February & March Monthly Report(s)

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Under my duties as a College Ten Representative of the Student Union Assembly and Article III, Section A.11 of the SUA Constitution, I present my October/November 2014 monthly report and evaluation to the Assembly. I will report each month that details the issues, events, and programs that happened that month at College Ten, evaluate SUA and provides constructive criticism.

**(Disclaimer: College Ten Senate met only once in March on March 12th)**

**Senate Activity**

- Held weekly office hours at the Terry Freitas Café
- Funding Requests Completed:
  - Match Box, $100
  - Violence Prevention Convention, $100
  - USEA, $100
  - The Chinese Student Assoc., $50.00
  - Violence Prevention Convention, $100
  - USEA, $250
  - The Vagina Organization, $150
  - College For Cancer, $100
- Established three ad hoc committees at the January 11th, Senate Winter Retreat. These include a Constitution & By-Laws Revision Committee, Budget Committee, and a Bro Tanks Committee.
- Established the College Ten Budget Committee led by Treasure Rebecca Brown
- College Ten voted in support of the OPERS & Student Health Fee Referendum

**SUA Activity**

- Held weekly office hours at the Terry Frietas Café
- Attended a Survey meeting along with Andrew Paolini and Organizing Director Brad to edit and review the Campus-Wide Survey. We
  - Attended the Local Affairs Transportation meeting with the local affairs director and EVC where follow up meetings were planned.
  - Participated in a lobby visit with California Senator Bill Monning, with Rep. Inoue & Rep. Sharan, in February focusing on issues such as accessibility to higher education and Senate Constitutional Amendment 1.

**Ongoing Projects**

- I am currently engaging with student’s campus-wide via “College Tour” this Spring Quarter by visiting each college government. Once that is completed I plan on visiting our organizations to actively engage with students having an ongoing conversation on the needs of students life here at UCSC.
- During my weekly office hour I will be seeking new ways to engage with the College Ten community and Campus as a whole. This includes using grassroots organizing tools and skills to communicate academic affairs and educate students on FAFSA, Financial Aid, Civic Engagement, etc.
- I am working on a town hall presentation for the College to not only make the Senate have a larger presence that reflects the Social Justice & Community theme with leaders on campus but to meet weekly with students. This meeting would share updates on College & Campus Events while also engaging with students on their personal thoughts on improving the student experience.
- I am working with both the Santa Cruz County Democratic Council Committee & UCSC College
Democrats to bring Wellstone Action! Via Campus Camp Wellstone to our campus. Additionally, in partnership with those two organizations I am working to bring a Voter Registration Initiative to campus. The way I would like to do this is by establishing a Vote Coalition on UCSC to tackle increased engagement in electoral politics.

- In March, I began to utilize the College Ten Senate Facebook Page to better its use and engage with the college community while providing transparency to our students. www.facebook.com/collegetensenate

Criticism

- (College Ten & SUA) We specifically need to come together to continuously invest in people. We need to work on building power in marginalized communities, build leadership, and be a more cohesive unit.

- I am seeing positive movement to be consistent in terms of funding requests.

- I hope to outreach more, my office hours and further announcements will be posted on my website: vsadsad.wordpress.com