Elon University
Student Government Association
Minutes: October 8, 2026

START TIME: 7:30

Executive Attendance

- Michael Swartz
- Cayce Becker
- Ellie Agulnek
- Oliver Keicher
- Tyler Mastrangelo

Roll Call - Speaker Pro Tempore Guider

Open Forum

Old Business

- Approval of October 1 Minutes
    - Agulnek: No changes were requested, will move to vote by dissent.
    - Minutes Approved

Presentation

- Raymond Fletcher, Senior Director for Facilities Management, and a representative from Campus Safety & Police – University Transportation Options
    - Raymond Fletcher: Senior Director of facilities management, been here for 8 years, in year 3.5 of his role currently. Manages transportation here at Elon for Erides and Elon Express
    - Blake Tillotson: Been here for 19 years, oversees criminal investigations and patrol operations.
    - Fletcher: The goal of this presentation is to present resources and then will open up to questions. When navigating the webpage, the Elon Express tab will go over the main routes like Hartgard, Danieley Center, University Drive, Gateway. Passio

Go will go over the routes more in depth like Haggard Ave A, and Haggard Ave B. The danielley center tram and gateway shuttle this summer faced carving out over the summer. By clicking onto the Danielley Center Tram on the website, it will go over all of the stops and will also pull up passio go which will show a map of the routes. Passio go allows you to select the routes that you are interested in and they will pop up on the screen and each color correlates to each specific route. Shows the locations of transportation in real time. When examining certain stops, like the Founder's Hall Bus Stop, it will show that there are three routes that use the stop. Highly encourages the use of Passio Go to look at the routes. The app is available to download via Google Play and the App Store. Sometimes buses will show available when parked before the transponder is turned off but other than that the app is extremely accurate. Outside of the bus transportation there are the E-Rides. One thing that has been heard is that the number that is called is campus safety and police because they have 24/hour dispatch. When E-Rides are not operating, call the number for campus safety and police and they will dispatch an escort.

- Tillotson: Lots of calls about this. If at Gateway and you feel unsafe they will send someone to pick you up and they also supplement the E-Rides. The long walk aaway from campus in the Gateway parking lot, Campus Safety is here to supplement.
- Fletcher: Contracted with an app to eliminate the need to call campus safety for the E-Rides, and plan to roll it out by the Spring. Few years ago had and app, got put on pause due to lack of effectiveness, now they are restarting the program with a better COTS solution to handle the E-Rides.
- **Yields to questions**
- Winter: Love the new hours, found that last year the rides were limited. When people think of E-Rides they think Emergency Rides. Last year they thought of changing the name of the Erides to Phoenix Rides, or something indifferent
- Fletcher: Change of name is an opportunity with the new app, but the legacy goes back to the SGA at the time when they were doing their own rides about 5 or 6 years ago called a safe ride. The E-Ride was a way to differentiate.
- Haspel: Question about the different routes, they go to a lot of different places and some local shopping centers but want to know why there is a lack of routes to south campus.
- Fletcher: Keep the routes at about 10-15 minutes a stop, but those ju,p up on haggard to about 32 minutes with breaks. Looked into it with Mill Point and those

routes push 20 to 30 minutes and they believe most students could get back quicker by walking. Largely why South Campus is not being served due to the time it takes to get across vs walking.

- Sherlock: Is there a plan to extend the E-Rides from a mile and a half to off campus residents?
- Fletcher: Goes back to legacy, at the time. Last time they made the decision they looked at the things inside of the radius and didn't see anything to gain. Now the 2 mile radius would just about take people to the walgreens and that spot.
- Banker: Heard from students about E-Rides and sometimes the hours are inconvenient, any suggestions?
- Tollinson: Always can call campus safety, if they aren't available the campus safety will handle it.
- Fletcher: Historically Erides have been under-utilized, but now gateway allows the erides to use. But provided someone doesn't call out sick they make sure it can operate outside of 30 minute breaks and if they are sick campus safety can handle it. I wonder how often it occurs
- Banker: A handful of people.
- Fletcher: We feel like we have it covered, but if you dont get anything when you call 5555, that we can know.
- Logan: With Slattery Center slated to open in January, are there any foreseen changes to routes/
- Fletcher: No, I don;t foresee any changes.
- Scalia: Some people will call E-Rides and they don’t show, is there an accountability method and have you heard this complaint?
- Fletcher: Email will go to the director of transportation, if you write about the issue it will be addressed , like maybe someone quit or a bus went down, but there is a way for accountability through that email.
- Tollinson: Helps us investigate what happened as we can go back and listen to the call as all calls are recorded.
- Said: More routes to other local shopping areas, like we currently have alamance, but maybe adding Harris Teater or Walgreens? Or do you see Moseley adding another airport shuttle?
- Fletcher: Last question first, I’m not sure, I can ask about the demand but currently it is a sign up basis. And the first question about expanding routes, we have looked at it but it adds a lot of time to that route. So it really comes down to time.

- Said: Considering making a bus to go there and back?
- Fletcher: Financially, the cost of it is really high. We look at it every few years but it costs a lot of money. It is on the radar as Harris Teater reached out. But the cost per rider is high and its easier to string together a bunch of stops.
- Navarrete-Perez: Rising concern of students with Flock Cameras, is there ant idea or how you plan to address the concerns of usage of these cameras?
- Tillotson: Flock Cameras are used for good, we don't track you, we utilize them when a crime is committed, helps us determine who owns a vehicle. But it doesn't work. But it does take a photo of a license plate and stores it, but is primarily utilized when a crime is committed and we need to find who did it.
- Putman: Are you all the only one with access to the cameras?
- Tillotson: We share them with different agencies.
- Putman: Concern lies there, if we don't know agency or used for bad.
- Tillotson: Those officers are being arrested for misuse.
- Potti: Some universities like UNC have used the Fl0ck Cameras with Local PD but not statewide, would you consider it.
- Tillotson: It's possible.
- Rubin: Visibility for freshman, didn't receive much information about transportation, is there any other ways of programming or other information on campus about erides or escorts so students are more aware.
- Fletcher: We try, every moment is packed and we often end up deploying sheets with Res-Life and put them in every room and we hope people read but we think people pitch them when they see them. Often posted on bulletins and we would love to spend more time with orgs just for the purpose. But have yet. We try with these, leave one on your pillow before you show.
- Agulnek: Now you have SGA taking in and sharing info, if you have a takeaway for them what would it be.
- Fletcher: Accountability, we have 250 working for me so please let us know as we can actually use it to correct it even if it happens at 2:00 in the morning. We want the feedback if it's not being provided so we can hold accountability.
- Tillotson: Just call us if you don;t feel safe, that's what the security escort is for. Please request it, we are happy to provide.
- Fletcher: Download the app if you can or if you don't use it, maybe you can show someone how to use it. Becomes really easy once it is set up, please share it.
- Agulnek: Thank you guys so much.

- Gregory: In regards to sharing new info for orientation, I encourage you all to share with orientation leaders, and there is the summer online orientation which is an opportunity to create ideas or even an opportunity, but always a balance so if you have ideas please share the specifics.
- Agulnek: I do have the cards for E-Rides and Elon Express, please come up and take them if you don't understand them. Hopefully you can take this in and use it yourselves or spread it to your friends and everybody.

New Business

- Appointment of Jacob Navarrete-Perez as Students Promoting Inclusive Excellence Committee Co-Chair
    - Navarrette-Perez: I'm interested as I believe this new committee can have a great impact, we have a lot of connections with CREDE, GLC, Inclusive Excellence, so many plans have been started and many more can be made, I can't wait to contribute with this opportunity.
    - Cooper: Have you thought of more ideas for SPIE since the weekend?
    - Navarrete-Perez: always ongoing conversations, don't want to spoil anything but bringing these communities together on a grander scale, seeing the cultures and identities. And seeing people who aren't necessarily involved can experience it. Got some big plans.
    - Agulnek: Only seemed fit to bring him forth as his role has been heavily involved currently.
    - Capelle: Motion to Question
    - Benson: Objection
    - Objection Rejected
    - Motion to Question was Seconded.
    - Agulnek: Online Voting System
    - Reeves: It's not working for me
    - Kopacz: QR Code is not working for me
    - Final Vote: 41-0-0
    - Agulnek: The appointment does pass.
    - Navarrete-Perez: I hope to change the ideal that beaches are better than mountains to the proper opinion.

Executive President's Report - Michael Swartz

- Swartz: Quick updates from Dooley, the bus ride confusion about prices, the prices should be the same for each as not everyone is using one-way so pricing is correct. For EVs in the gateway lot, then submit a fix-it, if really bad email Fletcher. For issues in

dorms, you can always submit a tip on the RAVE Guardian App. For Park Place, Dooley emailed about it directly so it is being discussed. And for dining workers, if just employees through Arrow Mark, cannot use services but if you have a concern talk to Janet Williams. For Flock Cameras, brought up unprompted, Elon Today article from 2015 that talks about them, its images with plates, also needs to be trained and every time you look you need to put a case number and your reason. After 30 days the pictures are deleted. Knowledge to share, also get periodic audits and they take it seriously and rightfully so. Proud of Elon for them being productive. Watch us play Dodgeball on the 22nd. Come support before the meeting. Any questions?

- Cooper: What is a Doge?
- Swartz: I thought that was how you spell "Dodgeball".
- Jackson: Regarding the Flock Cameras, a federal judge in Oklahoma said certain searches containing info in Flock may violate certain groups 4th amendment rights, can you ask Dooley about his approach to navigating that?
- Swartz: Anything else, shoot me an email for sake of time.

Executive Vice President's Report - Oliver Keicher

- Keicher: A few people emailed me about ideas of things we spoke about at retreat, and did the QR code to make the retreat better. You can rank the workshops we did too, they are in order to help you remember. And then last questions are agree and disagree to help make the retreat next year to be better. Helps us plan the rest that many of you will be in. Rock the Block is tomorrow, show up to support the SUB downstairs. Excited to see Shaq with familiar faces. If you want to take a trip with me tomorrow to possibly see his private jet, let me know.
- Rubin: Can we pass legislation forcing Shaq to meet with us privately?
- Keicher: No
- Navarrete-Perez: are you serious about going to the airport?
- Keicher: Yes, I will be going.

Vice President of Finance's Report - Cayce Becker

- Becker: $1000 has been spent since last week, the number will keep increasing throughout the quarter. Acord Fund is due on Monday, if they missed info sessions they need to email me. If you want stuff addressed for time I will address them next week when we talk. A lot of us talked about doing service together, here is Kernodle. And we will bring some students here for leadership development on the 13th. Great opportunity for hours.

Vice President of Communication's Report - Tyler Mastrangelo

- Mastrangelo: PGB Committee, Phoenix Give Back Committee, looks at annual giving for giving back to Elon, point is to get donors to donate. Helps with Senior Pitstop and Senior Bricks. It is really cool, consider joining. Bryce suggested an AI notetaker to help Davis as a second set of ears and it helps parliamentarians to cross check. Everyone would need to make sure they double check so it can hear your roles and what you say.
- Scalia: How much time is used currently for it and would it add time?
- Mastrangelo: Probably would remove time as it currently takes 5 minutes.
- Schuermann: What Ai is being used?
- Mastrangelo: Kernola
- Schuermann: Do you know if there is a parent company?
- Mastrangelo: Will look into it.
- Urteaga: Concerned about volume level, projection isn't consistent in SGA, how is it addressed? We also had other options discussed at retreat. Is this the firs one we are trying?
- Mastrangelo: First suggested.
- Sears: Research doing oral history a widely accepted AI is whisper AI, hosted locally on its own drive so not going to the parent company, also a lot of issues of things not being correct which required recording and uploading.
- Mastrangelo: Thank you, local AI would be better as well.
- Logan: Are we voting or just happening?
- Mastrangelo: Just wanted to gauge the room.
- Winter: For 3 hours of recordings maybe it can help, also have some ethical opinions.
- B. Williams; Because AI with parent companies, is there a way to track where it goes in case it starts tracking voice.
- Mastrangelo: Local AI sounds like a better direction to turn this into.
- Reeves: Possibly a dumb question, if we use it, is there an opportunity for senators to request for AI to turn off the record, and what we say is noted in notes but not in Ai transcript. Wondering if it's individualized.
- Mastrangelo: I don’t see why not.
- Mastrangelo: Parking Request from student through SGA email, adding 2 parking spots for McMicheal. Campus PD and facilities are open but would be out only parking for 3 years. Big things in the area. Already has 3 spots by Belk, same distance from McMichael, it's open to students after 6 and parking is open to everyone else as well. Is this the right way and are there any other spots on campus?
- Said: Inman admissions has a large lot, could they give a few spots?
- Mastrangelo: I don’t think so.

- Schuermann: What lot is being talked about for current spots.
- Mastrangelo: Library parking lot by Acord. Anything else about parking talk to Chris or I, happy to do it. Also Merchandise. I had Ai mock up some merch, as bad as it is it gives us some ideas.
- Benson: if you need merch companies, let me know.
- Winters: Do we have to get a trademark for elon?
- Gregory: Depends on Wordmark or symbols, like student government would be no but certain things would require licensing. Specifically look at Elon university branding.
- Thomas: Not the most creatively inclined person, but make sure there is nothing on the back of a sweatshirt and keep it on the front.
- The Senate goes into an uproar.
- Becker: SGA will not be funding merch, it comes out of personal funds. Cause we cannot fund merch for other orgs therefore we do not fund for ourselves.
- Jones; Multiple designs?
- Mastrangelo: Designs via form. Also Lapel pins. Wear it on a lapel. Left side.
- Scalia: T shirt or sweatshirt or chose, cause some cost more, maybe vote for strong opinions.
- Mastrangelo: Form to vote on it.

<u>Speaker of the Senate's Report</u> - Ellie Agulnek

- Agulnek: A few people showed up with ideas for legislation, could be big or small things. QR Code is a link to Calendly. If there are any issues that can and should be addressed go to me or Chris. Homecoming royalty voting ends in less than 24 hours. Talking to people 1 on 1 helps to get voting spread. Retreat photos are in the SWSH. You can sort to find only photos of you and your friends via a filter. 2 Questions and 2 Takeaways. One or two people for insight or conversation?
- Schuermann: Takeaway was something Notemeyer, if everything is a priority then nothing is. Big fan.
- Urteaga: Enjoyed hearing about how money received goes back to students and wellbeing.
- Winter: Funding for certain things, conclusion to chaos.
- Davis. Shared governance, big fan in engaging everybody.
- Agulnek: Explorations with Ellie, went to farmers market with 3 senators earlier today. Let's go do something fun. Have a great fall break, take care of yourselves. Photos of everyone are up here. And photos from some events last week. Senator Shootout of the week is Michele Meyer for painting the E. And a bonus this week; all the committee

chairs who hosted events this week for crushing it at their events. Baby photo of the week is Alanna Urteaga.

Advisor's Report - Dean Gregory

- No report for this week.

Senate Leadership Reports

- Putman: Thank you to all who turned out, also get people to vote for homecoming and show up to the game.
- Thomas: If you have any questions about SPIE I can answer them.

SGA Open Forum

- Capelle: Your vote is your voice, early voting starts soon!
- Reeves: First, reiterate a few things from a few weeks ago, if you have ideas hit me up would love to collaborate. Second. Want to thank Will and Dmitri for hard work with silent disco, lots of fun and a lot of effort and thought, really showed in result and turnout so thank you/.'
- Sherlock: New CAS feedback form, use it to take to dean to get feedback to take to the meeting.
- Iyer: Sustainability week comes after we get back, keynote speaker from NCDEQ, pop up swaps and snacks and home lab for DIY cleaning supplies. Immersive forest experience and yoga.
- Meyer: Vote on the E, thank you!
- Benson: Vote for me in homecoming royalty. Trendiest Senators for the night are Skylar Winter and Elijah Jackson.

Roll Call - Speaker Pro Tempore Guider

END TIME: 8:46