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DASG Internal Officer

Voter's Guide

DASG Events

Committee

# **Events Coordinator**

**Leo Chao (He/Him/His)**

**Events Coordinator**



- 1. Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

As a candidate for the Event Coordinator, I wish to carry forward the kindness and support I perceived when I first stepped into this community. My goal is to create events where connections can flourish, where friendships last, and where our two years at De Anza become one of the most memorable chapters of our lives.

**2. What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

My experience in student government during high school, along with my current involvement as a Taiwan Student Association and a DASG Event Committee Intern, has allowed me to actively plan and lead multiple student initiatives. In the future, I wish to utilize these experiences to hold more outstanding events.

**3. What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

I also participate in the Phi Beta Lambda and Taiwan Student Association at De Anza. All the commitments I have currently have weekly meet ups just as DASG where I can track my progress weekly, I will also make sure to give a portion of my time weekly for DASG event planning.

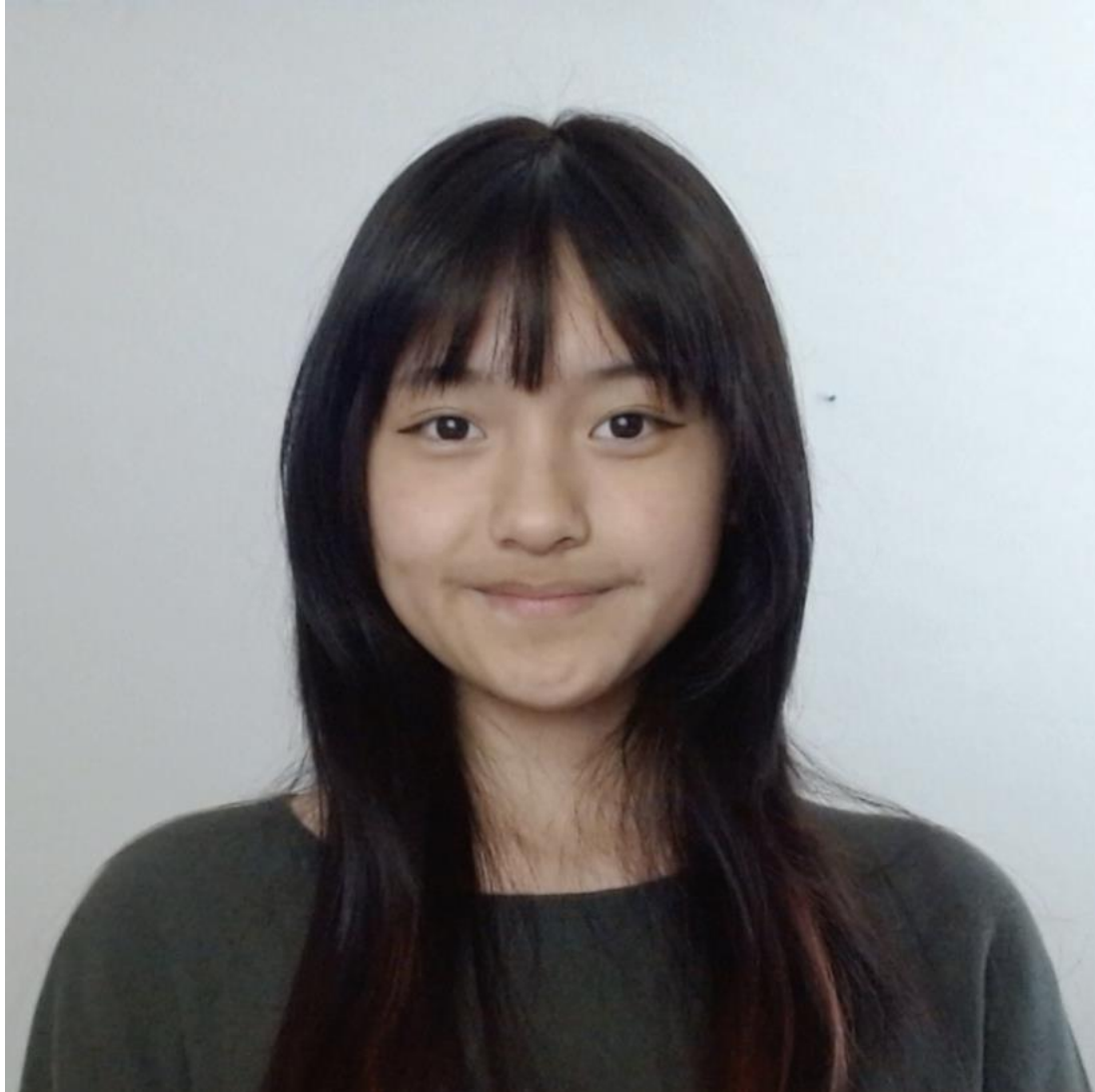
**4. Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

De Anza is a special place for me and I believe the same for many. We all study in the same school for two years, or even less, then we're broken apart, back to our own journeys. Frankly, I wasn't expecting to make company here. But in reality, I made surprising connections, close friends, and had an amazing time on campus. Being part of DASG and attending multiple events was a great help. Hence, I really hope to become part of the Events committee and as an internal officer that could also design and operate events that could also impact others' school life.

**5. What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

I believe for DASG, specifically the Events committee, there is lack of active members that go to most events the committee hold, the committee also lacks profile in the student body.

**Mary-Lyn Furagganan (She/Her/Hers)**  
**Events Coordinator**



**1. Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I want to be able to organize events where everyone can have fun, whether they like socializing or not. As someone who's not good at socializing and still loves participating in events, I want to make events that EVERYONE can enjoy to strengthen our wonderful community here in De Anza. As an events coordinator, I hope to bring more impact to the community and help create meaningful memories during their time here through our events. I also want these events to not only be fun, but to also inclusive to everyone

by hosting culture events as well. We could learn about everyone's stories and appreciate them together.

**2. What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

I have a few years of leadership experience as well as teamwork and communication skills that will benefit me significantly as an event coordinator. I thrive in slow and fast paced environments, so I would be efficient whether events are calm or fun chaotic! In addition, I am a good listener and committed to making sure everyone's needs are met. I will make sure everyone who comes to our events are happy when they walk in, while they're in the event and even when they leave so they can have a great rest of their day! While doing that, I will make sure events go smoothly and consistently as to not create any minor inconveniences that might impact our event and our students.

**3. What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

I am currently in a club as well as working outside of school, which will take up a chunk of my time. However, it is my priority in making sure I manage my time well to make sure I am always on track and always ahead of deadlines. I use focus apps and planners to really maximize and effectively work throughout the day to make sure everything I need to do is done. As an event coordinator, I will efficiently balance this role along with all my other commitments to make sure I can attend all meetings that need to be attended, plan and coordinate well before the deadline and do whatever else needs to be done. If there happens to be a point in time where I will not be able to efficiently commit to my role, I communicate with the others to find a way to accommodate any inconveniences.

**4. Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

Thank you for reading and considering my application for this role. I am passionate about making others happy, and the events committee resonated the most with me in terms of that. If I'm given this opportunity, I am eager and determined to giving our students wonderful memories they deserve for their hard work.

**5. What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

I believe that a significant role of DASG is to create a better environment and community for our students during their stay here. The students should feel as less stress and most comfortable here. Some ways I can think of making that more possible is giving them as many resources to ease their stresses. This may include more tutoring centers or sessions, opportunities to meet people who work in different fields of careers that students can ask questions to learn more about their potential career and future. If it is also possible to ease some of their financial stress, that would also significantly impact our students. On top of that, community is also just as important. In short, DASG should prioritize the overall well-being of the students in many ways possible!

**Yuexin Ding (He/Him/His)**

## Events Coordinator



**1. Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

Having served as an Events Intern in DASG, I've seen firsthand how well-organized events can bring the campus community together. I want to step into the Events Coordinator role to take on greater responsibility and help create more meaningful experiences for De Anza students. Outside of DASG, I founded TEDxDeAnzaCollege, where I manage everything from team recruitment to event logistics — this experience showed me how much impact a single well-executed event can have. As Events

Coordinator, I hope to bring that same initiative and attention to detail to DASG's events calendar.

**2. What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

My experience as a DASG Events Intern gave me hands-on familiarity with how DASG events are planned and executed. Beyond that, founding TEDxDeAnzaCollege from scratch required me to coordinate multiple teams, manage timelines, and communicate with external partners — all skills directly relevant to this role. As a Business Economics student, I also approach event planning with an eye on budgeting and resource efficiency. I'm confident I can contribute both operationally and creatively to the DASG Events Committee.

**3. What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

I am currently a full-time student taking courses at both De Anza . Balancing a demanding academic schedule has taught me how to manage my time effectively and stay organized under pressure. I use a structured weekly planning system to ensure all my responsibilities are met on time. I am confident that I can handle the Events Coordinator role without compromising my academic performance or my commitment to DASG.

**4. Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

I am genuinely excited about the opportunity to contribute to DASG in a more hands-on capacity. My time as an Events Intern gave me a strong foundation, and I believe I am ready to take on greater responsibility. I am a detail-oriented and proactive person who takes ownership of tasks from start to finish. I look forward to collaborating with the DASG team to make De Anza's campus life more vibrant and engaging for all students.

**5. What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

One concern I feel strongly about is student awareness — many students, especially international and first-generation students, are not fully aware of the resources and events available to them on campus. DASG should invest in more targeted outreach, particularly

through platforms students already use, such as Instagram and WeChat groups, to ensure that campus events and support services reach a wider audience. Additionally, I think DASG could do more to create events that bridge different student communities, fostering a more inclusive and connected campus culture.

# **Flea Market Liaison**

**Alexa Tedjawardana (She/Her/Hers)**

**Flea Market Liaison**



- 1. Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I've always been a person who supports sustainability and I'm against fast fashion and I believe becoming a Flea Market Liaison will support my interests in both reducing fast fashion and saving the earth. Flea markets spread awareness on reusing items or giving them a second life which helps minimize waste.

I also became interested in this role because I love communicating with other people and working with new people. This opportunity will allow me to meet new people and work in a community which really matches my interests. I want students to know the benefits of coming to the flea market like how it supports small sellers, allows us to go shopping affordably and how it builds a community and space where people connect.

In this role, I hope to be able to create a welcoming flea market and a well-organized experience for the community and people who buy things from the flea market. I want to make the flea market a more known thing to other communities and get many other people to see the positive goal of this market and create a successful event.

**2. What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

Skills that I bring as a DASG Internal Officer position is communication and the ability to work with other people. I have strong communication and teamwork skills that were developed through both my high school and college life. Here at De Anza, I am the publicity officer for Women in Computer science, the marketing officer for PERMIAS (Indonesian club) and I am also a marketing DASG intern. Through these experiences I worked together to create events such as fundraisers by selling Indonesian food, and creating computer science events specially made for women to join. Creating these events made me communicate to a lot of people as well as coordinate tasks and making sure events run smoothly.

One of my most meaningful experiences was when I organized an event in my high school back in Indonesia where we collected used clothes from all around the city to help donate them to children who live under highways and bridges in Indonesia. We got many sponsors to help fund the event and we got many volunteers to help find the used clothes. This experience made me learn how to communicate with other team members, responsible, and how to plan accordingly.

**3. What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

The other commitments I have here at De Anza are 2 club positions. The publicity officer of Women in Computer Science, as well as the marketing for PERMIAS (Indonesian Student

Association). These commitments are not heavy workload but they require me to manage my time and coordinate with other events.

I manage my time by using schedules to track all the things I have to do and I also make sure to inform my presidents if I have other events that clash with their events. I prioritize my tasks based on which one is more urgent, and I'm used to balancing responsibilities and making sure everything is organized in every role that I am chosen to do.

#### **4. Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

I am really motivated to help DASG make the flea market have a bigger impact at De Anza College and I really want to help contribute to DASG and join the team to help promote the flea market more and work together with other students. I am really passionate about improving the flea market and working with other communities to organize the flea market and really show how great the flea market is to students who are missing out. My experiences help build who I am and will continue to help me in the future when I need to use my ability to plan and coordinate events that have meaningful purposes and bring value to De Anza. I hope to work together with DASG and bring good values to the team.

#### **5. What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

I think DASG should promote the flea market more and really spread awareness about it. Many students aren't aware that the flea market actually sells really unique and valuable items because students like to assume flea markets only sell old or unwanted items. I think the flea market promotion posts should have more visibility and awareness. I think we should show photos of what the flea market actually looks like if you come in real life so that we can show its value and attract more people to come and take a look.

**Jasmine Bremner (She/Her/Hers)**  
**Flea Market Liaison**



1. **Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I want to become DASG's Flea Market Liaison because I'm interested in contributing behind the scenes to help the Flea Market operate smoothly. I enjoy making sure things stay on track and that tasks are clearly communicated and completed. Through this position, I hope to become more engaged on campus, make new connections, and gain hands-on experience.

2. **What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

Through my leadership and community outreach experiences, I have developed strong organizational, planning, and problem solving skills that I would bring to the DASG Flea Market Liaison position. In high school, I served as Vice President of the Architecture Club, where I helped plan meetings, organize fundraisers, and keep members engaged, strengthening my ability to manage logistics and follow through on responsibilities. As a current member of the Senate and the current Flea Market Liaison, I already understand how the role operates and how events are executed. I am dependable, proactive, and committed to contributing to an organized and efficient DASG environment.

**3. What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

Currently, I am an officer of two clubs, a member of the DASG Senate, and my coursework is heavily focused on science and math. I manage these commitments through strong organization and effective time management. I maintain an agenda to track deadlines and daily responsibilities, which allows me to plan ahead and stay on top of my commitments. By staying organized and proactive, I ensure that I meet all responsibilities on time, and I am confident in my ability to remain reliable and committed to my academic work, leadership roles, and this position.

**4. Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

I genuinely enjoy volunteering at the Flea Market and interacting with all the vendors. I believe the De Anza Flea Market helps bring our community together while also giving support to local small businesses. I've had a lot of fun being a part of it, and I would be excited to contribute in a more active way to ensure its continued success. I also want to make the Mini Flea Market a bigger event, to increase foot traffic at the Saturday Flea Market.

**5. What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

I think DASG should focus on inclusion. Many students at De Anza feel isolated from the rest of the student body, which is a common challenge at community colleges. Making communities more open and welcoming to new students would benefit a lot of people. Increasing DASG accessibility to the entire student population would help achieve this. Right now, many opportunities, like volunteering for events, are mostly advertised to students already involved in government. I believe DASG could do more to help all students feel connected to the community and create opportunities for everyone to

enjoy their time at De Anza. Additionally, DASG could increase access to support programs and resources, making it easier for students to get the help they need.

**Kaitlynn Chen (She/Her/Hers)**  
**Flea Market Liaison**



**1. Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I want to become a DASG Internal Officer because I have always been passionate in working behind the scenes in various organizations. I like being involved in planning and executing activities and events that are enjoyed by everyone, specifically De Anza students. At first, I was already an intern for DASG Events Committee and as much as I enjoyed being an intern, I feel like my contribution to DASG is limited. I had many thoughts and opinions for certain events and activities, but do not feel like I was in a suitable position to express all of them. Therefore, I am extremely eager to become a DASG Internal Officer, specifically as the Flea Market Liaison. At first, I had never heard of a flea market before because where I come from, we are not very familiar with these markets. Nevertheless, I want to be DASG Flea Market Liaison because after volunteering and getting to know more about the market, I realized how much of an impact this has to vendors and buyers. Many of them praised De Anza's flea market as one of the best ones in the area. Seeing how enthusiastic they are in our monthly event made me eager to help build DASG's flea market even better than it is today. I want to be able to help these vendors as much as they have helped De Anza and make the event more inclusive than it already is, especially for buyers.

**2. What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

Some skills that I can bring to the DASG Senate and the Flea Market Liaison position are my strong organizational, communication, and time management skills. I have had some prior experience in being in an organization that has shaped my skills. Back in high school, I was part of my school's student council, and being in that organization has opened me to more opportunities to be involved in school. During those experiences, I learned to manage my time efficiently by being able to balance my school work and other responsibilities, while still staying organized and giving my maximum effort in them. I am also able to work well under certain pressuring environments, while still getting my work done responsibly. In addition, I have strong communicational skills and I can work well with other people. I also think that being inclusive is very important, so I always try to listen and include people's opinions and thoughts into decision making.

**3. What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

Aside from signing up to be DASG Flea Market Liaison, I am currently also a CFS Intern and a DABA

Social Media Officer. By adding another commitment to my table, I am able to manage my time well by planning out my schedule. I have always used Google Calendar to map out my schedule and track my tasks. The first thing I would do is to block out all the hours when I have classes, then I would input any meeting times for any of the clubs that I am in. The remaining time will be divided between studying, doing school work, and doing the tasks for my commitments. The remaining hours will be used for relaxation. However, in order to not create a burnout, I will always try to not overwork myself and only take on the tasks that I can guarantee will be done with full responsibility and effort.

#### **4. Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

During my time volunteering for DASG's Flea Market, I gained an experience that really drew me into wanting to be a part of it. I really enjoyed seeing how our monthly event has brought joy to vendors and buyers, as well as how much it meant to them. I am really interested in helping out in this division to add more to its impact than it already has. I would really like to give my best efforts that comes with the responsibilities in this position

#### **5. What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

I feel like a concern that DASG should address is the lack of student representation and engagement. DASG holds many events and activities that target the entire De Anza student body. During meetings, specifically during my time as an events intern, we would go around the room and discuss about the aspects that we thought were good and some that needed improvement for the future. However, in my opinion this way of evaluation becomes a problem because of how the limited amount of people does not represent the entire student body that enjoyed the event, especially from a point of view that helped organize the event. I think that DASG could address this problem because there are many students out there that have opinions or concerns about activities or events that have not been heard or fully represented. I believe that as the student government, we should be able to increase communication between students and the student government instead of create a boundary between the two. We can mainly start with more forums and outreach where we can enhance this communication so that not only will it benefit the students, but also our future events.

**Keith Tran (he/him/his)**

# Flea Market Liaison



**1. Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

One of my favorite events at De Anza Student Government is the flea market hosted on campus. The diversity of vendors and the welcoming environment have encouraged me to contribute beyond just attending these events. I also want to better immerse myself in the De Anza community through this role as an incoming community college student.

As a Flea Market Liaison, I would be able to combine my interest in selling at markets with my passion for community involvement. I hope to increase awareness of the flea markets through social media engagement and new outreach methods. As a flea market seller myself, I understand the frustrations and challenges that can come with selling, and I hope to improve the experience for vendors. By implementing new initiatives and enhancing the overall experience, I believe we can create a more welcoming and successful environment for both vendors and visitors while also increasing revenue for student programs.

**2. What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

I run a second-hand clothing business through an online platform and also sell at markets around the Bay Area, including PopupSJ and WorldExpoMarket. Over the past four years, starting as a freshman in high school, I have participated in dozens of markets, which has made me very familiar with the logistics and operations behind flea markets. I also have experience working in team environments and collaborating toward a common goal. In my role on the Red Cross Youth Executive Board, I worked with students across Northern California to promote blood education and volunteer engagement among youth. Through these experiences, I have developed strong communication, teamwork, and organizational skills, as well as confidence in my ability to take on the responsibilities of a Flea Market Liaison and contribute to the DASG Senate.

**3. What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

Currently, I serve as a Blood Drive Coordinator for Santa Clara through the Red Cross Youth Executive Board, and I also occasionally volunteer with a pediatric cancer support nonprofit. I prioritize activities that I am passionate about, and serving as a Flea Market Liaison would be one of my main commitments. I have demonstrated strong time management throughout this academic year while balancing extracurriculars with being both a full-time De Anza student and a high school student. I use tools like Google Calendar to plan and organize my schedule, which helps me stay on track and manage my responsibilities effectively.

**4. Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

I am currently a full-time student at De Anza while also finishing my senior year of high school. I will be graduating in late May, which will not limit my ability to attend required trainings or meetings.

**5. What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

One concern I believe DASG should address is the level of exposure and outreach for De Anza Flea Markets. Increasing vendor outreach through new initiatives could help expand participation and ultimately increase revenue for DASG.

**Vincent Galdamez (he/him/his)**

**Flea Market Liaison**



**1. Why do you want to become the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and what do you hope to achieve?**

I want to become an internal officer because I see the flea market as a source of funding that directly supports student activities and programs. I'm interested in being a part of something bigger than myself that has a real impact on the student experience at De Anza. What motivates me most is the opportunity to improve and grow the flea market.

I want to help my peers increase awareness, especially among students who may not know it exists or how it benefits them. I hope to bring more students and vendors to the market and make it a more engaging and well known part of campus life. I also want to contribute ideas that can improve the overall experience for both visitors and vendors, whether that's through new attractions or creating a more welcoming and organized

environment. My goal is to help the flea market generate more revenue so DASG can continue funding events, services, and opportunities that benefit the entire student body. At the same time, I see this position as a way to grow alongside with peers and having fun while developing my communication, teamwork, and problem solving skills while working with different groups on and off campus.

**2. What are some of the skills and experiences that you will bring to the DASG Internal Officer position you applied for and the DASG Senate as a whole?**

From my past experiences, I've been actively involved in helping with different events such as Homecoming, the mini Flea Market, and Winter Formal. During these events, I worked with others to make sure everything ran smoothly, and I often stayed longer when extra help was needed. I've also stepped in to support my peers during group efforts, especially when tasks needed to be completed quickly or when additional help was required. These experiences have helped me become more adaptable and proactive in busy environments. I've learned how important it is to communicate clearly, work as a team, and take initiative without standing by to await for instructions.

I believe I bring qualities that are important for this role, such as being dependable, willing to learn, and being present to check on those for their progress on a certain task. I'm someone who takes responsibility and follows through on tasks. I'm also open to feedback and always looking for ways to improve, which I think is important when working in a team like flea market. As part of the DASG Senate, I would continue to contribute by supporting others, collaborate across committees, and helping ensure events are successful and beneficial for students.

**3. What other commitments do you have and how will you manage your time?**

Currently, my main commitments are school, Track and Field practice, and possibly a job at YMCA. I understand that balancing responsibilities is important, especially in a role like this. So to manage my time, I stay organized by planning ahead by marking my calendar of the tasks ahead of time and prioritizing them based on deadlines. When I have multiple responsibilities, I make sure to break them down in handling how important they really need to be worked on based on their deadlines and how big or small the tasks are. From my past experience helping with events like Homecoming, the Mini Flea Market, and Winter Formal, I've learned how to manage my time during busy situations and still follow through on what's expected of me. If I take on this position, I would make sure to balance my academic responsibilities with my role in DASG in

staying consistent, communicating with my peers, and being reliable when it comes to meetings, events, and deadlines.

#### **4. Additional Comments (maximum 200 words)**

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#### **5. What student concerns do you feel the DASG should address?**

One major concern I feel DASG should address is the lack of awareness and engagement with the Flea Market. Although it is a valuable resource that generates funding for student activities, many students are either unaware of it or don't feel encouraged to attend. One way to improve this is by increasing visibility in classrooms, professors could briefly mention the flea market, which is another method of promoting the flea market as well. Another concern is the overall experience for visitors. Back when I helped out in the flea market for this month of April, there are limited places for people to comfortably sit and enjoy their food in the parking lot zones of the flea market, especially with the presence of food trucks. If we could just add the tables and chairs that we could borrow from conferences A and B, it would make the environment more welcoming and encourage people to stay longer. I also believe the flea market could benefit more from entertainment and student involvement. Bringing in student bands and dance groups who have participated in events like Club Day would create a more lively and engaging atmosphere. This not only attracts more visitors but also gives students a platform to showcase their talents. Overall, by improving promotion, comfort, and entertainment the flea market can become a more active and enjoyable space for both students and the community.

