



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 February 2018 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

Pantry Operations

Opening Day – The pantry opened on 5th for normal operation in the Winter. Over 250+ students visited the pantry on this day and the crowd almost completely cleared out the amount of food we have left until the next delivery

Change in Hours – The pantry is now open from 1-4pm on Mondays and 10-4pm Tuesday-Sunday. We usually get our deliveries in the mornings on Monday and it takes my staff about 2.5 hours to sort through the amount of food we get delivered

Freezer Delivered – I ordered a freezer, so the pantry can start holding more meat and other proteins in our space

Delivery Pickups from FSH – pickup deliveries from Family Student Housing pantry has started again. We take any leftover food they have from their pantry every other Wednesday

CalFresh Outreach – A CalFresh Ambassador comes in everyday, except on the weekends, to help students learn more and apply for CalFresh

Food Recovery Expansion – The SUA Pantry now receives recovered food from the Owl's Nest. On top of sushi that is recovered, we also receive sandwiches, breakfast burritos, wraps, salads, plus more with variation

Donation From Safeway – Safeway donated another 1000 pounds of food to the pantry for a total of over 3000 pounds donated to our space this quarter alone

Watsonville Pick Ups – The pantry has increased use by almost 100% from when we first opened in Spring 2017. We currently order over 2000 pounds worth of food a week and it still doesn't last until the weekend. To supplement this, I travel to 2nd Harvest Food Bank in Watsonville every other week, on top of the normal delivery, to ensure the space is well stocked

Dig In Conference Prep

-I have been attending the weekly meetings for the general committee meeting and the separate weekly meetings for my workshop

-The conference is teaming of with community members in Watsonville and their families to put on the conference. To help accommodate some of these families, a translator committee was formed to find student translators to volunteer for the event. I decided to donate \$500 from my office to help compensate the students who choose to translate since translating is difficult labor and no one should do labor for free

Fundraising Committee Launch

- After conducting outreach and interviews a team of 8 have been trained on cash box handling procedure and revenue tracking
- Two fundraisers kicked off the launch and in total about \$75 was made from selling Costco muffins and Naked Juices
- Planning to sell snacks on the weekend before finals at the S&E library has begun

Coco Movie Night

- CoCo the movie was screened for free in Classroom Unit 2 on a Friday night
- About 150+ people showed up for the movie

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>

AREAS OF IMPROVEMENTS

I'm excited the fundraising committee is finally taking off. Right now everything is pretty busy within my office between Frida managing the Pantry, Bella helping the fundraising committee, and myself involved with the Dig In Conference planning. I am hoping after March we will have more time to work with each other as a collective office but for now, we have to focus on our individual projects.

This concludes my February 2018 officer report. If you have any questions or comments, please email me at suavpsl@ucsc.edu

Cheers,
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