"Funding the VOC Mentorship Program"

Proposed Motions: Approve the funding for the VOC Mentorship Program as a 3-year grant

Sponsor: AS Vice President for Business & Operations

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Summary

This budget will fund a two-year pilot program in the Veteran's Outreach Center (VOC). The program would pay for three volunteers in the VOC per quarter. They would be paid in the form of a $50 gift card from the AS Bookstore for each quarter in which they volunteer as a mentor. The mentors will communicate with the office of admissions and work to establish relationships with prospective, admitted, and enrolled veteran students. They will help advise the students regarding campus life for veterans and provide specialized campus tours as well as offer a wealth of information concerning issues related to student veterans on campus. Offering a $50 gift card to three volunteer mentors for three quarters each would cost $450, but the AS bookstore has agreed to offer the gift cards at a discounted price of 20%, meaning that the cost of the program each year is only $360. This program will be a two-year pilot program, and then should be absorbed within a different budget.