



Student Union Assembly (SUA)  
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Dear Student Union Assembly,

Under my duties as Organizing director of the Student Union Assembly and Article III Section A of the SUA Constitution, I present my May 2014 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 this month's report.

**Goals and projected timeline for the month of January between pay periods of April 29- May 26,2014**

<b>IGNITE</b>	<b>May 2014</b>	<b>In Progress</b>
<b>Educational Segments on Campus:  GENTE Conference CRES Symposium</b>	<b>May 2014</b>	<b>Will be finalized by June 6</b>
<b>Transitioning for Organizing Director -Elect</b>	<b>June 2014</b>	<b>In Progress</b>
<b>Assembly Reports</b>	<b>On Going</b>	<b>On Going</b>

**Total number of hours worked: 110 hours (minimum required 80 hours)**

**Completed projects, campaigns, events, or activities :**

- The Critical Race and Ethnic Studies Symposium will be happening soon and I have been trying to figure out how the IGNITE campaign can be talked about, even if it was something that occurred in a very mild state. What I am doing this month and will be continuing next month will be trying to figure out ways in which I can further talk to student organizations and create aspects of the school to prison pipeline that will be incorporated unto the campaign itself.
- My office had their Art Gallery event in collaboration with the Art Initiative, a non-profit organization started by students on campus and we brought a speaker to share her experiences being inside the county jail. We had a great turnout and left with possible networks for the organization to develop an outside program.

- At GENTE (Getting Educated Now to Empower) we had the “Deconstructing the School to Prison Pipeline, where we talked about the struggle of a 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> student in a public university that has ties with the prison system.
- Met with Dean Yager to discuss the Arts Division and took back a task to look for folks to his new Arts and Science center that will possibly be constructed by 2017. I am in search of 5 students that will continue this process.
- Worked with Sin Barras to have a rally at the courthouse for the battle against prison expansion in our county, something that is a hot topic currently, considering that we are also in the process of electing a new sheriff.
- Have been trying to figure out ways in which we can transition Brad into the office and see what form of aid we might possibly need for him if he ever wants any contact information or any help in general.
- Have been trying to figure out ways in which I can continue the conversation with the folks arrested at the strike and had a conversation with the Dean of Students Alma Sifuentes to discuss some options.
- Starting to prepare for the End of the Year and cleaning the office to be able to leave it to the incoming officers, have been thinking about possibly having a spring cleaning session with all of the staff.

## **Total Number of Hours: 84 hours**

May monthly review and areas of improvements:

- I believe that for this month one of the only recommendations that I would have would be to work on being able to bring up everything that is going on. I know we have had some issues with the Grad Student Association recently and one of the ways in which we can mitigate that is by discussing items of contention or things that the chair might consider not being adequate for the student body that way we can have a formal opinion. I think possibly also a minimum procedure for these kinds of things would also mitigate possible tension and maybe also start strategizing about conflict resolution.

In conclusion, I provide this summary as my detailed report for the month of May 2014. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

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