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## 4 KEY TAKEAWAYS FROM THE PARKING TOWN HALL

*Carter Seipel,  
Has parked a car*

On Tuesday, September 16th, a town hall was held to discuss the recent parking crisis. As someone who has an unregistered car on campus, I knew I had to go. Head of campus security, David Rose bravely took on an onslaught of student questions and recommendations, offering us his wisdom and insight along the way.

Below are some key takeaways from the night, but there is more parking coverage on the back of this sheet!

**DENISON GUILTY OF HAZING** - Our first student speaker earnestly shared her experience, telling David Rose, "Freshman year I remember having to take long walks [to my dorm from the freshman parking lot]. That's fine because I was a freshman. Why isn't there more of a hierarchy this year?" While I agree that freshmen deserve awful parking, this student unknowingly uncovered a HUGE SCOOP. Just last year Denison had established a hierarchy based on seniority and used their power to enforce it. Sounds a lot like hazing to me... Ironic coming from the same campus that banned our widely beloved Freshmen Disorientation series.

**RECKLESS DRIVING HAS PLAGUED OUR CAMPUS** - Not one, but three people expressed concern over the growing number of reckless drivers on campus. One person even admitted to almost being hit three times in one day. Some blamed the freshmen due to a "lack of maturity," others blamed upperclassmen. What do I think? They're all a bunch of snitches! Don't knock reckless driving til you try it, guys.

**FRIENDSHIP RULED MORE IMPORTANT THAN GOOD PARKING** - Speaking of tattletales, one speaker urged Campus Security to implement a system where students could report parking violations. David Rose replied with a deeply powerful quote that I failed to write down. Basically it amounted to, "It's parking. Let's not tear friendships apart over parking." Simply beautiful. I shed a tear, hugged the angry stranger next to me and called an old friend from semitruck driving school.

**RED FRAME LAB TO THE RESCUE** - The parking situation isn't permanent. Campus security is looking for a solution and mentioned multiple times that they will "be looking to the red frame team for answers." Now I don't know much about "the Red Frame Lab process" they kept talking about, but I do know that this ragtag team will not generate the right answer. They're business people! All of their solutions will be about turning a profit. We need a neutral, trustworthy, and upstanding campus organization to solve the parking crisis, and I think we both know I'm talking about The Bullsheet. Trust us! We're creative, up to date on the campus' needs, plus we already know a thing or two about handing out parking tickets.

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# HAYLEY'S COVERAGE OF THE PARKING TOWN HALL (PART 1)

Hayley Shay,  
Also a class act

On 6:35 pm last Tuesday I, arriving late, shuffled into Curtis Provost to attend the DCGA town hall meeting on parking. I don't own a car, I am just thrilled by public fora. My mind was open and my fingers itching to write until I sat down in the crowd and my body betrayed me by releasing a room-shaking stomach growl. I was so hungry I could barely think, and my notes, as a result, are shit. Enjoy.

The meeting started off with Dr. Ricardo Hall, Vice President of Student Life, taking the stage. I strained to make out a single word he was articulating since I think he was holding the mic at his midsection. This gave me the opportunity to ignore what was being said to check out the beautiful cerulean blue suit he was wearing. Oh my god, it was really stunning. The color complemented his skin so well. I wouldn't be a good journalist if I wasn't honest about how much the suit consumed my attention. Gorgeous, gorgeous garments at the DCGA town hall meeting—that was the real treat for me in all of this.

Following Dr. Hall's speech was David Rose, the Director of Campus Safety, whose job entails overseeing all of campus parking arrangements. David Rose was a class act: he was articulate with a strong gaze and actressy eyebrows which furrowed upwards while he spoke, evoking the visage of someone attentive and intentional. He addressed suggestions pertaining to the Slayter parking garage, asserting that the parking garage exclusively services faculty, staff and admissions visitors, citing the competitive nature of visitor parking (30 spots total) as one of the reasons informing the decision to leave the parking garage arrangements as they are. He stressed that having parking readily available for faculty and staff is critical to ensuring that commutes are done effectively and predictably, as changing the location of faculty parking would increase commute times. Rose finished by saying that the solution is more complicated than just building a new parking lot, as Denison's geography is a significant limiting factor for construction projects.

It was quite clear after Dr. Hall's and Dave Rose's saying that the administration was approaching this discussion from a position of having no clear solution yet. Indeed, upon reflection, it was frequently uttered that "anything is possible" in response to various student suggestions. I'll also share that the meeting ended without any affectation of resolution, so if you are reading this thinking I'll have some definitive solution to report, then I am sad to say that that was beyond the reasonable expectations for this interaction between admin and student-body.

Finally, it was time for open discussion. Each speaker got one minute to ask their questions and David Rose was given an aggregated total of thirty minutes to use to respond to each person. The first student asked their question and it must have been a stupid one because I didn't write it down. But what I couldn't possibly forget was how the student told David Rose after he gave his answer that they couldn't stick around because they had somewhere to be, and then asked for a 1-on-1 meeting. They asked for a 1-on-1 with the university Director of Security in a room full of people waiting to talk to him, got him to agree and then bounced. And that was so fucking baller.

## D-DAY IN 5 SENTENCES

Carter Seipel,  
Lifelong Drip Head

"I miss Drip. Where's Drip?"

"I'm about to get so lit off of the Harvest Punch"

"Daya? I think you'll find that the concert is at night"

"Man she really wants to know where all these good boys are"

"Was it really D-Day without Drip?"



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