February 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 February 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 Spring 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 ten funding requests and $16,935 to allocate. We allocated $1270 to the 4th Annual Sophia Garcia Robles Memorial Drum Fest, which takes place on April 18th from 12pm-5pm. $200 for the AIRC Year End Celebration taking place on June 11th 3-6pm. The AA/PI Heritage Month, taking place throughout May was allocated $2775. The AA/PI Year End Ceremony was allocated $1800. The 17th Annual Rainbow Grad Ceremony was allocated $2400 and takes place June 11th 4-7pm at the Cowell Provost House. The 12th Annual Cesar Chavez Convocation was allocated $2500 and takes place May 13th at the 9/10 Multipurpose room 7-10pm. We allocated $1500 to Take Back the Night taking place April 20th-23rd, and $1000 to the 3rd Annual Community Day taking place May 16th 11am-4pm. Finally the African American Recognition Ceremony taking place Friday June 12th 6-9pm was allocated $3000.

Meeting with Jaye Padgett

I met with Jaye Padgett this month to discuss his work under the Executive Vice Chancellors office. He and I will be working together to further educational policy to create a cultural and identity competency program. I will also be attending the Student Success Steering Committee meetings that work on creating new programs and policy to strength student success on campus. I think that working with him will be very effective.

Meeting with Chief of Police Nader

The officers were invited to a meeting with the Chief of Police this month and got an update on what his priorities are for the rest of the year and on current events. The chief seems to be working hard to outreach to the student body and to actively engage with UCSC community.
Meetings with Alma Sifuentes and with Sarah Latham

I met with the Dean of Students this month to update each other on what we wish to work on for the rest of the year. We discussed Holi, working on the first year cultural and identity competency program, and on getting QSU funding and on what her office is doing right now to serve students. The officers met with Sarah Latham to get to know each other and to talk about student issues that she can address.

February Review and Areas of Improvement

- I hope to have a more active rather than a reactive office next quarter. I think a lot of improvement can be made by all the offices by being more interactive with each other and better informed.

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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