January 11, 2015 Student Union Assembly,

Under my duties as Commissioner of Diversity of the Student Union Assembly and Article III Section D.4 of the SUA Constitution, I present my December 2015 monthly report and evaluation to the Assembly. I will outline all of my event, logistical planning, activities and constructive criticism with areas of improvement in hopes of providing a detailed account in this month’s report.

Community And Resource Empowerment Council

This month I attended the C.A.R.E. Council meeting to allocate Measure 15 funds to the resource centers for the 2015 Winter Quarter. The C.A.R.E. Council is composed of a representative of each of the 6 large resource centers, a representative from the Student Committees on Committees, a non-voting chair of E^2 and myself. We had eight funding requests and $25,000 to allocate. The allocation process was expeditious and we were left with a surplus of $1925. We allocated $1900 for the Amah Mutsen Speaker Series, $6500 for Pachanga: Unpacking our Roots, $3000 to Somos Mujeres, $3000, to Sister Solidarity Month, $2375 to TransVisible, $2500 to Dis/Oriented Comedy, $2800 to the Black Cultural Conference and $1500 to Ebony Palace.

Strategic Planning with Chief of Staff

This month my Chief of Staff and I worked to plan out the next quarter and set goals for the following two quarters. Our first goal is to finish the hiring of our staff, which I am confident of completing by the end of the third week of the next quarter. I also plan on getting my staff working on a producing the Queer Visibility campaign and on creating a resources guide by the end of the first month. I also hope to visit the major identity organizations this first quarter. We also plan to join forces with Sheree Marlow and the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion on the First Year Experience Program, and on their Principles of Community campaign. We hope to increase communication amongst the many different identity organizations by the end of this quarter. The following quarter’s main goal is to be completely organized for Holi Festival.

August Review and Areas of Improvement

- I hope to have a more active office this quarter with my office becoming fully staffed.

- The Assembly must continually be empowered to become proactive in tackling issues on behalf of SUA, while most are very active in their individual spaces we must stress the duality that a student representative’s responsibilities encompass. Leaving all SUA business to the officers not only make the SUA a slow moving body, but also a less effective and capable one. I again urge the
space to become more active in SUA business and work on issues alone or in conjunction with one of the Officers offices.

In conclusion, I provide this summary as my report of the month of December 2014. If you have any questions please contact me at suacod@ucsc.edu.

Respectfully,

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