

Student broadcasters agree to exchange tapes

By SHEENAGH MURPHY

A tape exchange program was established at the Atlantic Association of University Broadcasters (AAUB) conference held here last weekend. CHSR station director Allan Patrick explained that this program will benefit all the stations in the area by providing them with a greater selection of material for broadcasting and a larger audience for their own material.

This concept had been discussed at previous AAUB conferences but had never fully functioned because of lack of co-ordination. This year the conference delegates, recognizing this basic flaw,

established a system that involves one co-ordinator and a screening process for tapes. Letters describing tapes will be distributed to the participating universities and each station will be free to select the material they desire.

Among the universities represented at the conference were CFXU (St. Francis Xavier), CKIC (Acadia), CSMU (Memorial), CKSJ (St. John), CIMU (UPEI), and CKDU (Dalhousie). Also, present, though not yet members, were University of Moncton and Holland College, Charlottetown.

A second major proposal was the establishment of an inter-

university sports broadcasting program. A phone line among the participating universities will be set up so that the broadcast of a sports event may be relayed in the fastest and most efficient manner to supporters of the visiting team in their home town. Conference delegates were enthusiastic about this proposal because they expect it will help to increase the popularity of the radio stations on each campus.

The radio station's advertising potential was also discussed by the delegates to the conference. At present few Atlantic radio stations accept advertising outside

of the free public service announcements. Patrick expressed the desire to "establish contact" with the various advertising agencies for a potential source of revenue. He said he expects this will result in a reduced pressure on student unions for radio station funding.

In one workshop members of the commercial radio station community discussed the possibility of a new format. Presently, the format at most student radio stations is very loose. Little restriction is placed on the individual participants beyond those of good taste. Some radio

stations do program their air time such that rock shows are scheduled for the late evening and folk shows are granted a different time slot.

Part of a new format-discussed is the place of news broadcasts on student radio stations. Most stations find it difficult to interest students in this area of broadcasting. It seems that most students are only interested in the music programming. The new format would try to ensure that students are introduced to the more technical aspects of the radio stations.

Department of Communications spokesperson George Richard was also present at the conference and addressed the delegates as to the regulations of his department that affect university broadcasters. All student radio stations must register with this department and most delegates were uncertain as to what this involved. Their questions were answered.

Now in its eighth year, the AAUB is a non-profit organization whose members each pay a fifteen dollar. According to Patrick, "The AAUB's main concern is exchanging ideas on potential improvements in the stations. The union was set up primarily for the purpose of sharing ideas and in that respect the conference was a success."

Mulock named to post

By J. DAVID MILLER

A meeting of College Hill Student Radio staff on Oct 20, 1976 has produced a Business Manager by acclamation and two nominations for News and Public Affairs Director.

Greg Mulock has been acclaimed as Business Manager. He has been Acting Business Manager since the beginning of September, and the station staff have been very pleased with his efforts. Peter Rowan and John McGuire have been nominated for the position of News and Public Affairs Director. The Acting News and Public Affairs Director, Mark Majka, did not wish to accept the nomination.

The meeting was poorly attended, although there was a quorum. Station Director Alan Patrick did not attend the meeting, and there were several disgruntled staff who walked out because the Chairman, Station Manager, Matthew Penny did not seem to have a grasp of the procedures as set down in the CHSR Constitution. Several members expressed concern as to the direction the station was going in, complaining of a lack of executive planning of station affairs.

The meeting ended with a motion, which failed for the lack of a seconder, that CHSR be changed from College Hill Student Radio to College Hill Sports Radio. Mike Gange, CHSR's Sports Director was booed and hissed down. Elections for the News and Public Affairs Director, will be held sometime within the next two weeks.

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