



Student Union Assembly

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To the *Student Union Assembly*,

Under my duties as Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion of the Student Union Assembly and Article III Section D.4 of the SUA Constitution, I present my January 2016 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.

January 8-17, 2016 I had to travel abroad to Mexico because my grandmother was very sick. I did not have access to the internet and was unable to keep in much communication with the other officers. This also had a great impact on my emotional and mental capacity but I was able to get help from CAPS.

Womxn of Color Conference Planning Committee

As I have explained in other officer reports, I want to make WOCC a collective effort that is the reason why I have opened the planning committee space open to all students. Throughout the month I had 2 committed volunteers that helped me flush out the theme and possible speakers for this year's event. We want this year's theme to be focused on sustainability, more specifically on how sustainability movements affect Womxn of Color. We also want to take a look at this in a wholeistic approach because the committee and I think that it is important that we are able to provide Womxn of Color with a space to sustain their bodies, minds and souls.

The planning committee is in the very start of the planning, we made a list of organizations and people that we want to outreach to. Some include: the Ethnic Resource Centers, the Big 5, QSU and the Women's Resource Center. We have also begun making a list of possible speakers, LaDonna Redmond, Tiffany D Loftin, Kimi Mojica, Adlemy Garcia, and Eve Brown.

Diversity Commission

The committee that VPDI is supposed to be working on is the Diversity Commission. I wanted to restructure it and create a space for students of color and LGBTQIA+ students to actually come and get to know one another. Our first Diversity Commission meeting was a failure. I think that my office needs to do a better job at outreaching to the different communities in order to be able to get them to come out and show support. I am also looking to assess the need for the diversity commission to be a formal space, I would like to focus on how to get more students to engage more with events like these.

Resource Center Advisory Board

I attended a RCAB meeting, and I am looking to help make this board more efficient because right now it is not efficient at all. It is currently used as a space for the Resource Centers to come do quick updates on the things that they are working on. The Director of the Resource Center is also not very open to new ways of developing more advisement or engagement from students toward the resource center.

In conclusion, I provide this summary as my detailed report for the month of January 2016. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

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