

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

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EXECUTIVE

eXperience

Neil Patel (President)

SU is in a state of crisis. It has no core mission, no set values, and no public priorities for its students. Instead of advocating for students by uniting them, it serves as the official Wash U "piggy bank." eXperience demands change. Through our values of "loyalty, awareness, and unity" we will bring a new setting for student groups, nationally recognized speakers, wireless internet network, premium cable access in rooms, a campus bar to promote healthy drinking habits, and a logical recycling system.

In my three years, SU has repeatedly failed to ask itself one question: "Why not?" The organization is afraid to take risks, afraid to cause a ripple in the pond, and afraid to stray away from tradition. Let's make Thanksgiving Break a full week and do away with Fall Break Friday; why not? Let's create a "social fund" so that student groups have the resources to fund all-school parties that unite students that normally don't interact; why not? Let's bring Ali Gore, Lance Armstrong, and Erin Brockovich to give talks next semester about the impact of social change; why not?

eXperience will ask "why not?" We do not stand for mediocre results. We will give you a Student Government that advocates and fights for issues that excite you. Each student spent \$326 this year on Student Union. Was it worth it? On April 4th and 5th, do away with the status quo. Think of the possibilities, and dream the unthinkable.

Vote for YOUR eXperience.

Brittany Perez (Vice President)

Did you know you could buy the new 8800 BlackBerry phone, a 30 GB iPod, a Coach purse, or a plane ticket almost anywhere in the US for the \$328 you pay for YOUR Student Activities Fee? Did Student Union offer you an absurd worth experience this year? My answer is no, and I am running for Student Union Vice President to make sure you and I get the most from our \$328 as possible. Overprogrammed weekends, speaker names you have never heard trying to take up your lunch hour, fitness facilities my grandma could use... it's time for change. Putting eXperience in the name guarantees openness to hear YOUR voice, commitment to implement YOUR PLAN, and dedication to follow-through with YOUR CHANGE. April 4 and 5 vote for YOUR eXperience.

Ray Malhot (Treasurer)

I think it's funny that names aren't always what they seem: Rhode Island is not an island, and Eminem doesn't melt in your mouth and eat on your hand. But it is funny to think about the fact that Student Union doesn't really mean student? Shouldn't students feel negative about going to a body to ask for money when it is money they themselves have contributed? It's deplorable that the body is looked at as an enemy, instead of when it should ideally function as a resource for the entire student body. No one mandated that our SU counter to the goals of students. That idea and that feeling can change.

eXperience promises change. I have worked on the student side of WashU my entire time here. As president of ALAUS, I understand and know what it is like to design a budget, and it is not the job of SU to tell me how I should run my group. Why are people not going to your events deciding if and how they happen?

My goal of eXperience is to use the resource to whom students can and will turn. I believe that students should have the ability to look to SU to get what they need out of their college experience - why can't students look to them for funds for an internship or research when it's their own money?

eXperience plans to create community in its ideals of health, social awareness, and unity. I've spent my career here as a student and I'm voting to bring that to Student Union.

Vote for YOUR eXperience.

Rebecca Forman (Secretary)

I love people. I also love my golfshy, playing football on the beaches, twizzlers, rollerblading, and Epic poetry. For this year, I'm pursuing... however, let me explain my opening statement. My passion for Student Government greatly surpasses my fondness for organization and management and is rooted in my love for people. The role of the Secretary of Student Union is to keep students informed and organized on aspects of what is going on internally in Student Union and expressing what Student Union can do for the student; I want every student to be well aware that he or she has access to a large amount of Student Union resources.

I respect that I have for this campus, including the students and the facilities; is my motivation to work hard to find places where change needs to be made, and institute those changes. I have thoroughly enjoyed many different aspects of campus life. I am a member of a sorority, I am a Treasury rep, as well as a member of other Student Union committees, and I participate in a religious group on campus.

As Secretary of Student Union, alongside my fellow officers, I would put every ounce of energy in every fiber of my being into enhancing the experience of as many students as possible by working to increase health, unity, and awareness on campus. I believe I bring a fresh and unique attitude and experience to Student Union. I completely enjoy talk with opened eyes, a determined mind, and a smile on my face.

Vote for YOUR eXperience.

Jon Wald

Paradigm (President)

I will make one promise for next year: I pledge to work my hardest in serving students' needs and desires to create more opportunities for my fellow schoolmates. It would be my greatest honor to serve this university, and I urge you to appreciate support for making possible my opportunity to serve. Paradigm, my slate, endeavors to shift the paradigm of SU into image, efficiency and effectiveness. First and foremost, implementing seamless, wireless internet is our top priority for this campus followed closely by better cell phone service. Having worked with Jesse Klein, the Senate Technology Resource Committee Chair, and Paul Moister, the current SU President, our slate has a technology consolidation plan to integrate all technologies on campus. We also hope to create a Wash U style Craigslist.

Secondly, we hope to improve a sense of safety on campus. We will implement the efforts of 1 in 4 and SARAH in lobbying for new safety resolutions. One of our plans is a late night campus transport golf cart from the library to dorms or off campus apartments to ensure safety.

Fourthly, we will increase the amount and availability of fair trade, healthy and organic foods by working with the Serate Food Committee.

In addition, we want to increase student participation in decision making and allow the Student Body to vote twice yearly in election matters. We will also create an SU marketing branch.

For the rest of our ideas, visit www.voteparadigm.com.
Vote for your ideas... Shift Wash U's PARADIGM.

Marius Johnson (Treasurer)

My name is Marius Johnson and I want to serve as your next Student Union Treasurer. I am a sophomore in the College of Arts and Sciences majoring in Political Science and Managerial Economics & Strategies. My past experiences with SU have been as a Treasury representative for the past two years and as co-chair of the Budget Committee this year. Over the past two years, I have really enjoyed working with student groups to help them fulfill their missions within the WashU community. I am excited for the opportunity to serve as a new capacity and work closely with not only student groups, but hopefully individual students as well. Often the focus of the student activities fee is isolated to student group spending and individuals who may not participate in these groups can't access in these groups. I would like to expand the role of SU funds so that more opportunities are available for students to directly benefit from their activities fee. Additionally, I hope to more closely examine the current use of Student Union funds and ensure that groups receiving large allocations are being held accountable to the student body and are giving back to campus in a way that is more reflective of their allocations. I am eager to serve the student body and hope that you will strongly consider a vote for me in the elections April 4th & 5th.

Yewande Alimi (Secretary)

My name is Yewande Alimi and I am running to be your Your SU Secretary. I feel that I am a good fit for this position because of my passion for SU as well as some of the goals I have for the future of SU. As a treasury member, see firsthand why Student Union has a lot of opposition. I hope to help change the image of SU by encouraging conversation not only exclusively with the executive council, but with all of SU, in an effort to establish a united front. I am excited to continue the current direction of the Public Relations Committee, hoping to establish it as the resource for Student groups in the realm of consultation for advertising and marketing that exists on campus as a member of the executive council. I hope to battle the main issues that plague our student body including technology, housing, and career resources for the atypical career choices not sufficiently covered by the career center. I also hope to help bridge the gap between the Danforth Campus and the South 4th. In addition, I plan on exploring avenues for effective co-programming solutions in an effort to bring more quality programming to the student body, but also to bring a sense of joy and rekindled to the position, but I hope the will of my strong character. I am excited for the direction I see Student Union heading and it is already on its way to becoming truly your Student Union.

BLACK FUNDING

Campus Y

Why because you care!

The Campus Y is a community service organization dedicated to social, cultural, national, and international communities. 862 Wash U undergrads volunteer in Campus Y's 22 programs - more than 1 in 7 students! The Campus Y empowers students to make a difference by getting involved in activities such as tutoring and mentoring with Y Tutor, advocating for AIDS awareness with Wash U HOPE, and caring for neglected animals through WAGS. Just to name a few.

This year we hope you will approve our request for black funding so we may continue the successful funding and community events of our service programs. Black funding is essential because it allows us to share funds between programs and start new service initiatives proposed by students at any time. Black funding does not require any additional money from you, but rather allocates a portion of the existing activities fee to student organizations under the supervision of SU.

Thanks to previous student body approval of our request for black funding, the Campus Y has been able to improve and expand in response to student interest and community needs. Last year alone, Wash U volunteers provided over 46,000 hours of service and started 6 new service initiatives through the Campus Y! We appreciate your past support and with your help, look forward to creating an even bigger impact in the future. If you have questions, please contact us at campusy@campusy.wustl.edu, or stop by and visit us across from the Buns!

Dance Marathon

Elections are April 4 and 5 on WebStat, and we need YOUR support! Black funding will set Dance Marathon's budget for two years. It will be needed throughout each year by allocating YES to Dance. It is most needed throughout each year by voting YES to Dance. Black funding, you are agreeing that SU should allocate \$3.98 of your already-existing Activities Fee to DM. You will not pay any additional money.

Dance Marathon fundraises year-round for the Children's Miracle Network (CMN) of Greater St. Louis. All of the funds raised by DM are divided between St. Louis's two premier children's hospitals.

Black funding will allow DM to continue to expand to reach more members of the Wash U community. With the help of black funding, DM can look to the future to make large-scale improvements to the organization and to the main event in November. At the same time, black funding will allow DM the flexibility to adjust for unpredictable changes that affect the budget each year, such as the number of participants that need to be accommodated. Black funding will be used to pay for the costs of fundraising events and activities throughout the year. The money received through black funding will not be donated to CMN.

In 2006, DM raised \$123,452. Over 1000 Wash U students and faculty members were involved as participants, volunteers, and visitors. Black funding will allow DM 2007 to reach even more participants and better serve the community.

Emergency Support Team (EST)

The Emergency Support Team (EST) is asking for \$1.65 of your student activities fee to offset the varying long and short-term costs for training and equipment necessary to an emergency response unit. In order to serve you 24/7, EST must purchase several thousand dollars worth of equipment each year. Black Funding is critical to EST's survival because budgeting for these expenses must occur months before a semester in advance through the regular budget process. Our funding also contributes greatly to the cost of training and is specifically put toward Missouri EMT licensure and yearly CPR recertification. While we have not asked for an increase in any of our last three Black Funding costs, we are doing so because of a dramatic increase in EMT class costs through the University, as well as in response to increased costs of supplies over the last six years. Voting YES to Black Funding does not increase the amount you pay - it simply guarantees that \$1.65 of your student activities fee will go to EST to save students money by eliminating the need for an ambulance for the majority of medical emergencies, which cost over \$500 each time they are called. It is our pleasure to represent the University community. Yes, we are asking you to help by approving our proposal so that we may continue to provide high standards of care and free emergency medical services.

CLASS COUNCILS

Sophomore Class Council

Mishal Reja (President)

Student Union tells me the responsibilities of the class council include "building class unity and identity." Let's think for a second about class identity. In some gradations, is our class going to be any different from the class of 2007? The class of 2011? As President, I promise you that the class of 2010 will be exceptional and distinct in many ways.

I bet you're thinking, "that's a big promise, can you see it through?" I can and will fulfill my promise. As a senior in high school, I helped produce a charity concert for Hurricane Katrina featuring Jay-Z and Kanye West. Currently, I am producing a Duffel benefit concert that will take place in Scottsdale Center. This is an enormous undertaking. I recently got Don Chae (from Hotel Rwanda) and Eike Wiesel to endorse this concert. I want to involve the Class of 2010 in this effort.

If elected, I will strive to improve campus life. I will organize a spring formal for the Class of 2010. We will have a sophomore beach party on the swamp with lounge chairs and slip n slides. I will organize the class-wide athletic tournaments. Also, I am going to throw big concerts on the quad where student bands and any solo act can perform for great prizes. Together, we can make this campus a lively and energetic place to live.

In high school, I was a senator for four years. I started a program for African American minorities in New York City called "Police Community Development." I am someone who wants to make a change in this world. All I ask of you is to stand with me, and help me make that change.

Party of Five

Pat Book IV (President)

I am running for President of the Sophomore Class Council on the Party of Five slate in order to continue to further my goal of providing social programming as well as acting as an active voice for the Sophomore Class to Student Union and the University as a whole.

In high school I served as President of the Student Council as well as a leadership position in a number of other clubs and groups. Over this past year I have served as a member of the executive board of the Freshman Class Council as the Secretary and have learned a great deal from this experience. In general, I believe that being in SU is a great advantage as we begin the next year having this knowledge.

I believe I am well suited for the position as I have held such a leadership position many times before and understand what kind of organization as well as determination that it takes to perform the job well. I have always enjoyed such a position in the past and would love to continue as the leader of our class for next year.

If elected President, I plan to implement the ideas I have come across over this past year with ideas that the current Sophomore Class Council has used with new ones in order to provide a variety of activities meant especially for our class as a whole. I hope to provide the leadership our class needs for a successful school year next year.

Amy Xu (Internal VP)

I am running for Internal Vice-President of the Sophomore Class Council as part of the Party of Five slate, because I would like to continue meeting individuals in the WashU community while planning exciting events for the sophomore class to interact and benefit from each other.

In high school, I served as class secretary, student body secretary, and co-president of a community service club. At WashU, I have become involved in the College Democrats' Executive Board, Student Admissions Committee, and Uncle Joe's Peer Counseling.

I am well-suited for the position of Internal Vice-President because the job calls for much interaction between student groups on campus and the Sophomore Class Council. I have a variety of interests and participate in student groups that differ greatly from each other. Therefore, I feel that I would be an enthusiastic liaison between students and the Sophomore Class Council for collaborations, joint events, or simply increased communication.

If I am elected as Internal Vice-President, I would like to enact a few changes in the WashU community. More sophomores have fallen into a routine that offers to do most new people or discovered different aspects of the University. My goal for the Sophomore Class Council is to increase class unity and to provide opportunities for sophomores to continue widening their social net through interesting events. Additionally, I also think it is important that the Sophomore Class Council become more accessible to students - both as a resource and as an outlet to participate on campus.

Regis Muray (Treasurer)

I am running with Party of Five for the treasurer position on Sophomore Class Council. Because of my interests, and possible majors in mathematics and economics I am well suited for the treasurer position in that I like working with finances, numbers, and budgets. Furthermore I have experience with the Freshman Class Council as this year I was a member of the Freshman Class Council Cabinet Treasury Committee. I have seen first hand the responsibilities which are delegated to the treasurer and have worked as a committee member with helping accomplish some of these responsibilities.

If you elect "Party of Five" to be your Sophomore Class Council we hope to bring the sophomore class a variety of events which will benefit the class as a whole. We hope to act as a liaison between our sophomore class and the career center in order to get crucial career and major specific information out as sophomores seek to declare their major. In addition, we hope to bring our class together through social events whether they are within our sophomore community, Washington University community, or even the St. Louis community. Most importantly however, if elected we will cater to the individual desires and ideas expressed by our sophomore class, because as a class council we are here to serve our class body.

Ginny Page (Secretary)

I am running with Party of Five for Sophomores Class Council. Currently, I am a member of the Marketing Committee on the Freshman Class Cabinet and have had a blast this year helping to market and plan events such as "Down and Deric!" Zoalander night and the Bills vs. Bears event along with SLL. I hope to continue with the class council for the Class of 2010 and I am excited to be next year's Secretary. Throughout high school, I was actively involved in the Student Council and served as Secretary my Junior year and President my Senior year. Because Student Council was a

large part of my life then. I wanted to become actively involved in the Student Union here at Washington University. On-campus, I am also actively involved with the Performing Arts Department, Student Admissions Committee, Peer Advising, and Alpha Phi and would like to be inspired from those various groups to the Sophomore class. Sophomore year is often difficult because students are the longer "outside" freshmen, yet they are not quite ready to think about life after graduation. If elected a member of the Sophomore Class Council, I hope to plan events that give Sophomores both a social outlet and a time to begin thinking about their intended majors and future careers. My goal is being the Sophomore class together as we will be spread throughout the South 40 and rest of campus.

Junior Class Council

JunVour Class Council David Ross (President)

My name is David Ross and I am running for Junior Class President. I am running for this position because I want to unite the Class of 2009 and plan fun social, community service, and educational events that would interest the class. My past Student Union Experience includes being the President of the Class of 2009 both Freshman and Sophomore year. Because of my existing experience with this position, I feel extremely qualified to take on another year as being President. My goals for next year include planning more joint events with other organizations on campus. I also want to set up a speaker series for the Junior Class, as well as work with the Career Center to plan events to advise Juniors on career goals and jobs. I am excited to plan "Junior Jam, Senior Slam" and look forward to working as hard as I can to give the Class of 2009 continued support, and a great presence on campus. Vote for me, and be one of the "JunVOUR Class Council" to represent the Class of 2009!

James Kugler (Internal VP)

I am honored to be running for reelection for the 2007-2008 academic year. As Internal Vice President for the last two years, I have strived to create and organize new events to interest and entertain all members of the Class of 2009. This upcoming year will be no exception. I am always open to new ideas and appreciate the enthusiasm everyone has brought to all of our events, if you have any questions on my plans for the upcoming school year, feel free to email me an email, I look forward to hearing from everyone!
Senior Class Council
Dream Team

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Dream Team Mansh Shah (Treasurer)

My name is Mansh Shah and I am running for the treasurer of our senior class. Having served on the executive board of Ashoka as a co-cultural chair and now a co-president, I have developed valuable leadership skills that will allow me to be a great asset to the Dream Team. As co-president, I have worked with the treasurer, motivating me to learn the roles and tasks of this position including fundraising strategies and creating budgets. If elected, I assure you that the Dream Team will make your senior year

SENATE

Arts & Sciences

Gant Barbosa

I am Grant Logan Atilano Barbosa and I want to be your Arts & Sciences Senator. Why? It's simple - I am committed to serving this campus and I feel that serving on Senate will be the best way for me to do it. I have served this campus in various roles on multiple executive boards in my first year on campus, but want to serve the whole campus. I have been Pride Alliance Co-President, Association of Latin American Students Social Chair, and Freshman Representative for Black Pre-Law this year. I am a dynamic candidate for Student Union due to my wide-spread experience with different aspects of the campus community as well as my innovative nature that will emerge from my lack of explicit Student Union experience. My main goals for my term as an Arts & Sciences Senator would be to reach out to the general student more, increase the implementation of the campus and if it's used in only a few (or no) machines), and push for the campus groups to create more innovative programming through co-sponsorships. Basically, I'm determined, hardworking, passionate, and I really care about our campus, which makes me one of the best Senate candidates.

Ronald Chang

My fellow Artists and Scientists,
This year, I gave you more Chang for your Bucks as the Director of Finance for the Congress of the South 40.
Next year, should be elected to the Student Union Senate. I vow to use my wealth of skills and experience in student government to tackle issues on behalf of you, the concerned student. Issues that range in scope and complexity from REVAMPED WIRELESS INTERNET - Many years ago, Washington University was at the forefront of on-campus and residential Ethernet technology. Now, we have fallen behind in this area, and, if elected, I pledge to do everything within my power to get WASHU caught up to speed to IMPROVED SENATE FROM STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES - To many students, Student Health Services costs much and offers little. If elected, I will put myself in contact with campus administrators, voice our concerns, and work with them to resolve this issue.
and finally, INCREASED PASTA SAUCE FROM THE PASTA GUY IN BEAR'S DEN - The pasta guy at Bear's Den does not give adequate pasta sauce for all of the pasta noodles. If elected, I pledge that I will use all of the power at my disposal as a Senator of Student Union to address this concern.
Vote Progress, Vote Prosperity, Vote Ronald Chang as YOUR Arts & Sciences Senator.

Julienne Kane

WUTs up! My name is Julienne (Julie) Kane and I am running for SU Senate. I am a fall transfer from Claremont McKenna College in Southern California, originally from Washington, D.C., who would explain why I think it's normal that I ride a skateboard to class. I'm a Political Science and Philosophy major. I am running for SU Senate because I am beyond thrilled to be WASHU student and finally having the college experience that I wanted from my start. I have worked for WASHU caught up to speed to IMPROVED SENATE FROM STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES - To many students, Student Health Services costs much and offers little. If elected, I will put myself in contact with campus administrators, voice our concerns, and work with them to resolve this issue.
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Claremont, I actively participated in College Democrats, played on the Varsity Soccer and Softball teams and worked closely with Claremont's Dean of Students on projects to decrease student apathy and increase community participation. Recently, I worked on Staff as the Assistant to the Press Lead during Barack Obama's rollout campaign in Springfield, Illinois in admiration of Barack's passion for public service. In the day, I was senior class president. I have experience writing proposals as I was recently awarded the Stern Social Change Grant through the Community Service Office.
At Wash U, I work on the Ethics Committee, under Dean McMullen and the Student Services Center for Gender Equity, Diversity, and Human Values. I recently organized a discussion on global poverty and conditional aid through the Ethics Committee. I work at the St. Louis Juvenile Detention Center with a group of twenty boys every Tuesday night. I also play club softball here and am a new member of Phi Beta Phi.
I am running on the following platform: Unification and celebration of Wash U's eclectic student body. I want to embrace the diversity of intellect, interests, passions, race, ethnicity, culture and backgrounds that Wash U students possess. Diversity of student body has made my experience at Wash U far more intellectually and socially stimulating, however, greater diversity can be achieved. I intend to focus on diversity initiatives as I continue to assert that most intellectual environments are those that celebrate a myriad of perspectives and experiences. I am very passionate about Wash U students embracing our peer diversity because my previous college bred a very homogenous population. Wash U possesses an incredible learning environment with its wide range of courses, all of its disciplines, workshops, etc. - are all at our fingertips, but it is how we tap into those resources that will determine our exposure to new experiences and intellectual depth. I have many ideas based off of candid discussions with my peers in the different schools on how to better integrate the community.
If elected, I would also encourage student organizations to endorse each other and collaborate when putting on events to advertise more effectively, drawing in a wider, more eclectic crowd. I opposed to littering campus with fliers that yield a low rate of attendance. Co-sponsoring events and projects utilizes more resources, enhances publicity and builds a stronger network.

Josh Malina

As a member of the Senate next year, I will improve campus life. I have a knack for innovation and problem solving, deliberation comes naturally to me. I have an ear for the voice of the people, and I'm determined to work with determination toward any reasonable end that they may desire. I am a veteran student politician, having served for four years in office in high school. I have the passion for change as my first project I will work to change the meal system to allow for more liberal food choices, and the exchange of points. Having conquered that, I will work toward the improvement of campus toilet paper. Next, I will aim for the creation of a course evaluation system that more accurately reflects the sentiments of students in an honest and timely fashion. We have no doubt that, if given the opportunity to approach these problems, they will be resolved by year's end. Join me in making your life better next year.

Kady McFadden

I have been a member of SU Senate for the past few months and love being a part making change at Wash U. Some issues that I feel are very important for Senate to continue to work on are campus sustainability, improving AC facilities, campus security, and increased communication with Bon Appetit. Student government is something I have been dedicated to for a long time, as it is what I love to be involved in. I am very eager to expand my interest of politics, passion of helping the community in order to continue to make change at Wash U.

Paul Moynester

This past year I have had the honor and pleasure of serving you as Student Union President. For numerous reasons, I have decided not to run again for SU President, but I hope to remain involved in Student Union. I would greatly appreciate your support in the upcoming election as I run as a Senator for the first time in over the last year. I have developed a keen understanding of how this university operates and have worked fervently to implement numerous changes that I believe will benefit Wash U. However, there is always more change that can be made. So I would appreciate your support in helping continue to effect positive change on campus. If elected, I plan to work on several key issues. First, I plan to present a proposal to the Chancellor that asks the university to commit to becoming at least fifteen percent carbon neutral in the next year. Second, I hope to establish a new time for the weekly Assembly Series. This year, the Assembly Series brought in some great speakers like Bill Nye, but often students were unable to attend due to class conflicts. It is my goal to find a new time for the Assembly Series that more students have fewer conflicts. I hope it is my hope to continue pushing the administration to better the technology on campus such as the implementation of campus-wide wireless as well as the enhancement of cell phone reception. Thank you very much for your support.

Jeff Nelson

My name is Jeff Nelson and I am running for a seat in Student Union Senate. While I would officially represent students from the College of Arts and Sciences, I hope to be a representative of the needs and desires of all members of our undergraduate community. My primary goal as a senator is to help enact legislation that would 1) Make our community more conducive to diversity by improving the campus and its resources and collaboration among cultural groups and other student groups and 2) Make our community more technologically efficient by improving all of the WUSTL website, working towards wireless residential areas, and making campus more accessible. In addition, I hope to continue with my ambition and past leadership experience makes me an ideal candidate for the position. In high school, I was President of my school's Student Council. At Wash U, I have also earned leadership positions: I am currently the Business Manager of WY Channel 22, the Student Group Involvement Coordinator on the Orientation Executive Board, and a member of the Washington University Strategic Planning Committee. Through these experiences, I have had the opportunity to meet and network with current student leaders and administrators from across campus. These established connections will enable me to serve the Student Union Senate and the entire Undergraduate population well.

Kaushik Srinivasan

My name is Kaushik Srinivasan, and I am running for senator of the College of Arts and Sciences in the Student Union. I have a long-term desire to participate in leadership and government activities since high school, where I acted as an officer or president in over 12 organizations nearly simultaneously. Specifically, I participated in Youth and Government, a program where I was able to imitate the life of a senator by actually spending three days within the state capitol building and debating legislation. I thoroughly enjoyed each and every activity in and of itself and I also gained valuable insight to organizing and coordinating people to perform various tasks. The experiences I gained then fostered my

interest in leadership and I have since wanted to be involved with Student Union. One of the most significant lessons I learned from those times was the importance of listening to other people's problems and working to solve those issues - what I believe to be the very essence of leadership. I am a very down-to-earth person, and I am always willing to listen to what people have to say and take in their comments or suggestions. I believe that I would make a good senator since I would take in people's valuable advice or listen to their problems and do my utmost to implement their ideas or solve their issues.

Harrison Suarez

My name is Harrison Suarez and I'm running for Senator of ArtsCI. I'm committed to improving WashU through a specific focus on student group activities, overall campus infrastructure, and technological development.
This past year I served as Speaker of the South 40, a role which has afforded me a strong foundation for successfully achieving these goals. I've established relationships with key administrators throughout the school, and I've learned about and worked on many of the complex issues facing our campus.
As a Senator, I plan to focus on improving our community. I would continue to work on a plan that would bring wireless internet access throughout the residence halls and commonly-used classrooms. I'd also like to increase the scope of the campus card to include the School Store, Bear Necessities, and the mail rooms. And I'll work to ensure that as we invest in new facilities on campus, our dollars are well spent on areas that need renovation most.
Of course, it's not entirely within my control what it is I will work on. As we saw last month, sudden events can have a major impact on our community and student government. In these instances, I feel that my experience and commitment will help ensure timely forward progress.
Ultimately, my number one concern is making WashU a better place for all of us and everyone who comes after. I hope that I can have your support this week and next, please vote Suarez for Senator on April 4th and 5th.

Neil Winkung

Hello, I am Neil Winkung, a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences, running for re-election as Arts and Sciences Senator. Over the past year, I have enjoyed serving you as our campus leadership chair and working on projects such as amending the mandatory health insurance and mixed gender housing.
In Senate, I specifically manage the newspaper readership distribution to provide you with 800 newspapers daily, with Senate, also approved a policy to allow mixed gender housing in residence halls. In addition, after approving mixed gender housing, you will be able to live in coed suites in upperclassman housing for the 2008-2009 academic year; an option which I hope will provide students and plan on being active and wireless in the dorms. Many students had questions about how we pay so much for Wash U's health insurance, and I worked with Dr. Glass, administrators, and my fellow Senators to address the issue. Since our meetings, I am still working to allow students to have the choice to what health insurance provider they want to use, if they should need to seek medical care.
If reelected, I would like to continue working on amending the health insurance policy and getting wireless access campus. Currently, we have limited options when it comes to wireless in the dorms would be a great step in improving technology on campus.
This year, I have enjoyed serving you as ArtsCI Senator. I would like to ask for your vote this election for Arts and Sciences Senator. Thank you very much!

Engineering

Colin Towery

Hello Engineering I am a Mechanical Engineering Freshman here at Wash U. I enjoy being actively involved in the betterment of this awesome community and promoting the campus wherever possible. This last year I have served as the Class of 2010 Council's Treasurer and I am also a member of SU's Orientation, Recruitment, and Retention committee. I recently began attending EnrCouncil meetings and plan on being active and wireless in the dorms. But I would truly be honored to serve as one of the Engineering School's senators in the Student Union Senate. Having the ear of the administration the SU Senate acts as the loudest voice for undergraduate concerns here on campus and there has never been a time when the Engineering student body needs to speak up then now. Starting next semester the Engineering School will have newly structured departments, and for the incoming freshman whom you may or may not care about new curriculums. The School is also poised for a tremendous amount of growth. The Engineering students are pushing forward with plans to build several new buildings out past Whitaker Hall. It would be a shame if student opinions were ignored in these matters. Albert, I don't think anybody could complain about the one question that the new Engineering School would do to us. But there is no reason why engineers can't have our cake and eat it too. So if you want active and aggressive representation of your interests, vote for Colin Towery at April 4th!

TREASURY

John Ablan

Hello I'm John Ablan, and I'm running for Treasury Representative. This will be, assuming all goes well, my fourth year as a legislator in SU and my second year as a member of the treasury. My goal as treasury member is to look at each appeal using a value theory. Rather than relying on unofficial treasury rules, I believe it is important to treat each request for funds individually in my mind. It boils down to one question: "If the new thing being requested would cost to operate it?" I believe that this method is the best way to arrive at decisions which are of the greatest benefit to the student body. I also believe that this way of thinking is also the best for student progress. Rather than asking those who request funds to navigate a bunch of red tape, student groups simply must demonstrate that their requests are valuable and that they are planned well.

So Vote for me because if you don't...I'll lose....

Frank Belling

My name is Frank Belling, and I am a Junior studying Mechanical Engineering. I am running to be Treasury Representative next year. I feel that I would be very well qualified for this position for several reasons. I have had 3 years of treasury-related experience working with many groups ranging from small niche groups to executive committees. I have served as the treasurer for Engineers Without Borders, Engineering Student Council, as well as for Sports Club Federation (the collection of Wash U's 31 club sports teams), and because of this experience I would help me to bring a unique perspective to this position. I have had extensive experience with campus programming through the many groups I am involved with, and I have learned the value of many different types of programming - both campus wide events like TED and also small scale events like Engineers. I just great value to these campus-wide events, as I believe they foster a

events like WILD, and also smaller niche type events. I put great value in these campus-wide events, as I believe they foster a stronger sense of community and increase pride in our school. In addition to social awareness and community service, I value multicultural involvement and collaboration between people of different backgrounds. The money that Treasury allocates is paid for by the students here at Wash U, so it's important to keep in mind that treasury works for the student body. I encourage you to vote for whichever candidate has the most values closest to your own, and if that turns out to be me, I would be very grateful for your vote.

Clara Caprara

I never had any interest in student government in high school. I considered it a popularity contest, and what did they really do anyway? Since I arrived at Washington University in August, Student Union has become one of my favorite activities. I joined SGAC in the fall and attended many Treasury meetings, as well, without being a member. I became a member in the spring when I positioned myself. I would love to keep representing the student body because I think it is important to have a variety of people representing the many interests of the students, in particular, the programming to which Treasury gives funds. The biggest problem in Treasury, and a very difficult one to change, is that there is a greater need for money than we have to get. The approximately 220 student groups on campus represent a fraction of the opportunities offered and are the reason I was attracted to this university. My goal as a representative is to balance knowledge and desire. I would like to help every student group, every appeal, receive 100% of its request, but that is not possible. So, to ask for a compromise, I will consider every amount of money Treasury has for appeals in order to help the groups in a positive way without giving them false hope or stranding them. Representatives should help you the students and represent your views fairly and objectively. All I am asking is that you let me do this for you.

Matt Fahey

My name is Matt Fahey, I am a Junior with majors in Math and Finance, and I am running for Treasury. I am running because I love Treas and I think I am a good fit. I like talking about money and I enjoy the debates that go on in Treasury meetings. Also, I am already a member of SGAC (Student Group Activities Committee) so I am familiar with Student Union and with the student groups that just apply for Treasury. I have attended Treasury meetings since the beginning of this semester. I genuinely like the meetings and I don't mind debating a subject until I am if it is necessary. However, though I have been pleased with my experiences with Treasury; though I also feel that Treasury could be more efficient and fair in making their allocations. I think that Treasury, as a group, could save both time and money simply by limiting redundant discussions and allocating money based on precise calculations rather than estimates or arbitrary values. I have always worked towards goals in my contributions to Treasury discussions, but I hope to become a member of Treasury in order to lend my comments legitimacy and to gain the ability to propose changes in allocations and, ultimately, to vote. It is the best interest of every student to see that Treasury makes decisions and allocations with efficiency and fairness, and I hope to serve that interest as a Treasury Representative. Thank you.

Neelgar Garg

I have been at WashU for nearly a full year and I still haven't heard anything about how Treasury works and what they do without asking someone who is in it. The student groups I've been in have had no idea how to properly navigate the rules and regulations, excepting the occasional group with a treasury representative. I know how to work the system. This confusion makes it exceedingly hard for Treasury to efficiently allocate funding to all groups fairly, despite the best intentions.

I have an extraordinary system in place that allows groups to receive funding from the student body itself, meaning we use programming that students themselves want to see, rather than something arbitrary that our administration thinks we might enjoy. But most students, especially freshmen, have no idea about how this system works, how to get involved, how to utilize the resources Treasury offers. In my capacity as a member of Student Union Treasury, I hope to make the process of receiving funding more transparent and understandable. I intend to reach out to each of the student groups, especially the freshman class, to help them understand how they can involve themselves in Treasury so that their views can be heard. As a result, I think the process of student group funding would become fairer and much more efficient. More than anything, I will work to make allocation more representative of the student body's views by making it much clearer what it is that students actually want.

Maxell Greenberg

Currently a sophomore, my name is Max Greenberg and I'm re-running for a position as Representative of the Treasury. Having spent the last year in a seat on Treasury, I feel as though I have a solid understanding of how the body works to ensure a well-oiled machine and the ability to make good, conscientious decisions without being swayed by the body the ability to stand up for your group when I feel you are planning a great event. Furthermore, I am very much in favor of strongly supporting groups with extremely passionate members, whether the group is large or small, to ensure that the events which can't be put on without Student Union's monetary support, receive the necessary assistance. Within this past school year, there have been policy changes within SU Treasury which, although we are not guided by precedence, I plan to do to make sure that your money is spent in the most effective way. The Wash U Community as well as possible for it is your dollars that help put on the events you see around campus, and I for one want to see more great events around campus reaching out to every niche, every group, every individual. Student Union Treasury is still a young body that is learning and growing, and being a part of it, helping shape where it'll be in a few years, that is something I want to be a part of and make a difference. Thank you for this opportunity.

Jeffrey Griffin

My name is Jeffrey Griffin, and I'm running for Student Union Treasury. I'm a freshman from Berkeley, California and hope to get involved in the intricate structure of the campus's undergraduate leadership. Berkeley High School, I was extensively involved in two student groups, the Key Club, as secretary, and the California Scholarship Federation as vice-president. Through these positions I have had firsthand experience with the long lines and red tape that seem to define educational bureaucracies. During my junior and senior years, I was the vice-president of the Berkeley Young Buddhist Society, and have seen the treasury arena from the perspective of the student group. It was charged with occupying additional funding from other organizations for a yearly festival. Thus, I feel that I can make objective decisions incorporating both the limitations of the Wash U Treasury system, and the point of view of the various student groups. I will also try to ensure that the Treasury follows the rules and procedures that they have outlined,

but that it keeps in mind that under extenuating circumstances, we could make use of a few waivers. I hope that you will give me the opportunity to serve you and our community.

Jennifer Hadley

Hi, I'm Jennifer Hadley, a Junior studying Biomedical Engineering, and I am running to be one of our SU Treasury Representatives. Treasury is a Legislative branch of Student Union that allocates over \$700,000 of the \$1.9 billion combined Activities Fee to Student Groups. I am completing my first term as a Treasury Rep, and would love the opportunity to continue my involvement with Treasury. Through Treasury, I am a member of Budget Committee, where my projects have focused on refining the budget evaluation and allocation process so that it is easier for Student Group Treasurers to understand and utilize. I worked last semester to assemble a model to evaluate spending trends based on past allocations, and am currently working to reevaluate our overall funding process. In addition to my involvement, I am currently the President of Spices and previously served as Treasurer and Public Manager. I have interacted with SU from the Student Group side and understand that it can be unnecessarily confusing and am doing my best to change that.

I would really appreciate your support and welcome any questions you have about Treasury, etc.

Jack Kider

I am running for a seat in the Student Union treasury so that I can represent your interests when allocating the student activities fee that you are required to pay. I am a freshman and have not yet served on Treasury. Because of this fact I will be open minded in my considerations for allocation of money. Have you ever been disappointed by a treasury decision? Here is your opportunity for another chance. Do you have a say in how funds are allocated? Here is your opportunity for a new approach. Do you have a new idea for a student group? Here is your opportunity to gain support. As a new treasurer, I will evaluate every issue that arises on an individual basis and I will not simply make decisions based on precedent. I look forward to bringing decisiveness, efficiency, and an open mind to my position in the treasury.

Lazaro Korsos

My name is Lazaro Korsos and I am a junior in the Business school majoring in Finance, Marketing, and Operations Management. I am running for a position in Student Union as a Representative of the Treasury. After 3 semesters ago I had transferred to Wash U from the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. Since arriving, I have really enjoyed everything that this institution has offered, especially the student body. From what I have seen, you are an extremely diverse, multi-cultural, and passionate group of young adults that all are excited to get involved. Admiring you and the opportunities made available, I became involved in numerous groups around campus. Furthermore, upon arriving, I learned about Student Union Treasury and their influence upon student groups and campus events. I knew that I wanted to be a part of such a group to help make a difference on our campus. Coming from an active duty military environment, I have had the humbling opportunity to lead fellow sailors and marines in diverse, multi-cultural, and passionate groups of young adults that all become a navy pilot. Now at Wash U, I hope to offer my prior leadership experience as well as my passion for selfless service to your community as a Representative of the Treasury. I look forward to contributing back to an already great institution as well as putting the extra effort in to make Wash U even better. I would love to look forward to serving you as I did the US Navy.

Alex Lin

I am not perfect. I am not a genius. My GPA is not 4.0. But you want me in the Treasury. You want me in the Treasury because I lead. Leaders listen. I listen. Transitive property. Even if I don't agree with you, even remotely, I'll listen. I'll listen to the end. As concertmaster, I've listened to the voice of my orchestra over my own. I've cared about how the orchestra's wants and needs over the voice of my individual. Yes, being concertmaster requires skill and merit. I've got those, that's why I was concertmaster. Sometimes I have to lose. Some days you lose. Believe you me, I have the best intentions for you and your peers in mind. That's why I'm running. I am that good, trust me. I am still not perfect. I will always feel challenged here. My GPA will continue to shock out me from trying to improve you. Why do you want to be in the Treasury? Must be the money. Help me help you. Alex Lin is Treasury Fall '07.

Bharath Mohan

My name is Bharath Mohan and I am a freshman running for re-election to the Treasury. I have worked hard to serve the student body and SU as a Treasury Representative since the beginning of the last semester. Early this semester, I was elected to serve as the Chair of SGAC. SGAC is one of the two committees that serve under the Treasury of the Student Union. I also have additional leadership experience as the Executive Secretary of the ACM, which is a student group on campus. In my position with the ACM and SU, I have already gained experience of planning events, so I know how difficult planning and running events are and I always keep this in mind when a group comes before the Treasury. I enjoy allocating funds to student groups, which is why I like the Treasury and I always strive to make financial decisions that would help the student group as much as possible. As a Treasury Rep and SGAC Co-Chair, I oversee the Student Group Application process and work very closely with student groups. I like meeting and working closely with my fellow members of the student body and always make myself available to groups, both denied and approved, to give them suggestions on for improvement and to offer assistance.

One of the things I will continue to strive for is SU transparency. So far this year, I have done a good job with increasing transparency, particularly through the Student Life page every Wednesday and the weekly email. While Treasury is doing a fine job moving towards greater transparency as well, there were times this year when Treasury strayed from this goal. For example, we reverted to secret decisions more than one occasion and I myself witnessed these actions. If you elected, I will continue to defend the student body's right to hold representatives of the Treasury and all other representatives of the Student Union accountable for their decisions. I am very energetic and passionate, and I spend many hours a week with the Treasury and SGAC working for the student body. Every week I meet with a couple other SU leaders, for an hour or so, just to find ways to make SGAC and Treasury better. I will work hard to better the image of the Student Union on campus and I will continue to work hard to build a better relationship between the Student body and SU. I have really enjoyed my time on Treasury this semester and the last, and I hope you will give me another year. Vote Bharath for Treasury.

William Oberghaus

I'm William Oberghaus, an Arts&Sci freshman who is running to be one of your Treasury representatives next year. After being appointed to an open Treasury seat last fall, I have learned a

tremendous amount about my new school through this position and would like to continue my involvement in the SU Treasury. One of the reasons I enrolled at Washington University was the Assembly Series, which will be one of my major focuses next year. As I am also an undergraduate representative to the Assembly Series Committee, I am committed to helping student groups bring quality speakers to campus in accordance with the group's purpose at Washington University. The process of applying for an Assembly Series speaker is as it stands now, is flawed, and next year, I would work closely with both Barbara Rea, Director of Major Events and Special Programs, and the Treasury to refine the application process and to support new student groups who would like to bring their first speaker to campus. I believe more money needs to be spent on speakers with whom many/most students are familiar and could relate. If elected, I would be more than willing to help any student group navigate the difficult and time-consuming process to appeal for a new Assembly Series speaker. I believe my past experience and my opinions on how to most effectively use SU Funds would be valuable to SU Treasury next year, and I would appreciate your support for my Treasury candidacy. Thank You!

Maggy Rannels

Hi, my name is Maggy Rannels and I am running for the position of Treasury Representative for the 2007-2008 school year. I'm serving as a Treasury Rep. and have been doing so since I was appointed in October. I'm also serving as co-chair of the Student Group Activities Committee (SGAC). I'm running for another term because I want to continue serving student groups in whatever way possible. If elected, I want to try and help Treasury become more of a resource for student groups, instead of just the body they come before to ask for money. I think this can be done through SGAC, particularly by reaching out to other groups. Also, I want to try and increase collaboration, not only between the Budget Committee and SGAC (within Treasury), but also within the branches of Student Union. Finally, and most importantly, I want to give funds to the events that most benefit the student body, while still being fiscally responsible, and trying to keep the appeal/audit process for as long as possible. It's your money from the activities fee that Treasury allocates, so I want to help spend it in the most efficient way possible while giving YOU the best events!

Courtnay Reeves

Hey there! My name is Courtney Reeves and I am a Freshman running to be a Treasury Representative for next school year. I'm from Omaha, Nebraska and currently majoring in Marketing and International Business with a possible minor in Public Administration. I have been a member of Student Union Treasury this past year and have also served on many other Student Union committees including Budget Committee and Public Relations Committee. As a Treasury Representative, I support the equal treatment of student groups and every group and event being looked at the same, regardless whether 500 members or 50 members are involved. I support the funding of more on campus events versus off-campus events. I believe that this allows for more members of the Wash U community to enjoy and benefit from programs sponsored by student groups. A greater number of events being held on campus ensures diversity in both the type and purpose of programming and assures that every student's activity fee benefits them as a Wash U student. This being said, I still believe that groups should be able to attend conferences that benefit their purpose as a group and bring something back to the campus. Most importantly though, I believe that Treasury should be fiscally conservative so that as many groups are able to put on events throughout the year as possible. Please vote for me. Courtney Reeves, on April 4 and 5th for Student Union Treasury Representative!

Aaron Robinson

It's your vote, mate it count. I've been on Treasury for 3 years and served as the speaker for the past year. I am dedicated to representing your values while allocating your student activities fee. I consider Student Union and Treasury's role to fairly allocate your activities fee - never to take a cent from you. After all, it's your money. Beyond that, vote Aaron for Treasury.

Brent Rubin

My name is Brent Rubin, and I'm running for the position of Treasury Representative. I'm a freshman from Dallas, Texas in the College of Arts and Sciences majoring in political science. In my first year, I have been amazed by all of the events and other enriching work done by Student Union groups and the minimal cost, if any, at all, that students attend and enjoy their fantastic services to our community. Most of these events are funded by the Student Union, which disperses its funds through the Treasury. If elected, I will work hard to ensure that Student Union's budget is distributed equitably to groups that truly benefit the Washington University community.

Recently, I attended a Treasury meeting to better understand how the body functions, and I was disappointed by many Representatives' approaches to the budget appeals process. Some seemed to support groups' appeals simply because they liked the group and made no further inquiry while others took a punitive approach and wanted to deny groups' appeals because of various challenges faced in planning events/projects which forced them to spend prior to their appeal. I would take a much more impartial approach to the appeals process while also being thoughtful of the difficult task faced by groups rather than being at one of the two extremes.

Charles Shyng

A person without blood cannot live. Similarly a government without funding cannot live. I'm not accustomed to death. My name is Charles Shyng, rising sophomore in Arts & Sci, a candidate for Student Union Treasury. Not only will I bring fresh ideas into SU Treasury, I will also bring further cultural diversity. I am because of the injudicious allocation of SU funds, the inadequate funding of charity groups, and the absence of future student community events. The lack of judgment in allocating funds will result in fewer events for students like you to enjoy at our leisure. This money as well as SU Treasury's funding groups that don't benefit the Wash U community, ironically, charitable groups such as Relay for Life, I received partial funding for costs SU Treasury should have covered in Fall '07. This troubles and infuriates me. Hopefully you have these same feelings.

I can correct these wrongs. I have held leadership roles ranging from president/treasurer of school clubs to leadership positions in local organizations. These various involvements allowed me to become a leader in my community, both with my peers as well as various types of people. At WashU, I am on the Freshman Class Council and a member of the Arts&Sci Council. These roles in SU give me insight into the functioning of student groups and their management of resources, and I hope to apply what I have learned in the SU Treasury.

Let me work on your behalf. I want to make a difference for all of us.

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