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ASG constitution

Know why you are not voting on changes

Voting is just one of those bothers that is not worth the effort; especially when it is concerning student government.

For a few meetings during winter term, the Associated Student Government spent the time in the Fireside lounge, to show the student body exactly what they are all about, and what they do. It probably appeared to most students that ASG was not really doing anything worthwhile.

The student officials were simply sitting around saying whether one group would get the money they requested, and whether another group should be recognized as a club. That is your basic ASG meeting, just a lot of this "unimportant stuff." Student government is in charge of \$77,970 worth of this unimportant stuff this year.

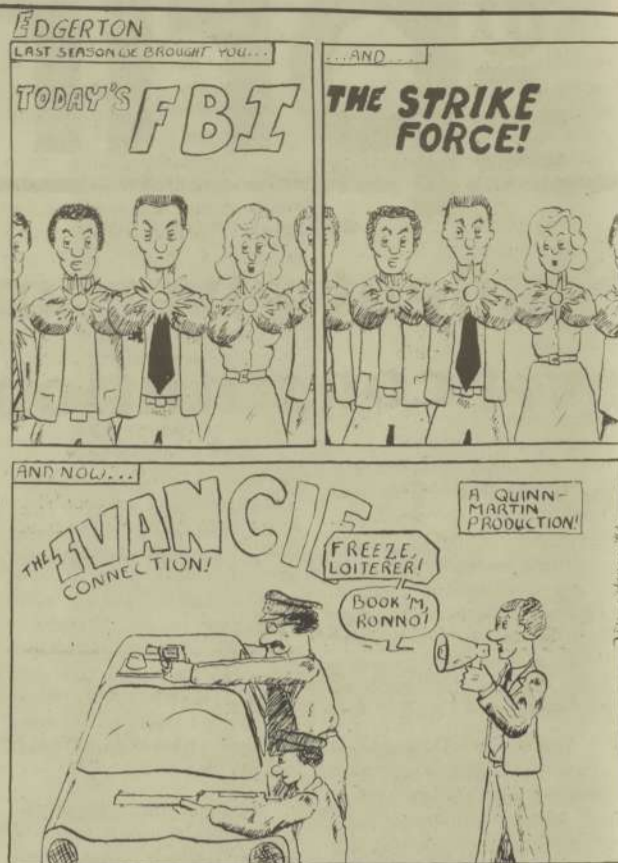
So what is the big deal about what they are doing? So what if there are not any clubs on campus. And so what if there

are not too many functions to attend. All we are here for is to get an education. We do not need any functions to help break up the monotony of hitting the books.

But actually, if you ask anyone on the campus who is involved in any club or organization, or anyone who attends any functions at the College, you will find, that as long as there is an ASG, a good representative group is needed.

That is exactly what tomorrow's and Friday's elections are all about. To help give the student body the ASG we need. So take a close look at the constitution revisions being proposed, and decide for yourself whether the proposal is better than the ASG we now have.

Then there is the vote of the non-voter. After you have analyzed the situation, and you still find that voting does not matter, then do not vote. But first make sure that is what you want.



Readers write

Improve library, locker room

To the Editor:

I am a person who checks out books from several libraries. Sometimes I keep these books too long, and I get a notice in the mail. Usually the notice includes the name of the book that's overdue.

The notice I got last week from Clackamas Community College Library tells me BF385.C748 (32104) is overdue! Now I wonder, where did I put that book? I know it was a good book. It was almost as good as BF252.M920 (65521). You know the one?

Hey, I know this is the Computer Age and all, but we're not all robots yet. Couldn't they include the title of the book in the notice so we can scan our memory banks more efficiently?

While I'm on the subject, what happened to the mats in the men's locker room? As you may know if you hang out there at all, the floor mats were

removed during a big plumbing job in January. Since that time, we've been walking and slipping in puddles of water. For some reason, I don't like walking from the showers to my locker through puddles of dirty water. I'm sorry, that's just the way I am. But if that isn't enough, one day when I was in a hurry, I tumbled in there and had an embarrassing confrontation with a wet floor-feet up, cheeks down.

I told a friend of mine, and he suggested I write a letter to the safety committee in ASG. O.K., here's my chance to see student government in action.

Or is that, student government inaction?

After my complaint was made, they told me that the mats were being cleaned, and they would soon be put back. Well guys, I know it takes a long time to wash things and all, but it's been over two months now... Do you think they're through the rinse cycle yet? Hopefully,

G. E. C.

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Concern over lack of interest

To the Editor:

I am a newly elected Associated Student Government senator with a large problem that I would like to share with you.

At the last ASG meeting I was informed by student government officers, fellow senators, and College staff, that the majority of students at Clackamas don't vote. Therefore, they do not care about what is happening. I have doubts of my newly found knowledge.

Trying to maintain an open mind, I chose to set aside the fact that we have about 100 voters voting, out of a possible 4,000. I believe and HOPE this will change for very viable reasons.

In the next elections, we will be voting on constitution revisions. One of the revisions deals with cutting the number of senators from 20 to 10. These cuts are cutting back both YOUR voices and YOUR choices.

Are we going to sit back and watch fewer students run our school? When this issue is brought before us at the polls, I encourage NO votes on the entire packet concerning constitution revisions for two reasons.

One is that the discussion at the (ASG) meeting was poor and sloppy. The second is, we can open the eyes of the ASG and show them that we do CARE.

Please let's vote so we can have things going the way we want them to go.

Reactions, suggestions, comments, and ways you want to help (besides voting), should be written down, and turned into the student activities office so they can be placed in my box. PLEASE vote, and thank you,

Jerri L. Hale
 ASG Senator

Yes votes sought tomorrow

To the Editor:

Tomorrow and Friday you will have an opportunity to make history. The Associated Student Government has approved proposed constitutional amendments, and is now presenting them to you for a vote.

Numerous hours have been put into these proposed revisions by members of the ASG so that we might better serve you. The changes are necessary to provide for a more functional group.

By voting YES on the ballot, you will be saying that you want a student government that is effective in representing and serving your needs. A NO vote is asking for the same cumbersome group to be in charge next year.

A YES vote will mean a reduction in the numbers of ASG personnel, and a savings in hundreds of dollars. A NO vote will be more costly for the students next year, and perhaps in the years to come.

These changes have been long in coming, and progressive with the times. We need to tighten the belts of the ASG in terms of numbers and

dollars. Vote yes for the constitutional amendments. You will be better represented.

Sincerely,
 Joseph P. Schweizer
 Asst. to the President
 ASG

Thank you for time to speak

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the Clackamas Community College Student Senate for the hospitality given to me on March 5 when I addressed them in my capacity as a candidate for Congress in Oregon's new 5th Congressional District.

As I told the students I addressed, these budget cuts are wrong and extremely damaging to the American educational system.

I would urge Clackamas County residents to become active in the present Congressional campaign. Our current Congressman Denny Smith is one of the most ultra-right zealots in Congress! He has supported Reagan's reinstatement of peace-time draft registration and voted against veterans educational benefits. I have opposed Smith vigorously on these and many other issues.

Sincerely,

Dave McTeague
 Democratic National Commit-
 teeman, Candidate for Congress

