

CKDU: FM soon?



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CKDU Station Manager Derek Daniels reports to Student Council as FM Task Force Chair Keith Tufts looks on.

by Bob Morrison

It looks as if the CKDU-FM Task Force might just pull it off: Dalhouse students could be listening to FM radio as early as January of next year if they say yes to increase student fees by about \$3.75 in a referendum to be held next September.

Observers at Sunday's Student Council Meeting found none of the anticipated arguments or heated discussion that occurred during previous meetings. Student Union Vice-President External and incoming President Tim Hill moved to accept the Task Force's report "for study in future months." After minimal discussion on the issue, the motion was unanimously approved by council.

The Task Force Report prepared by committee Chair Keith Tufts was submitted to Council on March 4. It is an extensive document of over one hundred pages dealing with every aspect of the proposed changeover.

The real discussion took place in a meeting between the Task Force and the Student Council Executive held earlier in the week, where the content of the report was discussed.

At the meeting it was agreed to postpone the referendum question until late September or early October to allow Council's remaining reservations with the report to be addressed.

Student Union President Peter Rans said most of Council's questions are merely differences of opinion and should be resolved over the summer months. "By late September or early October we should have a proposal we can all be proud of and get passed," he said.

Rise Necessitates Quotas

EDMONTON (CUP) — The University of Alberta must impose quotas in the arts faculty to maintain the quality of education, according to the dean of arts.

Terry White said "we have to take action. We require some means of balancing the number of students and the available facilities."

He said quotas are needed to preserve the quality of education students now receive in the light of increasing enrolment.

"If we face the same kind of increase next year as we have over the past two years, we will not be able to cope," White said.

He prefers that the administration introduce quotas, but said that he will impose them himself if necessary.

Don Miller, president of the Federation of Alberta Students, disagrees with the use of quotas to

protect the quality of education. "This is a typical trick of the administration. They try to play off accessibility against quality," he said. "Rather than working for increased funding the administration is simply saying that they will limit admissions. The issue has nothing to do with academic quality. Rather it is one of inadequate funding."

But education students support the use of quotas, according to Siobhan Avery, vice president academic of the Education Students' Association.

"Quite a few education students are concerned about the motives of those students who enter education because they are unsure what to do at university," Avery said.

"Most students feel that quotas will raise the quality of teacher education," said Jim Barritt, ESA club officer.

Both will be doing much of the groundwork during the summer in anticipation of a "yes" vote in the referendum.

"No money will be involved or Student Union funds — it will just be extra work by myself," Hill adamantly pointed out.

"It (broadcasting) may or may not happen in January but that will depend only on the CRTC (Canadian Radio and Television Commission)," Hill said. Tufts said he can see no problem in obtaining a license from the CRTC.

It appears as though CKDU's elusive goal of going FM for the last decade may finally be realized come January.

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