

Academic Freedom forum, May 9, in the Gregory Forum from 12-1 p.m. Open to the public



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Who will lead?



As Associated Student Government elections approach, it is a good time to get to know your presidential candidates and what they represent. When asked how they will impact the college if elected and what characteristics they have that are important to the position of ASG leader, here is what they said.

ASG elections are May 11-12



Nash Carey

Age: 24

Hometown: Olympia, WA

Past leadership experiences: Nash was involved in student government for a few months while in Job Corps in 1998. He has owned his own business for the past two years. He is a member of Clackamas' Forensics team.

"I feel like I have a lot to offer. I want to give power back to the students and create more diversity at Clackamas. I'm going to spend time on diversity and gearing students up about diversity in the workplace. I feel it's important when dealing with the one global community and being prepared for the job force. I have ability in inter-communication, group communication and leadership."



Katherine Meece-Smith

Age: 17

Hometown: Clackamas

Past leadership experiences: Katherine was involved in ASG for a few months this year as access senator-at-large. She has taken leadership classes in the past, led an Earth club and been involved in the Key club, a Kiwanis affiliated organization which performs community service. She has also volunteered for the Clackamas County's Service to Children and Families organization.

"I want to represent the student body as well as I can. I have heard a lot of good ideas from students. I think that I would stand up for students and address their concerns, to make everyone feel important. Everyone has the right to be heard."



Bryan Fuentes

Age: 22

Hometown: Canby

Past leadership experiences: Bryan has been involved with the ASG for three years. He has been a senator-at-large and vice president and is currently the administrative assistant. He also has coached sports teams for seven years.

"I want to start fall term and get right to the issues of childcare and textbook grants; creating different avenues for students to afford them. I've been there (in ASG), and I know the avenues to take and the people to talk to. I always like to have fun with everything I do. I know what needs to be heard at every level and I know what people are thinking at every level."



Vice-presidential candidate

Glorianne Muggle

Age: 48

Hometown: Estacada

Past leadership experiences: Glorianne worked this year for ASG as the childcare officer. Clackamas is the second college in which she has been involved in leadership.

"I think that older students' points of view are good to have. They are a large percentage of the student body. I like being involved in student government and I want to make sure that someone in office has had experience. I see the role as vice president as a personnel position, running interviews and overseeing clubs. I also have been going to many of the same meetings as the vice president this year and have been able to see what that was like."

What is your Associated Student Government?

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The office is nestled in the corner of the community center. Students are in and out of it daily, some work there, others use the resource called the Associated Student Government (ASG).

Their mission is serving fellow students. Their objectives are to increase student morale, increase student/faculty/staff involvement

and increase student opportunities. So what exactly does this group, which is dedicated to serving others, do, and how does it affect you, the student?

Since around 1966, ASG has been addressing students' needs. Textbook grants, the bookmart, a giving tree at Christmas time, the blood drive, rock the vote, the childcare program and lobbying for federal funding are just a few of the causes ASG organizes or has

accomplished.

"There is a hierarchy. That is the way we are structured, it's just for functional purposes. Everyone's opinion is just as important and looked at equally," said ASG Vice President Paul Creighton.

The president's responsibilities include attending the Board of Education and President's Council meetings.

"The president and the vice

president are both elected positions, therefore they are voted upon by the majority of the voting populous. They represent the general needs of the voting populous, so it is as adequate a student voice as one is going to find," Creighton explained.

Another aspect of the president's job is to represent the student body at big events and functions.

"As the representative of the

student body, the president will be the one contacted for local events in the community and even nationally," commented Creighton.

Every year ASG tries to hold a retreat at the beginning of the year to plan, communicate, bond and set goals for the coming year.

"The president and vice president, mostly the president, brainstorm a list of goals they want to

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