

# March 8, 2022 | Zoom Link

### 1. 👋 Welcome 👋

### 2. 🗳 Cabinet Election Forum 🗳

### • Voting closes Tuesday, March 15th at 11:59 pm

OW - first i have a video destiny and payton are both abroad. Payton sent me a video response of their answers to all the questions, and destiny sent me text responses that I will read on her behalf.

PS - I am a junior, in the germany program for the year abroad. I am applying for the DOA position because I want to help student organizations or unions engage with the student body, freshman year organizations position, did another position with the SOC, and I work with Quentin really closely. We read every single budget from the 2021 allocations day. We split it half and half. One responsibility I had to take on as the VC was that I was also the auditor that name was changed. I spent two years in asb. I would like to bring weekly updates to the student body, sending updates about what organizations are doing would be completely new. I don't think anyone has ever done this. It is good for students to know about the student orgs. I want to highlight what orgs are doing to show what they offer to students. Sometimes I have to work with eoc to make sure I get many platforms. The president or vp I would have to work with. I will share that video with all of you if you feel unsure of who to vote for.

Destiny - passionate first gen student, studying abroad in france. Believes ASB can make tangible differences in students' daily life. I want to use instagram to interact.

OW - I have the same questions for everyone. Who are you? Which role are you applying for and why?

AK - I am a first year, psych pre nursing major, applying for EOC chair, am the EOC senator right now and enjoy the committee.

JE - first year, enviro studies major, eoc chair, has served on finance committee and eoc this year. I like social media and graphic design. I want to use EOC chair to bridge the gap between ASB and the student body

DR - into

JS - second year, current DOA, will make budgets and redistributed in an equitable manner

SFV - first year, classical civilizations, VP, i knew i wanted to continue working with ASB, i feel that my contributions are valued and effective. I believe that VP is best where my talents would be the best for the student govt

NR - rels stud/math major, treasurer, is treasurer now. Want to continue being treasurer at the beginning of the year to implement change with prior exp.

AC - sophomore, enviro/poli sci double major, associate justice, running for chief justice, has experience is detail oriented to make sure next ASB is with responsibility

MM - pres hopeful for the future of asb, feel i can make an interconnected committee, i will work with AC with finance, as eoc i talked to all the committees and know what they all do. I have knowledge of what should be going on. I would maintain a good student government next year. I am super hopeful for the future

KS - poli sci major, in SAAB this year, lots of disorganization, the board doesn't always know what's going on and

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people don't know how to share resources.

OW - what new ideas will you bring to the committee,

MM - as president i have power to establish an ADHOC committee, we had previous ones, i think we should add an international students committee. They do so much advocacy work and they should have access to admin, islc is hosting an election and they will be appointed for next year. They don't get enough highlights. They work with robin to get housing fees waived because there were not enough on campus jobs, sometimes it is difficult having them in cabinet would better the international student communittee

AC - one thing I want to accomplish is to get more outreach. Our committee is just four members i would like a few more, i think we already function well thanks to our current chief justice

NR - would advocate for the eoc finance committee is a great opportunity that students are not aware of. Finance committee should be really large and clubs should see what is going on and bring more transparency to asb.

KS - I don't know much about how this committee functions, I am in CAB and SAAB, i feel that people do not know what resources are available to them and what resources need to be available to them. I want to have a student forum with the career center about academics and how to support students in academic affairs and advertise what is available to students.

SVN - we have the ADHOC committee, we outlined what we wanted to get done next year, we wanted to make an overall health and wellness committee, the one chair one covid 19 and the other on health and wellness. Hopefully include mental health in the committee. As a member of FSU i have sexual assault peer advocacy training and i know all the resources. My friend molly works in the health and wellness center is an RA in copeland, we want to get more representation in cabinet for marginalized identities, and sexual assault advocacy.

JS - the finance committee started this year and encouraged clubs to keep track of their own budgets. We want to ask clubs to keep track of their own funding; some clubs ask for more money when they haven't run out yet, we are trying to streamline the process, there are a lot of hoops to jump through to apply for money, i came in half way through the year and am hoping to make it more accessible to finance and orgs that need funding

DR - I want to connect the campus with the city. The asb instagram can connect us to BIPOC businesses, we could benefit from meeting with every other committee to make sure that all committees feel represented.

JE - I don't think the committee needs to be improved too much. I think Madeleine has been slaying this year. I want to interact with students through social media and get them involved with everything.

AK - I want Instagram to be more and have more interactions. I would add one or more people. Everyone knows someone, we would be able to get out there. I want to reach out to the businesses that we used for the pio thing for sellwood and have a greater connection with portland.

OW - how will you balance student concerns and institutional limitations

DR - there are institutional complications we aren't always aware of. The best approach is to ensure full communication. Dulling out students creates division with students

AK - my mind is literally blank, i was ready i think that stop madeleine, i would try to communicate with the student orgs so we can use the instagram to the best of our ability. I would like to advertise on instagram to make sure that they have access to the information we are trying to get them.

JE- it is our job to join the students and the institutions. Inform everyone what is going on and allow everyone to become involved.

JS - I think the DOA has addressed concerns in the system, being apparent and transparent is important. We are students too. With honorariums, none of us are getting paid. We are on the students ' side and the admin is too. There doesn't have to be conflict.

SFV - one of the things I'm looking forward to is robin being our new president. As the VPSL she has been open to communicating with students about the bus stop, available for coffee with students. I want to make myself available to students who have concerns or people in the institution that I need to talk to. A middle ground between students' concerns and the institutions.

KS - I am an RA and people hate campus living so much. How can we open up a conversation without taking sides, just entertaining what they have to say. Explain in a transparent way. If there is no time to discuss, students want to feel heard and I want them to feel heard. Obviously this school isn't perfect but that doesn't mean we can't have open conversations about it.

NR - open communication with student organizations and being open as well with Tamara Ko and keeping a balance

of which side I take. Listening to both sides, keeping open communication between those two. I think I would listen to both sides and have the power to speak for both of them.

AC - full communication is important, as CJ i would provide resource guides about how we function

MM- everything that was said was really good, kate said it eloquently letting people feel heard and taking that opportunity to involve yourself. I think we can all agree it is pleasant to be involved and heard and we are upset when we feel excluded, keeping an open space in the cabinet and an open mind about the concerns we actually can address. I think Valerie white is the coolest person ever so I aspire to be like her and get the full intellect.

SC - for all the candidates, about student engagement, would you try to include students in your activities, how would you let students know what you're doing.

MM - i'll take that question thank you senator sam we do a lot of advocacy and do not involve enough people. We are so lucky to live in a small community it is so easy to get information around. We can spread concerns, we are trying to find the next VPSL. I saw Lucinda and Molly and was asking them what they wanted the new VSLP to be. Also having a fun side to ASB, maybe a group with Gagged, we can sponsor the food trucks and have fun. Advocacy and having fun.

AC - I think SPAC is off of student government and is more subtle about what it does. I would create an instagram account giving regular updates of what SPAC is doing and also make our minute notes publicly available.

NR - First i am not ashamed about asb it is about being open, being positive about ASB, here are the things we are doing, how are we trying to fix the financial process

KS - if you have connections on campus, if you are a part of other leadership roles, making what you're doing in ASB known through email lists is even important for people to know what we are talking about and doing. We could table more in Howard and in front of the bon.

SFV - we know other people. It is fascinating how student government works. I wasn't involved in highschool and it is really nice to be in a place I can actually enjoy. We do a lot of advocating for the student body as a general we utilize the committees to benefit the students having student representatives push what students want

JS - what part of student gov? For finance, provide funding for student orgs with the student fee money, that is what the committee does, abstractly we are a connection to students and admin.

JE - keep using social media to communicate with everyone, i really like question boxes so people can write their opinions in there. I think we need to have an ASB drag show.

AK - talking to people in person, it would be cool the first week in NSO, i want to table a lot. Everyone goes to Howard and they will see a table for EOC. i want to continue to expand instagram so everyone knows about it

ET - to any candidate who wants to answer? What will you do when receiving criticism? That is something that will happen and it is important to know how to deal with that.

AK - it can be used as a building block, obviously we would take it to heart and listen to it and use that to improve to become better than we already are.

JE - very valid. I have some myself. I would talk to the person and ask them how we can make this better

JS - when people complain about ASB like how are you helping if you are passionate about issues i hope you have solutions is my answer, join student gov and we can help you. Specific to certain areas of student gov, educating people and letting them know this is what we have control over and this is what is out of our hands.

SVN - criticism i don't entirely view as a bad thing i look at a half glass full situation, we know that there is something that people are dissatisfied with, i would try to get to the root of the issue as vp or as us as a whole unit. I would do my best to listen to what people really want to say.

KS - i want to do this role because i want criticism, even if they are not in ASB, even if it is coming from a place of not knowing what asb does, there are clearly problems in the school it is really important to engage them. Hoping that they take this to another level in their communities themselves.

NR - for backlash that can be taken well as i am the treasurer i would do my job with integrity, i want to know if i am doing the right thing and i can learn when i am not doing the best that i can. That makes a conversation happen, and we can work together on something.

AC - to any criticism that i hear i would invite people to senate to voice their concerns, the next president is implementing a community session to voice opinion. If not for their committee, I would be neutral and then investigate.

OW - if you haven't voted yet look at the student body if you have any questions email me or shama, i can look up who has voted,

3. 🌹 Rose 🌹 Garden Ad Hoc Announcement w/ Isaac

If you are free, rm 233 from 6-7pm!

<u>SB004</u> Senate Election Overhaul → VOTE 1/2 (next week after cabinet votes)

OW - there is no elections committee so the cabinet just needs to vote on it. Alex it is your bill

AC - it changes current senate elections the only thing that would change that 9 would be elected at the end of the spring for continuing students and three elected in the fall for new students

AK - why are we having 9 and 3

AC - the process was originally the bill was 3 per class and because of logistics that was scrapped and replaced with the 9 3, 9 is to continuing classmen, 3 are for freshmen and transfer students. The 9 is good so that if the senate for some reason needed to meet for summer quorum is higher if we need to make a decision.

OW - sam asked to do a straw poll this is not a binding vote by any means. Sam do you want to explain your no

SC - some senators have heard me talking about this outside and in spac, one of the things we talked about was that this would boost student engagement. They feel that first years are overrepresented, i don't think this is going to boost student engagement it will just confuse the population. They are going to vote, oh we are voting on 9 now and 3 later. Why is this what the senate is doing? Why are we focusing on this, it will not boost student engagement, I haven't heard the DOE opinion so I would like to hear that first before we vote on it.

MM - i have talked to other student orgs, the student advisory committee, if there are first year positions they are available in the fall others are in the spring. You can't really run a student org if you haven't been on campus before, spac saab, there are a lot of applications in spring.

OW - we will have the opportunity to talk about it next week . The straw poll was all yes and one no.

IB - i would also like to hear from shama before voting

- 5. <u>A</u>SB006 <u>Brainstorm on Note Taking Reforms</u>
  - Discussion/brainstorming/feedback this week, vote next week

OW - we will skip for time, We will be reforming the way we take notes. I suggest you read through this document about how you feel about note changes. We don't approve our notes which is strange because most organizations collectively review the minutes. What is the purpose of notes? Are we achieving what we want with the notes that are taken?

🦠 Optional Mask Policy on Campus– thoughts? 🦠

• Email <u>aslcvp@lclark.edu</u> for opinions you don't feel comfortable sharing here

OW - I wanted to give the opportunity for anyone to give feedback about the college's new mask policy. If you would like to share anything or do not feel comfortable sharing aloud I can share.

SC - a lot of students on instagram feel concerned about the mandate being lifted, some have immunocompromised family members. The school is not reassuring immunocompromised students that they are being thought of

OW - great feedback

JE - I know a lot of immunocompromised people that feel that their health is not being listened to. We are all here on zoom tonight because of exposure to covid then in a few days we are supposed to go to class without masks. We need to prioritize the people most affected by covid.

OW - i know this is a difficult factor in this regarding identity and experience, i want this to be a collectively decided choice because we are doing this together. SLM and I talked about if we want to make masks required in cabinet or senate, if you have direct feedback on that i can take that. The announcement came out today...

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FDP - the emails have been really vague, what do they mean by a large gathering or a large indoor space, what are classes going to be like, teacher to teacher, different hallways, policies for different parts

Rocky - it's not my plan, when i asked some of these questions they said that a lot of this moving forward is about community agreements and discussions. What happens in one office might not happen in another. Communicating with each other in the senate space, in asb when we feel comfortable. There is no one unique answer to all of this, the college may say that we have x amount of people in the space and that may change the needs. There probably won't be a one size fits all rule. Staff members are mostly wanting to continue wearing their masks. Many people just found out today, I don't think there is an exact answer right now.

OW - email me or aslcovid@lclark.edu

## 6. *Community* Updates

### • VPSL Foodtruck Event (THURSDAY 3/10) – Volunteers needed!!

- i. Still need volunteers for the food trucks from 4-5 slot
- ii. ASB will have a table there passing out capri suns, if you want to table or

### pass out stickers or anything like that, let me know!

OW - we need a few volunteers from 4-5 just one or two.

#### SC - i would like to volunteer

OW - yeah great fill out the spreadsheet, ASB will be there handing out snacks and drinks and hanging out if you want to join us.

#### Student Government Conference SATURDAY 3/12 from 9am-3pm

- i. Email <u>aslcvp@lclark.edu</u> if you want to come
- ii. Register <u>at this link</u> (if you want to go in-person or online)

OW - we are meeting at 8:30 the morning after the spring ball, be aware of that if you are going to rsvp for this as well. We will coordinate rides, it will be fun to meet people from other schools. It is really fun if you are doing ASB next year. Helped set my goals for our student government

• Brunch w/ Reed!

### i. April 3rd from 11am-1pm

OW - gender studies symposium starts tomorrow through friday and spring ball sign up for the bus if you want a bus ride not everyone can take the bus one of the busses is already full

SC - I mentioned the ASB drag thing a while ago, I want us to get the ball rolling, if you are interested send me a dm and we can start a group chat. If I don't buy a ticket, is it too late?

MV - there are a few left if you want one you should sprint to akin tomorrow morning.