

Letters cont.

All flippancy aside, we feel that we would be shirking our responsibility if we allowed such a challenge to CJSR's mandate to remain unanswered. In order to help elucidate the position, there are five points that we feel should be considered:

A) CJSR's mandate is to provide support and coverage of university activities, as well as good alternative programming of both music and news with an emphasis on information and education. To the best of our knowledge, THIS IS BEING DONE.

B) The lack of attendance by the S.U. Reps (one of whom is Mr. Splane) to the board meetings of F.A.C.R.A., the organization that governs the operations of CJSR: Surely if the matter of financial responsibility is of such importance we should be able to count on their appearance.

C) Rob Splane's statement leaves one wondering if a decision has not already been made.

D) The fact Mr. Splane considers a listenership of 22,000 inconsequential. We particularly find this galling especially when compared to the performance of the Sports Dept. at the U of A who with 25,000 students to approach could not even garner enough support to outsell N.A.I.T. at the recent "Clash of the Titans."

E) The fact that the finance executive places a purely monetary value on CJSR while ignoring such MUNDANE things as education, respect, integrity and Character.

The whole episode reeks of opportunistic politicking. We would dutifully remind Mr. Splane that these things can, and often do, backfire. If it is indeed his intention to make this an election issue, what is to stop someone else doing the same and championing the other side — OURS.

By making threats (veiled though they may be) regarding the future of CJSR, he is exposing his biases to all and ignoring the positive aspects of the station

which is something that should instead be lauded in these days of mindless music radio mediocrity.

Martin Mraz
Eng IV
Mike Berry
Arts I

Holy lawsuit, Batman

To All Students' Union Members:

I just thought you might like to know how your money is being spent these days. It appears the Students' Union has served Mr. Floyd Hodgins with a notice of intent to sue. This means our money may be used to take Floyd to court.

Why are we taking him to court? For defaming the Students' Union in the article "New Editor?" in Vol. 7, No. 10 of the *Grind* (R.I.P.).

If Floyd does not respond in another 10 days the S.U. will supposedly carry on and take action to sue him for defamation. This means court costs could run into the thousands of dollars. Isn't it nice that the executive has made all the decisions without bothering to tell us or Students' Council? Isn't it great to feel that you belong?

Personally I feel as if I've somehow been alienated on this issue. I believe this is a decision for council not for the executive.

If you want to voice your own opinion, you can talk to the S.U. executive, your reps to council, or show up at the next council meeting and ask for sponsorship to ask a question of the executive.

Danny Beauchamp
Arts II

P.S. The next council meeting is at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11 in Council Chambers in University Hall.



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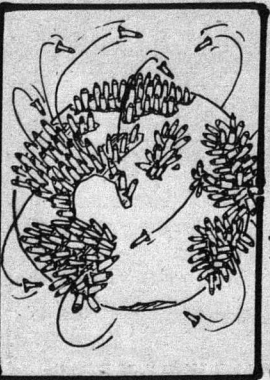


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All Gateway staffers:

There will be an open forum from 3:30 to 4:15 today, Tuesday Feb. 11, in 034 SUB for the Editor-in-Chief candidates. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the future of the Gateway, make sure you are present. Remember, one of these people will be at the helm next year.

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