The ASG’s Next Advocacy Trip: ASACC

From March 14th -17th members of the ASG will be traveling to Washington D.C. to attend conferences and meet with legislators as part of our attempts to get your ideas out there to the legislators. ASACC stands for American Student Association of Community Colleges and is a National organization that consists of Community Colleges from around the nation. Our plan to go on this trip is to talk to legislators about the free community college plan the President announced at the State of the Union Address. Our goal is to engage legislatures about the plan of 2 years of free community college, as well as other issues that pertain to City.

ASG ELECTIONS

Want to get involved? Want to be able to influence your college faculty? Want something to do after your classes? Then come by Student Affairs in the M-Building to pick up a packet to run in the elections for 2015-2016. The process begins with an orientation that explains how everything is going to go and the rules. The next step is an election forum where running candidates speak and answer questions posed by students, followed by the actual campaigning period. **Packets will be available March 6, 2015 and are due March 16th** so come on in and apply. Your voice matters!

ASG Advocacy Trip: March in March

On March 2nd ASGs from all different parts of California will be traveling to Sacramento to talk to legislators and march the capital. The main topics discussed and themes of this event change annually. This year the theme is **Classrooms to the Capitol**. Please stay tuned for more on what will happen at this year’s March in March in the next issue.
REGION X (Ten) Meeting(s) and Plans:

City College’s ASG is not alone in the world. We are part of a district and then a Region beyond that. There are 10 Community College Regions in California and we are Region Ten or Region X. Once a month Region X meets at one of the colleges that are a part of the Region. San Diego City, SD Mesa, SD Miramar, Palomar, Southwestern, Imperial Valley, Grossmont, Cuyumaca, and Mira Costa are all the Colleges that make the Region. Last month on February 20th the Region held a meeting at San Diego City College and talked about what is the Region’s plan for the upcoming advocacy trips such as March in March and ASACC. The plan for ASACC is to get into contact with representatives who are more involved in legislation that affects higher education, such as Senator Marty Block, who is on a number of higher education related committees. Additionally, Congresswomen, Susan Davis, who is also in higher education committees and Caucuses in the House of Reps., there are many other California Representatives that could pass on our words to other members of Congress. Stay tuned for more on what happens this year that the Region is working on as a whole. It affects our students!

The State of the Union Address has already occurred. If you were at City College during the speech then chances are that you were in the newly renovated M Building watching the State of the Union Address with members of the ASG, Students Affairs Office and the President of the college, President Beebe. President Obama said during his State of the Union Address that he planned on having 2 years of community college free. Which sounds great and all but what does that entail? Not much has been revealed about the President’s plans but we plan to find that out during the annual ASACC trip this March.

CLUB CORNER

In the Club Corner section of these newsletters I generally plan to leave this section to Clubs that are doing something major that can have a significant impact on the students here at City College. This issue of the newsletter is no different as a club named UMOJA has been tutoring students in Math every day (Monday – Thursday) from 1-2pm in the newly renovated M-Building in room M-201A. If you need help and don’t feel like going to the tutoring center I would highly suggest going as they have many good tutors available. Don’t worry about not being in UMOJA as they help everyone. Of course joining the club doesn’t hurt either.

Happy St. Patrick’s Day!

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