

April 19, 2019

To all students at SF State and in response to the demands made by the following organizations:

Autonomous Student Committee
Black Student Union
Central Americans for Empowerment at SFSU
General Union of Palestine Students at SFSU
Jews Against Zionism
La Raza Student Organization
League of Filipino Students at SFSU
Students Against Displacement
Student for Quality Education at SF State

Associated Students would like to recognize the individual students, Historical Organizations, and Organizations of Struggle that came together to ensure student voices are heard, embodying a powerful tradition of San Francisco State students banding together in the interest of transparency and enacting change. While AS had no involvement and extremely limited knowledge of the circumstances leading up to the Center for Bioethical Reform being allowed on campus, we are acting in good faith and in accordance with our mission of shared governance to address the demands made of our organization by members of our constituency. As a separate, non-profit 501(c)(3) auxiliary organization, Associated Students is an independent entity from the University administration and the answers written herein are only on behalf of AS.

1. We demand that all information exchange of this incident be released. Signed permits, and all information exchanges between university and student collaborators with the anti-choice party must be sent to the student body one way or another. This is non-negotiable.

Associated Students was not involved in any aspect of bringing Center for Bioethical Reform to campus. All aspects of event planning for this event happened at the campus level. We do not have possession of any documentation or permits between the University and the Center for Bioethical Reform. Nevertheless, Associated Students will be providing information that we received regarding this incident.

2. We demand that a proper deconstruction of Time, Place, and Manner be made. This is to be done with collaboration of willing Historical Organizations and Organizations of Struggle. This also means using AS resources to ensure the proper information to be enacted and democratized to all students, with the intention of reframing Time, Place, and Manner to student needs in its abolition.



In the interest of empowering student voices and acting as representatives of the students, Associated Students is willing to provide a space for these conversations to occur. To this end, the University Affairs Council will be discussing this issue in their upcoming meeting and the AS Board of Directors will be creating a Social Justice and Equity Assembly that will be open to students-at-large to address such concerns. Should amendments to the current Time, Place, and Manner be made to better represent the SFSU community, AS will advocate on behalf of students that such changes be implemented.

3. We demand the divestment of funds from the SFSU Police Department be invested in increased counseling, as well as their removal from the Student Center and Malcolm X Plaza. The addition of these counselors should be prioritized to the needs of black, people of color, queer, trans and women students.

All activities of the SFSU Police Department, as well as Counseling and Psychological Services are under the purview of the area of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management. Associated Students is not involved in any aspect of management of these areas. Associated Students is aware and has been actively engaging the campus about getting more counselors.

Associated Students acknowledges and empathizes with the psychological and emotional toll this controversial display created throughout the campus community, including within AS's own students, guests, and employees. As the official voice of the students, AS has the privilege and duty of empowering students, so that their concerns may be heard and acted upon in our ongoing effort of shared governance. Associated Students shares the concerns and questions regarding the procedures of outside entities coming onto the SF State campus. As Associated Students and your elected representatives we will utilize our resources to demand answers from the University which includes asking the administration for greater transparency in understanding how the decisions were made and who the decision makers were on this issue. In our shared efforts, we hope to work with all students to find these answers.

On behalf of Associated Students and the AS Board of Directors,

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