

Minister says students not needed on aid bodies

WINNIPEG (CUP) - Student representatives are not needed on the two bodies that hash out most of the federal student aid policy, according to Manitoba Minister of Colleges and Universities Ben Hanuschak.

Students should not sit on the Canada Student Loans Plenary Group or on the Council of

Ministers of Education because these are not federal but "inter-provincial bodies".

If students want to have input into the rules and regulations covering student loans they should either "work through the provincial department responsible for student aid" or talk "directly to the federal minister responsible for

administering the Canada Student Loans Act."

The National Union of Students has been campaigning vigorously for the past year for student representation on student aid decision-making bodies at the federal level, but with no success.

According to NUS executive secretary Dan O'Connor, the

reasons given by Hanuschak for excluding students is "the same tired line we've been getting for the past year."

"The federal-provincial game plan on this issue has become increasingly clear. The provinces say we should stay off the decision-making bodies because they are 'inter-provincial' rather than 'federal' which just avoids answering the question."

"Or they say we should talk to the federal government, knowing full well the federal government takes the position that we should talk to the provinces."

"Then they tell us to be satisfied with representation on provincial advisory bodies, such as the one which advised Hanuschak to support student representation on the Plenary Group and which he ignored."

"The point is that the bureaucrats and some of the politicians fear providing students an opportunity to know what changes are being planned in the aid scheme, or to effectively combine nationally to pressure for changes that student want."

O'Connor said few students were fooled by the "federal-provincial shell game" over the representation question.

"If you want to see what all their words boil down to just look at their actions. After a year of asking, they have refused every request for student representation on national student aid decision-making bodies."

A similar situation exists, he said, with other national education bodies such as AUCC and CAUT, who frequently get the same "run around".



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