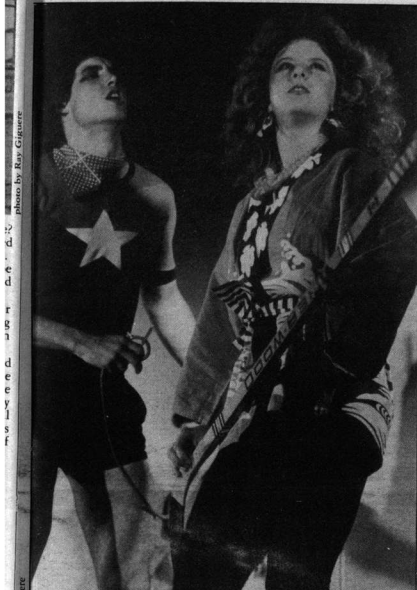


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*Bitch N' Heat  
loves you!*

*Thanks for the  
glamour...  
Sandra*



Todd and Sandra are two of the six members of the airband Birch 'N' Heat. Bacus held an Airband contest last night at Dinwoodie which attracted 10 bands and 500 people. Birch 'N' Heat was one of the more original bands. Lead guitarist Chuck Biscuits (alias Elmar Klapstein) said, "We didn't win because we didn't want to compromise our professionalism like the other bands...So that's why we stank."

## SU janitors fear jobs

by Robert Cook

The 13 member Students' Union caretaking staff have requested that in the future they be employed by the University rather than the Students' Union.

The staff, members of C.U.P.E. Local 1368, have asked the University to meet the following conditions: a) No decrease or loss of pay; b) Each employee's present seniority be maintained; c) The University maintain the employee's present vacation entitlements; d) Severance pay: employees with up to three years seniority receive one month's salary; employees with more than three years seniority receive two months salary.

The request is the result of the caretaking staff's fear of losing their jobs if the SU cannot overcome its financial difficulties. The request was in the form of a motion that was unanimously passed by union members in favor of the transfer to the University's Facilities Department.

"Unless we transfer, we might lose our jobs," says Harry Wallace, President of CUPE Local 1368.

The only exception to the unanimous passing of the motion

was past C.U.P.E. President of Local 1368, Marge Shewchuk. She originally signed her name in favor of the transfer in the meeting at which it was passed, but later she crossed off her name from the list. Shewchuk told witnesses, SU Business Manager, and present C.U.P.E. Local President that she had received prior 'physical threats'.

Shewchuk, presently employed as the SU Scheduling Officer, refused to give any comment when contacted by the Gateway. She is presently working as the Secretary Treasurer and Recording Secretary for CUPE 1368.

At present, the University is willing to accept all 13 employees under the following conditions:

a) The University guarantees no decrease or loss of pay;  
b) Seniority will be maintained;  
c) A guarantee to maintain present vacation entitlements could not be made.

Under the C.U.P.E. contract, union employees are entitled to 20 working days off (one calendar month) after one year's employment. Under the University's Non-Academic Staff

Association's (NASA) contract, employees are not given one month off until they are in their seventh year.)

d) The local's request for severance pay was unacceptable for two reasons:

1) Management felt that if they were able to provide parallel positions and pay for all its employees, they were not obligated to pay severance pay.

2) The local's request for severance pay would exceed \$25,000 dollars, which management could not afford to pay. Holiday pay alone would top \$25,000 dollars. However, management was willing to pay one week's severance pay to all employees in order to make up for the loss of vacation entitlements.

But the University cannot accept the 13 C.U.P.E. employees with just the C.U.P.E. Local's approval alone. The University will also need C.U.P.E. Regional's assent to the transfer, and perhaps even C.U.P.E. National's subsequent approval as well.

SU President Greenhill Representative Govind Sundrum told the Gateway that the employees would not be able to transfer as it

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## Council funding problem

by Richard Warts

Students' Council has struck a committee to formulate a policy on University soliciting of funds from the private sector.

The decision to strike a committee came after Council debate on a Council motion to support the University in its

attempts to solicit donations from the private sector as part of its 75th anniversary celebration.

The motion was originally presented to Council two weeks ago. It was tabled to allow councillors the opportunity to consider the effects of a portion of the universities budget coming from the private sector.

Objections stemmed from the idea that private sector funding will eventually come to replace government funding, and that the university will in the long term turn into a mere training institute for the manpower requirements of business and industry.

Said one Councillor, "It is obvious that private sector funding will undercut government funding and reduce the government's obligations in supporting post-secondary education.

SU President Greenhill countered, "I would feel safer in the hands of business men than I would under the control of a handful of politicians."

SU vp internal Ray Conway played down the amount of control the private sector would have in the allocation of their donations within the university.

Said Conway, "The very

worst thing that could happen is that we could end up with a Peter Pocklington Building built here on campus."

However Councilman John Koch mentioned, "Everybody seems to feel that this is something that might occur in the future but it is happening right now, we have in the engineering faculty a NOVA chair of welding engineering."

Koch continued, "This whole idea of seeking funds from the private sector is like intellectual prostitution, and on philosophical grounds I think it should be defeated."

There were also objections to a pamphlet now being distributed by the university entitled *What We Do Affects You*. The booklet was called "tacky" by some Council members and other members objected to a passage which implied that individuals donating money could stipulate where their donations should be spent.

Another Council member objected to SU president Greenhill appearing in a large colour supplement in the *Edmonton Journal*. The supplement was coincidentally entitled *What We Do Affects You*, the same title

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## Exec position to be appointed

by Sandy Corbett

The executive position of v.p. Academic will be appointed by Students' Council in order to fill the vacancy left by the unexpected resignation of Mark Hoye last week.

Council will advise a nominating committee to select three candidates (if available) to fill the position of v.p. Academic within two weeks. Council will then appoint, by election, one candidate, following some form of oral presentation to be given by each of the candidates. The motion was passed 22 for and 4 against, Robert Greenhill, President, and Teresa Gonzales, v.p. External, wanted it noted that they both abstained from the vote.

Greenhill explained his abstention by saying, "I felt it was a decision that should be made solely by council," he continued, "we (the Executive) did not want to appear to be pushing through a quick replacement of our own choosing."

VP Academic is considered to be a full time job, the duties including organizing the GFC caucus, improving study space, organizing the registration

changes, chairing the Academic Affairs Board, etc. However, at this time, specific issues are coming up in addition to the general duties. According to Greenhill, the executive is suffering "severe academic problems due to a severe influx of students."

"I want a person in this job who will treat the position as a full-time job," says Greenhill.

Council considered holding a by-election, however, this would necessitate the formation of a nominating committee, the appointment of a chief, returning officer, an advertising campaign, and, of course, candidates which would probably take one month to organize and would probably cost \$3,000. Tied in with a by-election was the idea that Students' Council could temporarily appoint a v.p. Academic until a by-election could be held. However, objections were raised which included concern over the lack of time before the final withdrawal date following midterms and the feeling that quality people would not run.

"I think it is a valid concern that nobody will want to run for the position, but I'm not sure I

have much confidence in Council's ability to appoint someone," said Council member, John Koch.

Another council member felt that the executive had "suffered a major setback in the area of academics" and therefore, suggested that the council appoint someone to fill the position permanently. Another council member believed that the confusion factor of having 3 different v.p. Academics in one year and the cost involved was too much for a four month position and recommended that a nominating committee suggest candidates for permanent appointment by Council. Objections to the appointment of a v.p. Academic were mainly concerned with the fact that it is an elected position, not an appointed one.

Results of a straw vote indicated that council members approved of Council appointing a replacement. The result was an overwhelming 20 for, 7 against.

Teresa Gonzales, v.p. External, was pleased with the decision, "council made the best decision it could make at this time."

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