

An open letter to the Prez

To the President of the SRC

Dear Perry:

Congratulations on your appointment. May we at the Brunswickan wish you the best for 1980.

I'm sure that by now you have thoroughly talked yourself out, and am equally sure that many people have offered all kinds of advice; far be it for the Brunswickan to be left out.

There are several subjects we feel are of major concern to the students of UNB. As SRC President we hope you will attempt to give these issues serious consideration.

The issue of Conflict of Interest was delved into last week. Its quite a serious matter when apathy creates a small network of people intertwined within the various UNB committees. We feel that with the right approach and personality, students could be persuaded to take an interest in student affairs. There is no need for a few to dominate the students committees.

Make yourself approachable. Too many times the SRC President locks himself up in his office, seeing very few people. Too many students aren't aware of who you are, let alone what you do. It would be nice to see a conscientious effort made by an SRC President to make his services available to students. Let them know what you are doing—and why!

Try to take an interest in the media services on campus and familiarize yourself with their operations. Do understand our operations and the pressures we are under. Its important that clear lines of communication are established between the SRC and the media organizations. Use the media to make the student body aware.

Try to represent the student body to the non-university body. Too many students living off campus feel cut off from the university life and as a result don't participate in campus activities. Encourage them to feel as much a part of the campus as the students living on campus.

The image of the President(not only to the public but to the students themselves) is a very important factor for the UNB student body. How you portray yourself as the president is a reflection of how the campus is thinking. In presenting a good

image of UNB the SRC president could be significant in attracting prospective students to UNB.

Try to remain true to the students wants and needs.

Try to bring in a variety of people to student government and get them more involved with campus organizations.

During the summer try to find some worthwhile projects that will be helpful to students in the fall. (i.e. some kind of study). More importantly though, make

yourself available, and maintain steady office hours.

Communication is an important factor in student politics and you as the SRC president must maintain those vital links.

Once again, we extend to you our hearty welcome and hope for a successful year.

Sincerely,

The Brunswickan Staff



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