



Student Government
University of North Florida



The Executive Report

April 22, 2006 - January 8, 2007





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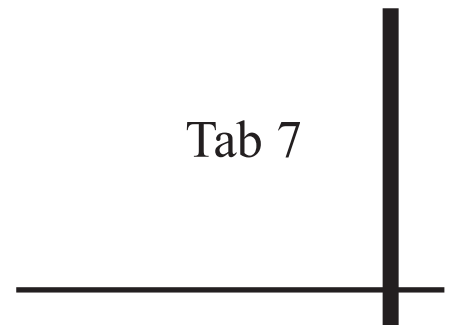
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January 8, 2007

Greetings!

We hope you are excited about beginning a new year in Student Government. Please review this official Executive Report and discover why we are proud of our organization and the progress that has been made toward our objectives. It is important for all of us to be aware of the many ways SG has represented our fellow students. After reviewing this report, you will find that we have carried out the mission of SG with excellence and professionalism. Equipped with this information and a more thorough understanding of our accomplishments, you will be ready to begin the new semester as the leadership of our campus.

Together, we have made progress in seven distinct areas: SG Initiatives, SG Continuous Advancement, UNF committee Memberships, Quality Public Relations, Quality Governmental Relations, A&S Programming and our Spring 2007 Objectives. In this report, you will find an extensive list of our completed objectives as well as goals for the new semester. It is my desire to work with all of you by keeping you informed, working diligently by your side and by setting an example of excellence for the future of Student Government.

Like always, we want to be your “go-to guy” and pledge to continue to be here to serve you. We look forward to working with each of you again this semester.

Sincerely,

Justin Damiano
& Dorrell Briscoe



Inaugural Address

Justin R. Damiano
April 22, 2006

University of North Florida
Student Government
Celebration of Service
Jacksonville Marriot

(SG President Justin Damiano's inauguration speech was written for the inauguration audience to hear, therefore, the speech transcription does not reflect standard writing conventions.)

Luis, Thank you for that prayer. The most rewarding part about running in this election has been meeting so many students. I can't tell you how many have come to me and said they were keeping all of us here in Student Government in their prayers. Because I believe in the power of prayer, I know they have made a difference for all of us.

Mr. President, I want to thank you for your service to the student body. Tom, you have made a difference for all of us, and for me, your gracious help in this transition process has been invaluable. You and Vice President Callahan have supported our family in Student Government in a style unique and very much your own. Armed with a pair of boat shoes and a Ralph Lauren Polo, you have made serving in this organization worthwhile. I think it was your quick wit and clever humor, Jared that kept us all strong in the face of many challenges. I admire you both for your hearts of service.

To our new senators, thank you for a contest conducted in the spirit of service. It is this spirit of service that our time in Student Government will be remembered for. This banquet can be attributed to the kind of attention to detail we have made commonplace here in SG. I would like to send a very special thank you to you, Kate Lafferty, for your hard work to make this evening possible.

I know she has followed every Student Government policy and procedure to the last...in fact I'm sure if we look close enough, even the vegetables say funded by Student Government somewhere.

To the family and friends supporting all of us here this evening, we would like to acknowledge how important your role is in our lives. Thank you for sharing this night with us.

It is truly humbling for me to be standing in the shoes of many great Student Body Presidents and I am sure many more to come. Thank you for standing with me today as we reflect on the past and look to the future.

It takes a very special heart to work for the students of UNF. You are all set apart and should be commended for your love of this University. I believe that without a genuine love for our campus, you could not effectively serve the students. Your presence here tonight says you have a love to make a difference and get involved. So, remember deep down inside, you are entitled to lead by the sheer nature of your involvement on this campus and your desire do more than just earn a degree and go home.

Together, we make up athletes, club officers, leaders in the Greek community, Agency Directors and volunteers, and many others of the 150 plus organizations that Student Government serves as a resource to. Without this diversity, we could not effectively represent the needs and concerns of our fellow students.

As a family, we should embrace this diversity. After all, no one like you can be found at UNF. And, you know, we are a family in every sense of the word. Yes, a family even riddled with a little sibling rivalry every now and then.

But, I believe at the end of the day it is possible for us, all as a part of this family, to bear the brotherly affection and love for one another that continues to make living here in America a blessing.

This love for one another got me thinking about what a successful SG really looks like. What makes the best SG in the state? Do you stack a couple of promises up against other platform ideas from around Florida to decide who is greatest? Or is a great SG much more than good ideas? I believe it is. I believe it is because of the two-tier mission of Student Government.

Our primary commitment is obvious. We are here to serve and represent the students. But I also believe the mission of SG is to develop those representatives that make up this organization. Looking around, you can see many new faces here in Student Government. But, though many of us are new to this organization, I am confident we will have a successful future. You see, I believe that no amount of passion, connections, or even experience, can make up for a lack in character. It is character that serves as a rock and a foundation to build this experience upon. These faces may be new, but their character is strong. To these new faces, welcome aboard.

Now is the time for us to be positive and make a commitment to pursue excellence. There is a proverb that says "Do you see a man who excels at his work; he will surely stand before kings." We must have an unrelenting determination to achieve a standard of excellence in every endeavor so that when we stand before the students of this University, we may be proud of our efforts and the professionalism those efforts represent.

Why shouldn't those who walk through the doors of Student Government immediately see we mean business?

President Delaney highlighted in his Inaugural address the words of Professor Jim Collins by saying, "Good is the enemy of great; and that is why we have so little that becomes great." To become a great Student Government, we must make routine evaluations of where we are and where we are going. Not just as an organization, but (and in keeping with the second mission of Student Government) as individuals.

My father and my good friend Mike Arthur spent some time with Astronaut John Glen. Many of you know him as a Senator or as an Astronaut, but you should also know he is a US Marine. As a Marine, He'd tell you, "You fight like you train". This challenge of self improvement is common among Marines. When astronauts returned home after performing the miracle of landing on the moon, reporters asked them what it was like. The group of astronauts replied, "It was just like all the drills we've been doing all along."

You see, if we make a habit of routinely evaluating ourselves, practicing integrity by doing the right thing when no one is looking, and by respecting one another, there is no limit to what we can accomplish together. I've often marveled at how little the US Marines spend on internal security - even when each and every person is armed to the teeth! The answer is simple.

From Day one, they are told that they are something special - not because they wear the uniform, but because they work so hard to be worthy to wear the uniform. This cultivation of respect and love for one another is their secret to success and will be ours as well.

Consider Theodore Roosevelt. This former President knew that champions are not made in the ring; they are merely recognized there. His list of accomplishments is inspiring. Under his leadership, the US emerged as a world power and a US Navy emerged second to none. He insured the Panama Canal was built and won a Nobel Peace Prize for his negotiated peace with Russia and Japan. Even after his time in office, President Roosevelt led expeditions to Africa and explored the uncharted rivers of Brazil. In 1919, at his home in New York, Roosevelt died in his sleep.

Then, Vice President Marshall said, "Death had to take him sleeping for if Roosevelt had been awake, there would have been a fight."

Under his pillow they had found a book he had been reading to improve himself - even up to the very end.

A writer for the Spinnaker recently said "SG members need to work harder to let their constituents know what is happening in the Senate Chambers...not just before the election but throughout the school year."

They went on to say, "It is time to raise the bar." And I agree.

In my letter to the Student Body, I challenged every student to make a choice and decide to take advantage of the campus life we have to offer. But we as the leaders of our University must choose ourselves to take advantage of all that UNF is affording us. In this way, we will lead by example.

I've noticed that rarely do good ideas come from the guy in charge. I believe it is our responsibility through this involvement, to keep our eyes and ears open, so that we may make their good ideas a reality.

In closing, I would like to say, we have the opportunity to revolutionize the way every student experiences their four years of higher education. Going to school here, I have heard it been said that UNF stands for YOU NEVER FINISH. Well I believe we will move forward to make UNF and the experience here something that students will say stands for YOU NEVER FORGET.

Through a love and respect for one another, we may foster a spirit of creativity and innovation.

By knowing ourselves and seeking self improvement, we will make investments in ourselves that will pay dividends to our students.

Thank you and God bless.



Leadership

For Our Campus

SG Initiatives

Our number one priority is to complete all relevant initiatives of current and previous elected administrations. We will do this by...

Car Wash	1.1
<i>Ensuring the car wash is completed by the Spring of 2007.</i>	
DVD & Game Rentals	1.1
<i>Providing additional DVDs rentals for our program and purchasing the first installment of game rentals.</i>	
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<i>Working to create the best Student Union possible.</i>	





SG Initiatives

Car Wash

Ensuring the car wash is completed by the Spring of 2007.

After several months of negotiation with construction committees, the on-campus car wash was completed last November. The project was originally funded by a special request in the spring of 2006. Upon taking office in the spring, we realized that the cost of construction had escalated. Director of Engineering and Construction, Mike Gibson worked closely with administration to make this car wash a reality for our students. We met our objective to secure funding for the additional \$5,000 and worked with project managers to ensure hoses and other resources were installed correctly. We created a plan for the collection of revenue generated by this utility and communicated the completion of the car wash to the student body. The car wash is located south of the Crossings in parking lot 17, near the UNF intramural fields.



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In December of 2006, our team added 45 new DVDs to the rental collection in the library. With this addition, which was the first addition to the collection since the program first began, students can now enjoy over 450 of the latest movies on DVD. We were also able to create a game collection by purchasing some of the best games for students to rent in much the same way. Director of Osprey Productions, Adrian Semerene worked closely with our SG Accountants and library leadership to make this initiative a reality for our students.





SG Initiatives

Test Express Lane

Creating a Test Express Lane in the Bookstore

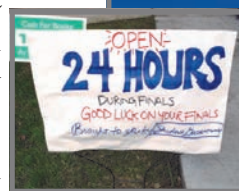
Our team successfully created a Test Express Lane in the Bookstore to reduce the time students needed to spend purchasing testing materials for exams. We unveiled our Test Express Lane last semester as part of Finals Frenzy and it was a great success. Students will now be able to get pencils, bluebooks, scantrons and other test materials thanks to our great partnership with the bookstore. Director of Student Life, Aprille Roberts worked closely with the bookstore manager to make this initiative a reality for our students. They presented the Test Express Lane to students with the help of an island and set up the proper staffing to collect money during peak times.



24 Hour Library

Establishing a plan that allows our library to be open for 24 hours during finals week.

Last semester we were able to expand our popular library extended hours program to include a new 24 hour library program during final exams. We worked closely with the library leadership to schedule additional hours beginning the Thursday before exams and through to the Wednesday of exam week. The great feedback we've received from students for this initiative has proven it to be, once again, one of the most popular initiatives of Student Government. We also worked alongside many Legislators to plan the funding and executing aspects of this project. Director of Internal Affairs, Angela Rivera worked closely with Chairman Kyle Peters and the Associate Dean of the Library to make this initiative a reality for our students.



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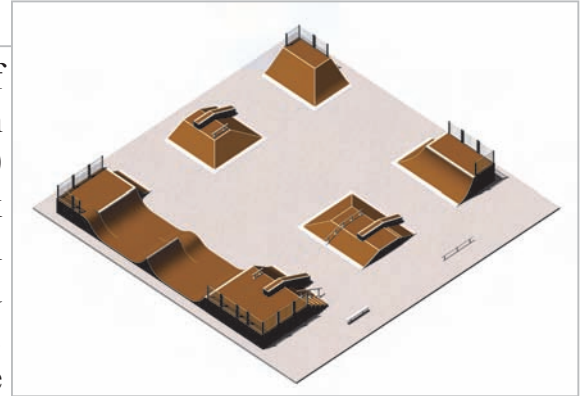


On Campus Skate Park

Ensuring the Skate Park is completed by the Spring of 2007



After several months of negotiating with construction committees, work on the 10,000 square foot campus Skate Park has begun. The Skate Park will be a recreational facility located north of the current lot 18. Construction is planned to be finished in March.



Student SG Lounge

Ensuring the Student SG Lounge is completed by the Spring of 2007

The Student SG Lounge is now completed and the Starbucks is open for business after several months of working closely with administration and W. G. Mills to manage the project and oversee the construction. It was decided that the project would be located in the atrium of the old library and was originally funded by a special request in the spring of 2006. Upon taking office in the spring, we realized that the cost of construction had escalated from \$50K to \$74K. Director of Engineering and Construction, Mike Gibson worked closely with administration to save students from additional costs. We also worked with Chartwells to ensure the Starbucks would be flexible with their hours of operation according to student needs. Through effectively managing our resources, we were able to improve the total number of students who could occupy the facility. We worked to ensure the lounge would be fully furnished with seating for over 200 students. We worked with administration to make a plan for the Student Lounge to be open 24 hours. Now, students will have a place to study as well as eat or drink. As with most of UNF, the lounge will be technically up-to-date with free Wi-Fi service.



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SG Initiatives

Hot Dog Stand

Improving the variety of food on our campus

Our students have turned to Student Government in the past to effectively improve the food variety on our campus. This past summer, we responded to this need once again, by bringing Miracle Kate's Hot Diggity Dog Stand to our campus. After weeks of researching several hot dog stand vendors, the stand opened by the Bookstore in September. This new food option offers students hot dogs, hamburgers, chicken, bratwurst, New York and Italian sausage four days a week. This stand is also unique because it benefits a family in need. The stand's owner uses the profit from tips to pay the medical expenses of his granddaughter who is terminally ill. Chief of Staff John Simms and former Deputy Chief of Staff Elizabeth McGregor worked closely with administration and Chartwells to ensure this initiative was completed.



Cash to Card Machines

Advocating for an additional Cash to Card Machine on our campus

This past summer, administration helped us meet our initiative by adding an additional cash to card machine on campus. Cash to Card Machines have become very beneficial to students with the advancement of technology at UNF. Allowing students to store a dollar value, the card can be used for vending machines, to pay for printing and copying in the Library and Computer Labs and washing and drying in the Laundry Rooms.



SG Initiatives

Readership Programs

Improving our on campus Readership Program

Student Government has always strived to deliver the best possible services to our students. For many years, our campus readership program has been considered one of our greatest initiatives. This year, our team renewed our commitment to our readership program by introducing the NY Times. Most importantly, we were able to work alongside many Legislators to plan the funding and executing aspects of this initiative through an unique program called the American Democracy Project. Director of External Affairs, Steven Henin has worked closely with Academic Affairs to execute the many benefits of the American Democracy Project as well as monitor the readership of the NY Times. Last semester the pick-up rate was great and our students enjoyed a variety of lectures and civic engagement activities. The paper is offered in conjunction with the FL Times Union and the USA Today. Throughout the semester, we have ensured all three papers are effectively distributed throughout our campus.



Feminine Product Dispensers

Maintaining our commitment to working Feminine Product dispensers across campus

We have worked to maintain Student Government's commitment to ensure all the feminine product dispensers on campus are fully stocked and operational. We have addressed recent concerns expressed by students over a lack of feminine hygiene products available in the women's restrooms. After reporting all relevant locations to maintenance, they have been restocked and our partnership with administration is still strong.

All Windows Open

Working to reduce lines in the Cashier's Office

The lines in the Cashier's Office during non-peak periods are monitored by the supervisors in the Cashier's Office. Once the lines become long and are continuously long, one or more other staff members in the Cashier's Office will open up. The Cashier's Office supervisors are sensitive to the lines and try to minimize as much as possible the length of time a student spends in the Cashier's Office. Additionally, our philosophy is "online and not in line". Therefore, in addition to the use of online credit card payments we are working with our software partner to provide online check processing. This will add another dimension to the online process and should help to reduce the lines in the Cashier's Office.

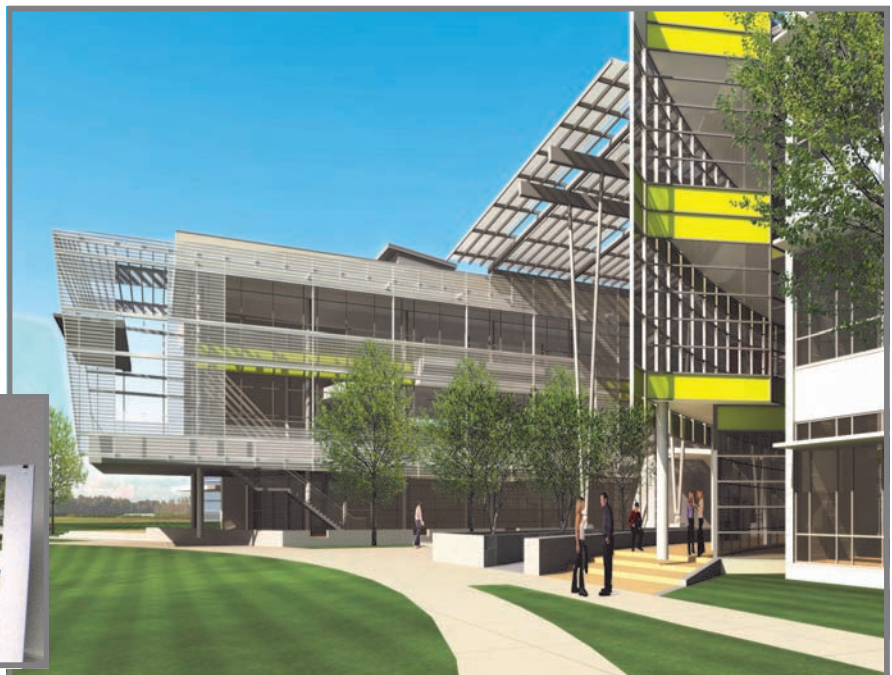
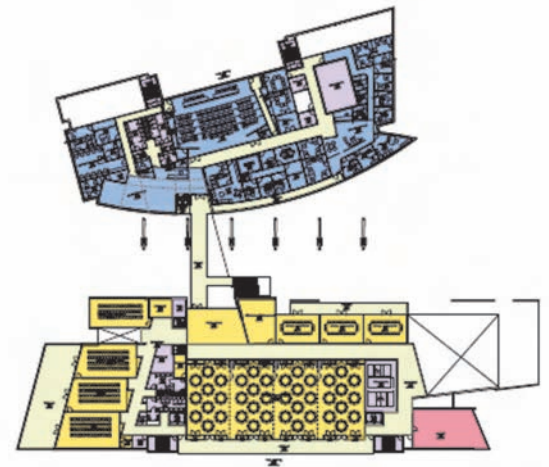


SG Initiatives

Student Union Building

Working to create the best Student Union possible

Our team has worked exceptionally hard to represent UNF's students on the Student Union Planning Committee. Our four delegates have logged over 65 hours in meeting time, coordinated multiple student presentations and focus groups, communicated with designers to ensure the optimum SG space layout, and lobbied administration to award the expansion space for future growth and development. Our team has also worked with construction committees to select the construction management firm that will be working with the architect and the university to build the Student Union. Our Union will be the most expensive building on campus at a cost of \$46 million. The 150,000 GSF building will be the hub of campus life. It will hold a two-story bookstore, storage area for clubs, several eateries, a theater, game room and other services. There will be enough meeting space to hold approximately 1000 students on the third floor of the west building alone. Student Government will also be housed in the Student Union, featuring a state of the art Senate Chambers, including enough room to seat 80. Our section of the building will feature a SG conference room, SG library and enhanced agency spaces all on the same floor. Also included in the design is Student Government expansion space for future growth. Construction on the Student Union is expected to begin this summer.





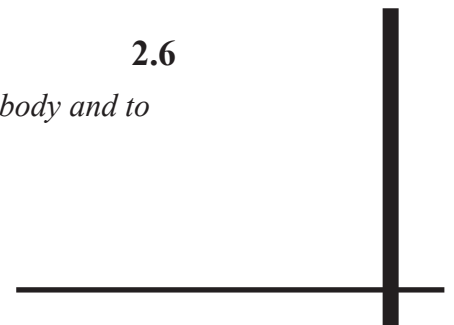
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SG Continuous Advancement

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<i>Meeting our responsibility to pass legislation that improves the life of our student body and allows us to learn and grow as leaders.</i>	
SG Elections	2.4
<i>Conducting our general elections in the spirit of professionalism and service.</i>	
SG Judicial Appointments	2.4
<i>Appointing students to our Judiciary who have excellent character, a passion for service and a will to build on their personal experience.</i>	
New SG Staff	2.4
<i>Welcoming the new staff who are now part of our SG team.</i>	
SG Tags and Polos	2.5
<i>Ordering name tags & polo shirts that reflect the professionalism and excellence we strive for.</i>	
SG Conference Room	2.5
<i>Securing the appropriate space necessary to hold staff meetings.</i>	
SG Senate Office Renovations	2.5
<i>Securing the appropriate resources our SG team needs to be successful.</i>	
President's Luncheon	2.6
<i>Establishing a quality relationship between our organization and the administration we work closely with and can learn from.</i>	
SG Holiday Dinner	2.6
<i>Partnering with Student Life to celebrate our commitment to the student body and to each other.</i>	



The President's Cabinet

Getting to know each individual so that we may encourage and develop as a team effectively.



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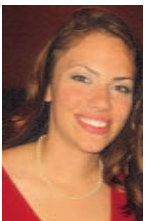
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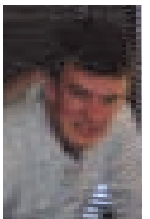
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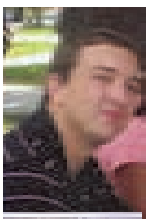
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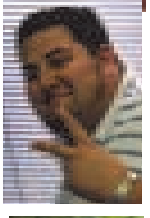
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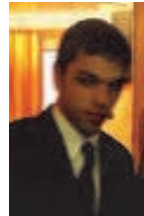
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SG Legislation

Meeting our responsibility to pass legislation that improves the life of our student body and allows us to learn and grow as leaders.

It is easy to see that many senators have committed hours of work sponsoring legislation that has improved the life of our student body. These bills, passed in the last two semesters, are evidence of our success with this objective and the development that has taken place in every individual. We wanted to at least highlight some examples to give you just an idea of the great legislation we have seen and all been a part of.

Homecoming

As perhaps one of the largest requests we have seen so far, the Homecoming Bill from Osprey Productions has everyone excited about what is to come next semester. OP's sizable request was signed into action on Nov. 14, 2006 and sponsored by Senator Kati Hogan. We are thankful for the time and energy that went into creating the best Homecoming yet. The \$51,767 request includes a comedy show, lip-sync concert, 80's themed dance and other activities for students.

The New York Times

The New York Times bill, as part of SG's readership program, has improved the life of our student body and allowed our students to grow and develop as leaders. By working closely with Academic Affairs, we were able to advocate for a valuable service to our students. The bill was sponsored by Senator Katy Swift and is part of the UNF's new American Democracy Project. The New York Times is now on campus and available free to students. The bill was for a total of \$3000 and passed Senate Oct. 23, 2006.

Game Room Activities

The game room also presented an exciting bill this past year, which provided programmed funding. Free food is served to students during football games, the PS3 release, finals week, the scrabble tournament, national play-offs, Super Bowl, Homecoming week, St. Patrick's Day, April Fools Day, ping-pong tournaments and several other events. This bill was sponsored by Senator Frank Pierorazio and signed into action Oct. 1, 2006. The bill has already proven successful.

Library Hours

The Extended Library Hours Bill has improved the life of our student body and allowed our students to grow and develop as leaders. By working closely with the Library, we were able to advocate for a valuable service to our students. The Bill was sponsored by Senator Sarah Grafton and is part of SG's Final Frenzy. The bill was for a total of \$3,711 and signed into action Oct. 1, 2006.

BCM Fall Kick-Off

Baptist Collegiate Ministry's Fall Kick-Off request presented earlier last spring should also be recognized as a significant bill. We were able to partner with BCM to bring musicians Shane & Shane to the university. Senator Stephen Horne sponsored the bill and it passed May 22, 2006.

Constitutional Amendment

In 2006 the students had a chance to vote on a Constitutional amendment. It was an amendment to Title III, regarding the Attorney General which required an Attorney General to be part of the Executive Cabinet. The bill was brought by Senate President A.J. Souto and signed June 21, 2006.

Voter Registry

Last June, a voter registry was established in Title VI. It is in the best interest of Student Government's accountability to implement a Voter Registry, which will include the signatures of each student who votes in a given election. The Voter Registry, in addition to the number of ballots and the number of students flagged within the registrar, shall also serve as a means of comparing voter counts in triplicate. The bill was sponsored by Alex Koby.

Meeting our responsibility to pass legislation that improves the life of our student body and allows us to learn and grow as leaders.

Osprey Productions

In July, Student Government allocated \$6,115.85 to Osprey Productions for the purchase of OP polos, carabeners, pens, mouse pads, camo caps, mesh caps, stadium cups, lanyards, CDRs, CD sleeves, and 5000 flyers. This bill enabled Osprey Productions to enhance student life, promote student involvement, and raise awareness about Student Government. The bill was sponsored by Senator Jessica McQuade and signed into action on July 18, 2006.

Full Time SG Office Assistant

Senator Souto Sponsored a bill back in July that helped the Student Government Business and Accounting office increase the productivity of the office through a full-time office assistant. On July 18, 2006, \$11,580 was secured in wages for this office assistant.

SG Computer Purchase

Student Government must from time to time replace computers that are used in our office, our agency offices, and various other offices which serve to meet the needs of students. Last September, 13 new Dell computers and 2 Apple computers were purchased giving us the resources we need to best meet the needs of students. The bill was sponsored by Senator Souto and Signed into action on September 1, 2006.

Tumblers

An exciting bill presented by Senator Kyle Peters and the Student Advocacy Committee was the \$2,147 request for spill proof tumbler cups that commemorated the new policy allowing students to drink in the library. Student Government was able to distribute these cups and materials campus-wide. The bill was signed into action the September 1st, 2006.

Student Affairs Chicago Comedy Company

This event was planned for students to enjoy the campus, by providing entertainment open to all students. The Student Affairs Chicago Comedy Company Bill is for student enjoyment and social enhancement. The total cost of the bill was \$2,000 and was sponsored by Senator Henry. This bill was signed into action on September 19, 2006.

UNF Intramural Sports

On October 1, 2006, the UNF Intramural Sports bill was signed into action and 8,222.78 was secured for a new Intramural Sports Athletic Trainer. This purchase ensured a safer environment in which to play competitive sports and eliminated unnecessary hospital trips for injured participants that would ultimately save students money. The bill was sponsored by Senator Grafton.

UNF Recreation

The UNF Recreation department received \$20,231.95 for materials that were necessary to ensure the complete success of the department. These materials included: FC-reupholster pads, FC-replace cracked mirrors, FC-painting frames, FC Professional Repairs, FC Professional Prev. Mait., FC Parts, FC Accessories, Group Fit. Spinning Bikes, Bike Installation, Intramurals, and Eco-Adventure Request. The bill was signed into action on October 13, 2006 and sponsored by Senator Brooke.

Osprey TV

Osprey TV does a fantastic job of providing students with the basic knowledge, skills and competencies required to operate a successful and professional college television station while complementing their classroom education and teaching them marketable skills. To grow and achieve their goals this year, Osprey TV purchased a computer and software. The total request was \$7,343.57 and was signed into action on December 5, 2006. Senator McQuade sponsored this bill.

SG Elections

Conducting our general elections in the spirit of professionalism and service.

Senator Elizabeth Rasmussen served as ESAC Chairwoman for the fall 2006 general election. Under the leadership of Senator Rasmussen, Student Government began using a computer based voting system. This system established a new precedent for future elections and allowed our organization to better serve the students. Senator Deanna Cerbini is currently serving as ESAC Chairwoman and will oversee the spring 2007 election. We are looking forward to another election conducted in the spirit of professionalism and service.

Highest voter turnout on record



More students turned out to vote in the fall 2006 Student Government elections at the University of North Florida than ever before. More than 2,100 voters cast their ballots for new SG senators.

SG Judicial Appointments

Appointing students to our Judiciary who have excellent character, a passion for service and a will to build on their personal experience.



Robert Allen was appointed to the SG Judiciary in the summer of 2006. As the newest Associate Justice, he has worked alongside our four other Justices who all fervently carry out their responsibilities as men and woman of character, passion, and experience.

New SG Staff

Welcoming the new staff who are now part of our SG team.

Our Student Government office staff is now at full strength! In September we filled the Office Manager position with Ms. Faye Jones who has been a delight to all of us. We added two additional faces in the front office. We would like to extend a warm welcome to Ms. Donna Sweeny, our new Office Assistant, and Ms. Celbrica Tenah, who is our new Sr. Secretary.



SG Tags and Polos

Ordering name tags & polo shirts that reflect the professionalism and excellence we strive for.

To show who Student Government is on this campus, recently the Executive Branch purchased polo's and name tags. The polo's will say the individuals name and position. The name tags were modeled after our own Presidential Envoy's name tags. These offer a certain level of professionalism and enable an easier sense of recognition on the campus. The first set of polo's should arrive in February. Additional Polo's will follow soon after.

SG Conference Room

Securing the appropriate space necessary to hold staff meetings.

Originally a general storage room, 14/1528, was established as a SG conference room in May 2006. The Executive Branch secured funding to create a professional SG conference room and worked with administration to obtain the area. Ten chairs, a new conference table, a white board and a calendar board highlighting important dates were all purchased to improve the room. Considering our objective to develop a strong relationship with our SG Agencies, the conference room is ideally located to improve our presence and communication.

Senate Office Renovations

Securing the appropriate resources our SG team needs to be successful.

The Executive Branch secured funding for new desks in the Legislative Cabinet office. Five new desks were purchased for the Committee Chairs and Senate Secretary out of the Executive Branch Budget. A new extension kiosk was also purchased for the lobby area of Student Government as well. This \$16,000 improvement allowed for better organization and overall operation of Student Government.



President's Luncheon

Establishing a quality relationship between our organization and the administration we work closely with and can learn from.

On Dec. 4, 2006 the Executive Cabinet including all of the agency directors and assistant directors had a luncheon with President Delaney. We discussed the past few months of this administration and also asked the president questions relating to the university and the city. At a light hearted moment for everyone, President Delaney participated in a giant SWOOP to show his school spirit.



SG Holiday Dinner

Partnering with Student Life to celebrate our commitment to the student body and to each other.

Students, including many international students on this campus had a chance to celebrate an American tradition with all of Student Government. This past November, we hosted an on campus Holiday dinner with Student Life and many other individuals who served traditional holiday food. Also, our Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs hosted an open house in early December. Through opening their house to us, members of Student Government and members of Student Life gathered in an intimate setting to celebrate the holiday season.



Leadership

For Our Campus

UNF Committee Membership

Make appointments to all university committees and ensure that those appointments will represent SG with excellence as a clear and consistent voice. We will do this by...

Board of Trustees 3.1 - 3.2

Diligently serving on the Board of Trustees as the voice of the Student Body

Alumni Committee 3.3

Diligently serving on the Alumni Committee as the voice of the Student Body

Auxiliary Oversight Committee 3.3

Discussing programming options to redistribute additional revenue generated by the pay for print operation back to students.

Safety Council 3.3

Facilitating a safety walk and raise awareness about campus safety.

Campus Ministry Board 3.4

Diligently serving on the Campus Ministry Board as the voice of the Student Body

Fee Assessment Committee 3.4

Diligently serving on the Fee Assessment Committee as the voice of the Student Body

General Education Council 3.4

Diligently serving on the General Education Council as the voice of the Student Body

Black History Committee 3.5

Discussing programming options for Black History Month

Equity & Civility Council 3.5

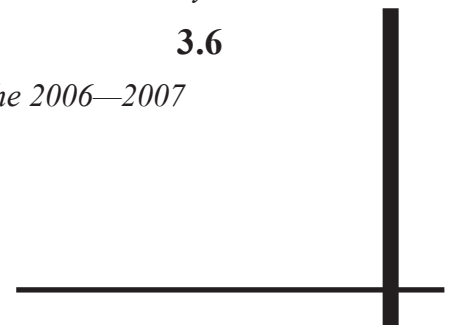
Diligently serving on the Equity & Civility Council as the voice of the Student Body

Bookstore Advisory Council 3.5

Diligently serving on the Bookstore Advisory Council as the voice of the Student Body

Faculty Association 3.6

Responding to recent Honor cord recommendations and serving on the 2006—2007 Faculty Awards Selection Committee.



Leadership

For Our Campus

UNF Committee Membership

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Environmental Advisory Council **3.6**

Diligently serving on the Environmental Advisory Council as the voice of the Student Body

SG Scholarship Committee **3.7**

Helping to award 30,000 dollars of SG Scholarships to the students of UNF and Increasing the number of categories included in the scholarships.

Parking Committee **3.7**

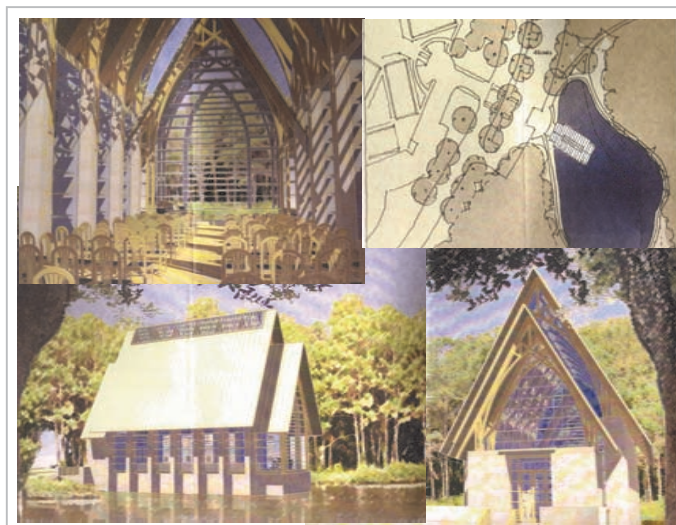
Diligently serving on the Parking Committee as the voice of the Student Body and working to include 2nd & 3rd floor parking in general premium parking.

Space Committee **3.8 - 3.9**

Diligently serving on the Space Committee as the voice of the Student Body and by tracking all capital projects underway on campus.



3.9 - Hall of Fame



3.9 - Sanctuary & Meditation Center



UNF Committee Membership Board of Trustees

*Diligently serving on the Board of Trustees
as the voice of the Student body.*

As SG President, I have made it a personal goal to attend every full Board of Trustee meeting as president. I have attended every meeting because I understand how important it is for our students to have a voice in the highest governing body of UNF. Frankly, you have to be present to successfully communicate a student perspective to the Board. The SG President also serves on one of two BOT committees. As a member of the Audit & Finance Committee, I was able to attend every committee meeting as well.

Speaking up and serving side by side of prominent members of the Jacksonville community can require a degree of courage. Since the office of SG President is entrusted with representing student concerns as a voting member of the BOT, being present is not all that is required. It is also critical to cultivate a professional relationship with the other trustees and convey the excellence marked by every member of our organization by being present, punctual and proficient.



Established in Florida Statute, Sections 1001.71-1001.74 (2002), and appointed by Florida Governor Jeb Bush and the Florida Board of Governors, the Board serves as the governing body for the University. In legislation, the Board is charged with a variety of responsibilities including the provision of leadership and oversight in fiscal and strategic planning.

- Apr 20, 2006 (Board)
- May 18, 2006 (EP Committee)
- May 18, 2006 (F&A Committee)
- Jun 19, 2006 (EP Committee)
- Jun 20, 2006 (Budget Hearing)
- Jun 20, 2006 (Board)
- Jul 25, 2006 (Board)
- Sep 28, 2006 (F&A Committee)
- Sep 28, 2006 (Board)
- Oct 12, 2006 (EP Committee)
- Oct 26, 2006 (Board)
- Nov 27, 2006 (Board)
- Dec 13, 2006 (EP Committee)
- Dec 14, 2006 (F&A Committee)

● Meetings SG President Present

www.unf.edu/trustees

Presidential Evaluation

In 2006, the UNF Board of Trustees revised the Presidential Evaluation Process. Board Chair Bruce Taylor charged the Presidential Evaluation Task Force with developing a plan that would provide a process for effective, regular evaluation of the University president. Chair Taylor asked that the evaluation process facilitate clear communication between the board and the president, reflect best practices and promote execution of the University strategic plan.

I was encouraged to respond and make reference to the president's self evaluation as a trustee and on behalf of students. The General Council elicited my comments and forwarded them to the Executive Committee. The committee then reconvened and approved a final written evaluation.

2006 - 2007 Tuition

The Florida Legislature mandated a minimum tuition increase of 3% for in-state undergraduate students and allowed flexibility for graduate (in-state and out-of-state) and out-of-state undergraduate tuition. FSA routinely lobbies for minimal tuition increases. This can be considered a win for students because this mandatory increase, now at a minimum of 3%, is down from the 5% of previous years.

On behalf of SG, I advocated for a minimum increase for Florida residents and a net 0% increase for nonresidents at the graduate and undergraduate levels. These minimum tuition increases were approved by the Board early last summer.

New Provost

From: Delaney, John

Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2006 4:19 PM

To: 'Wilfredo Gonzalez'; 'Ann Hicks'; 'Carla Cannon'; 'Carol Thompson'; 'Dr. Bruce Taylor'; 'Dr. Edythe Abdullah'; 'Elizabeth Stubbs'; Damiano, Justin R (SGAPRES); 'Judy Longstreth'; 'Kathy Moore'; 'Kevin Twomey'; 'Lois Fuqua'; 'Luther Coggin'; 'Nancy Alvarze'; 'Sandy Shields'; Solano, Judith; 'Steve Halverson'; 'T. O'Neal Douglas'; 'Toni Crawford'; 'Wanyonyi Kendrick'

Subject: New Provost

Ten days ago, the Provost Search Committee presented me with a list of two exceptionally well qualified candidates for the position: Mark Workman and Ray Alden, the current provost at University of Nevada at Las Vegas and a former finalist for the position at the University of Florida.

Reflecting the input from the committee and the time I spent with both candidates, I am pleased to let you know that Mark Workman has accepted my offer to become UNF's Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Mark's past accomplishments, his vision for Academic Affairs, and his dedication to the institution distinguished him as the most qualified candidate for this position.

Mark came to UNF as the chair of the English Department in 1993. He served as special assistant to the President from 1999-2001, when he became Dean of Arts and Sciences. And as you well know, he has been serving as the Interim Provost over the past year.

Mark's baccalaureate degree was awarded by Haverford College and he earned his master's and doctoral degrees at the University of Pennsylvania.

I am personally looking forward to having Mark's continued guidance, knowing that UNF will be an even stronger institution as a result of his academic leadership.

I hope you will each have an opportunity to congratulate Mark in the upcoming weeks.

John

Alumni Committee

Diligently serving on the Alumni Committee as the voice of the Student Body

The University of North Florida Alumni Association is a non-profit organization. Its purpose is to foster, maintain and support a mutually beneficial relationship between alumni and the University. The Board of Directors, comprised of UNF alumni, governs the Association by setting policy, providing guidance for the Association's programs and activities, and represents the interests of alumni to the University. Service on the Board of Directors is open to any interested alumnus.

As student Government representatives, we make sure that student opinions and views are expressed in keeping with the mission statement of the Alumni Association. Along with expressing the views of students, we facilitate a better relationship between Student Government and the UNF community. We are working on different events and ideas to get students and alumni involved together with the community. In the works are ideas like possible fishing competitions and golf tournaments. Osprey Productions was able to secure VIP passes as a recruitment tool, leaving a foot print within the committee.

Auxiliary Oversight Committee

Discussing programming options to redistribute additional revenue generated by the pay for print operation back to students.

In order to keep the printing service on campus self-sufficient (at break-even) and in compliance with rulings by the Sales Tax Auditor, the price of printing was moved from 10 cents to 11 cents per copy. It is estimated that there will be some additional revenue generated by this move. The student representation on the Auxiliary Oversight Committee advocated for programming that would redistribute any possible additional revenue back to the students.

At the September Auxiliary Oversight meeting, the Committee had this discussion and developed approaches to make this happen. One idea from the students was a free printing day during spring finals week.

There will be further discussions at the February Auxiliary Oversight Meeting. At that time, the Committee will have an indication of usage and if there is excess revenue over expense.

Safety Council

Facilitating a safety walk and raise awareness about campus safety.

This year the committee discussed better ways to communicate the campus safety guidelines to the university community. The council has proposed an Environmental Health and Safety Website along with various signs and banners to display guidelines. A safety walk to raise awareness about campus safety is being planned and was discussed at the November 20th Safety Council Meeting.

Campus Ministry

Diligently serving on the Campus Ministry Board as the voice of the Student Body

This year, the Campus Ministry Board's Festival of Faith was a great success and had 150 students participate. The Campus Ministry Board has grown to 15 elected members. The members are working to establish new goals for the coming semester. For several years now, dinner has been provided on Thursday nights to connect international students to the campus community.

Fee Assessment Committee

Diligently serving on the Fee Assessment Committee as the voice of the Student Body

The function of the Fee Assessment Committee is to consider the fees that are assessed per credit hour to every student. The committee is comprised of four faculty, appointed by the University President, and four students, appointed by the Student Body President. Currently, there are three fees that are presented annually to the committee. They are the Athletics Fee, Health Fee, and The Activity & Service Fee. If the legislature approved a 3 percent increase in tuition, fees could increase by 77 cents; if a 5 percent increase was approved, fees could increase by \$1.36.

The committee heard presentations from all three departments and asked each budget director questions regarding their current budgets. After the committee had discussed and contemplated the requests made by each department, the committee unanimously approved the recommendation of an increase of 43 cents for Athletics and 34 cents for Activity & Service Fee, no matter what the tuition increase would be. This fee allocation reflects the real needs of each area and the additional charge to students if tuition was raised by 5% (allowing a potential \$1.36 allocation) would be unwarranted.

The committee will reconvene in the spring to discuss the transportation access fee.

General Education Council

Diligently serving on the General Education Council as the voice of the Student Body

There was a proposal brought to the General Education Council that would require all students to attend 16 hours of cultural diversity events to graduate. Members of the committee felt there was a need to improve culture diversity. However, the general consensus sided with the students perspective which held that it would be unfair for the university to make it mandatory for students to participate in extracurricular events. The suggestion was made to have professors strongly recommend student attendance through extra credit opportunities and bonuses.

Black History Committee

Discussing programming options for Black History Month

The Black History Committee convened this semester to discuss programming ideas for Black History Month and to oversee the MLK Scholarship Luncheon. The committee is chaired by Oupa Seane and is made up of members of the African American Student Union (AASU) and university faculty. The committee is looking forward to hosting the Black History Proclamation, a evening where guest speakers will discuss diversity issues facing our national and local community. AASU will provide refreshments for the event, which will be the kick-off for February's Black History Month.

Equity & Civility Council

Diligently serving on the Equity & Civility Council as the voice of the Student Body

The Committee convenes every month to discuss issues facing lesbians, gays, bisexual and transgender students and to enhance this area of student life. The committee is chaired by Vice President Gonzalez and is made up of students and university faculty.

The current goals for the committee are as follows:

1. Examine the discrimination and marginalization of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) students, faculty and staff on campus.
2. Determine whether current policies and practices adequately address the needs of LGBT students, faculty and staff on campus.
3. Propose policies and practices that fully embrace their ideals of inclusion of LGBT students, faculty and staff.

The committee recently introduced a campus wide diversity calendar that will be presented on UNF's website for all student sand faculty.

Purpose statement: The principles of equity and civility are foundational to the American creed and under gird the mission of the University of North Florida. The committee embraces the highest standards of social justice and promotes an atmosphere of dignity and respect for all persons at UNF.

Bookstore Advisory Council

Diligently serving on the Bookstore Advisory Council as the voice of the Student Body

The purpose of the council is to advise the president on all matters impacting the Bookstore and its utilization by the university community. Specifically, the committee assists in planning for adequate Bookstore services for the campus, examines Bookstore related issues on campus and makes recommendations for resolutions.

Faculty Association

Responding to recent Honor cord Recommendations

The Faculty Association's Academic Standards Committee made a recommendation to the Provost regarding all students who are designated to receive recognition for Latin Honors. The recommendation called for the Director of Enrollment Services to submit a list of names to the Bookstore with those students who qualify for Latin Honors. The Cords would be sold to only those students on this list for approximately \$9.95. Universities like UF have similar procedures to the recommendation being proposed here. As the SG President, I responded to this recommendation from the Academic Standards Committee by communicating our perspective and offering a friendly amendment to the proposal. The committee's point that students should not be permitted to classify themselves for Latin Honors is a good one. However, as the SG President, I did not feel comfortable with the committee's recommendation to charge students for honor cords. Since the students eligible to receive this distinction have worked very hard while here at UNF, I thought we should want to award and encourage the academic excellence they have exhibited. My gut feeling, perhaps different from other universities, suggested we move forward in the "no one like you" and "no place like this," spirit and have the university cover the cost of the cords.

The final decision and recommendation was sent as amended to the Provost.

Serving on the 2006—2007 Faculty Awards Selection Committee.

The Faculty Association, along with the University of North Florida, the Florida Board of Education and the University of North Florida Foundation Inc., each year recognizes outstanding faculty members who exhibit a record of distinction in teaching, scholarship, and service. The committees will meet the week of February 5, 2007 to elect a chair and receive the materials of the college finalists. This recognition is provided by the presentation of the following annual awards:

- Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award
- Outstanding Graduate Teaching Award
- The Distinguished Professor Award
- Outstanding Faculty Scholarship Award
- Outstanding Faculty Service Award

Environmental Advisory Council

Diligently serving on the Environmental Advisory Council as the voice of the Student Body

A greenhouse will be going up on the south eastern corner of lot 14. A site proposal was submitted for compost dumpsters in lot 18, Osprey Café, and the library. Eco-Adventure Program going well with future plans of a rope course on Lake Onita. The John Golden Pavilion, outdoor classroom is in the process of being completed.

SG Scholarship Committee

Helping to award 30,000 dollars of SG Scholarships to the students of UNF

SG scholarships are funded from interest generated on A&S Fees and not the fees themselves. The authority to allocate awards lies with the university administration (Florida Statute 1011.43). Our VP for Student Affairs, however, solicits recommendations from the committee on how the awards should be made. It's voting body is composed of three student designees and two staff:

1. Student Body President
2. Student Body Vice President
3. Senate President
4. SG Advisor
5. Representative of Enrollment Services Processing
6. SG Comptroller (non-voting Chair)

After 20 hours of deliberations to review the applications, 23 awards were made in 11 categories. A total of \$30,000 in scholarships was recommended to the Vice President for Student Affairs and approved unchanged. This year we had 106 applicants apply, which is a great increase from previous years.

Increasing the number of categories included in the scholarships.

This year the following new categories were included:

1. Athletic Graduate Scholarship
2. Martin P. Garris Humanitarian Scholarship

Parking Council

Diligently serving on the Parking Committee as the voice of the Student Body and working to include 2nd & 3rd floor parking in general premium parking.

The Fall Semester was successful for the Parking Committee, and many exciting changes were made to the parking and pricing structures for the 2007-2008 academic year.

The Parking Committee recommended to the University that parking in the core areas of campus become one permit classification, meaning that next year there will no longer be 2nd/3rd floor garage level permits. Students will also be eligible for the first time to purchase designated parking permits, allowing them the opportunity to park in areas once reserved only for faculty and staff. Housing students will receive a permit which guarantees them a space in their designated housing parking lot, as the committee recommended housing students receive 1:1 parking.

Pricing has been simplified, and the increases students will experience will be minimal, and in some cases, there will be a price decrease. Students who paid \$172 this year for a 2nd/3rd floor permit will only have to pay \$155 next year for a permit which will allow them access to the same number of spaces. Housing students will see their prices increase to \$200; however this is significantly less than the \$400 the faculty and staff recommended to the parking committee.

Space Committee

Diligently serving on the Space Committee as the voice of the Student Body and by tracking all capital projects underway on campus.

The College of Education & Human Services Building:

Schematic Design was started in May 2006 of a 107,000 GSF building to house all components of the College of Education. Baker Barrios Architects is the design team and the project is now in the Schematic design phase. It is intended that this \$28,000,000 building be in construction in early fall of 2007.

Student Housing—East Ridge Phase VI:

This project calls for the programming, design and construction of approximately 1000 beds and associated infrastructure on the east ridge of campus to accommodate increased residential student enrollment. Needs assessment also calls for recreation facilities such as swimming pool, tennis courts, a convenience store with a grill, parking facilities for 1000 cars, walking trails and a walkway connection to central campus. Four design-building firms were invited to submit a design and cost proposal on this project. Submissions are due at the end of February. It is anticipated that construction could start in late Fall of 2007. The firms are Elkins Constructors; The Haskell Company; Perry McCall; and the Stellar Group. The project is estimated to cost \$85,000,000, and to include a tailored funding mechanism created through Finance and Administration and the Housing Administration.

Parking Operations Building:

This project calls for a new 3,000 gross square foot, one story structure compatible with existing campus architecture. It is planned to be located near the existing information booth off UNF Drive. The facility will serve Parking Services to improve operating efficiency by providing offices and support space including customer service lobby, equipment and document storage, work rooms and other miscellaneous support space. The architect for the project is Ebert Norman Brady Architects and the Construction Manager is expected to be W. G. Mills. The contract with WG Mills is currently in negotiation. Construction is anticipated to start this month and finish by late fall 2007. the project is expected to cost approximately \$1,700,00.

Brooks College of Health—Nursing Program:

Design and construction of an addition to the University of health to accommodate teaching classrooms and general administrative office space for the Nursing program. The addition is expected to be approximately 33,000 GSF on four floors. The second floor will be occupied by the Student Health Services which will be relocated from Building 14. The architect firm is Ponikvar & Associates. The design development phase was completed in late December 2006. Work is now being done on the Construction Documents. It is anticipated that construction will start in May 2007. The addition is expected to cost approximately \$11,500,000.

North-South Green Road:

The project consists of approximately on-half mile of roadway which runs through an environmentally and ecologically sensitive area of campus. This roadway along the Western Ridge is envisioned to be 2 lanes plus a pedestrian sidewalk with an observation deck and a dedicated bike path. The road must create minimal impact on the existing environment and must allow free passage of fauna from one side of the road to the other while allowing the healthy propagation of the existing flora. Arcadis designers have worked to create the \$2,500,000 road which is expected to be operational by the fall semester of 2007. Construction documents are currently out for bidding and bids are expected on January 22.

Phase II of Parking Lots 18 & 19:

Due to the anticipated construction of the Student Union Building and subsequently the College of Education Building, parking lots 3 and 4 will no longer be available. This \$3,000,000 project will replace the parking capacity on the north east part of campus. It is anticipated that this work will replace about 1,200 stalls. Construction bids are expected on January 22 for immediate award and construction to ensure that parking will be in operation before the start of the fall semester of 2007.

Hodges Stadium Renovations:

This project comprises 6 components which include a new competition track surface, seats in the stands, a new score board, new lighting, additional signage and the completion of the press box. Contracts are being negotiated with Mondo America for the new track and Musco Lighting for the lights and the score board. Evaluation of seating alternatives is on-going. Schematic Design of the press box is complete and some signage has been ordered.

Diligently serving on the Space Committee as the voice of the Student Body and by tracking all capital projects underway on campus.

Name Change Building 15:

The new name will be changed to John E. Matthews, Jr. Building, School of Computing. There are two locations on Building 15 where signage will be affixed. One location on the east side and one on the west side.

Hall of Fame

The UNF Department of Athletics announced in December the formation of its Athletics Hall of Fame. It will honor individuals and teams that have excelled in intercollegiate athletics at the University and non-athletes who have contributed significantly to the development of the school's athletics program during the last 24 years.

Osprey Café

This project began in December and comprises of a 3,000 GSF addition to the existing Osprey Café for a new dishwashing room. The project includes new equipment, utilities and landscaping. The project is expected to be completed by August of 2007. New tile and other renovations were completed in December.

Gandhi Statue:

This 5'8" bronze Statue of Gandhi was completed and then dedicated on October 1st as part of our Founders month celebration at UNF. The base is finished in granite and the cost of the project was approximately \$70,000. The Mahatma Gandhi monument site is between Building 1 and 2 and the statue was donated by the Gandhi Memorial Society of Jacksonville.

Building 11 Demolition:

The demolition of Building 11 began last September and took 60 days. The space was filled with sod and landscaping when demolition was completed.

John Golden Pavilion and Eco Pavilion Renovations:

These two projects, combined, provide for a new pavilion to be used for teaching subjects on the ecology and nature around campus. The Eco pavilion is to be renovated to provide attendant office, storage room and small gear repair. Schematic Design is expected to begin January 2007 and construction is expected to begin in May.

AOL:

The acquisition of the AOL Building will provide a new home for I.T., Controller, Purchasing, H.R., EEO, Training, Public Relations and Marketing units. The renovations to this project will be paid for through PECO dollars.

Robinson Film Theater:

This project was completed in December, which included the renovation of an existing theater to include new carpet, painting, lighting, refurbished seats, readjusted handrails and ADA accessible washrooms.

Social science building:

The Social Science Building is now open and occupied. The building is energy efficient and people friendly. It also features new garbage receptacles and internal directories.

Sanctuary and Meditation Center:

Design and Construction of sanctuary building of approximately 3,500 square feet to serve as a venue for group meditation or events. Conceptual programming was completed in October 2006.

Greek Road and Housing Development:

The first phase of this project is to obtain conceptual permits for the development of this area of campus for Greek Housing and recreation. It is currently understood that there will need to be about 9 houses with about 15 beds each; a commons building, recreation fields, associated road, utilities infrastructure, retention ponds and surface parking. This tentative schedule requires input from Student/Greek Affairs. Conceptual Permitting is expected to be completed by July 2007.

Game Room

New carpet was installed inside the Robinson Center Game Room. Work on the project was completed over winter break and the game room is ready for the Spring.



Leadership

For Our Campus

Quality Public Relations

Improve the communication between SG and its constituents throughout the school year using a comprehensive PR strategy. We will do this by...

Our Public Relations Strategy **4.1**

Developing and implementing our Public Relations Strategy.

SG Website **4.1**

Updating and redesigning our website with accurate information

Publications Featuring SG **4.2**

Maintaining a positive relationship with our campus publications and communicating to those publications accurate information on SG related issues.

Osprey Television **4.3**

Developing a positive partnership with Osprey Television through bi-weekly updates on SG related issues and addresses.

Representing SG On Our Campus **4.3 - 4.4**

Representing SG to the university community at official announcements, ceremonies, and dedications.

Carpenter Library Dedication

Social Science Building Dedication

Nat Glover Announcement

Orientation Greetings

Gandhi Statue Unveiling

Graduation Greetings

I.S.A. Dinner Dance

UNF vs JU Basketball



Developing and implementing our Public Relations Strategy.

SG is committed to establishing our image as one of excellence and professionalism. We will accomplish this through improving relationships with various groups on and off campus and strategically communicating our success at serving them. Our priority to the student body is to deliver on our promises. We commit to effectively completing our initiatives and marketing those initiatives to them. We will do this through the Spinnaker, Blackboard, Face Book and by announcing events on the Student and Campus updates. President Damiano has also committed to meet students on campus and have lunch with them to foster better relationships.

One goal is to improve our relationship with UNF administration. We will do this through setting up routine meetings with President Delaney, Sharon Ashton and other members of administration. We will also send out congratulatory, sympathy and thank you notes to show administration we truly care about them. The UNF staff and faculty is another group SG will reach out to. In an effort to do this we will return phone calls and e-mails in a prompt manner, arrive for meetings on time and take notice when people are excelling at their jobs. SG is also committed to reaching out to the community, sending press releases to local media. SG is also committed to making a difference in our community through helping others.

Additionally, every student that walks through the doors of our organization is our first priority. Greeting students and handing out scantrons or blue books is important in meeting our goal. Responding effectively to every email received from students regarding concerns they have is also just as important.

SG Website

Updating and redesigning our website with accurate information

Our Student Government website has received a number of different updates and improvements. Last semester, Dir Lauren Powell worked closely with our SG Accountant, Joy Magnon, to redesign and update our website with accurate and useful information. The Homepage index was updated with current and completed SG projects like the Hot Dog Stand, Student SG Lounge, SG Newsletter, and important dates to remember. The top banners were replaced with current projects like Wild Osprey Wednesday and the Library Safe Cups. Updates were made to the Executive Cabinet page, Executive Responsibilities page, Legislation meeting page, President page, Vice President page, Justice page, and Senator listings and seat numbers (to include committee assignments). The Constitution and Statues, Titles, and Policies and Procedures were all made available as well.





Quality Public Relations Publications Featuring SG

Maintaining a positive relationship with our campus publications and communicating to those publications accurate information on SG related issues.

Inside UNF Articles

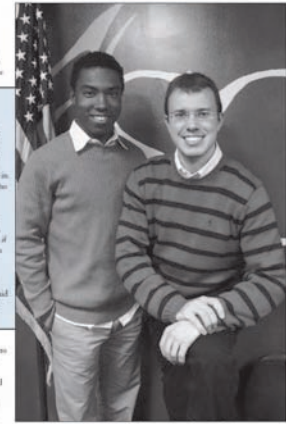
Summer 2006— "New Student Government President & Vice President"



inside New Student Government president

BY ERICA TORRES
Student Writer

The honor and silver coins that are intricately laid up on the edge of newly-elected Student Body President Justin Denton's office desk are just one of the reminders that he's done a lot for someone who's only 23 years old.



Dorrell Denton

Dorrell Denton, 21, concentrated on running as Denton's vice president soon after the UNF track athlete returned his back. "It was a low time in my life," said Denton, who also attends the same church as Denton. Denton, originally from Champaign, Illinois, said he had to study to keep in if Denton is ever called in for military duty again. "It was a really tight ship." As for his future political goals, Denton said he would like to become governor one day.

(L-R) Vice President Denton and President Denton

He was also an avid participant in the Toys for Tots Organization for the Northeast region. "I love children," he said. "Every child should have a Christmas."

Denton and his vice president, Dorrell Denton, was the presidential campaign by only 13 votes. Facing the close campaign behind him, Denton is looking forward to the upcoming year. He plans for a more united student body and to be involved in some of the decisions in the planning of the Student Union Building. Denton's campaign promises include a new express lane, 24-hour library access during finals and free oil changes for students. Denton and his cabinet have been working on the mentioned promises since June.

Student Union design unveiled

UNF announced the design of the new Student Union building, which will be located on the campus. The design features a modern architectural style with large glass windows and a central courtyard. The building is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

Spinnaker Articles

- January 24 2007 - "Student Union Racking Up Costs"
- January 17 2007 - "New Transit Fee Approved for Students"
- January 10 2007 - "Shuttle System Coming to Campus"
- December 6 2006 - "Skate Park Coming to Campus"
- November 1 2006 - "Student Union Design Unveiled"
- October 25 2006 - "Students Party Disqualified"
- October 18 2006 - "Starbucks Construction Underway"
- October 11 2006 - "SG Aims to Serve Campus Community"
- October 4 2006 - "SG Works to Fulfill Promises"
- September 27 2006 - "Students Meet and Greet Senate Candidates"
- August 30 2006 - "Student Body President Welcomes Students Back"

Osprey Television

Developing a positive partnership with Osprey Television through bi-weekly updates on SG related issues and addresses.



We partnered with Osprey Television to address the Student Body on relevant issues. Dorrell and I gave Bi-weekly updates on projects like Recycle Mania and the Student Union. We also used this time to promote activities like OP Concerts and AASU programs.

Carpenter Library Dedication

Student Body President Justin Damiano, University President John Delaney, and former University President Thomas Carpenter celebrate the official dedication of our library expansion with the campus and local community. (Photo by Kelly True)



Social Science Building Dedication



University President John Delaney and Student Body Vice President Dorrell Briscoe spoke at the dedication of our new Social Science Building. They celebrated the opening of this new building with the campus and local community. (Photo by Christopher Soldt)

Nat Glover Announcement

Student Body President Justin Damiano and University President John Delaney congratulate former Sheriff Nat Glover on accepting his new position at UNF with the campus and local community.



Orientation Greetings



Student Body President Justin Damiano and Student Body Vice President Dorrell Briscoe greeted future students on behalf of Student Government during Freshman Orientation.

Gandhi Statue Unveiling



Student Body President Justin Damiano, University President John Delaney, and others celebrate the official unveiling of our Gandhi Statue with the campus and local community.

Graduation Greetings



During the Summer and Fall Commencement ceremonies, Student Body Vice President Dorrell Briscoe and Student Body President Justin Damiano extended greetings to each graduating class on behalf of Student Government.



ISA Dinner Dance



Student Body President Justin Damiano hosted the International Student Association's annual dinner dance. As the Master of Ceremonies, President Damiano introduced each of the performances and represented Student Government to over 300 students. Every celebrated the evening to the theme "One Night, One World."

UNF vs JU Basketball

During UNF vs JU Game, Student Body President Justin Damiano extended greetings to all those attending on behalf of Student Government. We also were able to invite every student to our Late Night Breakfast just after the game.





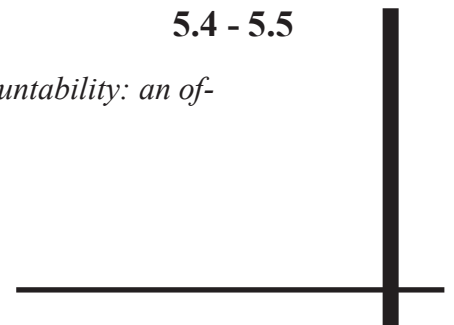
Leadership

For Our Campus

Quality Governmental Relations

As a member of FSA, effectively work to ensure all relevant state and federal legislative issues are monitored, analyzed, and communicated to our students. We will do this by...

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FSA Meetings & Planning Conference

Attend the FSA planning conference and establish relevant state and federal legislative issues that should be monitored and analyzed.



In May 2006, we attended the FSA conference at FSU. The agenda for this meeting and up until October was registering students to vote. By organizing events such as Wake Up Wednesday, tabling, we were able to show that we care about people registering. By doing this in cooperation with other schools in Florida, we were also able to show Florida Legislatures that we as students have a voice and should be listened to because of our high numbers in size. We also partnered up with other schools to exchange advice/tips/ideas and the USSA.

In July 2006, we attended the FSA Retreat Planning Conference. The purpose of the conference was to organize the plan of action for the upcoming legislative year. Normally the conference falls just after the completion of the House/Senate legislative session. At the conference in May we identified the effects of the legislation that passed as well as addressed the future issues. At the conference we also voiced our opinion on several legislative issues.

After October, the focus of FSA changed from registering students to vote, to the Spelling's Report and the Florida Education System. What we are now engaging in, are documents that support why Education needs to be revamped in a sense, in order for students to gain a more knowledgeable education.

Wake Up Wednesday

Plan and Execute a successful Wake Up Wednesday Event.

On September 6th, 2006 colleges around the country engaged in a civic duty to help register College students to vote. From the May FSA meeting, until September 6th, we were working in conjunction with other universities and the USSA. Ahmad Abuznaid, who was leading the event for Florida, came to our campus and had an informative meeting. During this time, he gave us information on how to hold events and forums and t-shirts to give out. We also contacted Jerry Holland to get voter registrations. In the previous weeks leading up to Wake Up Wednesday, our Dir of External Affairs, Steven Henin, worked closely with Dr. Jaffee for Rock the Vote. By putting updates in the student update it is estimated that at-least 100 students registered online. When the day of the event arrived, we set up tables where Party representatives came to help register students. Through Dr. Henin's effort to provide food, information, and registration sheets, over 300 students were registered.

UF/UWF Additional Fee

Monitor and analyze the UF/UWF Additional Fee

There is an increasing concern among other universities because the University of Florida and the University of West Florida want to increase tuition anywhere from a possible \$200 to \$1000 dollars. The main concern is not only the financial increase but also the fact that the increase will not be covered by Bright Futures. The initiative is called the “Academic Enhancement Program”. With the implementation of this plan there is a fear that other universities would attempt to adopt such ideas. The bill will be voted on in the spring 2007 Legislative session.

Technology Fee

Monitor and analyze the Technology Fee.

Originally a proposition presented by the Florida Board of Governors, the fee aims to charge Florida undergraduates up to \$10 per credit hour. The revenue that would generate an estimated \$7 million would be used to expand wireless access and bandwidth capabilities. The Board of Governors feels that this fee needs to be implemented to prevent the fee going to taxpayers in the future. Unfortunately, Florida is behind other nation-wide universities in technology advancement. If this passes in the spring 2007 Legislative session, any subsequent increase would be recommended by a committee to each university, half of whom would be students appointed by the student body president. The technology fee bill was filed by **Senator Al Lawson**. FSA is supporting this bill, as it gives local control to each university, as well as language ensuring the Student Body President major input in the decision making process.

Legislation Watch

Monitor and analyze relevant state and federal legislative issues.

SB0795: Relating to Student Financial Assistance, creates a First Generation matching Grant Program to provide financial need to those whose parents have not earned a baccalaureate degree, and among other things provides out of state fee exemption. The appropriation for this program is \$14,000,000.

SB2434: Relating to travel to terrorist states, which will prohibit use of funds from the College Program Fund to be used to fund travel to terrorist nations.

SB0122: Relating to Tuition Waivers/Purple Heart; requires state universities and community colleges to waive tuition for recipients of the Purple Heart or other combat decoration superior in excellence. It provides a percentage cap on number of required credit hours for which tuition waiver may be received.

SB0263: Authorizes a redistribution of funds for Florida Prepaid College Program. It deletes a restriction on types of postsecondary educational institutions to which the beneficiary of Florida Prepaid may apply his or her benefits. Allows it to be applied to approved scholarship programs.

Bright Futures Update

Monitor, analyze and communicate an update on Bright Futures.

In the upcoming 2007 Legislative session, the Legislature is considering including Bright Futures funding for enrollment in the summer term. This also would include authorizing the Department of Education to restore a student's award if they had been on probation and were able to raise their grade point average during the summer term.

FSU Health Coverage

Monitor and analyze FSU Health Coverage proposal.

Florida State University will be the first college in Florida to require students to either have their health care coverage, or prove that they have their own coverage. This will go in effect Fall of 2007, starting with the freshman. Because of this plan, the Florida Board of Governors is looking into costs/ benefits to initiate similar plans to all public Universities. The increase for students who do not have Health Coverage for FSU students will be \$1,400 a year.

Campus Early Voting

Monitor and analyze the Campus Early Voting.

FSA met with **Senator Dave Aronberg** in regards to sponsoring the FSA Early Voting On Campus initiative. Aronberg is supportive of the bill, and agreed to sponsor it. We are now searching for a house sponsor, and will be engaging in meetings to do so the week of February 5th when the legislators return to Tallahassee.

Text Book Sales

Monitor and analyze the Text Book Sales proposal.

HB 289: Exempts certain textbooks from tax on sales, use, & other transactions; prohibits certain actions of community college or state university employees that relate to student purchase of required textbooks; requires student notification of assigned textbooks; requires adoption of policies & practices to minimize cost of textbooks; requires study & report by OPPAGA.

SB 254: Provides exemption from sales, use, & other transactions tax for textbooks sold at on-campus bookstore of public postsecondary institution.

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Legislature Has Clarified Authority for Implementing Changes to Setting Higher Education Tuition and Fees

At A Glance

Since the release of OPPAGA's 2004 report, the Legislature has taken steps to clarify that it has primary authority for setting higher education tuition and fee levels. This has enhanced the Legislature's ability to consider changes to state tuition policy such as providing tuition flexibility to universities, variable tuition, block tuition rates, and higher education vouchers. In 2005 and 2006, the Legislature granted limited tuition-setting flexibility to universities.

Scope

In accordance with state law, this progress report informs the Legislature of the actions taken that relate to a 2004 OPPAGA report regarding higher education funding options.^{1,2}

Background

Florida's public postsecondary institutions are funded by the Legislature through appropriations from general revenue and trust funds and tuition and fees. In Fiscal Year 2006-07, the Legislature appropriated approximately \$3.2 billion in general revenue and lottery funds to support Florida's 28 community colleges and 11 public universities.

Responsibility for policy guidance of Florida's higher education system is divided among several entities. The State Board of Education is the chief implementing and coordinating body for Florida's community colleges, each of which is overseen by its board of trustees. In contrast, the Florida Board of Governors provides statewide governance of Florida's public universities, which are administered by individual boards of trustees. The Legislature has primary authority for establishing tuition rates at public universities and community colleges.

Our 2004 report presented higher education funding alternatives that could result in less reliance of institutions on state revenues, better use of campus resources, and savings for students. The report provided four options that the Legislature could consider for the state to fund higher education.

Grant universities flexibility to set tuition. Tuition flexibility would allow universities to increase tuition rates to cover enrollment growth, higher operational costs and educational enhancements. If universities used this flexibility to increase tuition, it could make them less reliant on state revenues but depending on how implemented, some options could increase the costs of Bright Futures Scholarships as well as the need for need-based aid.

Allow variable tuition. Currently, universities and community colleges generally charge the same tuition for all courses offered at a specified level (e.g., undergraduate and graduate courses). Allowing universities and community colleges to charge variable tuition rates for different types and levels of courses would allow institutions to align tuition with program costs, provide financial incentives to meet policy objectives, and/or maximize facility use. However, variable tuition also could reduce access and affordability for some students and increase the costs of Bright Futures scholarships.

Alternatively, variable tuition could be used to increase affordability for some students by using the funds generated from charging higher tuition to all students and using the additional

Charge block tuition rates. Under block tuition rates, students are charged a flat tuition rate for a range, or “block” of credits. Students may take additional courses without paying increased tuition. Block tuition may provide a financial incentive for some students to take more credit hours per semester and graduate more quickly. However, students receiving Bright Futures and Prepaid College program benefits may have little financial incentive to take additional courses if block tuition were implemented. 3

Higher education vouchers. Under a voucher system, instead of directly appropriating funding to universities to subsidize tuition, the state would provide these funds directly to students as vouchers. Although vouchers would allow students to attend the institution of their choice, certain policy issues would need to be addressed such as where the students could use the vouchers and how the vouchers would be funded. Colorado is currently offering tuition vouchers through its College Opportunity Fund. The Legislature may wish to wait to see the effects of the Colorado voucher system before considering a voucher system in Florida.

Current Status

Since the release of OPPAGA’s 2004 report, the Legislature has taken steps to clarify that it has primary authority for setting tuition and fees. The need to clarify these roles resulted from the 2002 constitutional amendment that created the Board of Governors and granted it the authority to “operate, regulate, control, and be fully responsible for the management of the state university system.” To resolve this issue, the 2005 Legislature passed HB 1001. 4 This bill clarified that the Legislature’s authority for establishing tuition and fees, and policies relating to merit and need-based student financial aid was separate from the constitutional duties of the Board of Governors to operate, regulate, control, and be fully responsible for the management of the State University System.

The Board of Governors (BOG) has proposed legislative changes to university tuition and fees, consistent with our recommendations. These proposals included providing universities additional flexibility to set tuition for certain types of students, establishing higher tuition rates for students who graduate with credit hours significantly in excess degree requirements, and requiring universities to implement block tuition policies.

In 2005 and 2006, the Legislature granted limited tuition-setting flexibility to universities. Proviso language included in the general appropriations acts for both years granted university boards of trustees the authority to set tuition and fees for graduate, graduate professional, and nonresident students within prescribed limits. 5 In addition, the 2006 Legislature amended the Florida statutes to further clarify that the BOG, or the board's designee, has the authority to establish tuition for graduate and professional programs, and out-of-state fees for all programs as long as these increases do not exceed 10% in any given year. 6

The BOG approved tuition and fee structures for students attending the state’s public universities for the 2006-2007 school year that included differentiated tuition rates for certain groups of students. For example, in June 2006, the BOG approved amendments to University of Florida and Florida State University regulations that included tuition and fee increases for graduate, professional, and nonresident students. Within these three categories of students, both universities established higher tuition rates for new students than for continuing students.

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For Our Campus

A&S Programming Objectives

Enhance the quality of on campus programming. We will do this by...

SG Programming 6.1

Enhance the quality of Student Government programming

Residence Life Programming 6.1

Enhance the quality of Residence Life programming

Athletic Life Programming 6.1

Enhance the quality of Athletic Life programming

OP Programming 6.2

Enhance the quality of OP programming

VC Programming 6.3

Enhance the quality of VC programming

AASU Programming 6.4 - 6.5

Enhance the quality of AASU programming

CA Programming 6.5

Enhance the quality of CA programming



6.1 - Athletic Life Programming

SG Programming

Week of Welcome

We coordinated events with Admissions by hosting a program for incoming freshman. Part of the programming we provided was the first late night breakfast of the semester. We helped freshman move in and established a table to raise awareness about Student Government. We were also able to furnish a table at the Student Affairs showcase. Finally we participated in W.O.W. by presenting during R.A. Training.

Late Night Breakfast

Every month we host a Late Night Breakfast. We have coordinated these breakfasts in conjunction with other activities on campus, increasing our attendance from previous years. We have partnered with Athletics, Student Life, the Homecoming Committee and Residence Life throughout the year to make this project successful.

Finals Frenzy

This year we were able to work closely with the Student Advocacy Committee to host Finals Frenzy. We worked with senate to provide funding for scantrons, bluebooks, pencils, food, tumblers, and breakfast during last semesters finals week. This initiative, as one of the most visible projects of Student Government, was a total success. In addition to working closely with the Legislative Branch on this initiative, we were also able to forge a great partnership with the Academic Center for Excellence (ACE), helping by providing funding for additional tutoring hours and food.

Family Weekend

We were able to partner with Student Life and Student Affairs by representing Student Government at a breakfast with students and parents. We staffed a table with Dr. Lucy Croft and helped provide funding for their annual Comedy Show.

Residence Life Programming

President's Forum

Last September, we hosted a program in the residence halls to communicate the different activities and services of Student Government. Students were able to speak with President Damiano and ask questions about the new Student Union, Car Wash, Skate Park and other Student Government projects. We provided food and drinks for all the students that attended.

Routine Meetings

Our Director of Student Life, Aprille Roberts, meets consistently with Housing and the RHA Advisor to improve our communication with the students living on campus and the Residence Assistance that serve these students.

Athletic Life Programming

Spirit Ride Out

Our Director of Athletic Affairs created a new program to raise awareness about Student Government while also promoting school spirit and participation. On days where our basketball teams play at home, Dir Genard would ride out on our golf cart distributing drinks and letting students know about the coming game.

Routine Meetings

Our Director of Athletic Affairs, Ben Genard, meets consistently with Spirit Organizations, like the Flock, and with the Student Athletic Committee (SAC), to improve our communication with our student Athletes and the Coaches that serve these students. He raises awareness about Student Government's activities and services.

Osprey Productions

The mission of Osprey Productions (OP) is to provide a variety of entertainment at little or no cost to the student body of the University of North Florida, for the purposes of enhancing campus life and overall student success. Osprey Productions consists of five committees which arrange events on campus. The five committees are Come Out and Play (COAP) which brings weekly concerts, Stage and Screen bringing weekly movies, Shenanigans which brings random events and karaoke, Soap Box Ed. providing lectures and self-expression events, and finally the Homecoming committee. The Director of OP is Adrian Semerene, the Assistant Directors are Lucas Snyder and Kellie Conboy, the Marketing Director is Zach Thomas and the Management Director is Spencer Tyce.

WOW

OP participated in UNF's Week of Welcome. OP held two informative sessions for new students where they were able to learn about OP. We also held a concert where Ten13 Concept performed. In conjunction with T-Mobile, OP helped new students move into the dorms. OP also participated in AASU's Osprey Idol 2006 and won first place.

OP/Osprey TV

Osprey TV worked with OP to create commercials to air on Osprey TV advertising OP events. They also filmed a reality TV show about OP that will air this upcoming semester.

National Association of Campus Activities

OP attended this annual meeting, and was the forerunner for university entertainment associations across the country. OP was specifically asked to set up educational sessions for other schools to attend. At these educational sessions, other universities were allowed the chance for a question and answer period with OP.

Yung Joc Hip Hop Concert

On Sept. 15, 2006 OP held the most successful hip hop concert at UNF. There were approximately 2000 tickets sold to the general student population.

Sugarcult/Cartel Concert

On Nov. 17, 2006 OP held its rock/punk concert. The concert was long awaited at UNF and produced a great turnout. Also for this concert OP worked with the Alumni Association to give 26 high school students an opportunity to see what OP does. They were given a tour of the campus, UNF application information and a backstage tour. Each of these high school students was also able to attend the concert.

Giveaways

OP came up before the Student Senate early in the fall 2006 semester with a special request for funding of student giveaways. With their request they were able to purchase mouse pads, hats, carabineers, cups and t-shirts to giveaway to students. All of the giveaways advertised OP and Student Government.

Weekly Events

Every week OP has a variety of events available to students free on campus. Weekly there is at least one free movie and an event at Wackadoos (trivia nights, karaoke, open mike night, local performance bands). They also give away premiere movie passes to early movie releases.



Volunteer Center

The fundamental purpose of the Volunteer Center is to connect the students, faculty and staff of the University of North Florida to community service organizations in the city of Jacksonville and provide opportunities to interact with the community while on campus. Under the direction of Jasmine N. Butler and the Assistant Director Victoria Elian there is a continuing effort to connect UNF students to the joys of helping others through diverse volunteer opportunities. "Giving a Hand of Service" is our theme.

The Volunteer Center has partnerships with: Angelwood Summer Camp (Jacksonville), Physical Facilities of UNF, Dignity U Wear (Jacksonville), Stand Up for Kids (California), Women's Center @UNF, CDRC of UNF, City of Jacksonville, Jacksonville and the Beaches Visitor's Bureau, Volunteers in Medicine (Jacksonville), Relay for Life, AASU, Children's Miracle Network, OP, Club Alliance, Jewish Community Center: Food Pantry (Jacksonville), I.M. Sulzbacher (Jacksonville), Club Alliance, International Center, Beaches Emergency Assistance Ministry, Inc., Daniel Memorial (Jacksonville), CADIC, Residence Life, LGBT Center of UNF, Jacksonville Zoo.

Volunteer Center Weekend

The Volunteer Center held its annual Volunteer Fair on Thursday, Sept. 14, 2006 which also included a leadership luncheon.

Food Donations

The Volunteer Center has donated food items to the Jewish Community Center (Food Pantry). We are continuing to collect food for the pantry.

Tennessee Project

The Volunteer Center donated various items to a young lady who was learning to reintegrate herself into society. The Volunteer Center collected sheets, towels, silverware, Rubbermaid and various other household items.

Volunteer Hubs on Campus

The Volunteer Center established volunteer hubs on campus. These hubs allowed for students to accumulate volunteer hours and opportunities through their various organizations without having to go directly through the Volunteer Center. The hubs include AASU, Club Alliance, OP, and LGBT Center.

Clothing Donations

The Volunteer Center donated over 300 items of clothing for children in the beaches area for the 2006-2007 school year. Other clothing donations were given to the I.M. Sulzbacher Center and Stand UP for Kids.

Toiletry Items

The Volunteer Center donated 2 comforters, 15 towels, 4 sheet sets, and 300 toiletry items for homeless children between the ages of 9 and 21 to Stand Up For Kids.

Physical Facilities

The Volunteer Center partnered with Physical Facilities to revamp the program "Adopt a ¼ Mile" project. The Center held a "Contract Signing Ceremony" for those that were approved for a ¼ mile.

Angelwood Summer Camp

The Volunteer Center along with AASU and Club Alliance, volunteered with disabled children over the course of a week. The camp included recreation, art, music, lunch, water day and a petting zoo.

World Aids Day

The Volunteer Center worked with CADIC, Women's Center of UNF, Residence Life and the LGBT Center. World Aids Day catered to over 1,000 students here at UNF. The Day included testing for AIDS, Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, and Syphilis. The students had a chance to help make the UNF quilt and take an educational quiz. There was also food, prizes and The Tree of Life.

African American Student Union

The African American Student Union of the University of North Florida seeks to provide the student body with a stronger sense and appreciation of a culturally diverse society. We strive to serve as an asset to the UNF educational experience by providing the students with numerous leadership, training and networking opportunities as well as thought provoking and enjoyable events reflecting our mission statement. We esteem to be an agency working collaboratively with any campus and/ or community organizations willing to contribute to the enrichment of the UNF student body particularly those which highlight current and historical issues prevalent in the African American society.

Through becoming a member of AASU and/ or participating in AASU's events the students of the University of North Florida will become more well-rounded individuals. They will aspire to be good, effective leaders with an appreciation for the progress of a multicultural society. They will know and understand the mission, vision, values and 2006-2007's theme and goals for the agency. They will have hands on access to the agency's leadership and will be able to actively participate in event planning and implementation. This year the African American Student Union wills to "Enable Greatness" for all those who aspire to obtain it. The Director is Rachael Tutwiler and the Assistant Director is Brittani Raulerson. Each month AASU holds a general meeting, focusing on different areas of diversity.

Freshmen Move-In

AASU members participated with various other campus organizations in assisting incoming freshmen moving into the dorms in August.

Leadership Orientation

The AASU Director and Assistant Director held a leadership orientation for members, educating them about the Agency's objectives, leadership, organizational structure verses leadership structure, leadership opportunities, and an overview structure of the agency.

Habijax

On Wednesday June 28, 2006, 20 members in accordance with the Student Senate participated in a Habijax day. They all assisted workers in building homes for underprivileged families.

Leadership Retreat

The leadership retreat's agenda included the Agency's history, the roles and functions of the Executive Cabinet, an overview of the objectives and expected outcomes for the 2006-07 year, teamwork, respect and understanding the agency's structure, time management and goal setting, how to be an effective leader, budgeting exercises, team building exercises, and a retreat review and surveys.

Osprey Idol

AASU's fall kick off event for the semester was Osprey Idol. Based off the TV show American Idol, contestants were given a chance to perform on stage in front of judges. There were a total of 10 contestants and the judges were members of Student Government. Osprey Productions was the winner of the event.

Membership Barbeque

The membership barbeque was a social gathering that welcomed all returning members and even recruited 72 new members. The event proved a great success, with a huge turnout.

Pajama Jam

AASU hosted a pajama party in the 1400 rooms on Sept. 8, 2006. Over 600 people attended and this event marked the highest attendance turnout in the history of AASU. People who came to the event were able to dress up in their pajamas, enjoy the music provided by a disc jockey and eat pizza.



The State of the African American Student Union Address

Fall 2006 was the first time this event was introduced by the AASU at UNF. Members and listeners were educated on the history of AASU and the director's vision for the 2006-2007 year. The event featured several speakers including University President John Delaney, Student Government Comptroller Mrs. Betty Garris and Student Body President Justin Damiano.

Politics 101

On Oct. 19, 2006, AASU informed members of the new amendments that were being placed on the 2006 November ballot. Members were also given information about candidates for the state Senate, Attorney General and the Governor/Lieutenant Governor.

Comedy Show

BET Comedians Malik Sannon, Ronnie Jordan and headliner Leon Rogers preformed at UNF to a crowd of 150 members. This is a continuing event hosted by AASU.

Volunteering at the Kingsley Plantation

This event occurred during the annual Kingsley Heritage Celebration. AASU members led each of the stations in the kid's corner and volunteered by reading to the kids, making rag dolls and a variety of other activities.

Mr. and Ms. AASU Pageant

An annual event hosted by AASU, the Mr. and Ms. AASU includes a major showcase that exhibits dancing, talents, casual and formal wear. Mr. AASU is Joshua Woods and Ms. AASU is Tiara Courtney.

Club Alliance

Club Alliance is responsible for providing support for student club functioning and club activities. Such support includes financial and material resources, educational and developmental activities, coordination of mutual recruitment and entertainment activities, and the holding of regular meetings at which member clubs may conduct common business. Club Alliance also has a Funding Board which allocates club funding to members of Club Alliance. The Director is Jamie O'Brien and the Assistant Director is Tony Palmieri.

Summer 2006

Club Alliance held two summer meetings that had record attendance. These meetings helped clubs transition into new leadership, not only within the clubs but with Club Alliance as well.

New Room

The director and assistant director redecorated the Club Alliance office and common room. They also reorganized the club mailboxes and the club files.

Student Showcase

Club Alliance had a big part in this past fall's Student Showcase. The event is held every year to give incoming freshman an opportunity to see all that UNF has to offer. Club Alliance represented all of the clubs and was able to advertise their upcoming events.

Fall 2006 Meetings

The meetings for the fall were held bi-monthly in the 1700 room of building 14. These meetings helped the clubs stay up-to-date on what was happening around campus and to answer any questions that any of the new students may have had.

Club Fest

Every semester Club Alliance puts on a Club Fest. This past fall's Club Fest proved a great success. Over 40 clubs participated. Each club had their own table and was able to get new members.





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Our Spring 2007 Objectives

- Maid Service in Housing**
- Oil Changes for UNF Students**
- M.L.K. Class for UNF Students**
- Sand Volleyball Court in Housing**
- Shuttle System on campus**
- Greek Apparel Sales on campus**
- Tax & Fax Service on campus**
- SG Retreat**
- SG Banquet & Inauguration**
- Coffee with the Presidents**
- SG March Month of Celebration**
- Student Union Ground Breaking Celebration**
- Legislation: Student Union General Reserve Transfer**
- Legislation: SG Advisor Request**
- Host February FSA Meeting at UNF**
- Homecoming 2007**
- MLK Dream Alive**
- AASU SNCC Program Speaker**
- AASU Chapmyn Spoken Word**
- AASU Harlem Renaissance Ball**
- AASU Unity Fest**
- OP Comedy Show**
- OP Spoken Word**
- OP Christopher Browning Lecture**
- OP Spring Concert**
- CA Spring Bash**
- CA Master Plan**
- VC Adopt A Quarter Mile**
- VC Tennessee Project**
- VC Stand Up For Kids**
- VC Membership Drive**

