



Student Union Assembly

Monthly Report

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Under My duties as Vice President of Internal Affairs of the Student Union Assembly and Article III Section A Subsection 2(j) of the SUA Constitution, I present my November 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 the month's report.

Completed and ongoing projects, campaigns, events, tasks, or activities for the month:

- **Meeting with Sarah Latham** **(11/1)**
The officers met with VC Sarah Latham to discuss our projects and areas where she is focusing on. It was very helpful to hear from an admin some of the largest concerns they have for the campus, and the different perspectives that are brought up on the administration side. She was very receptive to our input and has provided us with some money for a potential project of our choosing, which is very kind.
- **Hiring Interviews** **(all month)**
The officers continued to hire their interns this month and I helped participate in interview panels with them for many positions.
- **Internal Office Meeting** **(weekly)**
My office hit the ground running and has created a list of goals we would like to complete the next quarter, including a mental health fair and spirit week. There are a lot of ideas for outreach and event planning they have which I am looking forward to. We administered a campus wide survey about potential spirit week ideas.
- **Check in with SCOC leadership** **(11/2)**
I met with the SCOC Executive board to touch base on all of their progresses including C4, winter retreat, and administration contact updates. We set a tentative date for next quarters C4 and finalized details for the retreat (venue, date).
- **Meeting with Michelle Whittingham** **(11/4)**
Michelle, Associate Vice Chancellor of Enrollment Management, and I met to discuss the way mixed ethnicity students are reported on university statistics. It seems that some

reports will consider the “two or more” demographic and some do not, and it depends on whether it is a system-wide report or just the university / campus. I suggested ways for mixed students to have more control in the ethnicity they are reported as and she sent an email to some people at UCOP who work on enrollment management. We are hoping to follow up soon, probably in January or February.

- **C4 dinner** (11/13)
C4 was really successful, most students on academic senate and student committees were present to present their reportbacks. Jonas and I picked up all the food and the steering board helped set up (thank you all!).
- **Creating, administering, following up on committee feedback forms (11/9-11/30)**
My intern Davon created a feedback form for students who serve on academic senate and administrative committees, and we sent it to students who sit on them and mandated them to be filled out. We received generally positive feedback, but there were some instances where students did not feel safe, respected, or comfortable in committee spaces. I followed up with administration in these instances. There are still a few students who have yet to fill it out and we are routinely following up.
- **Presentation at Mixed Ethnicity Student Headquarters** (11/15)
I spoke with students in MESH about my meeting with Michelle and they gave me a lot of feedback. One of the members, Kinen, will be joining me in further meetings.
- **Mental Health Survey Progress** (11/18)
Tias and I met to continue talking about the mental health survey results we saw. We agree that the current data is useful but there are still questions we have and a survey we would like to administer. We have plans to follow up with DoS, CAPS, and IR early next quarter. See Jan/ Feb report.
- **Student of Color Conference** (11/18–11/20)
5 officers attended this conference at UC Irvine with the UCSC delegation. It was an incredible learning experience and very stressful. While the conference was not what we wanted and the issues we ran into were unanticipated, I think it truly tested our leadership skills and ability to support students.
- **Check in with Homayun** (11/29)
Homayun and I checked in to discuss SOCC events and I gave him some notes/ feedback for the future officer core, such as things to consider in the future and be prepared for.
- **Meet the Administration Event** (11/29)
The officers met with administration including the Chancellor, EVC Galloway and Herbie

Lee. It was nice to be able to discuss with them our plans and receive their feedback and questions.

- **Assuming SUA Interim President Position** **(11/29)**

With the resignation of SUA President Ray, both EVC Judith and I have turned down the role of presidency. Until we elect a new president, I am serving as interim.

Areas for Improvement

- SOCC was truly a disappointment and I am hopeful that in the future the delegation will be more prepared to handle issues that are not directly related to our organization, but the conference content itself.
- I wish the officer core had been able to function better with all six of us, and I am hopeful that once we have a full core again we will be more collaborative than we have been before. I would love to work on a project all together.

In summary, I provide this monthly report for November 2016. For comments and or questions, free to contact me via email suavpi@ucsc.edu, or visit my office hours.