

## Report of the Associated Students of Mills College (ASMC)

October 2012

### Executive Board

The elected Executive Board from last spring includes the following students: Jessica Kyo- *Vice President*, Lin Rui Li-*Accountant*, Monica Bower-*Academic Affairs Chair*, Cathalina Ainzua-*Judicial Chair*, Jessica To-*Historian*, Brittne Walker-*Internal Affairs*, and Maria Mejia-*Student Affairs*. The Executive Board officers continue to brainstorm and plan around strategies for recruitment, retention, and action within the ASMC full board at biweekly Executive Board meetings. Each of these students brings an enriching background in leadership and campus involvement and can be reached at [asmc@mills.edu](mailto:asmc@mills.edu).

### Fall Elections

Due to the amount of open positions on the Class Councils and ASMC Full Board, ASMC had a larger structured Fall Elections process in the beginning of September. There was a large number of first year and transfer student participation with 22 students in total campaigning. Candidates participated in a mandatory Candidates Meeting, public speeches, campaigning, and an all campus electronic voting process. Candidates who are not voted into contested positions will go through an appointment process at the Leadership Retreat following the voting process.

The ASMC Executive Board are currently vetting more effective and permanent voting method for the Spring Elections. This will be researched and implemented when the Internal Affairs position is filled.

### Leadership Retreat

After elections, all Full Board officers and Senators will partake in a day long leadership retreat. Some agenda items include implementing best practices for office hours and the campus presence of ASMC, introducing new students to Parliamentary Procedures via Robert's Rules, team building and leadership reflection exercises, committee assignments and planning, expectations and goals for the year, and other aspects of transitioning into ASMC and the new school year. We hope to have all candidates appointed or elected into positions by the time of this retreat.

### Community Meeting

There will be an open Community Meeting in mid-October. We are still in the process of confirming with our campus partners. The Board of Trustees is invited to attend. We do not have definitive agenda which has at times been set in the past but will facilitate campus concerns, questions, and issues in a town hall format. *\*This went well. The main focus was technology on campus and the switch to Google Cloud programs.*

### Academic Survey

Monica Bower, Academic Affairs Chair has been working with her committee on preparing and collecting data via an online survey for undergraduate students about their academic experiences at Mills. She will present the results and analysis from the date to the Educational Policies Committee. She is currently working on gathering information about class times being offered.

### Personal Briefing

The Associated Students of Mills College is looking forward to an exciting and innovative school year. The first ASMC Full Board meeting with Open Forum will take place on Monday, September 24. The Executive Board and Full Board will alternate meeting times each Monday at 6:30pm in GSB 118. Everyone in the campus community is invited to attend the bi-weekly Full Board meetings including the Board of Trustees. We also welcome you to meet with the Executive Board officers if you would like to learn more about specific aspects of campus leadership and development as well. If you are interested in joining us in increasing school spirit and cheering our athletes, please contact us at [asmc@mills.edu](mailto:asmc@mills.edu) and we will connect your with our Athletics, Physical Education, and Recreation (APER) senator Meghan Hinsch.

Go Cyclones!

Many Blessings of hope, healing, and heart in 2012-2013,  
**Rebecca Freeman**, ASMC President