CANDIDATE PLATFORM STATEMENT

Candidate required to submit electronic Platform Statement to Associated Students Election Ad Hoc Committee Chairperson (for Associated Students’ candidates) or Chancellor’s Designee (for Student Trustee candidates) prior to campaigning for viewing by student voters on election days. Candidates can prepare Platform Statements greater than one page in length.

Printed Name: Leah Alicata

Candidate For: Student Services
Major: Biology

Primary College: ___ Moorpark ___ Oxnard ___ Ventura

Questions:

What education, skills, or experience would you bring to this position?
I believe this position needs a person willing to go meet their peers. It is hard to ask for help when we need it most. I believe my outgoing personality is probably the most important thing I bring to the position. That being said, I care deeply about my studies and I work hard to get good grades. I know the struggles that come with being a full time student and serving on an A.S. board. I have made it a point to help as many people possible find: financial aid, student worker positions, tutors, counselors, access and clubs. I like taking what the school has to offer and making it available to the students. I try to go out of my way and talk to a new person every day. I find people with questions and seek out answers for them. I have served as a Director of Student Services and know that it takes willingness to go out and find students with questions.

Describe specific goals, ideas, or programs you would strive to implement if elected to this position.

I would love to work more closely with the foster youth, EOPS, Access, and Care programs. I believe in fostering a safe and healthy learning environment and for that to happen a person needs some fundamental things. I would like to see a ride share program for those that take the bus, our gym open for outside class time use, a food pantry and the showers made available to those who may not have one. These things don’t happen overnight and you have to have them approved through the right chain of command. I know how to get the ball rolling and that’s a start

Signature: Leah Alicata Date: 4/14/15