



Morhous is new ASOC legislative representative

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On Tuesday, the Associated Students of Ohlone College named senator Andie Morhous the new Legislative Representative, replacing Michaela Devine, who is transferring to the University of Puget Sound.

"I completely loved every minute of it, I love doing this, and I will miss them," said Devine.

During the meeting, President Kevin Feliciano asked any sena-

tors if they wished to nominate another senator for the position. Shortly before flashing a homemade sign while cheering loudly, senator Isabella Ohlmeyer nominated senator Morhous, who accepted her nomination.

Senator Marvin Salonga then nominated senator Jason Trinidad, who also accepted his nomination. It was the chair of Outreach versus the president of Civic Engagement; both have goals to uphold the needs of the students.

The two nominees first presented

the reasons why they qualify to be the next Legislative Representative. After both senators provided their detailed arguments, they were then subjected to questioning by the senators.

After the questions were over, the nominees chose to leave the room while the senators tallied the ballots, to ease the pressure off of the senators.

When asked what their goals would be if they became Legislative Representative, Morhous replied, "I plan to serve, and represent the

Ohlone student body as best I can at the State level. I'm also excited to have the position to be able to better advocate against the budget cuts."

Senator Trinidad replied, "I wish to increase ASOC presence as a shared-government body where a student can go to. I also wish to get really involved at the community and state levels."

After a short while, the nominees were called back into the room. Senator Morhous is now the new Legislative Representative.

After the election, business matters moved to discharging the Thanksgiving and Holiday committees. Before they were officially discharged, senator Joe Nichols commended the people behind the committees for doing a great job for this semester's holidays.

In one of the closing business matters, the senators were all asked if they would be continuing. As of now, all senators will be returning next semester with even greater anticipations for the college.

One-Stop Center helps unemployed

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seek employment outside of the automobile industry.

Tina Dodson, director of One-Stop said, "Due to the downturn in the economy, One-Stop is integral for job search resources."

What does an applicant encounter when he or she utilizes the One-Stop?

A job-seeker can just drop in to the One-Stop. He or she is greeted by a student services assistant who provides an application. After it is filled out, the One-Stop gives the applicant an East Bay Works card and a calendar of events and he or she is encouraged to attend a Workforce Investment orientation class.

The applicant is given a tour of the resource room, which has computer terminals with Internet access, a phone bank, newspapers and a fax machine. One-Stop's counselors encourage the applicant to be self-sufficient. One-Stop provides many options for the applicant to succeed in a self-directed job search.

The One-Stop applicant can register with CalJOBS, a division of the California Employment Development Department. The applicant can enter a resume into the online system and an automated job search is conducted to match the applicant to potential employers. The applicant may be assigned to a case manager.

Two job developers work at the One-Stop to connect employers to job applicants. Some employers go to the One-Stop and recruit employees.

If the applicant cannot find a job on his own, he or she may be referred to the State of California's Eligible Training Provider list which is online at <http://etpl.edd>.

car.gov/wiaetplind.htm.

This list provides the names of training providers in every county in the state which are funded by the Workforce Investment Act. Included on this list are two courses in environmental science, ENV5 104 - solar photovoltaic design and installation, taught at the Newark campus. These courses were developed by Dr. Gale Carli and are funded by the Workforce Investment Board of Alameda County. The applicant can apply to take training courses on the list, and the WIA will pay the tuition. The One-Stop also encourages applicants to obtain training in Bay Area colleges and universities.

The One-Stop provides a Workforce Investment Act orientation and a WIA Application Session every week to demonstrate how to use the online provider list and how to apply for classes. The Act is designed to provide training to put people back to work as soon as possible. Dr. Carli's environmental science courses fit those requirements. Courses that achieve that goal and other WIA requirements, can be funded by the Act through the Workforce Investment Board in Alameda County.

The One-Stop process typically takes about two months. The WIA pays the applicants tuition for the class.

Finally, if the job seeker feels stressed out, he can attend Drop-in Stress counseling session or a Reduces Your Job Search Stress Workshop.

The One Stop is in room 1211 at Ohlone's Newark campus and can be reached by telephone: (510) 742-2323, or online at www.tricitiesonestop.com



This 36"x24" oil painting, 'Gladiolas' by Ohlone adjunct instructor Patty Moran, is one of the offerings at the silent auction to save Summerfest. Minimum bid is \$300.

Summerfest rescue

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donated by teachers and students such as oil paintings, charcoal and chalk paintings, drawings and textiles and possibly costumes that are hand-made by Ohlone faculty.

The art works are available for viewing in the Smith Center Art Gallery. The silent auction will be held this Friday and Saturday. Winners will be able to pick up their art Saturday after 9 p.m., Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. and Monday from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

All proceeds from the auction will go to help save Summerfest.

For more information, go to http://www2.ohlone.edu/org/artgallery/2009shows/Auction_2009.htm

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furlough day.

- The district agrees that all "other hourly" (usually student) employees "in violation of applicable law" will be released by Dec. 31, 2009.

- Further negotiations regarding use of hourly employees, if applicable, will be negotiated in good faith

The later two reference California Educational Code Section 88017(c) which, according to CSEA sources, this means that where a CSEA union member can do a hourly worker's job, they will do so if possible, and the hourly will be let go.

Linda Evers, Ohlone lab technician and president of the Ohlone Chapter of CSEA, said she was "highly optimistic" about the memorandum.

Ohlone President Dr. Gari Browning said Wednesday that much was riding on the state budget. Browning said about half the state budget went to education, 10 percent of that went to community colleges, and Ohlone represents 0.7 percent of that.

Browning said some of Ohlone's cutbacks are in response to an absence of state funds, prior to the recent cuts. The state has reduced the total number of Full Time Equivalent Students (FTSEs) who can enter Ohlone. And FTSE represents a student and the money necessary to support them. In absence of the ability to support students in the first place, classes are thus cut.

Browning said no program is impacted so much that a student could not graduate, but did say that students taking general education courses may take longer - many duplicate sections of classes are being dropped.

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