VICE PRESIDENT CANDIDATES

VP Internal FERAS AL BANNA

Hello Everyone, My name is Feras Al Banna. I am nominated for VP Internal.

Fellow students, I urge you to vote for me in this election for very specific reasons.

We will be entering the new millenium in 10 months. Through my work with the Communications Committee with the current VP Internal Mr. Nick Murphy, I will be using my experience to bring the DSU's Members, you, closer to the Operators of this organization. Students in Canada and North America, will want a better education , and moreover, a better education atmosphere while going into the new millenium. Fees should be lowered and more financial aid be given, and I plan to work with the students organizations around campus will have a fair chance to express their concerns and needs

Finally, I would like to conclude that I love Cadbury Chocolate, for which I know the secret of the Caramel Filling. Remember, vote experience, reliability, and most important, vote confidence.

Vote Feras Al Banna for VP Internal.

VP Internal STEPHEN COTE

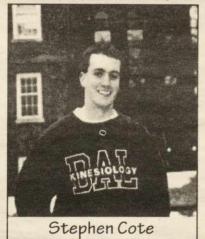
1) I have always been involved with extracurricular student activities and government. I really enjoy interacting with people and helping people in whatever way I can. I want this job because this particular position best suits what I am qualified to do. Most of my experience lies with my involvement with societies. This position would require me to help out the societies of Dalhousie and Daltech and act as a liaison for them to the DSU. As well, I would be in charge of handling communications and public awareness of society events. What a great job! I mean, I get to interact with

all of these different people and help them in whatever way I can. This position really makes me enthusiastic and I really hope I get the chance to show what I can do!

2) A) I think students want an education that is going to prepare them for the labor/management market. The curriculum should be one that is intense enough that when you graduate from Dalhousie University, employers know that you have been trained to meet what they want in an employee. In other words, students expect a solid base of knowledge from their education from which they can market themselves to an employer for a job.

B) A university should be in touch with what the student body wants. As students, we must remember we pay a large amount of money in our tuition for this service that a university provides. If the institution fails to listen to its students then the institution is not providing the proper service to its customers. As a student, I expect a university to be intense but also open to the student voice.

C) I feel that all across Canada, students have a general consensus that tuition is getting too high. The federal and provincial governments must take a serious look at this problem of rising tuition costs and increased student bankruptcy rates after graduation and implement some sort of subsidy plan or tuition freeze. I think that the student body as a whole is pretty sick of hearing that





Gina Granter

tuition is on the rise each and every year.

3) As DSU Vice President Internal, my goal would be to provide the most help and the best service to the societies at the university. I plan on having a number of meetings and making myself as available as possible to the heads of the societies as well as, offering a number of new promotional ideas for society events.

4) I would like to bring back Campus Express in conjunction with the VP Community Affairs. I think this was a really effective and low cost way to keep everybody aware of the events that were going on in the university. Campus Express was a newsletter/ handout that I would like to see go out every two weeks with the information about the upcoming event in the next two weeks. Each society would have the option of placing some sort of advertisement in it. Also, societies will be able to get through a lot of red tape issues with the use of an internet database program that I plan to have going in September. It would allow societies to register themselves and place ads without the hassles of all of the paper work. As well, Society round tables will become an important way of keeping people

5) I would be a chocolate bar because candies always come in clumps and are all alike. Chocolate bars come in a unique, independent wrapper and can sometimes be a little nutty.

6) If I am elected, I plan on giving the societies a distinct voice on the DSU. I want to know what each society expects from the DSU and do my best to help them get what they want.

7) If I lose, I hope to stay

involved with the DSU through other means and working with the council to help them in any way that I can.

VP Internal GINA GRANTER

1) I want to be VP Internal because unlike most of the other executive positions, the VP Internal is not only involved with the DSU but promotes involvement. The VP Internal's chief responsibility is to facilitate communication between the Union, societies, and DalTech. I am interested in the position because it involves meeting and talking to many people, and a lot of contact with the student body. This communication would hopefully result in more student involvement in DSU societies and committees, which I feel is essential to improving the life of Dalhousie.

2a) Essentially all students seek an education for their own betterment. We all hope that education will lead to bigger and better job opportunities. Even those who are unsure about what they want to do hope that their education will lead to a promising and successful future.

b) Students want their university to provide them with an education that is of a quality competitive with other universities. They want a school that offers a wide course selection and strong courses. It is important in this competitive time that a school's name is recognized and respected. Besides the academic part of university, many students also look for a strong sense of community with an active campus.

c) I think students are tired of governments that fail to recognize the special needs of this important group. Financial problems are a big issue for many students, as we are no longer in a time when a summer's work can pay for a full year at school.

We want a government that recognizes the importance of education to our provinces' and country's future and acknowledges the needs of those who seek education.

3) They key thing in getting people what they want is to first ask them what they want and then try your hardest to fulfill their demands. I plan to establish more frequent contact with society presidents and representatives as well as DalTech representatives so that their concerns are heard and action is taken. The best way to get people what they want is to communicate with them.

4) One thing I want to do is to make an active society board in the SUB so that there is a central place where society information and announcements can be posted. I'd like to bring back Campus Xpress into a stronger format; it was only on the Web this year, and I wasn't even aware of it until recently. I want to use the Gazette and Sextant for more than simply a page of advertising. These papers are widely read across upper and lower campus and I'd like to take advantage of that. I plan to write articles and reminders on how to start up societies and how to join societies and DSU committees. I think that a lot of times students see the Union and societies as being separate from them and aren't aware of how to get involved. I want to get information out so that people know what to do to become more involved in campus activities at Dal. I think Frosh Week is an especially important time to have information sessions so that new students are instantly aware of what the DSU has to offer.

5) A red M&M. Not to be related to any political purpose, just because I like them.

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PRESIDENT & EXECUTIVE VP



THE RIGHT PEOPLE...

- · KELLY MACKENZIE
- DSU VP Student Advocacy 1998-99
- Dalhousie Senator 1998-99
- · Member, N.S. Council on Higher Education
- Member, N.S. Codified on Higher Education
 Shirreff Hall Residence Assistant 1996-98

THE RIGHT IDEAS...

- BRIAN KELLOW
- DSU Executive VP 1998-99
- SUB Operations Committee
- Grawood Staff 1995-96
- Founder of Dal Student Health Plan.

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