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Dear Student Union Assembly,

Under my duties as Organizing director of the Student Union Assembly and Article III Section A of the SUA Constitution, I present my April 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 January between pay periods of June 1st– June 30th, 2014

IGNITE	June 2014	Finalized for Transition
CRES Symposium	June 2014	Done
Divesment Follow Up	June 2014	In Progress
Finalize position	June 2014	On Going

Completed projects, campaigns, events, or activities :

- This month I have met with my historian to talk about the ways in which we can become resources for the incoming Organizing Director office and came up with many plans. Among them :
  - An alumni network creation, possibly where past SUA reps were able to help the communication between the board an institutionalize memory strong.
  - IGNITE as a coalition builder
  - Possible Goals to take on
  - Events that might help enhance outreach
- Met with Dean Yager to talk about the students advisory board for the possible Arts and Sciences research building. The process has been slow and folks cannot commit to something at the end of the year. I believe the incoming COD had a few names, which is good an hopefully has outreached to the Dean. We had a conversation about the Art department and the lack of classes provided to them. In my personal opinion, we are having many professors retiring from the art department and I have had conversations with students about possible worries.
- During my time in the Critical Race and Ethnic Studies class , I was asked to speak at the Critical Race and Ethnic Studies Symposium titled: Developing CRES in a Neoliberal Age and was able to connect with a lot of folks around the community that are doing prison issues work, something that might be a resource for incoming officers to take on considering IGNITE is a two year campaign.

June monthly review and areas of improvements: (Alongside my end-of-year Statement)

End of Year Reflection

This year has been one of the best year's I have had at this University. The resources offered to me to offer to students where available, and I was able to build networks with folks from different organizations. However, it seemed interesting to me that most however were not representatives of the SUA board. These folks were students who were interested in the assembly and yet none held seats in the governing board while some of the reps, I had never seen contribute or even attend any event. When I look and think back at why we are called an Assembly and a Union, is because we are to be multiplicities of voices, of ideology, something that at times, I felt was not there, and there was a tangible bias in the space, where I felt votes where already made up before the space started, before any of us had any communication with the other. I hope that the incoming officers are able to have time to spent together not as co-workers but as friends, as people working together to make change for the Student body and make sure that the resources promised to students when they attend the University are met, and that we continue to fight for access into public universities. We are a student body special for its inception mission statement, for we recognized in the beginning every student had a stake to take on, and the space was needed to be available to be able to have an inclusive discussion.

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

Respectfully,

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