

Election Candidates 1992

S. U. President

ERIC BURCHILL



Hello! My name is Eric Burchill, and I'm offering my services for the upcoming year to represent you, as your Student Union President.

I am currently a senior Business Administration student. During my three years at UNB Fredericton, I have been involved in a variety of campus activities, including membership in the Business Society, serving as an executive member of AIESEC-UNB, and being a member of the UNB Rugby club. These involvements have enabled me to obtain an overall understanding of committee and cooperative activities, similar (sic) to those of the Student Union. Through these experiences, I have come to understand the commitment (sic) and dedication that this position involves.

Next year, I will focus my efforts on gaining greater student involvement in campus life. The past year has been characterized by low morale among both the residence community and student population in general. I would like to see a resurgence of UNB spirit, and I have concrete ideas on how this can be achieved. Firstly, I would like to see Student Union representatives sit on society executives an (sic) non-voting members, to facilitate a productive dialogue and an increased mutual awareness. Secondly, I would like to increase general student involvement on various student union committees to ensure more accurate representation of the student body, as well as providing new input and ideas.

Of course, these are just the initial steps required to solve the problem. The real solution is *you*. So, remember, the best and easiest way to increase *your* involvement is to make sure that you vote on March 18th.

KEVIN FRITZ

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Hi! My name is Kevin Fritz and I am running for the position of President of your Student Union. I would like to share with you some of the reasons that make me the best candidate for this position and my views on some of the important issues that face the UNB Student Union.

In my opinion, the most vital qualities that the Student Union President must possess are ability and experience. It is impossible to give you an accurate impression of my presidential abilities through these written words; however, an individual's experience and involvement can give you valuable insight into his abilities. In terms of Student Union Council experience, there is no doubt that I hold an edge over the other two candidates for President. This is due to the fact that these individuals have absolutely no Student Union experience. On the other hand, I have spent this academic year as a member of the Student Union Council as a representative of the Arts faculty. During my time as a Student Union councillor, I have been an active and vocal representative in terms of Council meetings, as well as various committee work. I have also served the UNB Student Union as a delegate at a recent conference of the Atlantic region of the Canadian Federation of Students. Through activities such as these I have gained invaluable knowledge and experience concerning the operations of the UNB Student Union which are necessary for the President to effectively perform his or her job.

I have also recently been appointed to fill one of the two positions for UNB students on the university Board of Governors. This board is the highest body in the university and makes all the financial decisions for it. Students are directly affected by the Board of Governors since it sets tuition and residence rates. I feel that the students of UNB could benefit greatly by having their Student Union President as a member of this board. This would create a continuity between the Student Union and the Board of Governors which would greatly enhance the voice of students in the university's decision making

process.

There are three issues which I feel are of the most importance to the UNB Student Union. The Student Union must find a way to maintain the Canada Employment Centre on UNB's campus. The Student Union must also resolve the current funding and internal problems of UNB's radio station, CHSR. Finally, the future development of the UNB Student Union requires the expansion of the Student Union Building. This is a long term project which must be started now.

This is a brief summary of some of my ideas for the future of the UNB Student Union and the reasons why you should vote for me as your Student Union President. This is a job which requires ability and experience. I have proved that I possess these qualities, and that I am the best choice for president. On election day, vote for KEVIN FRITZ as your next STUDENT UNION PRESIDENT.

DARREN SMITH

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My name is Darren Smith. I am 24 years old and am currently finishing my bachelor degree in Business Administration. I am running for the position of President of your Student Union. My main campaign slogan of the elec-

tion is "Students First, Politics Last". It basically stems from my frustration at seeing past leaders at all levels of government doing what is best for the people they represent. If elected this thought will always be with me.

I am not under the illusion that as the President of your Student Union I will be able to make any great earth shattering changes that will result in every students life on campus always being rosey. I do however feel a few key issues can be addressed to improve our lot as U.N.B. students.

To start with the most serious issue first I think we must stress to our frosh of 1992 and to our current students the obvious benefits of safe sex. A.I.D.S. is everyone's (sic) concern and I feel that we must use all of our resources to keep our students healthy. Secondly, I feel U.N.B. should set a national standard in its attempts to be as environmentally friendly as possible. As an institution of higher learning I think the benefits of such a policy should be quite obvious.

On to finances. I have a riddle for you. What costs \$57,000 a year to run and has only 5 to 10% of the students listening to it. If you said CHSR your (sic) right. I feel college radio is an important aspect to student life and society as a whole but this station is being run very inefficiently.

Finally I would like to address the issue of possibly raising some additional funds for a few athletic pet projects of mine. I would like to see a great increase in the number of, and accessibility of self defense course on campus. Secondly, the RED BOMBERS are going to be a kicking ass once again on Atlantic football fields. I can't promise when but I discussed this issue with Dean Haggerty of the Physical Education Department and there is financial support being shown from certain affluent alumni as well as members of the private sector.

This last point is crucial. Please feel free to consult me or to offer advice regarding these projects and their implementation or any of your own concerns. Nobody knows what is best for students more than students themselves! Through communication and determination greatness can be achieved in many aspects of our college life.

In conclusion I would just like to say that I feel the running of the Student Union is a very important occupation. It is a million dollar corporation that requires the guidance of a trustworthy, mature and (all modesty aside) sharp individual. I feel I am that person. Hopefully you will as well.

Party on and may the last 4 weeks of the school year be kind to you.

V. P. University Affairs

ANNA MACDONALD

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My name is Anna MacDonald and I am running for the position of Vice President University Affairs. The key responsibilities that fall under this position are assuring fair treatment to all students, pursuing the improvement in the quality of education, heightening awareness of social issues, etc... Over the course of the last year I have been the computer science representative on council in addition to sitting on numerous committees (ie. finance, grants, programs and services review, academic affairs and constitution).

This year a very important report on the status of post-secondary education in Canada was published. It contained a great deal of insight for students, administrators, faculty, and student leaders as to what problems exist in the system today in addition to some possible solutions. As we are all aware, tuition is forever on the rise. Now more than ever students should receive a (sic) highest quality of education possible.

If we are expected to pay these astronomical fees then we must demand our money's worth. I would like to see the implementation of a few instruments that will expedite the process of improving the quality of education, heighten students' awareness and knowledge of many of the social issues facing them today.

ELECT A Fair Voice For All Students ... VOTE 'YES' For University Affairs

V. P. Finance

JAMES VAN RAALTE

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