



Student Union Assembly

Monthly Report

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Hey Banana Slugs,

Under Article III Section A of the SUA Constitution, I am required to present a monthly evaluation to the assembly. This monthly evaluation of August 2018 will report the initiatives I am taking on as SUA Vice President of Student Life and constructive criticism in areas of improvement within the SUA. In the following are the projects, meetings, tasks, constructive criticisms and improvements of this month.

COMPLETED TASKS

August 1st-5th: UCSA Student Organizing Summit Conference

-Was a delegation leader under the Vice President of External Affairs that lead 15 other delegates in a conference to learn more about organizing and how to strategize

August 6th: Meeting with Peter Reed (Stevenson CPC) to discuss Stevenson and SUA Collaboration

-Peter Reed discussed Stevenson/Stevenson Senate's participation and support with Fall Concert
-Discussed how Stevenson Garden can help with SUA Pantry's garden plans this year

August 6th: Meeting with Concert Assistant for Fall Concert

-Discussed how he will help with meetings and scheduling in the future
-Started organizing calendar to schedule college meetings

August 6th: Finalized Intern Information

-July 31st: Gave Maura, SUA Advisor, all information to update ER System
-Made posters/flyers to post on social media for students to know more about internships
-Prepared interview questions and dates
-Prepared all hiring and firing paperwork
-Prepared all emails to be sent for interview requests
-Prepared all offer letters and offer emails

August 6th: Finalized Employee Training Information

-Prepared training packet and material
-Scheduled competency workshops for confidentiality and CalFresh
-Made all deadlines and dates of training
-Partnered with Zipcar to receive free memberships and \$15 in driving credit for all eligible employees

August 7th: Meeting with Veronica Vasquez (Merrill CPC) to discuss Merrill and SUA Collaboration

- Veronica Vasquez discussed Merrill/Merrill Senate's participation and support with Fall Concert
- Discussed how Merrill Senate can help with SUA events in the future and how we can fulfill Merrill's ethos of exploring cultural identities and raising global consciousness

August 7th: Meeting with Jose Reyes-Olivas for Fall Concert

- Discussed more about pricing, budget, and artist
- Defined more about how we will get other funding and the artist we are looking for

August 7th: Selected Raffle Up Friday Winner

- Megan Murphy was selected as Winner for 7/15 Raffle Up Friday

August 8th: Harvest Dinner Meeting with Dean of Students

- Discussed logistics for a Thanksgiving/Harvest Dinner weekend filled with activities and food for international students and students that have to stay over the Thanksgiving Break

August 8th: Concert Check-in Meeting

- Met with my Concert Assistant and my commission to discuss any new information for the concert

August 8th: City on the Hill Press Interview

- Updated CHP on certain initiatives I had planned for the year

August 8th: NAACP Meeting

- Met with NAACP of Santa Cruz with Ayo Banjo, SUA President, and Shania, BSU Co-President, to discuss how the students can have their own NAACP on campus

August 9th: CARE Meeting

- Met with CARE team and learned more about CARE's initiatives for the year

August 9th: Budget Check-in Meeting

- Met with Concert Assistant to discuss the budget and how we can find other funding sources

August 9th: Therapy Dog Event Meeting

- Discussed having therapy dogs at wellness weeks
- Discussed how the volunteer center and SUA can collaborate for the year

August 9th: Meeting with Jose Reyes-Olivas for Fall Concert

- Shared \$\$ amounts for lighting, sound system, and production cost
- Updated me on more artists and their availability

August 10th: Fair Hiring Training

- Sayo Fujioka trained the Officers for better hiring practices and what we can do and cannot do

August 10th: Made Self-Care Shelf and Ordered Office Supplies

- Restocked the office
- Made a self-care shelf that any student can come in and use, includes food, face masks, skin care products, (potentially) aroma therapy, massagers

August 10th: 3rd Raffle Up Friday

- Raffled out \$50 to one student that Liked FB Page for Student Life and Liked FB Page for SUA Food Pantry and Lounge

August 12th: SUA Retreat

- Had two workshops from CARE and the Diversity and Inclusion Office
- Had bonding time with the other officers

August 16th: Looked into other ways to pay for Concert

- Scheduled CPC group meeting
- Reached out to CAO's

August 17th: Aroma Therapy Meeting

- Met with Julia Hernandez from Doterra Aroma Therapy
- Discussed how we can make essential oils cheap/free for students
- Discussed how we can bring other sources/therapy to campus
- Discussed how we can get other counseling on campus

August 19th: Meeting with Fresh Prints

- Discussed how they can help with merchandise for SUA and for the concert

August 20th: CPC Meeting

- Discussed how college senates can help with concerts
- Met with all CPCs from colleges and got collective feedback on how they can support

August 22nd: Locked Down Artist

- Found artist that can work for October 20th, but we need more funding
- Cannot get artist unless we have more money to offer
- Must have funding before mid-September or artist will bail

August 24th: CalFresh Meeting with Dean of Students

- Discussed having CalFresh Workshops inside the pantry

August 27th: Meeting with Global Food Initiative, Tim Galarneau

- Discussed having cooking classes in pantry
- Discussed how Cowell Coffee Shop and the SUA Pantry can collaborate

IN PROGRESS

Raffle Up Fridays

-More Raffle Up Fridays will be announced throughout summer

2018 Fall Concert

-Working with Jose to finalize artists and logistics for the day of

SUA Pantry Opening and Scheduling

-Working with OPERS for opening day

-Working on employee hiring and scheduling

SUA Open House

-Planning Open House for SUA

CRITICISMS AND IMPROVEMENTS

1. FOR SELF

Efficiency

-Need to learn to work faster and figure out better ways to do tasks faster

Trust

-Need to learn to trust other officers with work and staying on top of delegated tasks

Conscientiousness

-Need to understand how other people may react to certain decisions I make

-Understand that not everyone responds the same as I do to certain issues

2. Officer Core

Communication

-Struggled with understanding each other

-Did not explain clearly enough to each other about what we are doing or envision

Teamwork

-Not enough delegating of work

-Making each other overwhelmed with work

-Not putting in the individual effort to help each other

Time

-Can be more efficient in coming to resolutions and making decisions

-Being on time to meetings and staying on time during meetings

-Being more efficient when getting work done, such as hiring

Boundary-Making

-Being conscientiousness of others boundaries

-Knowing the difference between a work place and when we are together as friends

POSITIVE FEEDBACK

- Worked well on individual offices
- Were very effective in finishing work and getting work done

This concludes my report. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at suavpsl@ucsc.edu, and I'd be happy to have a discussion with you. My office hours are by appointment for the summer. I will be updating my office hours for the fall quarter very soon. Thank you.

Best,

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