

## GSA Ad Hoc Che Committee Proposal

### Rationale:

This proposal is for the future of the CHE Collective, a student cooperative operating out of the CHE facility on the University California San Diego (UCSD) campus. The Graduate Student Association (GSA) of UCSD seeks to ensure that the funds created by student fees, approximately 23% of which are from graduate students, are used in students' best interest. In the 2013-2014 school year, \$43,210 of University Centers' [budget](#), which is principally funded by student fees, was spent on maintaining the CHE Facility, which is primarily used by the CHE Collective. This sum is roughly  $\frac{1}{5}$  of the yearly GSAUCSD budget, which serves the 6000 graduate students at UCSD in the form of social events, travel grants, and distributed funding in the form of department per capita (DPC).



In the Fall of 2014, UCSDGSA formed the CHE Cafe Committee with the purpose of understanding the current situation and making recommendations for further GSAUCSD actions regarding the CHE facility and collective. The committee met [12 times](#) throughout the fall quarter, and listened to the viewpoints of several Che Collective members and administrators.

The committee found that the CHE Collective has had a stronger community focus than student focus, with few students attending events and fewer actively participating in the collective. In the opinion of the committee, before additional money is spent on maintenance or renovation of the facility, the CHE Collective should demonstrate a willingness and ability to engage the student population of UCSD.

This proposal, as tasked by the [Charge of the CHE Cafe Committee of GSAUCSD](#), offers a strategy for the reintegration of the CHE Collective with the UCSD student community with the potential that, upon completion of the requirements put forth in this document, the CHE Collective return to the CHE facility for operations. The proposal requests an interim period that the CHE Collective, with the assistance of students, reintegrate into campus, with success of the reintegration measured by metrics put forward in this document.

### Proposal:

The CHE Cafe Committee proposes that the CHE Collective have the 2015-2016 school year as an interim period of campus reintegration. During this time, they will operate out of the Old Student Center, in a space provided by University Centers, as their principal location for meetings and planning. The CHE Collective may use any University Centers location for programming, including the Loft, Porter's Pub Stage, Price Center Ballroom, etc.

We encourage the UCSDGSA to evaluate the success of this re-integration in Fall of 2016 based on the metrics outlined below. The CHE Collective is encouraged to operate during the remaining 2014-2015 school year and through the 2015 summer, and may work towards the goals set forth in this document during those times. However, the metrics will not start being evaluated until the start of Fall 2015 and up through the end of Spring 2016.

Starting in the Fall 2015, the CHE Collective will:

- Host at least 1 large event, and 3 small events, per quarter, not including summer.
  - Large event is defined as one in which at least 20 registered UC San Diego student participants are in attendance and UCSD students are at least 20% of total attendance.
  - Small event is defined as one in which at least 10 registered UC San Diego student participants are in attendance and students are the majority of total participants.
  - Attendance will be marked by ticket sales or sign-in sheets
  - Ticket sales/sign in sheets will include student names and PID numbers
- Fill out Triton Activity Planner (TAP) forms or alternative as approved by UCAB
- Market the events towards students using email listserves for graduate and undergraduate students
- Comply with University Centers regulations regarding the use of their facilities
- Use a University provided fund manager to oversee the Collective spending
- Maintain its non-profit organization status
- Maintain its student organization status

These metrics are guidelines meant to be evaluated at the end of the **Fall** 2016 by GSAUCSD. Failure to act in accordance with the spirit of these metrics or embracing and exceeding these metrics should be reflected in future decisions made by GSAUCSD pertaining to the CHE Collective.

To assist the reintegration of the CHE Collective with the UCSD student population, the Associated Students of UCSD (ASUCSD) and the GSAUCSD will form the CHE Collective Campus Integration Committee (C4). The C4 shall:

- Contain student members of ASUCSD, GSAUCSD, and the CHE Collective
- Assist and advise the collective on marketing and exposure to UCSD students
- Advise the collective on filling out necessary paperwork for hosting events, including TAP forms or approved alternate
- Obtain and maintain relevant information regarding CHE Collective events, including attendance/ticket sales, marketing, and event planning paperwork (e.g. TAP); this data will also be forwarded quarterly to ASUCSD and GSAUCSD

During the interim reintegration and evaluation periods, the CHE Cafe Committee requires that:

- The CHE Collective refrain from programming or meeting within the CHE facility without approval from University administration

- The University make no alterations to the facility without approval from AS, GSA, and University Centers Advisory Board (UCAB), until after the interim period has concluded
- No alterations are made to the metrics provided in this document

After the interim period, during the evaluation period of Fall 2016, the CHE Cafe Committee proposes:

- The C4 shall review the data from CHE Collective events from the 2015-2016 school year and make recommendations based on the results
  - Should the CHE Collective meet all requirements, the C4 may make recommendations regarding the use of student fees to maintain or renovate the CHE facility as well as move the CHE collective back in to the CHE facility
  - Should the CHE Collective not meet all requirements, the C4 may make recommendations regarding the CHE facility that do not include the return of the CHE Collective to the CHE facility
- ASUCSD and GSAUCSD will review the data on their own, taking into account the recommendations from the C4, and make recommendations to the University regarding the future of the CHE Collective and CHE facility.

**Vote to present to GSAUCSD Council - 6/0/2 (Y/N/A), certified by Don Johnson (Committee Chair) and Jon Monk (GSA Council Chair).**

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