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## Student Directors' Report – March 25, 2015

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Good Evening Board Members, Superintendent, Students, and Community,

The All City Council Student Governing Board is excited to share with you all what we have been up to and what we are planning in the next couple of weeks:

- 1. On March 19th, All City Council held its monthly High School Meeting at Ralph J Bunche High School. During this meeting the High School Delegates from Fremont, Dewey, Life, CCPA, Oakland High, Oakland Tech, Metwest and Skyline were trained on how to prepare to present at the Youth Action Summit on April 30th. ACC Delegates will be sharing their expertise at the Summit through workshops and presentations. We would like to publically thank Bunche student leaders, Kamilah Mitchell, the leadership teacher, and Principal Betsye Steele who did a mock workshop for us on the implementation of a student hiring committee at their schools. It was incredibly inspiring.
- 2. Each meeting we receive school reports from the delegates. We then compile those reports to present at the Board Meetings. The following is a list of concerns and opportunities at the school sites.
  - a) Bunche High School Students are concerned with student and teacher relationships and student engagement. They have been working to address their concerns through weekly check-ins with their adult allies.
  - b) Life Academy Students are now taking the steps to advance the campaign at their school site with check-ins with the ACC Governing Board.
  - c) CCPA Concerned with their classroom size and they have been working to address these issues by meeting with their allies.
  - d) Oakland High School Concerned with safety issues and the lack of student and teacher communication. They are working with their adult allies to come up with solutions.
  - e) Fremont High School ACC Delegates are concerned with their facility issues such as heating. They have been meeting with their adult allies like their principal and their leadership group.
- 3. All City Council will continue to meet with Oakland Healthy Teens Group and continue to give them feedback on their sex education resources for high school students and especially for freshman. Look out for their interactive online tool and brochures at school health clinics.

- 4. The Middle School College Visit was this past Tuesday, March 24th. We went to Sonoma State, where we partnered with an ACC Alum to provide a great experience for Westlake Middle School and Sankofa School students. We learned about Sonoma College and how middle school students can prepare for college. This is an annual event of All City Council, and we hope that next year we can continue to expand the program.
- 5. We, as Student Directors, acknowledge that this role is critical for the continued institutionalization of student voice in OUSD. We are preparing to graduate, but we want to make sure that student voice continues to be as strong as it is on the Board of Education. We would like to invite our peers to apply for this position. If you are interested, please contact one of us for more information.

Finally, we are excited for our upcoming engagements. We will be meeting with the new Mayor of Oakland, Libby Schaaf, and the Restorative Justice Youth Council. Additionally, we are also planning to meet over Spring Break to finalize the Youth Action Summit planning. Lastly, our Youth Action Summit is April 30th at the First Unitarian Church here in Oakland. Mark your calendars. While this year had its obstacles for student voice and power, we recognize that young people have been able to advance the Making A-G Real campaign and student voice citywide. All City Council Governing Board has been able to advance student voice in all areas from the Board Meetings to different school community engagement committees of the Oakland Unified School District. YAS is an opportunity to celebrate the amazing work of our peers this year. We invite all youth to come and participate!

Thank you.