

Student Body Elections

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CANDIDATES FOR STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

ANSBACH SYNOPSIS



John Ansbach, a junior economics major from Round Rock, has been representing students living off-campus as student senator for three years.

Assistant to one of the executive vice-presidents in student government, former chairman of the external affairs committee of the senate and Fish Aide are some of the student positions Ansbach has held.

Ansbach, a member of OPAS, says in his spare time he enjoys playing golf, fishing and shooting hoops.

If elected Student Body President, Ansbach says he will try to refocus the educational system on teaching and educational skills, and place less emphasis on research.

"I would like to continue working side by side with the administration, as has been

done this past year," he says. "We should make our decisions together."

Ansbach says he would like to give every student the opportunity to become involved on campus. He says he wants to be as involved in the lives of A&M students as he can.

"I want to have an open door for student input," he says.

If elected, Ansbach says he would like to remain in touch with A&M students by having a summation of legislative action within student government published weekly in The Battalion for students to read.

Ansbach says after graduation he would like to work for a year and then attend law school, in hopes of becoming a civil rights or environmental attorney.

- By Melody Dunne

- Organizational and Leadership Positions Held:**
- Freshman Senator (Oct. 89 - April 90)
 - Chairman Senate Committee (April 90 - April 91)
 - Off-Campus Senator (April 91 - Present)
 - Fish Camp Counselor (Jan. 90 - Oct. 90)
 - Student Health Center Advisory Board (Oct. 90 - April 91)
 - MSC OPAS (Oct. 91 - Present)
 - Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference delegate (Jan. 92)
 - Executive Assistant to Vice President of Programs-Student Government (Dec. 89 - April 90)
 - Academic Appeals Board (Oct. 90 - April 91)
 - Bonfire Alcohol Awareness Committee (Oct. 91 - Dec. 91)
 - Big Brother, Oakwood Middle School (Oct. 90 - April 91)
 - Freshman "Fish" Aide-Student Government (Oct. 89 - April 90)
 - RHA Hall Representative (Oct. 89 - April 90)
 - Texas A&M Speaker's Bureau (Oct. 90 - Present)
 - MSC MBA/Law (Oct. 1990 - April 91)
 - Who's Who Selection Committee (Oct. 91 - Dec. 91)
 - Legislative Study Group (Oct. 89 - April 90)

- Awards and Honors:**
- Buck Weirus Spirit Award 1990
 - Texas A&M Academic Excellence Award 1990
 - College of Liberal Arts Dean's List 1991
 - Distinguished Student-Student Government Association 1992

PRESIDENTIAL PLATFORM

1. It is my goal as Student Body President next year to work with students, faculty, and administrators to refocus our education system back onto teaching and teaching skills, and away from research.
2. Through enhanced recruiting and awareness programs, I hope to use Student Government to promote cultural diversity not only on our campus but within our community as well.
3. I pledge my continued support for next year to work in the Texas legislature and Governor's office to accomplish our goal of having a student representative on the Board of Regents.
4. As Student Body President next year I will be directly accountable to all students through constant contact in the campus newspaper so that you, the students of A&M will be informed enough to act on campus issues if you should choose to do so.
5. I will provide to all students of A&M ethical and responsible leadership as Student Body President.

BELLER SYNOPSIS



Steve Beller, a senior political science major, is founding vice-president of Habitat for Humanity and founding adviser for Aggies for Leaders of Tomorrow.

Beller, who is from Bryan, is also drum major for the Aggie Band, a student government senator and also coordinator for the Texas Council of Student Body Presidents.

He is involved in a number of music-oriented programs, including MSC OPAS, MSC Dinner Theater, the Aggieband Dance Band and the Aggieband Orchestra.

One of Beller's goals if elected Student Body President is to promote information networking among students, he says.

"There is so much going

on that few students know about," Beller says.

Increasing ethnic diversity and campus security, and implementing a campus beautification project similar to Big Event are other goals Beller will pursue if he is elected, he says.

Beller also wants to investigate options for private catering on campus, to break up what he sees as Food Services' monopoly.

Beller says his involvement with student government and student activities complements his involvement in other extracurricular activities.

After graduating from A&M, Beller, who has a military contract, will enlist as a second lieutenant in the United States Army.

- By Matari Jones

- Organizational and Leadership Positions Held:**
- Student Government
 - Student Senator (90 - 91)
 - External Affairs committee (90 - 91)
 - Big Event (88 - 92)
 - Texas Council of Student Body Presidents' Coordinator
 - Spirit Award Selection Committee (91 - 92)
 - Development Committee (91 - 92)
- MSC**
- Opera and Performing Arts Society (89 - 92)
 - Dinner Theater (89 - 90), Chairman (91-92)
 - Aggie Leaders of Tomorrow, founding advisor (90-92)
- Corps**
- Aggie Band (88 - 92), Drum major (91 - 92)
 - Drum and Bugle Corps (88 - 90)
 - Platoon Sergeant (90 - 91)
 - Army Warrior Program (90 - 91)
 - Army Blackhat Program (91 - 92)
 - Corps Recruiter (88 - 92)
- Additional Involvement**
- Dukes of Aggieband Dance Band (88 - 92)
 - Aggieband Orchestra (88 - 92), president (91 - 92)
 - Habitat for Humanity, founding vice-president (89 - 91)
 - Fish Camp Counselor (89 - 92)
 - Baptist Student Union (89 - 92)
- Awards and honors:**
- Buck Weirus Spirit Award (90-91)
 - Guidon Bearer, Aggie Band (89-90)
 - Best Freshman Grades Aggie Band (88-89)

PRESIDENTIAL PLATFORM

Other universities have a Student Government leader and an equivalent MSC leader. However, at Texas A&M, we have a *Student Body President*, one who must represent the entire student body and all of our varied interests. It is imperative to have a working knowledge of Student Government, but for your representation needs, it is crucial to have campus-wide organizational experience. Having been a student senator, I understand the inner workings of Student Government . . . as a chair in the MSC, I understand its unique and extensive composition . . . as the Drum Major for the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band, I understand the Corps and its contribution to the campus . . . having been raised in Bryan, I understand the importance of working with our local communities. With this wide variety of experience, I can best serve you and draw all aspects of the campus together. Gig 'Em.

BROOKS SYNOPSIS



David Brooks, a junior economics major from San Antonio, is currently speaker of the Student Senate and a Fish Camp counselor. He also served as chairman of the Senate finance committee his sophomore year.

"I plan on winning the Special Events Center, the facility that would replace G. Rollie White and representing A&M and the legislature in working with budget cuts and tuition increases," Brooks says.

He says he also plans to work for fairer food services policies dealing with pricing and facility operations if elected.

In addition, Brooks says

he wants to look into the possibility of an on-campus bank, advocate a student on the Board of Regents and institute bicycle paths on campus to prevent bike and pedestrian accidents.

Another change Brooks says he would make if elected president is developing a building code requirement for an equal area of "green space" for every building built.

In San Antonio, Brooks attended MacArthur high school. His hobbies include racquetball and chess.

Brooks says after graduating he plans to attend law school and possibly get into politics.

- By Sharon Gilmore

- Organizational and Leadership Positions Held:**
- Speaker of the Student Senate (April 91 - present)
 - Chairman of Senate Finance Committee (Dec. 90 - April 91)
 - Co-Chairman of SGA Business Services Task Force (Sept. 90 - March 91)
 - Student member of Institutional Self-Study Steering Committee (July 91 - present)
 - Executive Assistant for Administration (April 90 - April 91)
 - Advisory Committee to VP for Finance and Administration, charter member (March 91 - present)
 - Environmental Issues Committee, founding member (Sept. 90 - Sept. 91)
 - Recreational Sports Committee member (May 91 - present)
 - SGA Executive Council (May 90 - present)
 - Legislative Study Group, associate member (May 90 - April 91)
 - Food Services Committee (Dec. 89 - April 90)
 - Health Center Referendum Campaign Committee (Feb. 90 - April 90)
 - Fish Camp Counselor (Current Fish Camp)

- Awards and Honors:**
- Most Valuable Senator (91 - 92)
 - Buck Weirus Spirit Award (91 - 92)
 - President's Endowed Scholarship (4-year)
 - National Merit Scholarship (4-year)
 - Dean's List
 - Distinguished Student
 - Phi Eta Sigma, member
 - Tau Kappa Honor Society, member
 - Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society, member

PRESIDENTIAL PLATFORM

Howdy!
My name is David Brooks, and I'd like to be your next Student Body President. I'm running for this position because I feel that Student Government should be a proactive organization - an instrument that actively seeks out student's problems and works to solve them. In my time as Speaker of the Senate, I have worked on issues important to students - Food Services pricing policies, tuition and fee increases, the drive for a new Special Events Center, and many more. I feel that the only real way to determine what a candidate would accomplish as president is to examine what they have done in the past. I have goals that I've been working on for the past three years, and I'd like the opportunity to keep working. With my experience, leadership, motivation, and drive, I can be A&M's best President. When you cast your ballot, I'd appreciate the chance.
Gig 'Em.

CASH SYNOPSIS



Lisa Cash, a junior political science and economics major from San Antonio, says she will focus on communication if elected student body president.

Student government needs to communicate with the students in order to better work for the students, she says.

Cash plans to increase communication with a half-page advertisement sponsored by the A&M bookstore that will appear in The Battalion every other week. The ad will allow student government organizations to relay their events and ideas to the student body, she says.

Cash also plans to focus on state-wide issues.

"I want to get students

involved in the governmental process of the state of Texas," Cash says.

Cash is currently vice president of operations for student government.

Cash has also served as the special assistant to the student body president for international affairs.

Last semester Cash was selected for the senate finance committee, which allocates student service fees. Cash also organized the Model United Nations, which recently completed its second annual conference.

After graduation, Cash plans to attend graduate school. She says she may get a doctorate in political philosophy and possibly go on to lobby for higher education.

- By Julie Polston

- Organizational and Leadership Positions Held:**
- Executive Vice President of Operations for Student Government (April 91 - April 92)
 - Student Finance Committee Member (Sept. 91 - Dec. 91)
 - A&M delegate to Conference on Student Government Associations (Feb. 92)
 - Senator, College of Liberal Arts (April 91 - April 92)
 - Academic Affairs Committee Member (April 91 - April 92)
 - Began Model United Nations at TAMU (April 91 - April 92)
 - Initiated restructuring of requirements for the English Language Institute (April 91 - April 92)
 - Vice Chair MSC Student Conference on National Affairs (April 91 - April 92)
 - Helped establish the Sister University Association with Kazan State (Russia) (April 91 - April 92)
 - A&M delegate to West Point Student Conference on United States Affairs (Nov. 90)

- Awards and Honors:**
- Buck Weirus Spirit Award (90-91)

PRESIDENTIAL PLATFORM

Howdy! My name is Lisa Cash and I want to be your next Student Body President. I have held leadership positions in Student Government and the MSC. Currently, I serve as an Executive Vice President of Student Government. As Student Body President I would like to address the issues concerning students. Parking - I will set up a task force to look into ticketing procedures, parking availability, and costs. The Health Center - secure more parking and change the system of contract doctors during emergency care hours. Class availability - involve the student body in communicating our needs to the State legislature. Teaching - reward teaching excellence through recognition from students. Multicultural issues - recruit students from inner-city and Valley schools and start and I-Camp for international students. Campus aesthetics - establish a student advisory board to Campus Facilities and Planning. These are just some of the goals I have to improve the student life at Texas A&M. Please vote Lisa Cash and Make Student Government Work for You. Gig 'Em.