

ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT

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ASG Is Getting a Facelift

San Marcos, TX – In the fall of 2012, under the McDaniel-Sibley Administration, the Associated Student Government's Review and Steering Task Force was established. The fundamental goal of the Task Force is to "review the strengths and weakness of ASG, and to propose reforms to enhance the organization" according to the chair, Cody DeSalvo.

It was agreed upon by the Task Force that many of the problems the organization is experiencing are because of "bad practices over a long period of time," DeSalvo said. The remedy to the problem is to turn to an outside perspective.

In late September, President Vanessa Cortez approved the scheduled arrival of a national consultant from the Associated Student Government Association. The consultant will be hosted on campus on October 21st and 22nd to analyze the use, efficiency, and potential of the Associated Student Government. Throughout the visit the consultant will meet with the officers of ASG, but there will also be scheduled visits with several administrators. The observations of ASG representatives along with faculty and staff are important, however, there is a clear understanding that the goal of ASG is to serve the general student population.

All students will have opportunity to speak with the consultant during a town hall forum that ASG will be hosting. The forum will be held on October 21st from 7:30-8:30 in Lily's Lounge, which is on the 4th floor of the LBJ Student Center. This will be the time for students, organizations, and media outlets to voice any concerns and clarify any questions.

After the consultant's visit has concluded, the next step will be taking action based on the report the ASGA will send to ASG. The report is expected to be received in mid-February or March. After the ASGA delivers the report, the Task Force will review the results and report the information to President Cortez before the year's end. To receive further details about the process, contact the Task Force Chair at codydesalvo@txstate.edu.