



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

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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 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.

Goals and projected timeline for the month of August between pay periods of January 6, 2013 to February 3, 2014.

Resource Center Advisory Council	September 2013	June 2014
SUA Mixer	January 29, 2014	January 29, 2014
UCSA Board Meeting at UC Santa Cruz	January 11-12, 2014	January 12, 2014
Engaging Education Retreat	January 2014	January 2014
Holi Festival	January 2014-April 2014	April 4, 2014
SUA Concert Planning	August 2013-May 2014	May 2014
iClicker Loaning Program	January 2014	February 2014
UCSA Board Meetings	September 6, 7	Spring 2014 (monthly meetings)
Engaging Education Board	September 17, 18	Spring 2014
SUA Open House	September 20-24	September 25, 2013
OPERS Fall Festival	September 20-24	September 25, 2013

Completed projects, campaigns, events, or activities.

SUA Concert Planning

We have been continuing to meet about planning the concert on East Field. At this point, we have the firm belief that this event is happening. There have been many concerns with its proximity to the Multicultural Festival. We are in the development of the website and ticketing process as well as securing a lineup. The planning committee is working with Jose Olivas and split into several subcommittees that is working well and effectively.



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Resource Center Advisory Council

At the Resource Center Advisory Council meeting, Charlotte, my resource center coordinator and I learned about the importance of filling out professor evaluation forms at the end of the quarter. The Academic Senate reviews all the evaluation forms, and if hate-bias incidents occur, students should report them with the hate bias form online as well as note it in the evaluation forms.

Holi Festival

At the beginning of the month, I was approached by Tau Kappa Epsilon and the Indian Student Organization with this idea of hosting the Holi Festival on campus at the East Field. We came together and have created a preliminary budget, planned out nearly all the aspects including ticketing, porta potties, police and security, and submitted documentation to OPERS. We have also communicated with the powder companies, obtained toxicology reports, and are waiting to meet with Event planning. We are projecting the event to take place on East Field on Saturday, April 4th from 12PM-4PM. We are purchasing bags of 55 pounds of powder to celebrate the Spring quarter.

SUA Mixer

The Resource Center and E² Collaboration mixer took place at the Redwood Lounge on January 29th. Its purpose was to mingle and collaborate for future events. The turnout wasn't as large as I had hoped it would be because I wanted to plan a possible solidarity event over the hate-crimes that occurred at San Jose State University.

Engaging Education Board Meeting

Engaging Education is celebrating its 10 year anniversary and celebrating through E² Day that will invite a lot of its alumni and discuss its history. In addition, at the board meeting, we discussed concerning issues.

- 1) The Diversity Certificate program has temporarily been suspended.
- 2) Administration wants to label May as "Diversity month"

Engaging Education Retreat

The Engaging Education Board met in Sequoia for a 3 day Strategic Planning Retreat. The retreat went through mind mapping, understanding what the main issues facing our communities and Student Initiated Outreach are, the history of Engaging Education, and the struggles it took to get here. In that history, we developed two main projects and goals for Engaging Education and its board to focus on this year. In addition, I've been working with the Organizing Director and Co-Chairs to develop an iClicker loaning program from the ChUCK library.

iClicker Loaning Program

For the month of January, I have suspended my pay for the month to be able to fund my iClicker loaning program that I hope to develop with E². Because most students only use iClickers for one class or one quarter, I would like to purchase 20-25 iClickers and work with the web intern of Engaging Education to develop a method to check them out similar to textbooks.

Total number of hours worked: 95 hours



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January review and areas of improvements:

- I had hoped that the turnout for the SUA mixer would be larger, but it is a little difficult when it was specifically for the Resource Centers, SUA, and Engaging Education. I also should have promoted it earlier, but there was still a nice turnout for the people that did attend.
- I have been at a standstill with Opers awaiting their response for two events: The Holi Festival as well as the Fun House tour. It's been several days and they haven't responded which makes it difficult to proceed with the planning process of the festival.
- I'm highly optimistic about the iClicker loaning program, though I hope that we can extend it to the Student Union Assembly as well as perhaps EOP and other entities on campus. I don't necessarily mean only iClickers, but other textbooks as well.
- I would like to collaborate more with other student organizations this quarter in helping their events and gauging their needs. We are making presentations to different student organizations to outreach to them the importance of professor evaluations.

In conclusion, I provide this summary as my detailed report for the month of January 2014. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

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