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## STU REJECTS UNB'S MEDIA FEE PROPOSAL

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"Over half of the STU students cannot find CHSR on the dial". That was Kelly Lamrock's, vice-president of the Student Union at St. Thomas University, response to a UNB proposal that STU should increase their amount of funding to CHSR. STU has rejected this proposal.

Wayne Carson, president of the Student Union at UNB, states that the annual budget at CHSR is around \$90,084.75. The number of full time undergraduate students at UNB is around 6400 while the number of full time students at STU is approximately 1420. There are 500 graduate students (GSA) at UNB. All these perceived to benefit from the radio station.

According to Carson, if these population numbers are added up and divided in CHSR's annual budget it would be concluded that each full time student should pay approximately \$10.83 for CHSR media fees.

But as of now STU's contribution to CHSR is

\$5500.00 and the GSA's contribution is around \$2400.00, while UNB's Student Union contribution is around \$82,184.75. In other words, STU pays around \$3.87 per student to CHSR, the GSA pays around \$4.80 per student to CHSR, and undergraduates at UNB pay around \$12.84 per student to CHSR.



KELLY LAMROCK

Carson feels "people should be aware of the apparent inequalities". He says that "each student has some

potential benefit" from CHSR. This "each student should pay (their) fair share."

Carson said the media fee proposal was shown to the Board of Governors this summer. They suggested it be brought back to them again with more information for further consideration.

Kelly Lamrock feels that CHSR is "essentially perceived as a UNB radio station". He would first like to find out what students at STU are getting out of the radio station.

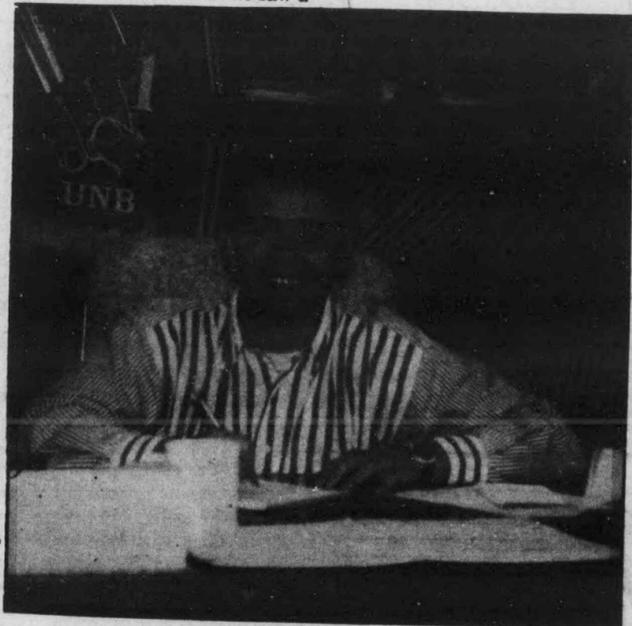
Right now he is willing to promote CHSR at STU, but is hesitant to put more funds into the station until he sees how STU is benefitting from it. He says that the Student Union at STU is already giving more money to CHSR than they are their own organizations (i.e. The Aquinian). "To make CHSR the primary funding priority of our council would be inappropriate when you consider our student's needs."

"What we saw proposed is not in our best interests, but we are always "open to alternatives", said Kelly.

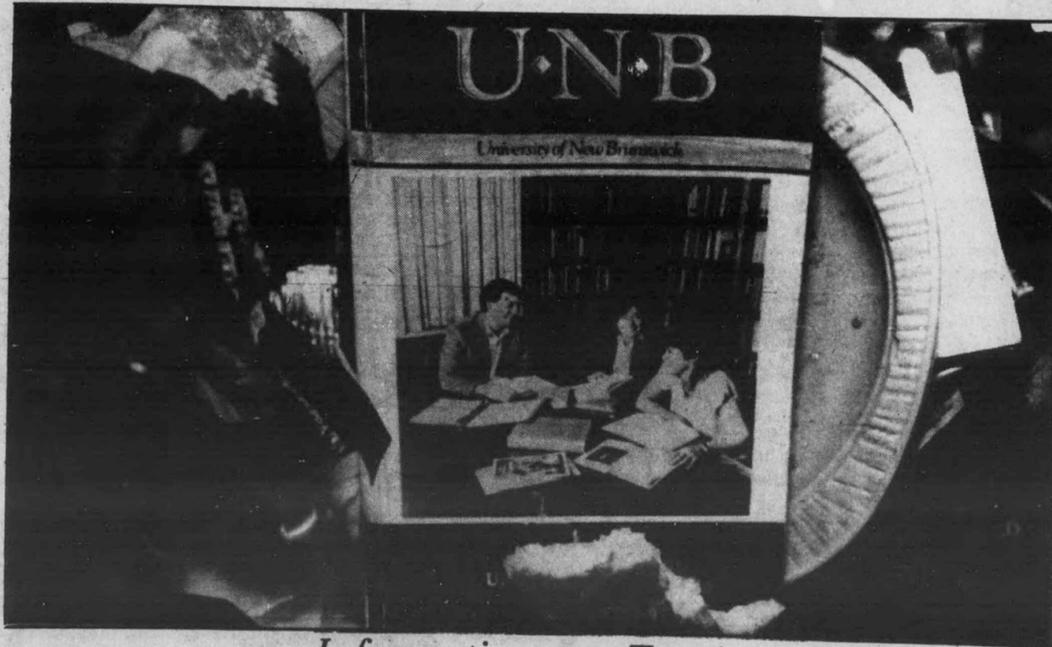
Jeff Whipple, manager at CHSR, claims that probably around 20% to 25% of the students working at CHSR, are from STU. He declined to further comment until he saw a

formal proposal on the media fee.

The GSA could not be reached for comment.



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