



Santa Cruz Update September 2011

Staff Advisory Board & Supervisors have Lunch with the Chancellor.

In June the Chancellor hosted lunch for last years SAB members and their supervisors. The lunch is an opportunity for the Chancellor to thank the SAB members for their hard work, and to acknowledge the supervisors who make time of the their staff to participate in their local assembly and committees. The lunch re-enforces the importance of the work we do and the Chancellors support. It also provides an opportunity for the supervisors to interact and to honor each other's commitment to the University and the community. The luncheon was held on the patio at the University house over-looking the campus and the bay on a beautiful early summer noon.

SAB sponsored Advocacy committee Continues to gain ground.

The Advocacy group continued its work promoting the University at the Annual Staff Appreciation Picnic, and Day by the Bay. Tabling at both events the Advocacy group gathered over 250 signatures from Staff and community members on "Reinvest in Higher Education" post cards that were then delivered to corresponding legislators. The Advocacy group is going into pre-production of their promotional video. The video is a secondary product inspired by last years essay contest.

SAB Concludes Annual "Thumbs Up Award" Program.

The annual "Thumbs-up Award" program is complete. The SAB delivered 230 group and 1,200 individual Thumbs-Up awards this year. The Thumbs-Up award is a peer-to-peer recognition program where staff members are invited to nominate and award recognition to their fellow employees hard work and devotion. Winners of Thumbs-Up awards receive a certificate with a message from their nominator. This year the entire program went green taking all application on-line and delivering the certificates by email as a PDF. This years beautiful certificates were deigned by Deb Collins, local Assembly member.

SAB hosts annual Assembly Retreat

The SAB conducted it's annual retreat on Wednesday August 17th. The annual retreat is a full day event where the entire assembly and its new members gather for orientation. The agenda covers introductions, SAB purpose, committee descriptions, lunch and general budget information. The retreat is a great opportunity for new and past members to get to know each other. It also provides a chance for incoming members to see how the whole process fits together and to get a sense of what sub-committees they would like to be a part of over the Assembly career.

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