

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Board of Trustees  
Seattle Colleges

**FROM:** **Ana Chamale**  
President, United Student Association  
South Seattle College

**DATE:** January 12, 2023

**SUBJECT:** United Student Association (USA) Report – INFORMATION ONLY

### **NEW USA ISSUES AND CONCERNS OFFICER**

USA's hiring committee has selected our new Issues & Concerns Office—Sahra Mohamad. We are thrilled and eager to ease her into the team. We will start official training on the first day of work on January 3. Sahra is a Running Start student, majoring in computer science.

### **USA MEETING WITH INTERM PRESIDENT HERNANDEZ- DEC 6**

At our last meeting of fall quarter, USA members introduced themselves and met South's new interim president, Dr. Jean Hernandez, to discuss student issues. We discussed topics such as mental health counselors, improved communication to the student body, lack of affordable public transportation to the college, and other student resources. We are very honored and excited to work with Dr. Hernandez and to work together to further student voices and advocacy.

### **USA TEAMBUILDER & REFLECTIONS**

After our final exams, we celebrated as a team by roller skating in White Center on December 16. It was a fun to socialize together. At our next meeting, we will reflect how fall quarter went and strategize as a team so we can effectively plan for winter and spring quarters.

### **FOOD PANTRY RECOGNITION**

We are honored to accept the EDI Medal for Service and Justice at the annual Rev. Dr Martin Luther King Jr celebration at South on January 13.

USA officers serve approximately 200 students each month a variety of foods in the Food Pantry. We also provide campus and community resources.

We are thankful for our community partners – White Center Food Bank, West Seattle Food Bank, United Way of King County, Puget Sound Consumer Coop PCC), Verity Credit Union, and other donors.