

Student Government Association Biographical Sketch **Spring 2009 Election**

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Name: Tonya Filz
Year in School: Junior in 2009 – 2010 school year
Position Seeking: RHAA President
Major/Minor: Major in Psychology & Human Development
Extra Curriculars: RHAA – Representative Development Director

Name: Jay Vanderkin
Year in School: Senior in 2009 – 2010 school year
Position Seeking: RHAA Vice President
Major/Minor: Environmental Policy and Planning/Philosophy
Extra Curriculars: RHAA, Bridge Club, Intramurals

Please answer the following questions:

Campaign Platform – What campus issues do you plan to focus on during your Administration?

**RHAA Exec board visibility*

*--rotating attendance at CCs to gain face time with reps and gain more CC involvement
--transparency: involve the general assembly in decisions, ask opinions on decisions already made, and share exec decisions/happenings
--work more closely with the representatives, fostering good rapport with each member of RHAA*

**Maintain regular and open communication with leaders of other organizations*

--allows a more personable relationship with other student organizations; better able to program together, be supportive of one another, and remain updated on current events of the suborganizations

**Promote knowledge of housing policies, procedures; this includes teaching parliamentary procedure as is currently done*

**Promote bidding at conferences and maintain the level of recognition received on the state, regional, and national levels*

**Utilize our unique experiences (Tonya and Jay) to create a cohesive, transparent, and knowledgeable executive "team"*

**Continue giving Residence Life feedback on building projects and other areas of*

*interest, such as wireless in housing and the mixed gender housing research
--our aim is to be unbiased, making sure we represent the organization's voice in these matters*

**Begin work on a low-cost University day care which will provide childcare for students, and additional internships for psych, social work, human development, and education majors. Sponsored by one or more of these departments.*

One Sentence Public Statement:

We [Tonya and Jay] would be honored to lead RHAA in a progressive direction by being a voice for students, while helping students gain experience and knowledge within student government.