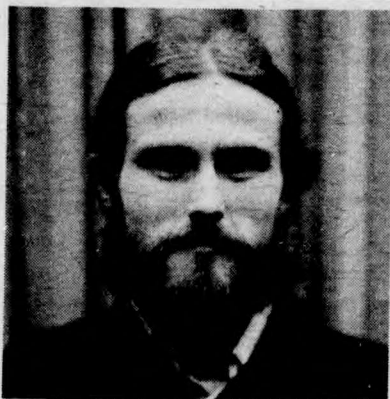


**Cutbacks are key issue**

**Ten candidates vie for CYSF presidency**

As the election momentum built to fever pitch, Excalibur sent reporters Bonnie Sandison, Julian Beltrame and Warren Clements to interview the CYSF presidential candidates. The field of 10 is the largest in the council's history.

**Dale Ritch**



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Dale Ritch, a part-time York student who helped found the United Left Slate and has led the slate for the past three years, wants to "defeat the idea that students have no influence and can have no power" in the decisions handed down to them.

"All major decisions affecting students' lives are made by others—by the board of governors, by the administration, and by faculty—and these decisions in no way reflect the interests of the students."

He points to the administration's attempt to have student groups evicted from their Ross building offices and put into colleges.

"Sometimes we have no option but to confront and oppose them. It was because of active confrontation that the administration backed down in the case of the clubs."

Ritch says he can not understand accusations brought against him concerning the distribution of student money.

"The money we spend will be in the interests of the York community."

"It's true that I'm a socialist, but it's also true that I have given more time to student issues than any of the other candidates, and my political standing does not in any way interfere with the proper management of student funds."

**Ted Kapusta**



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Ted Kapusta, a third year history student and currently vice president of external affairs in CYSF, feels the present executive "has not provided enough leadership".

Kapusta expresses concern at the

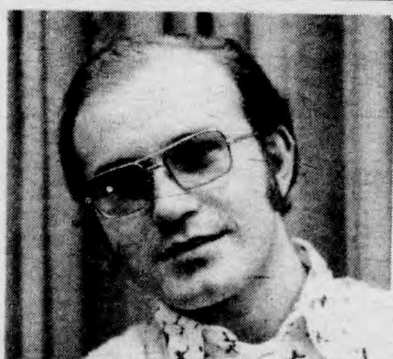
great number of absentee councillors in this year's council, and proposes an amendment to the CYSF constitution that would allow anyone absent from three or more meetings to be removed from the council.

He would also require every member to sit in on at least one standing committee.

Kapusta feels that the university college system has failed and proposes to work towards the formation of a "super-council" that would represent students not on the basis of college membership but as members of the undergraduate population, graduate, Atkinson, or Osgoode.

He also opposes incorporation "as is presently worded. I would want the whole student body to become incorporated, not merely the council that represents them."

**Paul Higeli**



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Paul Higeli, a third-year political science student and member of the York Party, stresses that he does not represent any particular ideology, and wants "strictly and solely to offer good government".

The York Party was formed to provide an alternative to the ULS, and has members "of all ideologies".

Higeli says he does not plan to deal with any external issues, but only with university issues such as quality of food, weekend bus service, and quality of education.

"We plan to discuss the quality of education through lectures, discussions, and debates, after which a final referendum will be held to draw up guidelines on tenure and promotions regulations," Higeli said.

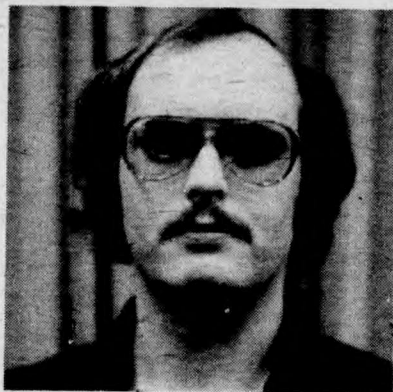
"Ideology would be restrictive to proper government," he said, explaining his party's non-ideological stance. "We want to get things done, and that's all we're interested in."

**Rob Wearing**

Rob Wearing, a third year political science student and McLaughlin representative of the CYSF, "wants to make sure every dollar bill students put into the council, will get the maximum use inside the council".

Wearing plans to take a "hard look" at OFS and NUS, the Ontario and national student unions of which CYSF is a member.

"I was not convinced by the supposedly overwhelming approval of the student unions," he states. "Frankly, the turnout was so disappointing that the verdict was meaningless."



Rob Wearing

Wearing also wants to make sure clubs have a legitimate place in the university before giving them council funding.

"Clubs are the backbone of university life, but I would hate to see a large number of clubs springing up and representing only a handful of people."

"I'm a very unpolitical political person," he adds, "who simply wants to do a job for the university and do it well."

**William Osmars**

Bill Osmars, a third year biology student and vice-president of student services and communications, wants to "shift power in the CYSF from the executive to the members."

Osmars also feels that the council's administration costs can be trimmed. "You can replace the business manager with a part-time bookkeeper."

He feels that "CYSF is really going to have to be a good lobbying



Bill Osmars

force, because that's the only way you're going to get things done. Mass action just doesn't work."

CYSF should deal with the bread and butter issues of quality of education, sizes of classrooms, quality of services, and bringing out a handbook separate from the directory, Osmars states.

"The council doesn't exist to raise the consciousness of the students."

**Bill Eggertson**



Bill Eggertson

Bill Eggertson, a presidential candidate running with the URNS, told Excalibur this week that his main reason for running in the CYSF elections "is to defeat Dale Ritch".

However, he is running on a platform with plans to "open negotiations between the college councils and CYSF", with the hope of either forming a strong central government or "scrapping" CYSF and forming strong college councils.

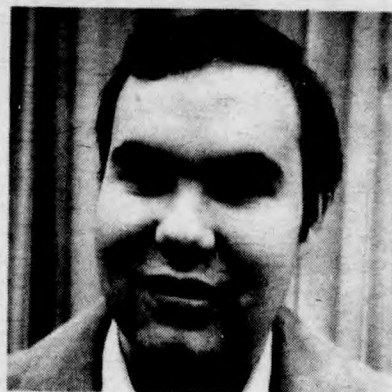
He also plans to "improve the calibre of student media", which include Radio York and Excalibur.

"I am running on a humanitarian issue," said Eggertson. "If nothing else, I am going to stir up issues."

**Rick Leswick**

"I started off as a joke candidate," Rick Leswick told Excalibur. "I was going to run for king, set up a sovereign kingdom at York and separate from Canada."

"But I've become very serious about my candidacy."



Rick Leswick

Leswick sees the main serious issue at York as apathy, and a lack of school spirit which has turned the campus into a "nine to five trade school".

"If you don't booze it up in the pubs or play pinball, you just go home."

He has campaigned for the NDP and says he is not "politically naive".

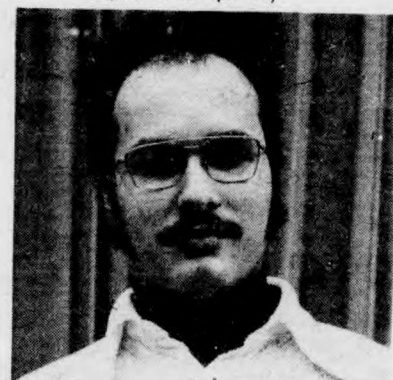
"Maybe I'm over-pragmatic. I object to the cutbacks as much as anyone else, but I don't think any council president has very much political power to wield."

He says one of York's major problems is the fact that day students are under-represented on the councils.

**Pete Desrochers**

Pete Desrochers, a third year political science student, initially joined the race to support Bill Eggertson's movement to take away Dale Ritch's strength, but

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