



Student Union Assembly (SUA)

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The Student Union Assembly had a number of eventful occurrences during the months of December of 2014, and January 2015. The first significant occurrence was the passing of a unanimous no confidence vote in the UC regents which was largely decided upon due to increases in tuition. The passage of this resolution was largely symbolic and had represented our discontent and action in the face of new tuition increases.

Chancellor Blumenthal's visit was the next main occurrence. He had visited to speak on the behalf of UCSC's administration. However, during this meeting, a crowd of protestors had trudged their way into the meeting with signs that denounced many of UCSC's administrative decisions. Although this meeting had an unusual demeanor to the standard procedures of SUA functionality, it had provided insight to many representatives and invoked ideas of making SUA more accessible to the public.

This stroke of inspiration had catalyzed a new discussion of how SUA can be more relevant to student body, and introduced a bundle of resolutions and approaches to accomplishing relevancy to the study body. The SUA relevancy committee was born, and the development of a student survey had also sprung into motion. This survey aims to diagnose the needs and desires of the student body so the SUA can more efficiently and effectively work towards those goals.

The next goal of SUA is to tackle the approaching Elections which will take place this spring. We are discussing a number of referenda and policies we should implement to make the election process fair, effective, and easily manageably by both students and the SUA.

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