

Dear Trent Durham Students,

I regret to inform you that my term as President has ended prematurely. In light of this news, it was important to me that I was able to thank you all for allowing me to advocate on your behalf during the 2016-17 academic year. With yours and the Board's support, I was able to complete many of my campaign promises and more during my term: from negotiating a new comprehensive Health and Dental Plan; to improving your shopping experience in The Rack & Shelf; to building TDSA's relationship with Trent Alumni; to improving TDSA's Operating Budget. I am happy to inform you that a copy of my "Year-End Review" has been submitted and will be published with the VPUA's and VPCL's in the coming months, which will outline in detail what I was able to accomplish while serving as your President. Again, I sincerely thank you for this opportunity.

To the Program Directors and Chair, whom I reported to this past year, thank you. You found yourselves at the helm of a few tough decisions this past year (some unfairly so) and I commend you for rising to the occasions with professionalism and dedication to fulfilling your roles and protecting the integrity of the TDSA while serving the best interest of your constituents. There are bright futures for you all.

To the Vice President of University Affairs, you have set an incredible precedent for balancing the internal and external advocacy components of your role. I commend you. Thank you for sharing my passion for student advocacy.

To the Vice President of Campus Life, if your predecessor's success was opening the floodgates for Clubs Programming, you had the tough task of managing the flood... and you did so impressively.

To the Operations Coordinator, your patience while helping students with their needs and concerns is admirable and your management of day-to-day operational responsibilities is always so underappreciated. You are irreplaceable.

To the incoming Executives, I have done my best to leave TDSA in a better state than when I began my term. Despite my efforts there is still much work to be done to improve the professionalism of the TDSA and to protect the integrity of the organization, its employees and members. I trust that each of you will rise to meet these challenges and will have successful terms of your own. Best of luck.

*All with love,*

Joseph Cassidy-Skof