

**NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION**  
**MEETING MINUTES FOR 9-12-2006**

Our first meeting of the year officially began at roughly noon on 9-12-2006. All officers are in attendance with the exception of Ava Battle who is no longer with us and Debra Clifton who could not make it.

**FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

With Ava Battle no longer being a student at SHSU and one must be a student to be part of our organization, we were out a Vice-President. With this situation in mind we looked at our constitution and realized that there was nothing in there about what to do in this situation (ie: presidential appointment or majority vote). We all decided that we would vote among ourselves (those in attendance) for a new Vice-President. We decided we would nominate Angi Bremkamp (the current business manager) for the position of Vice-President. The vote was unanimous and Ms. Bremkamp is now our new Vice-President. With her becoming the VP we needed to elect a new Business Manager and Jen Hullinger was nominated and voted in. Jen is a Geography major/GIS minor. Congratulations to Angi and Jen!

**SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS:**

With the situation of Vice-President we have amend our constitution for such a situation. We are going to be doing that at some point in this semester, but we are going to wait and see what other changes that are needed as well.

**OTHER ORDERS OF BUSINESS:**

Due to the low turn out of people in attendance of this and the last several meetings we would like to give everyone a vote as to when we meet. The more people we have in actual attendance the stronger our organization will be. We understand that everyone has children and jobs, as well as going to school that is why we are holding a vote. We will conduct it the same way we did our voting for officers. You can send in your suggestions via listserv or email. The time we are looking at is either Tuesdays at 2:00 or Wednesdays at 3:00. The meetings will still be held once a month. We would also like some input as to what type of things our members would like to do in our organization. We are after all a social organization. One thing that has been under discussion is going on a camping trip at Huntsville state park or at least having some type of barbeque. We would like to do everything we can to make our events family friendly.

We also discussed participating in the 2006 Bearkat Ally. For those of you who don't know what that is, it is a tailgate party. We all get together and barbeque some meat, hand it out to people and have a great time. There are a great number of organizations that do this and it is a great way to let others know about NTSO. We were thinking that we would see about teaming up with another organization to do this. From all accounts it is work but Fun. Those of you who would like to participate please let us know. You can post it on listserv or email one of us. The dates we are talking about are 10-14-2006 (homecoming) or 10-28-2006 (parents' weekend). There are two other dates we can participate in as well they are 10-19-2006 and 11-18-2006.

The times will be discussed at a latter date, we need to know if our members are interested in doing this or not first. Students are allowed one free ticket to our games. What could be more fun then going out and supporting our school football team? Oh and by the way there will be lots of give-a-ways too. Money issues were discussed. We discussed getting some cooperation's to donate money to NTSO. John is seeing what he can do. Angi is looking into it as well. Any input or suggestions would be greatly appreciated. We are in need of getting some funding so we can do more with the organization like have a banner for starters. We intend to put a proposal in at the UFO but we would like to put in for more then one thing at a time.

We need to get the word out about NTSO. Many people still don't know that we are here. There is something like 2,500 or more students that are non-traditional here on our campus. We would like to see more people at the meetings too. For the October meeting the officers will make more of

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an effort to get flyers out sooner. Anyone who would like to help put up flyers please contact Angi Brekcamp at [alb017@shsu.edu](mailto:alb017@shsu.edu) or the NTSO email account at [org\\_ntso@shsu.edu](mailto:org_ntso@shsu.edu). You can also post it on listserv.

**LAST BUT NOT LEAST:**

We would like to welcome any newcomers to our organization. Furthermore we look forward to having a fun and sociable year with all of our members. Our next meeting will be on 10-24-2006, but we are still determining a new meeting time to help increase participation. We will announce over the listserv the new meeting time for the fall semester based on the member's schedules.