

Executive cabinet claims unopposed victories in lackluster SGA race

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Reporter

Elections are on the horizon for the Student Government Association, and for the first time in recent Elon history all of the candidates for executive office are running unopposed.

"Although it's kind of abnormal for people to be running unopposed, the people who are running are extremely strong candidates. I'm not sure if the reason this happened is others saw who was running and knew that they would be the strongest candidate, but I am very happy with the people who are running for office," said Jamie Lewis, current senior class treasurer.

Normally Elon has a large number of students running for offices on all levels. This year, the student body will have an easy task when it comes to ballot day; they will only have one choice to circle in most cases. It would seem candidates would be happy knowing that they are sure to win their position. Still, some candidates find it unsettling that there is no one to compete against.

"It is very disappointing. For me personally, I truly wish that someone else had run against me because that's what elections are for. Voters get the option to choose who they feel would be the best candidate," said Cheryl Borden, who is running unopposed for executive secretary. "There's a certain excitement

in competing with someone for a position and I think this is the first time that I have ever run unopposed for anything."

"The purpose of the elections is for the students to have a choice and there is an obvious lack of choice in the upcoming elections. I hope that more people will realize in future elections they have the opportunity to take an active role in some of the pivotal decisions regarding the university that have lasting effects on the students now and in the future," said Bob Koons, running unopposed for executive treasurer.

Because the race is a little different this year, those running unopposed will not be required to campaign. However, Lewis says the candidates for executive offices will most likely campaign as a team to give the student body confidence that they will work well together.

"Hopefully people will take an interest in SGA and see how much of a role we play in the school. Perhaps next year more students will want to take on a leadership role," said Jennifer Pautz, a candidate for humanities chair. "For now, it is important that students vote in the upcoming elections because there are positions that are opposed and students need to voice their opinion."

Elections will be held Feb. 24 and 25 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Moseley Center.

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And the winners are . . .

Chris Morse
Executive President



Elon University has provided me with a home away from home and I want to do my best to make sure that this home is the very best it can be for everyone. So please just let me know how I can work for you.

Shelby Peterson
Executive Vice President



Over the past two years, Elon has provided me with more than I could ever have imagined. If elected as the executive vice president, I want to strengthen the ties with the student body and opportunities available to them.

Elon students need to know their voice will be heard.

Bob Koons
Executive Treasurer



The members of the Elon University community make the time we spend here a positive and highly developmental experience. I hope to serve the students of this university in a fiscally sound and responsible manner so they are able to gain the most from their college experience.

Cheryl Borden
Executive Secretary
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I care about Elon and people who go here. My main objectives for this position are to improve upon our homecoming, increase communication between SGA and our constituents and make SGA more organized thus making it more effective and efficient to serve the student body.

Class of 2005

No information or photos submitted.

Class of 2006

David Warfel
Junior Class President
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Commitment. Determination. Devotion. Direction. Focus. Integrity. Leadership. Patience. Persistence. Pride. Purpose. Teamwork. Vision...

With these assets I will strive to obtain better meal options, improve recycling facilities, continue the tradition of giving back and carry on school spirit for Phoenix Athletics.



Britten Ginsburg
Junior Class Vice President

"To get others to come into our ways of thinking, we must go over to theirs; and it is necessary to follow in order to lead." - William Hazlitt

I will be here to work for you and I will do whatever I can to make that happen.

Student Association

VOTE!

Elections are Feb. 24-25
in Moseley Center