

ELECTIONS

Community Senate elections to take place on April 2

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the larger world."

McIntyre has similar goals.

"I hope to help create a culture of involvement and excitement through establishing systems of accountability," McIntyre said. "More than anything I understand the wisdom of a collective body is infinitely more creative and capable than my own desires. I want to listen to the ideas of other students and use my knowledge of how Guilford works to help them realize their ideas."

Both candidates have experience they plan to use if elected. Leisman has served on the Diversity Action Committee of Guilford College for a year. He is currently a Principled Problem Solving scholar.

McIntyre is currently serving as co-outreach coordinator of the Steering Committee. She has also served as a student representative on the Curriculum Committee.

The vice-presidential candidates are juniors Paula Skandis and Karen Turner.

"I'm running because I'd like to continue my involvement in Senate and be able to participate in a different capacity than I have so far," said Skandis, who is from San Antonio, Texas.

Skandis continued, "I'd like to help with outreach, communication and in whatever organizational capacity Senate may require next year. I see the Senate vice president as a supportive and technically-based complement to a more vocal and potentially idea-acquiring president."

Turner, who is from Purcellville, Va., told The Guilfordian her goals, as well.

"It may sound outlandish, but I truly want to clean up the lake," said Turner. "I have some ideas for a fund raising campaign, so maybe we can finally get the ball rolling on that project idea."

Turner continued, "I also want to see increased

levels of involvement and outreach so that Senate can make Guilford an even better school than it is now."

The candidates for treasurer are junior Robbie Ennis and first-year Alexander Morales.

"I have direct knowledge for this position, and I am confident I will be able to carry out the job efficiently," said Ennis, who is from Hickory, N.C.

"I wish to accomplish an organized and well-run student body that looks out for the needs of everyone," continued Ennis.

Morales also proposes improvements to the Senate's budgeting practices.

"My slogan is 'Keep it Simple,' or KIS," said Morales, who is from Philadelphia, Pa. "I'm running for treasurer because basically I've been to every budget meeting this semester. I've noticed some problems with keeping up with money."

Morales continued, "If I'm elected, I want to streamline and digitize the process so it's easier for the clubs to get reimbursed, and we can still maintain a close eye on where the money is. Basically, I would put the funds on a type of debit card for each club."

Another position up for grabs is secretary. Junior Ali Krantzler from Philadelphia, Pa. is running unopposed.

"I'm running for secretary because I would like to be part of Senate at large and I would like to have power or the ability to have a more formal say in the decision-making process," Krantzler said. "Politics has always been a great discussion topic at my family's dinner table. That's why I'm so into politics."

The Inter-Club Council chair is now an elected position. However, the only registered candidate recently withdrew from the campaign. An option for write-in candidates will be available.

Community Senate elections give students a chance to improve Guilford College. Be sure to vote on April 2.

CANDIDATES FOR THE 2012
COMMUNITY SENATE ELECTIONS FOR...

Tim Leisman

- PRESIDENT -



Rose McIntyre



Paula Skandis

- VICE PRESIDENT -



Karen Turner



Robbie Ennis

- TREASURER -



Alexander Morales

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Ali Krantzler

- SECRETARY -

Secretary of State candidate engages with students

By Victor Lopez
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A Republican candidate for any office lobbying on Guilford's campus seems quite unlikely, or so it would seem.

Guilford College, a place that can look more like a hippie commune resembling Hogwarts well enough to make Harry Potter proud, is thought to have a more liberal political makeup than not.

Regardless, on March 22, the Guilford College Republicans hosted a talk by Mike Beitler, former University of North Carolina at Greensboro business professor running in the Republican primaries for the North Carolina Secretary of State.

If he wins the nomination, Beitler will run against incumbent Elaine Marshall. Marshall, the first woman elected to a statewide executive office in North Carolina, has held her position as Secretary of State for the past 16 years.

The library at Frank Science Center served as the close-knit setting where a small group of students listened to Beitler's views and principles. Beitler told students the ability to bring business to North Carolina and make the state more sought-after motivated his bid for Secretary of State.

"One thing Secretary of State can do is take away a lot of the useless regulatory stuff that has nothing to do with protecting

workers rights," said Beitler.

Beitler said that politicians love to take money from citizens through taxes and give it away to businesses under the guise of creating jobs, which Beitler told The Guilfordian will be put to a stop should he win the election.

"Politicians like saying they are creating jobs while using tax payers' money to promote them; it's a sleight of hand," said Beitler. "They took it from the community

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Randy Doss, vice president of enrollment services

and give it to a company that created jobs, which is seen. The real question is what's unseen. Taking from the small business and North Carolinians, that's not spoken about much."

Beitler told the group of students that even when cities offer big corporations tax incentives, usually companies come back in a few years and threaten to move to other areas if more concessions aren't given.

"There should be no reason that we are not competitive through taxes and

regulations," said Beitler. "Lowering state regulations that are unnecessary is a smarter way of doing things than offering temporary incentives."

Senior political science major and Guilford College Republicans President T. Patrick Lanier told The Guilfordian that Beitler asked to come and speak to Guilford College Republicans, an offer that was greeted with warm regards.

"We've hosted a mayor, candidates

to any rule.

"Many people see these more administrative state offices in less partisan terms," said Dell. "So the election can be decided more on name recognition and visibility than on traditional partisan terms."

Beitler said that Dell's line of thought wasn't the necessarily case in this race.

"I think that there will be some partisan politics played during this race," said Beitler. "However, I think that people should look across partisan lines and see that we need change in North Carolina."

Beitler, who ran in 2010 as a Libertarian for U.S. Senate, recently rejoined the Republican Party and has spent much of the last several months touring the state and gauging support for his candidacy.

"I'm interested in knowing what college students are talking about, and finding jobs is something on college students' minds," said Beitler. "This is something the Secretary of State has to do with."

Randy Doss, vice president of admissions, told The Guilfordian that having candidates from both sides of the aisle visiting Guilford is what the college is all about, even if there's the assumption that Guilford's makeup is more liberal than not.

"I hope we will never be known as a 'we are open and tolerant as long as you agree with me' type of institution," said Doss.