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# Region VI

## Newsletter



Moorpark College Campus

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# MONTHLY FEATURES

## Active Colleges

### Delegates of Region VI

Region VI currently has 8 out of the 9 colleges active! Here are the names of our delegates and their respective colleges:

1. **Allan Hancock College** → Oscar Rivera (He/Him)
2. **Antelope Valley** → Steve Benitez (He/Him)
3. **College of Canyons** → Sanjana Sudhir (She/Her)
4. **Cuesta College** → Coming Soon!
5. **Moorpark College** → Judah Robinson (He/Him)
6. **Oxnard College** → Kaye Placio (She/Her)
7. **Santa Barbara City College** → Bryan Wong (He/Him)
8. **Taft College** → Saul Acosta (He/Him)
9. **Ventura College** → Jesse M Martinez (He/Him)

## Officer Spotlight



### Karina Arteaga

Legislative Affairs Director

Karina Arteaga (She/Her/Hers) is a student studying Business Administration at Moorpark College. She aspires to transfer to a CSU, and will continue to explore the various course offerings still left to uncover within the community college system. As a passionate advocate for student success and interconnectedness, Karina acknowledges the significance of **cultivating a strong network among the colleges within Region VI**. She makes conscious efforts to foster collaboration and fortify these relationships through outreach and college visits.



### Sean Roskopf

ASMC President / Region VI Intern

In his dual roles as Region VI Intern and President of ASMC (Associated Students of Moorpark College), Sean has been instrumental not only as the official spokesperson for Moorpark College students but also as a **dynamic leader actively enhancing Region VI engagement**. Sean is an accessible point of contact for the board and plays an active role in regional activities, contributing significantly to our overall effectiveness and fulfilling our mission.



# MONTHLY ARTICLE

## National American Indian Heritage Month

### Region VI Honors National American Indian Heritage Month

In observance of National American Indian Heritage Month, Region VI **proudly stands committed to recognizing and honoring the invaluable contributions made by the first Americans to the establishment and growth of this country.** We acknowledge the rich and diverse cultural traditions, practices, and achievements of Indigenous Americans. As a part of our mission to engage, inform, and maintain inclusive practices, Region VI is dedicated to fostering an environment that not only celebrates their enduring impact but also *actively engages in acknowledging and respecting their history.*

To properly observe this month, we encourage all individuals, especially all community college leaders who learn, work, and advocate on originally Indigenous lands, to **explore the history of the Indigenous peoples who originally inhabited the lands our campuses now occupy.** We advocate for everyone to engage in thoughtful reflections pertaining to the contributions of Indigenous Americans and develop a higher understanding of the challenges they face today. As we commemorate National American Indian Heritage Month, we encourage every individual to participate in educational activities, discussions, and initiatives that promote respect, awareness, and appreciation for the rich and diverse heritage of Indigenous Americans.

Region VI also calls upon student leaders to actively contribute to the observance through Student Body Association (SBA) activities. As individuals who hold influential positions within our college communities, **we student leaders have the power and the voices to raise awareness about indigenous issues and amplify visibility for this important month of recognition.** Do what you can to leverage your roles in fostering inclusive practices, organizing educational activities, and initiating discussions that promote respect and acknowledgement for the rich and diverse heritage of Indigenous Americans. We need to collectively use our platforms to engage, inform, and uphold the values of inclusivity not just during this month of observance, but year-wide.



# WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO



Advocacy Academy is **right around the corner folks - less than two weeks left!** Don't miss the chance to participate in this enriching experience—an incredible opportunity to participate in the first annual Advocacy Academy hosted by the Student Senate for California Community Colleges. **As of Friday, November 17th, registration for this conference is now closed and we are at full capacity!** Thank you to all SBA members and regional advocates that registered for this event and showed interest in hosting workshops, networking, and staying informed.

## Regional officer vacancy

Region VI currently has **TWO** positions open for applications:

### Treasurer

The Region Treasurer is responsible for record-keeping of financial transactions, development, and maintenance of the annual region budget, providing detailed quarterly budget reports and oversees the regional banking account, organizing fundraising events aligning with SCCC Mission and Goals, and updating and maintaining SCCC finance policies, while also submitting monthly treasurer reports serving as the Chair of the Internal Region Finance Committee.

Additionally, the Treasurer serves as a Member of the statewide SCCC Regional Finance and Fundraising Committee and executes any additional duties as assigned by their Region. Learn more [here](#).

### Vice Chair

The Region Vice Chair assumes the duties of the Region Chair/Regional Affairs Director in their absence and succeeds to the position when vacant, is responsible for system activities and internal affairs including accountability reports and committee memberships, and maintains records of local student body association officers and chairs the Region Rules and Resolutions Committee.

Additionally, the Vice Chair serves as a voting member on a Student Senate internal committee and as a non-voting ex-officio member of all Region committees. Learn more [here](#).

# Region VI SBA Event Calendar

Below are some of this November's past and upcoming Region VI SBA events and activities.



## The Laramie Project: 10 YEARS LATER

**Ventura College:** The Laramie Project play - at VC



The Laramie Project is a play that reflects the 1998 murder of gay University of Wyoming student Matthew Shepard, and ultimately functions as this — an effort to generate dialogue around issues of tolerance, equality and acceptance. In collaboration with the Oxnard College Academic Senate and the Oxnard College Rainbow Cafe, the Oxnard and Ventura SBA's will be attending the play put on by the Ventura College Performing Arts Program.

### Event Sponsors:



**Date:** NOVEMBER 30th, 2023



**7:00 PM (doors open)  
to 9:00 PM**

**Location:** Ventura College



**VC Performing  
Arts Center**

## Diwali: Festival of Light



**Moorpark College:** Celebrating the Hindu festival of lights - at MC

Join Moorpark College on November 29th for an enchanting Diwali celebration! Immerse yourself in the vibrant festivities featuring Indian cuisine, Henna tattoos, Rangoli, Sand Art, and capture the joy with a fun Photobooth. To all community college students, Moorpark and others: embrace the spirit of Diwali at this event. Don't miss this colorful celebration at Moorpark College – mark your calendars! For more information on this event including location, contact [ASMCSstandingRules@vcccd.edu](mailto:ASMCSstandingRules@vcccd.edu).



A graphic for the event which can be found on the Moorpark SBA instagram. All credit to @a.s.m.c.

# Event Calendar

These are some of the upcoming events both regionally and statewide, in addition to announcements by Region VI executive officers.

## Regional Events:

### Region VI Executive Board Meeting

Second Friday of Every Month @  
1:00 P.M. (subject to change)  
Location: Zoom  
Meeting ID: To Be Announced

### Region VI Delegate Assembly

This Friday, November 24th, 2023  
@ 5PM  
Location: Zoom  
Meeting ID: 590 442 5464

## Statewide Events:

### SSCCC Resolutions Committee Meeting

Monday, November 20, 2023  
3:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
Zoom & Teleconference  
Meeting ID: 820 3233 2862

### Advocacy Academy

December 1- 3, 2023  
Friday at approximately 10:30 am to  
Sunday at about 1:00 pm.  
Location: Riverside Convention Center

# Announcements

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

## Elena Fuentes

VI Comms Officer

Region VI SBA's and regional representatives, please reach out to me with your criticisms and ideas for the monthly newsletter!

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## Marcos Garcia

VI Regional Affairs Director

Contact the Region VI RAD with inquiries on how to apply for regional position vacancies, special elections info, and updates on Region VI resolution output.

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