

## Complaints, ambiguity and constitutions

By Oliver Koncz

The Student Union held its second meeting of 1985 on January 21 in room 103 of the SUB. The first order of business was the ratification of Tim Lethbridge as Student Union Council Chairman.

A complaint was received by the Chair from Eric Semple. Mr. Semple submitted a letter outlining his contention that the positions of Vice-President Academic and Vice-President Services were invalid because Council did not have the required two-thirds vote to change its constitution. (Mr. Semple is currently under investigation by the Vice-President Administration for alleged infractions of the same constitution.) The Chair ruled that the complaint was "particularly well taken" and suggested that councillors vote again on the original motion creating the two positions. There is ambiguity in the constitution regarding what two-thirds refers to, but Mr. Bosnitch pointed out that Robert's Rules of Order state that constitution may be amended by two-thirds vote for those voting, provided that written notice is given at the previous meeting.

Also, Mr. Semple's letter argued that council could not make the Student Senators and Governors Ex-officio members because it is not specifically

provided for in the By-laws. The By-laws do provide for representatives of students to sit on council and Mr. Bosnitch suggested that the complaint was nothing more than a power grab intended to upset the democratic operation of the Student Union. He referred to Mr. Semple as "Doug Burgess' right hand man." Vice-President Bennet called the complaints "nothing more than a personal vendetta and an attempt to undermine the election process and in effect deprive the students of their vote."

The complaints were referred to Vice-President Long's Administration commission by council. They are required to report back by next council meeting.

The constitutions of the Chinese Graduate Students Association and of the UNB Yearbook Committee were approved. The first constitution provoked much discussion - Jeff Fryer argued that all graduates must work within the Graduate Students Association

and that the Student Union Council had no right to approve the said constitution. Mr. Bosnitch defended the Chinese Graduate Students right to form a club and stated that any group of students that

are willing to submit a constitution and to plan activities that involve students should not be turned down by Council. The Yearbook Constitution set-up the committee similar to the Brunswickan.

One major change is for the Editor-in-Chief and the Business Manager to be elected by the Yearbook Staff and then ratified by council.

### Bennett names Academic Commission

At the Monday meeting of the UNB Student Union Council, Vice President (Academic) Michael Bennett announced appointments to the Academic Commission.

The Academic Commission will assist the Vice President (Academic) in matters relating to: academic policy, grievances, educational planning, course and teacher evaluations, the University Senate, and public relations.

In addition to the Vice President, the commission is composed of three councillors and three students-at-large. Councillors Hugh Brown, Robert Eslinger and Dean Leduc will be joined by Joe Michaud, Helena Rojas and Kenneth Toynbee as members of the Commission.

The six were chosen after a call for applications was placed in last term's *Brunswickan*. Mr. Bennett reviewed the submissions and interviewed the applicants. A list was presented to Council and ratified last Monday. Mr. Brown was appointed to serve as Assistant Vice-President.

"I am pleased with the calibre of the Commission,"

reports Vice-President Bennet. "The individuals chosen are eager and ready to work. They are a welcome addition to my office." Preliminary meetings of the commission have dealt with course and teacher evaluations and student representation on the governing bodies of the University. The Commission

will assist council in preparing an official response to the Senate Quality of Teaching Committee's report on student opinion surveys. In addition, the report of the Committee to Review Inter-Campus Relations will be considered. Councillors have already been provided with documentation on these matters.

### The honeymoon's over Fox! Scandal incriminates new SU Prez

By CALUM JOHNSTON  
News Editor

The Brunswickan editorial, news, and rumor staff announced today that Student Union President Larry Fox's grace period of "no bad press 'till he's used to his office" is officially over.

Sources confirmed today that Fox has been seen with one Aubrey Kirkpatrick, a

know anarchist and short person. Rumour has it that Fox and Kirkpatrick may form an alliance called the Short Preppies for Anarchy by May, known as SPAM.

At press time, SPAM members were seen lurking around the SUB and may have planted a bomb. Police are doubtful of this however, as most SPAM members can't reach the door knobs on the doors.

### Class of '85

## Together towards tomorrow

By AUBREY KIRKPATRICK

The grad class held its first general meeting on Wednesday the 16th of January at MacLaggan Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce the executive of this year's class, formulate plans for even this term and the graduation week in May.

The grad class executive is President; Wayne Jared, Vice President; Margaret MacDonald, Secretary/Treasurer; Marie Moore and Valeditorian; Aubrey Kirkpatrick. They have been busy organizing events for this term. The first event is a Grad Class Beach Party Wednesday, January 30th at the Social Club. Prizes for the best dressed beach dudes, happy hours and exotic drinks will be available all night long. Watch for these exciting events to be scheduled in February and

March, Ooze Cruise II, A Night at a Local Pub and the Annual Grad Awards Banquet. Also the grads decided on ordering Mugs and Shirts to be sold during this term.

The grad class voted on over 15 sayings to represent their class and chose Together Towards Tomorrow as their motto. They also decided that the Fredericton Inn will be the location of this year's Prom and urged all grads to start reserving rooms at the Inn.

This year's grad week starts Wednesday, May 22nd with a Grad Extravaganza. Thursday the ceremonies take place at the Aitken Centre and the prom is Thursday night. A farewell Bar-B-Que at Odell Park is tentatively scheduled for Friday afternoon. If you have any questions or suggestions for Graduation '895 can be left in room 106 of the SUB.

### Neill, Bosnitch get their apology

By RAOUL DUKE

Susan Neill and John Bosnitch demanded a written apology last Friday afternoon for what they described as an "outrage." In Cal Johnston's column, "Bitchin'," which debuted in the *Brunswickan* last Friday, it noted that Johnston took full blame for the mix-up of the front page story on the *Brunswickan's* cover two weeks ago, and later went on to say that he felt, "it was sabotage by some ex-SRC biggie."

Neill and Bosnitch both felt that this was a pot shot at Bosnitch, as he and Johnston have been rumoured to have had difficulties in past deal-

ings. They demanded that a written apology appear in the next *Brunswickan*. Johnston stated in an interview with the *Brunswickan* that he's "not sure why John (Bosnitch) is so upset." He went on to say that "the ex-SRC biggie I actually had in mind was the ex-SRC Forestry Rep, and former *Brunswickan* News Editor Chris Chapman. I'm terribly sorry that anyone would feel slighted by that remark in last week's column. I knew full well that it was my fault when the *Brunswickan* hit the stands. Later that day, some *Aquinian* reporters jokingly asked if it was sabotage. I laughed and said no, but

thought that was funny that anyone would think so, hence the line in my column. On the front page of last week's *Brunswickan* is an editor's note by myself explaining what happened the week before and since most people would read the front page before they'd read my column, I felt assured that everyone would understand it was a jest."

Johnston later said that further in-jokes that may appear anywhere in future *Brunswickan* issues will be accompanied by footnotes explaining them so as to prevent any further misunderstandings.