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### News brief

#### OSA to discuss recall on Saturday

The Oregon Student Association Board of Directors will discuss recalling chairwoman Rachel Pilliod from her leadership position at their monthly meeting Saturday, but questions still remain unanswered.

Pilliod, who is also the ASUO President, came under fire this week when Oregon State University student body president and board member Bridget Burns accused her of breaking OSA bylaws and acting in an "incredibly partisan manner." Many of the OSA's 16 members said they're not sure what to do with the charges or whether Pilliod is likely to be removed from her seat.

The group meets Saturday at Southern Oregon University for a public meeting to discuss a number of issues, and Burns is expected to bring the recall issue to the floor. For a recall to take place, every board member, including Pilliod, must be notified in writing. The issue would then be brought to a vote one month later, and it would take two-thirds of the board members to remove Pilliod.

However, almost anything could

happen Saturday. The board is likely to go into executive session, a private meeting which allows public bodies to discuss personnel issues as long as no votes are taken and no decisions are made. Several members have also heard rumors that certain parties may push for Pilliod's complete ouster from the board in the form of an impeachment, or suspend the OSA's bylaws and demand an immediate vote on the chairwoman's recall.

It's also possible that board members will levy additional charges against Pilliod on Saturday, but representatives remain silent on the matter — at least publicly.

Finally, if Pilliod were recalled, there remains no clear leader who would step up and take her place. And although Burns has spearheaded the recall effort so far, she said she has no ambitions for Pilliod's job. Furthermore, she cannot take the job because the OSA board vice chairman, Andy Saultz, is also from Oregon State. OSA rules prevent any one school from occupying the top two positions.

Pilliod said no matter what happens Saturday, she'll continue to fight hard for Oregon.

"It doesn't take a title to lobby for students," she said.

— Brook Reinhard

### Womenspace

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message, and it would be nice if it came more often from men."

Man-power aside, senior Sayaka Mimura has contributed plenty of woman-power to the organization through hard work and a love of working with people. Considering her interest in working within the Youth Outreach Program this year, that goes for little people, too.

"I've gained a lot of practical, real-world experience at Womenspace," she said. "It's a great opportunity."

Mimura attended a three-day training with the organization during spring term. After learning more about domestic violence dynamics, definitions of gender and support skills for working with traumatized survivors, Mimura went on to participate in support services and even spent some time helping at the Advocacy Center later last year.

The feeling of being able to

change someone else's life for the better is what makes it all worthwhile for Schaefer.

"It makes me see that dominance and terror aren't the only pathways gaining around the world," she said.

For those interested students and community members who are unable to attend the trainings this month, an average of three volunteer trainings are held each year, Schaefer said, so there usually isn't too long to wait. People who are "itching to help" or who do not prefer direct service work can always volunteer in the business office without attending the volunteer training, she said.

Womenspace is in urgent need of people who speak Spanish and who can maintain their volunteer commitment during the summer months. For registration information, call Nancy Hafner at 485-7262 or visit [enddomesticviolence.com](http://enddomesticviolence.com).

Contact the reporter at [caronalarab@dailymerald.com](mailto:caronalarab@dailymerald.com).



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