

CSU discusses constitution; hears Sanchez speak of goals

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The present Chicano Student Union is feeling an old system slipping downhill in regards to its effectiveness— hopefully, from the result of the CSU meeting held last night at the Erb Memorial Student Union, a new administrative structure will soon be developed to take its place.

Frank Loretta, Chicano student leader, complained at the meeting about the effectiveness of the old program. He said that many members are eager to volunteer, but seldom show up for the work.

Loretta went on to explain that "disorganization within the CSU and involvement with other committees concerning Chicanos is breaking the effectiveness of the constitution."

The main objective of the proposed constitution, according to Loretta, is to "bring all the

Chicanos together and set out an organizational base."

Instead of the traditional president, vice-president, secretary, etc., the new administration will hopefully enable more participation in student administration on campus, and help dissect issues that confront the Chicanos.

The high point of the CSU meeting came with the short talk given by guest David Sanchez, Brown Beret leader from Los Angeles.

Sanchez accentuated the importance of three basic ideas in the Chicano movement: Chicanos must relate to each other with understanding.

They must organize themselves into a force and dissolve personal conflicts.

They must move, or "attack"—"through demonstrations to achieve awareness."

According to Sanchez, after a Chicano group has accomplished the three steps, they must "regroup" themselves to aid

their strength. "Then," Sanchez continued, "they can attack again."

Sanchez concluded by remarking about the riots, demonstrations, injustices and deaths occurring since the rise of the movement. "Dammit, stop them—it's killing us," he concluded.

The meeting ended with the film, "Yo Soy Juaquin" (I am Juaquin), dealing with the "smothered" history of the Mexican American.

After the meeting, members discussed what was to be the outcome of the new constitution, since it was presented only as a basic outline.



Charles Evers

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