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Atkinson Association member requested to resign from executive

By JAMES FLAGAL

After publicly criticizing her own executive for failing to follow constitutional regulations on financial accountability, Doreen Hughes-Joseph, Director of Community Relations for the Atkinson College Students Association (ACSA), has been asked to resign.

Two weeks ago, in an *Excalibur* front page article, Hughes-Joseph accused her executive of not following the constitution which demands that unaudited financial statements be submitted monthly to the Assembly for its consideration. (The Assembly is the body which elects ACSA executive members and the executive is accountable to the Assembly.) The executive, Hughes-Joseph said, has failed to submit such statements for the past three months. She also criticized President Winston Charles for preventing her from seeing financial documents, and for rescinding a motion at an executive meeting in early March which demanded that the executive produce financial statements by the mid-March Assembly meeting.

Two weeks ago, in an emergency executive meeting which Hughes-Joseph could not attend, the execu-

tive voted to ask for her resignation and for a letter to be drafted to that effect. That Saturday, one of the executive members delivered the letter to Hughes-Joseph, but despite the executive's demands, she still refuses to resign. "Once again, I believe they have broken the constitution by the way they're trying to force me to resign," said Hughes-Joseph. "They're just trying to side step the whole issue of fiscal accountability by trying to force me to resign," she explained.

"I simply spoke out on an issue that I believe has a major importance for all Atkinson students," Hughes-Joseph said, "I just wish my executive would see this issue the same way." Last week, the ACSA executive had the locks changed on the office doors in order to prevent Hughes-Joseph access. She is also being denied access to her portfolio files, "which will make it virtually impossible for me to complete my end report," she said.

Jack Gazan, Speaker of the ACSA, said that the executive could not force Hughes-Joseph to resign since there were no procedures of impeachment in the constitution.

According to Saul Joel, Master of Atkinson College, "the executive can ask for Hughes-Joseph's resignation, but such an action must be ratified by the Assembly." Unfortunately, the next Assembly meeting is not until April 16, just a few weeks before the end of Hughes-Joseph's term. Joel said that the Assembly could call a special meeting to address the matter, but this may be difficult since so many students are occupied with their studies at this time of year.

On the issue of fiscal accountability Joel said, "I would like to see the situation cleared and the proper reporting procedures established between the Assembly and the executive. I am personally waiting for the auditor's report which should be coming out very soon."

ACSA President Winston Charles said that according to the conventions of the Assembly, executive members are not allowed to criticize their own executive, unless they step down from their position. "The Association structures itself in accordance to parliamentary procedures that are used in Canada," said Charles. A cabinet member of any government is expected not to publicly denounce his/her own administration, he added.

Hughes-Joseph accused Charles of doing the same thing, however, by rescinding the motion of the March 3 meeting. "By doing this, he has unilaterally stood up against his own executive," she said.

Charles refused to discuss the matter of Hughes-Joseph's resignation further. According to Charles, "It's bad practice to conduct the student's business (ACSA) in the press . . . It is up to the Assembly to ratify or reject this motion . . . Any member of the community is free to attend that meeting."



ANDRE SOUROUJON

TWILIGHT IN APRIL: As evening falls once more on another school year, *Excalibur's* Andre Souroujon was there to capture the stunning sunset behind the Ross Humanities Building.

CHRY, University seal agreement

By JAMES FLAGAL

An historical agreement which will establish the formal working relationship between Radio York and the administration was signed in the President's office this past Tuesday.

Specifically, said Mel Broitman, station manager of CHRY, the agreement entitles the station to space within the university and ensures that the administration collects and allocates Radio York's student levy. In general, Broitman said, the agreement outlines the responsibilities the parties have to each other.

Radio York's student levy was raised from \$2.00 to \$4.50 in a referendum held this past fall. The station gained a CRTC license last spring and went on the air this past October.

York Professor Frank Zingrone, a long-time member of CHRY's Board of Directors, said that unlike other attempts by past station administration to get a CRTC (Canadian Radio-Television Telecommunication Commission) license, he wasn't surprised that Broitman and Kaan Yigit, Director of Operations, succeeded. "It's the intelligence, tenacity and real dedication that these two have demonstrated which impresses me. They have done a stunning piece of work more so than any other stu-

dent organization on campus."

In signing the agreement, Mel Broitman reminisced about the station's past, and its beginnings in the basement of Vanier College. He thanked Yigit, Zingrone and Dani Zarestky, an articling student who offered legal advice to the station throughout the licensing process, for their support. Broitman also thanked Provost Tom Meininger who represented the administration in the negotiations.

During the negotiations, an impasse developed between both parties over Section 37(iii) of the agreement. The administration wanted to include the section which would have prevented the radio station from engaging in conduct "deemed by a Tribunal to be prejudicial to the interests or damaging to the reputation of the university." Breaching this stipulation would have resulted in a cessation of funding to Radio York, plus the eviction of CHRY from its premises on campus.

In fact Radio York faced eviction if they did not secure an agreement with the administration by February 15. The station, however, argued that the wording of the stipulation was far too harsh, and would ultimately infringe on their broadcast-

ing rights. The administration, on the other hand, feared that without such a clause intact, the University would be found ultimately responsible in any lawsuit involving Radio York.

After four weeks of intense negotiations, both parties came to an agreement on the wording. The new clause included a far longer list of stipulations outlining the circumstances which would lead to eviction and the cessation of funding. These circumstances include: "the repeated broadcasting of programming that is in breach of CRTC Radio Regulations; negligent management . . . which results in repeated litigation against the Radio Corporation or the University; repeated and serious public complaints about the Radio Corporation . . . ; failure by the Radio Corporation to meet the requirements of financial reporting set by the university;" plus many others.

Broitman is especially happy that the agreement includes such important detail, so there are no misunderstandings as to the intent of the clause on both sides. Provost Tom Meininger agreed with Broitman, and said the agreement was fair for both parties.

Reception hails Student Centre pact

By JAMES FLAGAL

Three years ago in a university-wide referendum a majority of York students rejected the idea of building a Student Centre. Today, that very proposal has become a reality.

After almost a year of negotiations, the Student Centre Management Board (SCMB) and the University finally signed a formal agreement this past Tuesday at a reception held in the Faculty Club. The agreement outlines the relationship between the University and the SCMB and defines each party's respective powers.

"I think the agreement is very fair for both sides," said York President

Harry Arthurs. "It's in everyone's interests that this project be completed." Arthurs said he was pleased the initiative came from the student body, especially since it would be very tough for the administration to financially orchestrate such a project on their own.

Mourad Mardikian, a member of the SCMB, was elated with the agreement. "It feels like every week we're adding a new block to the Student Centre project. Two years from now, we'd like to invite everyone for the opening of the Student Centre."

Rob Castle, chairperson of the SCMB, was one of the main organizers behind the initiative. "I am truly

excited about this agreement," said Castle. "I plotted this entire thing out 18 months ago with Gerard (Blink, last year's CYSF president). We have the most comprehensive and best management agreement in the country. But it won't be an easy one, because students have a lot of responsibilities. I am especially grateful to Tom Meininger (Provost, who represented the administration in negotiations) who really helped us out throughout the process."

Last week, York's Board of Governors approved the deal which includes a \$3 million grant from the

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