



Notice of motion served

Bosnitch to be impeached?

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Wednesday's student council meeting was livened by flying accusations and counter-accusations over many issues related to the SUB renovation proposals. Engineering Rep John Bosnitch was vocal on all issues and the meeting culminated with a notice of motion for his impeachment.

The three-hour-long meeting went directly to the president's speech, skipping adoption of minutes because they were not ready. Kevin Ratcliff said he had heard two Bolivian students had been freed; Ratcliff had earlier sent a letter to the Government of Bolivia about this.

He went on to say he had received information on the Canadian Scholarship Bank; that he had heard a House of Commons resolution on cutbacks had been rejected and that he had written a letter to the editor of The Brunswickan explaining his referendum stand. He also brought up the issue of a petition on peace the student council had been asked to circulate; and he said the University campaign to raise funds for new programs and scholarships would probably involve S.R.C. presidents coordinating student fund-raising.

The issue of who had changed the referendum wording then came up, with Bosnitch leveling accusations at the office of the University Secretary and the SUB Board. When it was mentioned that he was perhaps going too far, he said, "I trust the courts of this country" to uphold his position. He said Mr. Kay, chairman of the SUB Board had made a "Quartet of errors," which he proceeded to outline.

According to Dr. Woodfield, "Bosnitch was ordered out (of his office) for meddling with the ballot counting process". Bosnitch denied this and went on to say he had not questioned Dr. Woodfield's integrity when he asked that the filing cabinet containing the ballots be sealed with wax after the October 21 election.

Bosnitch then said that it was returning officer Lloyd Tozer's responsibility to verify the wording before the referendum; and he ended that speech by suggesting an ad hoc committee to investigate the issue.

When chairman Schreuer said to Bosnitch, "more serious action can be taken," Bosnitch said, "Against Mr. Woodfield?" "Against Mr. Bosnitch," was the chairman's response.

Discussions then followed on the extension of the nomination date for the coming by-elections to November 10, because as of yet there is no nursing nominee.

Comptroller Akumu Owuor then announced the possibility of a decrease in this year's deficit due to higher student enrollment.

A brief debate followed on Ratcliff's attendance at a student council presidents' conference from November 13 to 15 which will take place at the Nova Scotia Agricultural College. A motion on this passed unanimously.

A motion to help fund a presentation by an El Salvadorian student, who is touring Canada, about the people and students of that country was defeated by a three-vote margin. It was felt that council should not become involved in politics.

The council then voted not to circulate a petition on peace that urged nuclear disarmament and the disbanding of NORAD and NATO; however it was mentioned that any interested student could obtain it to circulate.

Much of the rest of the meeting involved discussion of the SUB issue with many points of order being raised. It was mentioned that many students might vote against the referendum because they were confused about its intent. This was acknowledged, but it was made clear that present plans showed, "blotches of colour splashed on plans," and student input would be sought during their finalization. This was stated by the SUB board chairman.

A motion to have the final plans subjected to a referendum was defeated. That the council is the "students' friends" and that both the UNB and STU council will have to pass the final plans, were the main points made against the referendum.

Bosnitch was the only opponent to having the final plans ratified by the councils.

After passage of a brief motion to amend the constitution, replacing "administrator" with "accounting clerk", due to Dave Campbell's resignation, notice was served of the motion for Bosnitch's impeachment. Under Bylaw 14, section 6a, "The council may impeach an elected officer . . . for dereliction of duty". This

issue will be discussed in camera at the next meeting. Bosnitch is the engineering representative, recently elected by acclamation. He commented afterwards that it would be fun winning his seat back in a byelection if he is impeached. He said he hoped for a 100 per cent turnout from the engineers.

The meeting will be aired in its entirety starting at 6:30 on CHSR, Monday.

