

# Candidates Write-Ups Student Union Byelection 1993

## Vice-President University Affairs

2 Candidates Running, 2 Submissions

### Pat Fitzpatrick

My name is Patrick FitzPatrick, and I am a fourth year student in honours biochemistry. My past involvement in student politics includes serving as Science Representative on the Student Union Council and as a co-founder of the new Science Undergraduate Society (S.U.S.). I have also worked in the past as a staffer for both the Brunswickan and the Yearbook.

The duties of the V.P. University Affairs can be broken down into three basic areas: (1) Issues of direct concern to students, such as the Student Health Plan, clubs and societies and helping students with academic appeals. (2) Lobbying the administration on issues of concern to students. (3) Reporting to the SU Council about Senate activities.

I am strongly in favour of the Student Health Plan, which offers the comprehensive coverage students need and would be much easier to use with the pay-direct card. Also, the opt-out clause prevents students already covered under another plan from paying for a service which they would never use. With regards to the administration, I plan to lobby against the proposal that courses whose enrollment falls below 10 be canceled for the next year. I am also concerned about the quality of teaching, the revamping of certain academic programs and the lack of a coherent Bar Services policy. I would also like to give the students' point of view on a coherent Harassment/Discrimination Policy and a

long-term plan for the university.

So, on October 5 & 6, vote Pat FitzPatrick for V.P. University Affairs and Senate to make certain that the students' point of view is heard by the Administration.

### Doug MacLean

Hi! My name is Doug MacLean and I am in the third year of an Arts Program. I am running for the position of Vice President (University Affairs) on the Student Union and for UNB Senate. I have always been committed to student issues and student organizations on campus. I have been a member of the Harrison House Committee, Harrison Orientation 93, Arts Undergraduate Society, UNB French Club, Engineering Undergraduate Society, Civil Engineering Society (CSCE), UNB Orientation Committee and 1993 UNB Orientation Executive. I have been involved in many student campaigns since arrival at UNB. I have an extended sense of understanding for students of different faculties. I spent a year as a Civil Engineering student. I understand that every student sees a different issue or point as the most important and I intend to make sure I know what those are about every issue. I encourage you to unite with a spirit UNB can be proud of. I am committed to making UNB a place where students feel proud to be. Vote Doug MacLean for Vice President (University Affairs) and Senate. It'll be a great year.

## Vice-President Finance & Administration

3 Candidates Running, 3 Submissions

### Euen McAllister

Undoubtedly, there are some of you out there who feel disillusioned with the democratic process as a whole, and who do not see that any participation on anyone's part will be effective of some sort of positive change. Be assured that each of you has the right to help determine the output of the Student Union this year through participating in the elections. I will remind you that the Student Union was originally formed to represent the interests of the student body, and that you can perpetuate this purpose by helping to choose the right candidates. Since these people will be making decisions on your behalf in the upcoming year. Just as the Student Union has a responsibility to you, you also have the responsibility of maintaining the Student Union by choosing its members.

Speaking as a student, I can relate to the financial stresses that are so typical of a student's lifestyle. I am sure that many of us feel that we are, time and again, undermined by our financial situation.

### Paul Estabrooks

My name is Paul Estabrooks and I am running for the position of Vice President of Finance and Administration. I am a third year Business student attempting to do a double concentration (i.e. accounting and finance) as well as a Major B in economics.

For the past three years I have been employed as the manager of a small retail business downtown. In that time I learned the many ins and outs of the business world and I feel that this experience will prove invaluable as V.P. Finance and Administration.

I am excited about the opportunity to serve the students of UNB on the student council executive. I am confident I can professionally carry out the duties required of me. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of those who have helped in my campaign, wish good luck to the other candidates and to thank everyone for their support. Finally, I encourage everyone to take time to vote on October 5th and 6th.

### Richard DiGiacinto

Hi, my name is Richard DiGiacinto and I'm running for the position of Vice President of Finance and Administration for the Student Union.

Last Year, I was Vice President of Finance for AIESEC UNB. With AIESEC I have handled a budget of over \$11,000, prepared income statements for prominent business people who are on our Board of Advisors and insured that the local's budget was followed.

Other than AIESEC, I was involved with the 1st St. Margaret's Venture Co. as their treasurer and I have worked for the Treasury Department for the City of Fredericton for the past 2 summers. For the last 2 years, I have also been an active member of the Orientation Committee.

I'm currently a 4th year Business Administration student concentrating in accounting. Upon graduation, I hope to enroll in the Chartered Accountant Program. I feel that with my experience and commitment I will be able to fulfill all the requirements of the Vice President of Finance and Administration.

Mr. McAllister's Submission overran our 175 word limit on length by a considerable amount. As a result, we were forced to run a rather truncated version.

## SPEAKING OUT FOR YOU!

Question Period - House of Commons

March 24, 1993

*"For several months now, the government has been considering reforms to the student loans program. As we approach the end of another university year, students across Canada are concerned about the changes which may be coming about . . . whether loan limits will be enhanced to recognize cost increases that have occurred since they were established in 1984; whether part-time loans to part-time students will be available, perhaps on a matching basis; whether there will be provisions for interest relief in the event of unemployment; and whether or not the three per cent administration charge will be eliminated? The students of Canada need answers to these questions. Will the minister advise us when the reforms from the student loans program reconsideration will be announced?"*

I have addressed the House of Commons on behalf of my constituents more than 200 times since being elected five years ago. My theme and purpose remain constant and consistent — *speaking out for you!*

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