

Most of my activity at the beginning of this quarter was directed towards implementing the planned actions around November 9th and leading up to the Regents meeting the following week. This involved working with the University of California Union Coalition (UCUC) and the California Student Association (UCSA) as well as other non-UC unions including those representing the California State University System and the California Community Colleges. This coalition work set the stage for the actions beginning on November 9th.

The unfortunate response by the UC Berkeley police to demonstrations in Sproul Plaza caused the positive response by UC students on other campuses which gave both a sense of urgency and purpose to demonstrations against tuition increases and staff cutbacks. This was followed increased campus connections between existing campus activist organizations and an emerging Occupy movement. At UCD the Occupy UCD movement took energy from the initial demonstrations on campus and also drew energy from developments in Berkeley and Oakland. This culminated with the infamous Pepper Spray Attack by UCD Police on UCD students and alumni on the Quad. During this period I worked closely with the Executive Board and the staff to identify opportunities for action. These included making connections with various Occupy groups, participating in planning and actions by Occupy groups and determining ways that we could assist these groups. Coalition work has become much more complex and diverse in the aftermath of the Berkeley and Davis incidents.

The existing union coalitions have been joined by and are joining the various occupy movements. The Berkeley incident resulted in a call for an Occupy Education Northern California group that has since joined with other unions, activists and Occupy groups. I have spent a great deal of time working with groups in northern California and insuring that we have a presence. This resulted in my participating in a group presentation to the California Federation of Teachers in January. As a result of this presentation CFT has decided to encourage action by locals and to support action with resources.

During this period I have continued to work with Bob Samuels in a variety of areas including, Regent Reform, the State Audit of the UC Office of the President and general budget awareness on a number of levels. Along with Bob I attended the Joint Senate/Assembly hearing on police violence in the UC and CSU systems. The Executive Board continues to keep UC-AFT at the forefront of union coalition action and is actively partnering with UAW to press UCOP and the Regents in a variety of areas.

I continue to work with the California Labor Federation and a number of other unions, both inside and outside UC on general labor issues and insure that the position of librarians and

lecturers within UC is understood. I am working with CFT as they are developing a number of organizing plans for new units. CFT has recently completed an exhaustive survey of potential organizing units and several are within UC.

Respectfully submitted,

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