For: Dr. Lori Gaskin's Monday Morning Update

Subject: Student Trustee Resignation

For the past six months, I've had the privilege of serving our college as the student trustee on the SBCC Board of Trustees, and as a student senator during the previous academic year. It's been an amazing experience working with the Board members, President Gaskin, Student Senate Advisors, Dr. Nevins, and all the individuals that I have worked with for that past year and a half. While I have deeply appreciated the opportunity to represent my fellow students in this role, I have made the difficult decision to resign in order to focus on my academics.

My student trustee role has broadened my perspectives and many of my skills. I have learned to communicate with diverse groups, to state my opinions with strength and respect, and to value the shared governance process. I have participated in many committees and gotten involved in important issues during the summer and fall semester, even during breaks. This has allowed me to become a part of the SBCC family, has allowed me to learn how to be a better leader, and a good team member, an endeavor that had begun during my years in military service.

Thank you to the Board of Trustees, President Gaskin, and the SBCC faculty and staff for all your support in my role representing the students of SBCC. My experience with you is an invaluable asset to me. Keep fighting for what you believe is right, endure long meetings, and continue to propel the school forward as part of this important team.

Respectfully,

Jose Joel Negroni "Semper Fidelis"