## DSU activity and inactivity during the DFA strike

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education which the Board of Governors wants to cultivate at Dal. Never mind that many students objected to the law suit as a misrepresentation of student concerns and opinions. The DSU spent \$900 of student money to send several DSU councillors and other students to small claims court to demand that the university provide "product", namely class time, that was missed because of the strike.

For some Dalhousie students the strike was a learning experience, even if that learning was not done for a course credit. By taking part in the protests, pickets and teachins organized by the Students in Solidarity group, I was forced to think through my own ideas about the strike as I became more engaged with the issues. For me the strike became an opportunity to

take my education out of the library and classroom and onto the street, and to explore the tensions and conflicts this creates. It was a great experience, one of the high points of my four years at Dalhousie.

To the DSU, I say that Dalhousie's students deserved better. The attempts of the DSU to script and choreograph student protest through a pre-fabricated rally and their inane student graveyard was an insult. The decision to provide no support to Students in Solidarity, while at the same time providing almost \$1000 for another minority student group to make their protest through Nova Scotia's courts is inconsistent at best.

To the friends I made through Students in Solidarity, I say thanks for a great experience. Our choice was voices — our own voices.

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