 26, 2013
Engaging Education Board	October 2013-Spring 2014	Spring 2014
Care Council	October 2013-Spring	Spring 2014

**Completed projects, campaigns, events, or activities**

**Work on new SUA Website-**

After hiring all my interns, I wanted to update the site with our interns so people knew who they were, their goals, how to contact them, etc. I updated it with their majors, e-mails, office hours, their goals and plans for the month, and what they want to do this quarter. I would also like them to have individual goals, events, and ideas for the month and we will be doing a lot more programming come winter and spring.



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## Engaging Education Board Meeting

The Engaging Education Board Meeting had a very thorough agenda that included the discussion of the Engaging Education class, approval of the syllabus, and changing the materials purchased for the class. In addition, we discussed the Engaging Education Day 10 year anniversary event, and the appointment of a board member to the Students Committee on Committees. In addition, we discussed our working meeting that will take place in January. In addition, we discussed the goals and basis of Engaging Education because people are beginning to lose sight of what it used to be. Instead, people see it as a place of free scantrons and blue books as well as printing. Instead, we would like them to fill out surveys and talk to the Office managers before being able to print to get them more involved and engaged with Engaging Education itself.

### Goals and Projects for Interns:

**We have 5 interns programs being planned currently:**

#### Alumni Dinner Fundraiser:

Israel is in charge of putting together an Alumni dinner somewhat like the SOMECA alumni dinner. We will be inviting people from the city as well as prominent members from Engaging Education and the Resource Centers to discuss why the Resource Centers are important and why maintaining adequate funding is detrimental to student life. In addition, we are looking into having the event incorporate dance, music, and other outlets of expression.

#### Large Speaker Blowout:

We are considering a large scale speaker event that would cost about \$40,000 for Khaled Housseini because of the lack of a Middle Eastern Resource Center and his importance in bringing light to an issue that is often neglected and overseen.

**Location:** College 9/10 Multipurpose Room  
\$250 rental fee, 350 people

**Date:** March/April tentatively  
Total needed upfront: \$20,250

### Funding Sources:

-Provost/CAO Fund. **Winter Deadline: January 10<sup>th</sup>**

-Core Council

**Winter Deadline: Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

-CEP

**Winter Deadline: Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

-SUA RSO Funding

**Winter Deadline: February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 5PM**

**Chancellor's Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion**

**EVC Galloway**

**Alma Sifuentes**

Possible ticket sales?

Possible partnership with E^2?



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### **Martin Luther King Convocation**

We would like to partner with Rainbow Theater on the Martin Luther King Convocation as well as the Chancellor's Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to making this 30 year anniversary event as successful and engaging as possible. We are looking into partnering with Rainbow Theater as well as AATAT.

### **Resource Center and E<sup>2</sup> Mixer**

Charlotte, Sara, Israel, and I are planning a mixer in the Redwood Lounge to get to know the interns from the Resource Centers better as long as the staff members of Engaging Education. We hope to bridge gaps and make connections for the future two quarters. The tentative date is January 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **Resource Center Advisory Council Meeting**

For the monthly resource center advisory council meeting, we met and discussed with the Strategic planning committee about issues facing the Resource Centers and where the priorities lie. A lot of repeating themes were that there isn't enough funding especially compared to other large universities, the lack of ability to put on programs, the lack of representation across the board, and places where we can improve. We met with EVC Galloway and discussed issues that we had with the Strategic Planning Committee and where to move forward.

### **Student of Color Conference Follow-Up**

I recently had two meetings Assistant Dean of Students, Lucy Rojas, to discuss post travel details including receipts, payments, and the process of filling out the paperwork for the Student of Color Conference. The registration has finally been processed through accounting because there was a mix-up that the form did not say pay for registration when it had. In addition, the cash advance for travel had been written out for \$4,850 when roughly \$4,500 was spent. Some of the money will be returned to ABSA for reimbursement for gas.

**Total number of hours worked: 56**



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**December review and areas of improvements:**

- Winter break goes right between December and January which can make planning things a little difficult especially with Thanksgiving holidays cutting in-between the end of the quarter and then finals happening. It makes it difficult to plan unless it's for next quarter.
- My interns are all finally on cruzpay, but we were just informed that students need permission to work more than 19 hours a week, but we were not necessarily told about this and we thought 20 hours a week was the maximum.
- My intern, Sara, was confused as to why the Dean of the Students Office hadn't seemed to be responding to her emails, but we recently found out about Alma's personal issues and why it was difficult to get a hold of the Dean of Students Office.

In conclusion, I provide this summary as my detailed report for the month of December 2013. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

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