Legislative Liaison June 2014 Report

Tasks:

- Facilitated weekly lobby corp meetings. Updated lobby corp on new bills from UCSA, progression of bills through the legislature, and prepared lobby corp for visits with legislators. This Quarter we have decided to go to Sacramento once a week or every other week to lobby key legislators on relevant committees (Higher Ed, Budget, etc) and to testify at hearings.
- Continuing the process of streamlining our lobby corp material. Planning to expand on current training's, and creating a database of bills we have supported in the past and how they have faired in the legislatures. My hopes are to create analysis on why certain bills were or were not successful and then to cater our future lobbying and organizing in a more successful way.
- Compiling information for a LL/EVC transition binder/google drive.
- Working with Tony & the Vote Coordinator to finalize GOTV plans for the fall.

June Review and Areas of Improvement

- The year is coming to a close and it has been a great growing experience for Lobby Corp at UCSC. As our first year, there was a steep learning curve and still much more room for improvement. I would like to see Lobby Corp grow to be more representative of the students on our campus and to be more inclusive of the thoughts, ideas, and experiences that our students are reflective of. I hope to visit various student groups to make announcements and circulate a sign up sheet for those interested in joining lobby corp or volunteering to register students to vote.
- We had our last meeting with lobby corp and gauged feedback from the members. Some suggestions were outreaching to different student groups or attending meetings of other orgs so that lobby corp would be more representative to the student body as a whole. We talked about having more break outs and creating specialized teams for local, state, and national affairs or even by different campaigns. The feedback was good and will be added to the transition materials.

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