WHEREAS the CHE Collective, a student organization and Co-Op recognized by the Center for Student Involvement (CSI), and CHE Cafe Facility have been an important part of the UC San Diego institution and surrounding San Diego community for the past 35 years;

WHEREAS the Graduate Student Association (GSA), the student government body representing graduate students, determined the CHE Collective was not “acting in the best interest of students” and decertified the CHE Collective on June 2nd, 2014, terminating the CHE Collective from the 2006 Master Space Agreement (MSA)[1];

WHEREAS the ad-hoc committees formed by GSA and the Associated Students (AS) in the 2014 - 2015 academic year inquired into the decisions made by the University Center’s Advisory Board (UCAB) and investigated the events that had occurred since the GSA’s decertification decision[2,3];

WHEREAS the GSA and the AS passed resolutions calling for creating the CHE Cafe Collective Integration Committee (C4), defining metrics that the CHE Collective must meet for the 2015 - 2016 academic year, and asking each council to re-visit the CHE Collective certification status in the Spring of 2016[4,5];

WHEREAS the CHE Collective met several times with the UC San Diego Chancellor, Pradeep Khosla, without any representation present from the GSA, AS, and UCAB, during the summer of 2015 to discuss the future of the CHE Cafe Facility;

WHEREAS the CHE Collective and Chancellor Khosla came to the agreement that UC San Diego would provide the funds to meet the minimum life safety standards, including fire sprinklers, fire alarms, tempered glass windows, and a clearly defined fire exit pathway that meets ADA requirements, among others[6];

WHEREAS the previous resolutions defined by GSA and AS, which requested the CHE Collective to cease programming in the CHE Cafe Facility space and use alternative UCEN
spaces, has out of date requirements as the CHE Collective has been permitted to remain in the CHE Cafe Facility;

WHEREAS in order to proceed with the life safety renovations, the CHE Collective should be included on the new MSA which was inspired by the GSA, AS and UCAB Co-Op Advisory Committee during the Winter and Spring quarters of the 2015 academic year;

WHEREAS the MSA may be finalized and approved for the signatories before the Spring of 2016 when the GSA and AS resolutions requested each council to re-visit the status of the CHE Collective;

BE IT RESOLVED that the timeline to revisit the CHE Collective Status as defined in the 2015 GSA and AS resolutions be amended to enable the councils to re-visit certification in time for the CHE Collective to be included on the new MSA;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the C4 assesses the CHE Collective’s improved communication and transparency efforts and offers recommendations to the GSA and the AS councils as soon as the MSA’s language is approved and ready to be signed by the Co-Ops and involved parties;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the GSA and the AS review the C4 committee report regarding the CHE Collective and decide whether or not the CHE Collective is to be included in the MSA with the other three Co-Ops based on the committee report;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the GSA and the AS call upon the Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Life to ensure the MSA is approved by the GSA, the AS, and the Co-Ops in time before the current MSA expires.

[1] GSA Resolution for Decertification of the Che Cafe Collective
[2] GSA Resolution for Establishment of Ad Hoc Committee Charge to Consider GSAUCSD’s role with the Che Cafe Collective

[3] AS Resolution for ad-hoc committee

[4] GSA Resolution for Building a Stronger Student Centered CHE Collective

[5] AS Resolution for Building a Stronger Student Centered CHE Collective


Voted and Passed in GSA Council Meeting #3: 11/02/15 (Y/N/A - 36/0/4)
Certified: Lindsay M. Freeman, 11/09/15