

Student Union Assembly Monthly Report

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Dear Assembly,

Under Article III Section A of the SUA Constitution, I am required to present a monthly evaluation to the assembly. In this monthly evaluation of January, 2019 will report the initiatives I am taking on as SUA Vice President of Internal Affairs 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. Every item is considered **In Progress**, unless stated otherwise.

SCOC

Coming in this quarter, there were a lot of issues that needed to be solved due to the fact that the IVP role had been empty for almost all of Fall quarter. Steering committee spots still needed to be filled, almost no committee members had been hired, and the steering committee hasn't been getting paid consistently.

I am trying to compile a list of all the committee positions we're hoping to fill along with information on their time commitments and when/where the meetings are so I can better advertise these spots, but despite the time I've put into it I still feel like the list is incredibly incomplete. I'm also doing my best to ensure that SCOC gets caught up on reviewing applications. Once I have learned to edit the SUA website, there will be an updated list of availabilities, and I want to work on advertising our committee openings more. I also need to plan the budget, and get it approved.

Hiring Interns

It took me awhile to figure out what I wanted and needed from my interns, since I wasn't completely sure of my own job. I finally decided on job descriptions and am hoping to have them up on ER by the end of the month.

Legal Aid

SCOC has been my main focus this month, but once I get things sorted out, I want to focus on securing free legal aid. I'd like to take a free legal clinic approach, and have the clinic be a class under the legal studies department.

Criticisms and Improvements

- Admin did not communicate with us very well this month. My term was immediately started with a fast deadline to get grant proposals in because of late communications with administration
- I've been careful about balancing SUA with school but I would really like to start putting in more time. Hiring Interns will help with this
- The SCOC officer core seems to have some friction, and has not picked up the weight of the IVP's absence. I'd like to work on refining this team

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This concludes my report. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at suavpi@ucsc.edu and I'd be happy to have a discussion with you. My office hours for winter quarter are 2:30 to 3:30 Mondays and Fridays, and 11:30 to 12:30 Wednesdays.

Best, Citlalli Aquino Vice President of Internal Affairs