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ASG travels to Washington, D.C., helps host conference

• Associated Student Government's trip to Washington is one of several in the last three years

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Washington, D.C. recently played host to Clackamas' Associated Student Government, when they attended the annual spring legislative American Association of Community Colleges conference.

The conference consisted of several workshops, offered over the course of five days.

Workshops covered federal student aid, environmental clubs, the National Wildlife Federation, time management and international relations.

During the conference, ASG members were able to host several different workshops. ASG President Mike Caudle acted as the conference co-chair and hosted the workshop on International Relations. ASG Federal Officer Jacob Boenisch acted as the conference chairperson and hosted a workshop on Federal Student Aid. Sarah Gault hosted the workshop on environmental clubs and the National Wildlife Federation. ASG's Advisor Norm Berney hosted the work-



ASG senators and officers gather with U.S. Senator Gordon Smith. From left: Former President Amy Lundy, Senator Shannon Gordon, Senator Jay Clark, Federal Affairs Officer Jacob Boenisch, Senator Sarah Gault, President Mike Caudle, Senator Michelle Waggoner, Senator Tiffani Jagodnik, Vice President Jerri Scarborough, U.S. Senator Gordon Smith, Senator Tiffani Fine and Senator Lela Stanley.

shop on time management.

In addition to hosting workshops, ASG members lobbied Congress on a variety of issues.

"We went up on the hill and lobbied Congress. We were getting commitments on the issues that we can speak to them about ... Pell Grants and Employee Education Assistance," said Boenisch. "The response was very positive. They're enthused that students would come up and talk to them."

Boenisch said ASG was lobbying for thousands and up to mil-

lions of dollars for education funding.

"We had a very thorough understanding of the facts. We knew exactly where we stood on them, and we did exactly what we wanted them [members of Congress] to do for us," said ASG Presidential Aid Josh Buegman.

ASG members said most officials they talked to were very impressed. In fact, ASG received several letters from members of Congress. In addition, ASG received a

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Tuition increase approved

BRENDON NEAL
Sports Editor

The Board of Education passed a three-percent tuition increase at the March meeting.

The increase will come out to a dollar per credit hour for Oregon and Washington residents and \$3 per credit hour for other students. The new rate puts tuition at \$34 instate and \$119 out of state per hour. The Board of Education also approved a flat rate of \$476 and \$1666 for tuition for 15 to 18 credit hours.

The increase is part of the college's long-term financial plan. Clackamas also plans to use cut backs, mainly not replacing retiring administrators. The college has already released one assistant dean position and plans to not replace a retiring dean after the 1997-1998 school year. Clackamas intends to put the gained revenue into direct instruction by hiring new instructors.

As part of the Clackamas Guarantee, a tuition rebate for the increase will be granted to students who enrolled after the summer term of 1996 and who graduate from Clackamas within three years. Students can request the refund when graduating.

Proposed budget indicates no personnel cuts

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1997-98 Budget

- No proposed personnel cuts
- Reduction of "General Fund" budget
- Reduction in decision packages
- Positions reduced because of natural attrition

Completion of the 1997-98 budget for Clackamas is expected soon and the good news is there will not be any downsizing of personnel despite the shift in funding of certain programs.

"We've taken a multi-year approach to our budgeting," said College President John Keyser, "and we try to be real careful in developing some reserves to buffer the bad times we thought were going to be ahead as a result of ballot Measure 47 and several other factors."

According to Keyser, this

multi-year approach has proven to be beneficial to the college.

"We aren't having to make any dramatic cuts or adjustments like some of our neighboring community colleges who are giving reduction-in-force notices. We have some positions which are being reduced because of natural attrition, or we found other ways to do things."

In a memorandum to the President's Council, the budget review summarizes some of the "high points" accomplished by the multi-year approach.

"[In the 1995-96 school year] we reduced part-time classified staff and cut some of the non-

contracted travel. There was a cost-of-living cut in Materials and Services. There was a half-percent budget reduction taken in all areas. Everyone contributed to belt-tightening there. And we saw some attrition savings in the student services and alternative programs," said Keyser.

The 1996-97 budget saw a shift in tuition waivers to the Foundation.

"What this means is the Foundation raised quite a bit of money to help reduce the General Fund budget. We were able to keep the tuition waivers in place through the college Foundation as a result of their

fundraising," Keyser said.

Another budget adjustment included reducing "decision packages" and other needs met through budget shifts. Budget shifts do not apply to the total annual budget adjustment.

"Each year we go through a process of getting all these new requests that people have for doing things in their areas, like new equipment or new staff. We call these decision packages," said Keyser. "We look at those and think maybe this is an item we can get some resources through our college Foundation

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