

## Student vote on B of G approved by cabinet

By KEN BAILEY

Students will likely have a direct voting voice on the Board of Governors at each of the three provincial universities.

Honorable Ray Reiersen, minister of education and labor, said, in a telephone interview, "as far as the cabinet is concerned, it has been approved. I am authorized at this time to present it to the legislature for consideration at the next session in February," he affirmed.

He went on to say that "all three universities would be represented on their Board of Governors."

The students' union at The University of Alberta will have two voting representatives on the university Board of Governors. Possibly a third representative will represent the Graduate Students' Association.

The importance of this is apparent when one considers the position of the Board of Governors in the university administration. The Board of Governors controls and manages the university. Some of their duties are to appoint the president, determine student fees, consider all matters of staff salaries, position, and tenure, and are involved in all matters of campus building and improvement.

As a result of a 1966 amendment to the Universities Act the board members are:

—chairman (appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in council)

—university chancellor

—university president

—eleven others appointed for a term of three years

These eleven include:

(a) two representatives from the Alumni Association

(b) one member of the senate

(c) two members of the General Faculty Council

Currently the students have



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a consulting but not a voting position on the board. One student consultant is chosen by a committee composed of three members of the students' council, one of whom is chairman of the committee, three members of the Graduate Students' Association, the secretary of the students' union plus the president of the students' union as a non-voting member. The other consultant is the president of the students' union.

three provincial universities to meet with the cabinet this week.

The individual delegations met with Mr. Reiersen, at separate appointments Monday morning. In the afternoon, the delegations separated into a number of discussion groups with cabinet ministers to discuss campus problems.

Students' union president Marilyn Pilkington led the U of A delegation of seven members.

The various topics discussed included student assistance, tuition, student housing, human resources, and the lowering of the drinking age.

The most important discussion at the meeting concerned the amending of The Universities Act.

The result of the delegates visiting the government was expressed by Mr. Reiersen.

"What has actually come out of the visit is an interest on both the parts of the students and the government," he said.

"Perhaps the students might develop a system of making representation to the government from time to time." "I hope we might have the benefit the students' coordinated point of view," he said.

When asked how the representatives will be chosen, Pilkington said, "How the students will be selected is to be determined by the students' council."

She said that a more responsible representation would be possible through appointment rather than election.

Mr. Reiersen, speaking for the government on this point said, "The general consensus of opinion is that they ought to be seated in the same way as representatives from the faculty council. That is that they are direct nominations. The method by which this nomination is made would be an internal matter for each student council. They would then have to be ratified by the lieutenant-governor in council, as is the case with any other appointed member of the board."

Pilkington said, "What is important is to make their representation statutory in an amendment to The Universities Act."

"The significance of this will be that we have representation by right rather than by invitation."

A direct invitation by the provincial government resulted in the delegations from the

### "A more responsible representation"

# Fine arts, arts, ed, chem set for 1970 expansion

By LAURIE KOSTEK

Facilities for the faculties of fine arts, arts, education and chemistry rank first on the list of capital expenditure priorities for the 11 buildings planned for construction between 1969 and 1974 in the university's expansion program.

The priorities, a result of more than a year's study by the University Planning Committee on behalf of the General Faculty Council were based on criteria such as numbers of students, type of facilities required, and space shortages.

The committee outlines a "moving five-year plan," meaning proposals for the first years would remain relatively fixed while later stages could be revised. Needs and available resources will be reviewed annually.

Actual construction costs will require 65 per cent of the \$111,000,000 the universities commission and various private sources. The balance of capital expenditures will be made for equipment, furnishings, alterations and other projects such as food services.

Construction of the 11 buildings will begin in three stages beginning with the fine arts, arts 2,

education 2 and chemistry 2 building starts planned for 1970. Phase two of the Engineering Centre and North Garneau Library are expected to begin in 1971. Expansion for household economics and facilities for business administration and commerce, agriculture the communications centre and physical sciences will begin in 1972.

To be scheduled for the North Garneau, the \$4,500,000 fine arts building will provide centralized facilities for the departments of art, music and drama which are now scattered in buildings around campus. The new arts building, also to be located in North Garneau, will cost about \$3,000,000 and will increase space for the faculty of arts by one-third.

Added facilities for education and chemistry will increase their space by about 70 per cent each. They will both be located within the present campus and will cost about \$5,000,000 each.

Construction is underway on the \$20,800,000 biological sciences centre to be completed in 1969. An addition to the Cameron Library, costing about \$1,400,000, will also be completed that year.

The university's first parking

structure, expected to accommodate 800 vehicles would be in operation by the 1969-1970 academic year.

Additional housing projects, for married and single students will be undertaken within a year, and are expected to substantially increase residence accommodations.

Numerous other buildings will be necessary to meet the requirements of the university's expected continuing growth. Academic Plan No. 8, now being used by the committee, has been based on an increase of students to 18,990, but there is speculation that population figures may attain 21,000 to 22,000 by 1971.

The committee outlines a listing of 16 major buildings—most of them further phases of buildings listed in the five-year plan—and estimates their cost will be about \$78,500,000.

"Expansion in the North Garneau area has been planned in accordance with the continuing substantial growth of student population," said D. G. Tyndall, vice-president for Finance and Administration.

"It should be sufficient to accommodate the 21,000 students expected to enroll by 1971."

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## Students' council debates CUS Referendum slated for March

Monday's council meeting again discussed the controversial subject of the Canadian Union of Students.

This time the motion concerned the date of a CUS general referendum.

A CUS referendum was to be held this November but it was determined that the student body

did not yet know enough about CUS to vote on it.

Students' union president Marilyn Pilkington later explained, "Voting in the referendum will necessitate that each student make a conscious choice about the kind of student government he wants and whether that student government should aim at reforming the system or to work for revolution."

At the council a suggestion was made to "implement a crash system to educate students."

The alternate solution was to hold the referendum near to or during the March student council elections.

There was a common agreement that the referendum should not be held after the elections, the reason being that council hopefuls would use CUS as a campaign issue, and that would not be nice.

Engineering rep Jack Bennett made a motion that the referendum be held two Fridays before the elections. The vote went against the motion nine to six. A larger turnout and thus a more responsible vote could be expected on election day was the explanation for the defeat.

Therefore the logical motion was made to hold the referendum on election day. It was accepted with only Jack Bennett and Dave Block abstaining.

## Sinclair tunes in, turns on, drops out, and blames SU



GLENN SINCLAIR  
... overworked?

Glenn Sinclair has dropped out of the election race for President of Men's Athletics, leaving the office to Ian Lamoureux by acclamation.

"There are some very unhappy and disconcerting circumstances that led to my withdrawal" said Sinclair.

"I would like to question how sincere the students' union is in getting people active," he spouted as he paced the hall.

"In fact I wonder what kind of people they would like to get active—perhaps they don't want the kind of people that cause trouble."

Sinclair said he would be handing in yet another resignation today and would make further statements then.

Friday's election will now be only for Arts representative to the students' council.

## Voters qualifications

(Civic Election)

When and Where to Vote

1. Between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16.
2. At poll in your polling division. Students living on campus, whose names are on the SUB list, vote at Windsor Park School, 87 Ave. and 118 St.
3. To find what poll you vote at and where it is, phone 424-7412.