



Student Union Assembly

Monthly Report

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Hey Y'all!

Under My duties as Vice President of Student Life of the Student Union Assembly and Article III Slug to Slug Meeting Section A Subsection 6(1) of the SUA Constitution, I present my August 2017 monthly report and evaluation to the Assembly. I will outline all 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 TASKS

UC Student Association (UCSA) Student Organizing Summit

- From August 3rd-August 6th I attended the UCSA Student Organizing Summit and served as the delegation leader, second to the Vice President of External Affairs
- I attended breakout sessions that were centered around food insecurity and CalFresh
- At the conference, UC Santa Cruz's delegation got to vote for the next UCSA campaign that will be organized for the next 2 years and the campaign "We Are 3D" was chosen
- To learn more about the We Are 3D campaign, and other UCSA sponsored campaigns, click on the link for more information: <https://ucsa.org/activities/undergrad-campaigns/>

Safe Surplus Food Donation Training

- The California Conference of Directors of Environmental Health held a training food donation training at the Santa Clara County Department of Environmental Health
- I attended the 3 hour training with Nancy Yang (Food Access and Student Engagement Coordinator of the Center for Agroecology & Sustainable Food Systems), Rosalinda Gallegos (Dean of Students Coordinator), and Mario Gonzalez (Dean of Students Project Assistant)
- The training was a refresher on food safety/handling, label dates, and food recovery legislation

Outreach Materials

- I finished researching outreach materials for OPERS Fest, stayed under the \$2k, and had the proofs approved from all officers before placing the order
- The SUA will have cups, tote bags, pens, and fidget spinners to distribute during any outreach events we have for the year

Gary Dunn (Director of CAPS) + Student Life Check-In

- I was unable to attend this meeting due to an unforeseen work conflict so the Vice President of External Affairs proxied the meeting for me

-It was a general check-in meeting on how the recruitment process for new psychologists have been, the opportunity for a student to sit on the search committees of potential hires, and how SUA can continue to support Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS)

Website Content Management System (WCMS) Open Lab

-WCMS is a system that the officers use to manage the SUA website. While I underwent the training last year, there was a system change so I dropped into the open lab to gain a refresher of how to work the website

Quarry Grand Opening

-Secured \$3,660 for staffing of the Chicano Batman Quarry Grand Opening Concert
-Prepare outreach for concert staffing during OPERS Fest

Multicultural Hiring Committee

-I served as the student representative in CAPS' search committee to fill the Multicultural focused Psychologist position
-This was a 2 day commitment and I was able to attend 3 out of 4 interviews (I had a conflict with SUA Officer Training) and we were successfully able to find a candidate to fill the position
-CAPS still has a few vacancies they need to fill so hopefully future search committees can continue this success

SUA Officer Retreat

-The officer retreat took place between August 28th-August 30th
-I gained no valuable information that would help improve the quality of work I produce within this position

Campus Food Pantries Meeting

-These meetings are held approximately once a month to generate a greater cohesion among food insecurity fighting stakeholders within the University
-Frequent attendees include myself (representing the SUA Pantry & Lounge program), Lucy Rojas, Rosalinda Gallegos, and Mario Gonzalez (representing the Slug Support program), Angela Perry (representing the Family Student Housing Pantry), and Tim Galarneau and Nancy Yang (representing the Center for Agroecology & Sustainable Food Systems)
-Travis Becker, Director of the Cantú Queer Center, attended this meeting to gain insights and support in starting a pantry program at the Cantú. The hopes for this program is to directly outreach and support queer students struggling with food insecurity
-Kristen Lee, Sustainability Programs Manager of the Sustainability Office, attended the meeting to ask for partners in a food recovery network with UCSC Dining and Catering services. The SUA Pantry & Lounge Program is the facility that is the best suited for the pilot of the recovery network and I agreed to work with Kristen Lee to bring this idea into fruition over the next month

Weekly Officer Meetings

-Use the link below to access minutes from Officer Meetings

<https://docs.google.com/a/ucsc.edu/document/d/1yvIhij4-yq2R9R79C2fTmjwbGIbzUjbQC4FcxbJWrYE/edit?usp=sharing>

ONGOING PROJECs

Student Life Office Structural Rearrangement

-Finalizing goals of the Student Life Office for the year and writing new intern positions that work towards that goal

Prepping for Pantry Re-Opening

-Create new leadership system for the SUA Pantry & Lounge and create timeline for re-opening

-Begin to create outreach materials for volunteers and pantry staffing

-Start training presentation and pantry handbook materials

AREAS OF IMPROVEMENTS

Successful month, no complaints. I am excited to start hiring interns and re-open the pantry

This concludes my August 2017 officer report. If you have any questions or comments, please email me at suavpsl@ucsc.edu

Cheers,

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