

November 28, 2007

To: GSA Forum

From: Nurit Katz, President

RE: Officer Report

My report is intended to highlight a few of the main developments within GSA since the last forum meeting. Due to internal affairs issues at the last meeting things have been delayed, I have updated last meeting's report which was never presented.

UCLA is currently undergoing WASC re-accreditation and I am serving as a WASC steering committee member. WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges) is the accrediting body that oversees the accreditation process for all colleges and universities offering baccalaureate degrees and above in California, Hawaii, Guam and the Pacific Basin. The accreditation process is a multi-year process that includes submissions of required documents and site visits. I met with Provost Smith recently and she requested that I submit the draft of the WASC Capacity and Preparatory Review Report to the councils in case anyone has feedback. I have the draft along with Judy's letter included as attachments in tonight's report. Please feel free to forward to graduate students in your departments, particularly those with an interest in education. You will hear more about the process from Dr. Robin Garrell tonight.

Please have people send their comments to me at pres@gsa.asucla.ucla.edu. I will compile them and send them to Provost Smith.

Our new events director kicked off the year with a smashing Halloween Grad Bar and a great Blue and Gold Week celebration, I hope some of you had a chance to attend.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me by email pres@gsa.asucla.ucla.edu or phone (818) 384-9493

Thank You

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GSA President 2007-2008