A note for the reader, be dramatic, read what is in the parenthesis, enjoy yourself, and I'm sorry.

My peers, my colleagues, my friends, it truly aches my heart not to be here now with you, in this moment as we witness the power of democracy at hand. Lend me the creative licence and imagine myself standing here before you in royal military uniform under a monochromatic spotlight. For those of you who do not know me so well my name is Tommy. I only joined the liberal arts program last year, but even in my time since then I have felt the difference our sslc has made for us. In our classrooms, in our community, and (thumps chest) in our hearts. I want to be apart of that difference and lead by example to enable our committee to be the voice and be the change we want to be. Because yes we can (show image of Obama poster).



Now I know what's on your mind. What are your qualifications? What makes you competent for this role that will lead the SSLC? And some of you might even be thinking, who is Tommy? I am a leader, in sport on the volleyball court, in theatre combat rehearsals I have been battle tested. And I guarantee, you have my trust, my trust in our collective decisions and i won't pursue any course of action without the want of the people, and that's you. (Smolder like Dwayne the rock Johnson). Seriously, I was on SSLC for two years in the theatre department and in my second year was co chair with the third year in order to prepare me for my final year, so I do have the experience of being on an SSLC and I'm committed to the time and committed to working with our beloved department. I didn't follow through with SSLC last year because it was clearly not my place to lead the students who don't know me, but now, after the shambles out committee left us in I feel a calling, may a responsibility, NAY, a duty, to take up this role.

Now if you would give the person reading this a hand of applause. (Pause for embarrassing clap or silence)

I hope he or she or they have honoured me with the gravitas I would have performed, or if not I am glad I'm not there for this awkward silence.

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