

Peyton, Stasz vie for Senate office

Peter Stasz, President

I have two major objectives; the first is to energize the Senate and the second is to energize the students of Alfred. To be specific, I want action, by the Senate and involvement, total involvement, by the students.

For instance, the Senate should immediately become involved in the movement which can be called the equalization of women's rights.

For too long A.W.S. has tried to improve the situation of the women at Alfred while the Senate has stood idly by, giving its wonderful verbal support. No more.

The Senate must fight side by side with A.W.S. for women's rights, and that means for no curfews and for apartments for the girls.

Also the students through the Senate should improve the academic situation at Alfred by printing a teacher and course evaluation booklet.

Everyone from President Miles to Suzy Freshman should know who the good and bad teachers are, what the good and bad courses are, and, more important, why they are good or bad.

Further, I want the clubs and organizations at Alfred to become more active; the political affairs club is setting a fine example this year of what I mean by active, the mock convention is the type of diversified social activity that Alfred should have.

If money is the problem, as was the case with the proposed campus radio station, I will find all the money the clubs need.

Finally, in any and every way I can, I will encourage the students of Alfred, including those not on the campus, to become more involved. That means you, friend.

It is a shame that your student newspaper has to function with a skeleton staff, it is a shame that your athletic teams barely have enough members to field a team, and it is a shame that the office of Senate president has only two



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candidates and almost had only one.

That, then, is a brief foundation of my platform—to energize the Senate, the students, in fact the entire sleepy little community of Alfred.

Sleepy little towns are nice only if you want to sleep. College students, intelligent and young, should not sleep.

Randy Peyton, President

What direction should the Student Senate take? This is a question which every candidate and student should ask himself.

Recently, the Senate has proven itself to be a student organization both attuned to the needs of the student and active in its drives for solutions to these needs. It is my hope, if elected, to continue this forward movement and seek to make the Senate even more responsive to the student-body.

Serving as vice-president of the Senate has helped me to formulate what I consider the needs to which the Senate should direct itself.

First and foremost is the need for better communications on campus. Here the main concern is with the need for a better knowledge of events, both on and off campus.

To improve this situation, I would like to see the Senate acquire a permanent, glass enclosed bulletin board, in which would be placed all the events for a week. Thus, a student could always go to this centrally located activities board, and at a glance find out what is going on.

A continued push for a campus radio station is another must. The station could not only help to fill the information gap but would serve a valuable function in the area of entertainment.

Finally the use of a column in the Fiat Lux every two weeks, perhaps, reporting on the activities of the Senate would be helpful.

It would serve not only to acquaint the students with the activities of the Senate but it would serve as a sharp stimulus to increase activity in the Senate and assure that the Senate's work is in line with students' opinions and needs. The Senate, due to a recent increase in funds, will now be able to broaden its field of concern.

The FIAT urges all students—freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors—to vote in the Senate election.



Randy Peyton

Hopefully, the Senate can now begin to handle such events as a Senate Weekend, an increase in social events, increase the use of the bus, and push for a campus pub.

The need for co-ordination is another area of concern. To better co-ordinate the efforts of all campus organizations, I would strive to organize a committee which would meet occasionally and allow the organizations of the campus to realize what each is accomplishing and also allow perhaps better co-operation on various common concerns.

In this way all organizations could better serve the needs of the students.

In the past the Senate has had the need of such a committee in order to see what other organizations like the IFC and AWS were doing. Only through better cooperation can all organizations hope to achieve success.

In line with this idea, I would like the Senate to explore the idea of a joint University-Tech committee which would serve to explore the possibilities of joint activities and to serve as a media of exchange of information on events, and programs on both campuses.

Many times worthwhile events at both schools go largely unnoticed because of the failure to exchange information and knowledge. Hopefully, a joint committee could be useful in this area.

Regardless of how active the Senate is, or how responsive the administration, the key factor to the success of the Senate rests with the students.

The amount of student interest, concern and participation, to a large extent determines the effectiveness of its efforts. In light of this fact, I would like to urge all students to show their concern by voting in the elections.

Of equal importance, the Senate will continue to need your support, ideas and comments, even after the elections.

Come to the meetings or see your Senate representative if you have ideas or gripes. Only in this way can the Senate truly fulfill its duty to you, the students.

Senate meetings

Regularly scheduled Senate meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 in room B and C of the Center. All students are welcome to attend.

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Candidates for vice president: Campbell, Cornell, Merida

Diego Merida, Vice President

Recent events in the political arena have confirmed the tremendous growth of student power. With the acquisition of power comes a need for responsible action. Let me emphasize the word "action", for students must act.

By way of corroboration, we have only to look at the role played by students in the candidacy of Sen. McCarthy. I feel that students are playing an increasingly important role in American society.

I do not think there is any need to delve into the immense responsibility this role entails.

I feel the Senate, since it is a representative of the Alfred University student community, should assert itself as an organization to be reckoned with in the formulation of University policies.

If the Senate is to do this, as I believe it must, it needs the support of the student body.

The most urgent problem facing the Senate is that of motivating the students to make use of this organization. In the past the unwillingness of the student body to use this voice, has underscored the efforts made by the officers of the Senate.

Through the Senate the students should be able to choose speakers for the Speakers Program; should be able to propose cultural events, to be approved by the administration; should initiate and propose policies which the Senate in turn would present to the administration.

An active student body, using their initiative, intelligence and drive could begin many of the needed reforms; and a united student body could use the pressure of numbers to effect those reforms.

This is not empty rhetoric, it is rather an alternative to the apathy that has unfortunately characterized this campus in the past.

I praise those students who have been active on this campus, and I challenge all others to participate, to express their beliefs, and to make this Uni-

versity a more viable and interesting institution.

In conclusion I ask the student body to support the Senate by casting a vote in the coming election. By supporting the candidate of your choice, you can begin to make student power a reality on the Alfred campus.

Alfred appoints provost

Dr. James Don Barton, Jr. has been appointed to the position of provost and vice president for academic affairs at Alfred, effective July 1, 1968. The Fiat story in the last issue erroneously omitted Dr. Barton's title and mistakenly inferred that his position was that of a dean of this University.

The job of provost and vice president for academic affairs has been recently created by the University Board of Trustees. It will entail direct supervision of the academic program and supervision of all procedures related to the appointment of faculty members.

The intent of the Board of Trustees in creating the new office was to divide the academic and fiscal responsibilities which now are handled by the President, thus freeing the latter to devote a major portion of his time to working with the trustees on capital fund campaigns.

The appointment of Dr. Barton, who is currently dean of Southampton College of Long Island University, was recommended by a search committee made up of members of the

faculty, the student body, the administration, and the board of trustees.

A number of candidates for the position were interviewed by various segments of the search committee in the past few months, but in the words of University President Miles: "Dean Barton was the clear choice of the Committee."

Dr. Barton is a biologist who has published articles in the field of plant ecology. He is also experienced in various phases of university administration, including budgets and faculty recruitment, according to President Miles.

The president stated that "We are fortunate to have found a man of Dean Barton's calibre. In retrospect, his appointment will be viewed as a turning point in the university's fortunes."

Dr. Barton earned his Ph.D. in plant ecology from Purdue University where he was a graduate teaching assistant for two years and was a Purdue Research Foundation Fellow. He taught at Boston University for seven years prior to his appointment at Southampton.

Elections

Senate elections will be held in the Campus Center lobby on Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Diego Merida

Senate candidates submit platforms

Susan Cornell, Vice President

Progress is desirable in any organization. But how? Senate is a unique all-campus representative body with the potential to be a spearhead of students' rights. It is also an instrument for improving the "social-cultural-academic" aspects of student life.

Already, senators represent the student view on many administrative committees. New policies—liquor on campus, the university bus, and course evaluation guide—have been implemented with Senate's help.

But where from here? With these greater opportunities, more can and should be accomplished. Enthusiastic student support and imaginative ideas may be acquired through total involvement.

More representation, including the Brick, both in Senate and on its committees would bring wider participation. Each campus club should send a permanent member to Senate meetings.

This twofold effort would publicize Senate's activities, while bringing to its attention specific problems faced by other student groups.

Many students aren't aware of Senate's opportunities and do not take advantage of them.

The old problem of communication, is the major concern, whether specifically regarding Senate affairs or pertaining to any campus event.

I would like to see the Senate set up a permanent public relations committee, composed of students who have the knowledge and means of co-ordinating all campus-wide publicity.

This committee could work with the Campus Center in keeping abreast of coming events. Any club needing publicity could seek advice from the committee.

While I have played the role of Senator and committee member, I have learned the importance of discussing the issues with my constituents.

Each week I have observed Senate meetings and reported their results in the Fiat, thus gaining an overview of its operation.

The Senate vice-president's duties are fairly well spelled out for him . . . supervising



Susan Cornell

Senate elections, serving as parliamentarian at meetings, substituting for the president in his absence, and the co-ordinating of Senate committees.

To these I would add an overall enthusiasm for making the Senate a success.

A concerned student body is an integral part of that success. Your opinions and comments are needed both at the election Thursday and during the ensuing year.

Ken Campbell, Vice President

Until last year, with the election of Roger Auerbach as president, the Student Senate was known as an organization which did very little.

There was a lack of communication with the student body together with general inactivity on the part of the Senate.

The leadership provided by Roger Auerbach has shaken the Senate from its dormant state, however this vitalization should not be allowed to dwindle.

No representative government of any kind can be functional without inspiration and support from the constituency it governs.

It is not the obligation of the government to interest the constituents but rather the obligation of the constituents to be interested in their governments.

To bridge this communication gap, I think the Senate should continue the study it began this year of the possibility of Alfred University obtaining its own FM radio station license.

A radio station would provide the students with complete knowledge of what happens on campus. There would be no excuse for a turnout of only 650 voters for the Senate elections, as was the case last year.

The duties of the vice-president are to serve as parlia-



Ken Campbell

mentarian, to run campus elections, and to assist the president.

He also acts as president in the latter's absence.

I intend to fulfill these responsibilities to the best of my ability. I would like to see the Senate pursue its goals with the desire and vigor it has shown this year.

I therefore urge all students to participate in the activities of the Student Senate, and, above all, to vote in the upcoming elections.

Thomas and Tremonte seeking Student Affairs chairmanship

Leslie Tremonte, Student Affairs

Effective communications is essential to the smooth functioning of any worthwhile organization. This year the Student Senate has been more successful than ever in serving its main purpose as an intermediary between the student body, the faculty, and the administration.

However, the Senate cannot work for the students unless they are willing to support the Senate by expressing their opinions and voicing their discontent.

As Student Affairs Chairman I would like to try to help bring the Senate's effectiveness to an even greater level.

A few of the problems which I feel merit attention, are as follows. Since women now have 12:00 curfews, I would like to see the Campus Center remain open until 12:00 Sunday through Thursday and possibly until 2:00 on Saturday nights.

It has been brought to my attention that many of the men on campus would like to have the men's gym open on Sunday nights. I would like to try to make arrangements to this effect.

There is also the possibility of more beer blasts at Ade Hall and the Campus Center.

A problem which, I believe, calls for special consideration is the student parking situation on campus. This could be solved by less strict parking regulations, or by another parking area around the center of the campus.

If elected, I would attempt to correct these situations as well as any others which the students feel are important.

I have been a member of the Senate for two years, co-chairman of the Functional Service Committee for this past year, and I am presently a co-chairman of the Orientation Week Committee.

I feel that I am qualified to accept the responsibilities of Student Affairs Chairman, but more important, I am anxious to help make our years at Alfred more enjoyable.

Jo Ellen Thomas, Student Affairs

To run for the office of Student Affairs Committee Chairman, I believe it is essential that one possess two qualities—experience and an interest to work for the student body. I believe I possess these qualities.

First, as a member of both the Election and the Student Affairs Committee this year, I have been able to gain the knowledge and experience of the inner workings of these committees.

Because I am currently chairman of an all-campus dance to be held in May, I have become aware of the amount of responsibility, time, and effort needed to make an event successful.

If elected to the position of Student Affairs Committee Chairman, I will use my knowledge and experience to produce more successful dances, lectures, and Student Senate



Jo Ellen Thomas

weekends.

Secondly, the fact that I am on the Elections and Student Affairs Committees should show that I have an interest to work for the students.

In addition I have worked on the Orientation program and the Big Little Sister program. If elected, I will continue and increase my interest to work for you, the students.

As Student Affairs Commit-

tee Chairman, I would be responsible for Student Senate Weekend, lectures, and dances. I would also like to investigate new uses for our student bus, new ways to increase publicity, in order to inform the students of events, new ways to improve relations with State Tech, new uses for our student I.D., and any other problem a student has.

The most important, and probably the most tedious job, is to create among the students an interest and enthusiasm towards the Student Senate and events on campus—a job I would gladly work on if elected.

I would sincerely urge every student to come out and support the candidate of his choice on April 18 in the Campus Center lobby.

Computer dance

The Student Senate will sponsor a Computer Dance on Tuesday, May 21. Computer forms will be on sale in the Campus Center for \$1.75, which will cover the cost of admission to the dance and of beer.

VOTE

in Thursday's Election



Leslie Tremonte

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