



Student Union Assembly (SUA), Porter College Representative

411 Porter-Kresge Rd, Santa Cruz, CA 95064

December 1st, 2013

Dear Chair Umer,

Under my duties as Porter College Representative to the Student Union Assembly and Article III Section A Subsection 11 Subsubsections d & f of the SUA Constitution, I present my 2013 Fall Quarter report and evaluation to the Assembly. I outline happenings of the college I represent and provide constructive criticism, for the purposes of improvement in hopes of providing an informative account in this report. As stipulated, this quarterly report will suffice in lieu of individual monthly reports this fall quarter.

Quarterly update on events of the college/representative:

Description	Date(s)	Status
Porter Senate Meetings -- Thursdays 7:30pm-9:30pm	9/26-12/5	In Progress
“It Came from the 30's:” Weekly Genre Film Screenings	10/1-12/3	In Progress
Crafter’s Corner -- Outdoor crafts, select Saturdays	10/5-12/7	In Progress
Weekly SUA Representative office hours	10/24-12/5	In Progress
Día de los Muertos Art Exhibit	10/24-11/1	In Progress
Qi Gong – Biweekly outdoor gatherings in Porter Quad	10/29-12/12	In Progress
Porter College Night: "All Hallow's Eve"	10/30	Completed
Porter College Halloween Event: Spectoral Cinema	10/30-10/31	Completed
“Salt of the Earth: Exploring the Cultural Diasporas of Surfing” -- Artist Talk and Surfboard Shaping Demo	11/1	Completed
Transfer Student Fall Gathering at Porter Dining Hall	11/7	Completed
Blood Drive in collaboration with Stanford Blood Center	11/18	Completed
Provided funds to the following events and organizations: On The Spot, Mega Chanukah, CSA New Year's Banquet, Homeless Garden Benefit, Queer People of Color Mixer, Rocky Horror Picture Show live performance, Holiday Box for Troops, Fish Rap Live and Chinguapin Literary Magazine	As of 1/21	Completed
Great American Smokeout: Outreach and Awareness	11/21	Completed
College "Thanksgiving/Harvest" Dinner	11/26	Completed

Fall Quarter review areas of improvements:

- While the University Center’s Alumni Room provides a central location, the Assembly might need a bigger venue to hold future meetings, in order to accommodate the increasing number of members and guests.



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- While there is a high return rate of SUA participants, new members may feel isolated from the larger body. A collective gathering outside of SUA meeting times may be beneficial and needed to better build a cohesive Assembly.
- Outside of chairing the Assembly meetings, the Chair should not remain impartial on decisions affecting the student body. The Chair was elected to be the leader of the student body, however, impartiality can be detrimental towards effective leadership.
- I commend the SUA Chair for fully enforcing parliamentary procedures according to Article IX, Section C, Subsection 16 of the SUA Bylaws.
- A number of Porter Senate members have questioned SUA Officer salary amounts, which seem higher than comparable UCs Officer's salaries. A request was made for further review into such amounts. Members may need a better awareness of Officer's everyday duties and functions in order to understand the compensation provided.
- A greater amount of cohesive and effective interaction within the Assembly and the campus is needed. The SUA should be better engaged with each other while basing decisions on facts and refraining from misinterpreting opinions as facts.

In conclusion, I provide this summary as my detailed report for Fall Quarter 2013. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me via email at amotta@ucsc.edu.

Respectfully,

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Cc: Porter College
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