

Vanier mistaken on incorporation: Koster

By ROSS HOWARD

Council of the York Student Federation president Paul Koster blasted Vanier College council and Vandoo editor Mel Lubek Tuesday for playing dirty politics with Vanier's intended referendum on continued membership in CYSF in January.

Koster called Lubek "inconsiderate, and unjust" in urging the referendum supposedly over the issue of CYSF incorporation.

Koster pointed out incorporation has not even been discussed by the CYSF yet, as the idea is only in a preliminary draft stage, and said Lubek was "really unjust to claim incorporation threatens the college system."

"We (CYSF) weren't even invited to Vanier's meeting about the incorporation, or even asked to explain what it means," Koster said.

"Incorporation isn't yet a council subject; it is only a legal problem anyway, and requires a lawyer to explain it," he said.

"Incorporation has absolutely nothing to do with the college system, as Lubek claims," Koster said. "We are definitely not trying to jeopardize the college system."

"I don't know why Lubek did it," (called a referendum over the incorporation issue) Koster said.

"He's just after print — to see his name in the papers, to raise shit over a non-issue."

"We'll fight the referendum, definitely," Koster added. "I'm going to write a letter to

every Vanier student, and try to explain the mess Mel has made," Koster said.

Koster's criticism of Vanier's move was supported by councillor Paul Plotkin. "It's just for political hay, part of Lubek's annual exhibition," he said. "But Vanier seems to really be led by the nose by Lubek."

"It's crazy, but we'll have to fight Vanier again, and on an issue the CYSF hasn't even passed yet," Plotkin said.

Another council observer suggested Vanier's move to reconsider CYSF ostensibly on the incorporation issue was prompted by senior college and university administrators who want to keep CYSF in check, and are using Vanier council as a tool.

Before the Vanier council meeting which passed the referendum motion assistant vice-president (student services) John Becker forwarded confidential anti-incorporation arguments, including a counter-statement by the university's lawyers, to Vanier master C. D. Fowle.

Fowle prepared private copies of the argument and distributed them to a select Vanier mailing list of councillors before the referendum-decision meeting, according to the observer.

He suggested Vanier Council, partially through Mr. Lubek's leadership and vehemence, was being dragged into administration politics which could only further confuse Vanier politics and harm CYSF.



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York plans for food profit of over \$17,000 in '69-70

York's food services is expected to make a \$17,052 profit in the 1969-70 fiscal year, according to a budget released to some of York's administrators earlier this month, despite the fact that meal prices were increased for day students this year.

The university plans to pull a profit of \$21,883 from the food service operation on the York Campus. The Glendon Campus food services is being run on a planned deficit of \$4,831, but in a memorandum issued with the budget, York business manager J.R. Allen says "this may be overcome."

Food services made a net profit of \$20,705 last year according to the budget, with the profits split almost evenly between the two campuses.

York has also renewed its contract with Versafood Services Limited. By the contract the university pays Versafood a management fee based on a percentage of direct operating costs.

Profits from the service go to the university.

Questioned by Winters college council president Marshall Green at a meeting of the food services committee last Thursday, Allen said the university did not bother to call for tenders when the Versafood contract came up for renewal in June.

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Dunn says tow problems were less than expected

Thirty-two cars had been towed off the campus by Tuesday afternoon since the new parking regulations came into effect a week ago yesterday.

"It's much less than I'd anticipated," said safety and security director C. G. Dunn. He said he had received "no real complaints" about the new rules.

The new parking regulations empower the university to tow illegally-parked cars off campus and set down higher fines for parking and moving violations on the campus.

Dunn has received one complaint from a non-student, though. Radio York business manager Gary Greenburg says he came out of Vanier College Monday morning to find a tow truck just hooking up to his car. The tow truck driver would not unhook the car, Greenberg said, until he was paid the \$10 towing fee.

"It's just too bad," Dunn said Tuesday. He said the driver could legally charge the towing fee for the "privilege" of not having a car towed away, as soon as the truck's hook was connected.

Third year Vanier student Leo Fisherman claims he offered to move his car Sunday when he saw a tow truck preparing to hook up to it, but that he too was charged the \$10 towing fee.

According to a third year Osgoode student, Fisherman was not legally bound to pay the \$10 since the tow truck had not hooked up.

Meanwhile the 4,480 students who have bought parking stickers for access to the outside lots are getting used to the automatic controlled gates at the parking lots.

Other drivers, it seems, have not bothered to buy their stickers and have decided that it is just as easy to get out of a lot by breaking down the wooden barrier as by dropping a quarter in the slot. More than 20 of the barriers have been broken since they were first put up about two months ago. They cost \$11 to replace.

CYSF passes media board to be watchdog, guardian

By ROSS HOWARD

You may hate us and them or you may love us and them, but now you have a legal, bureaucratic way to complain about EXCALIBUR and Radio York.

As a result of Tuesday's CYSF meeting, a formal intermediary body to serve as watchdog and guardian over the campus media has been established. The new non-partisan body, called the Board of Communications, will receive complaints about the media, make investigations and an top-level inquiry if necessary, and tell the CYSF what to do about the investigations results.

The BOC also serves as a formal body to keep the politicians of CYSF off the backs of the media, and ensure them a fair trial, if such is warranted.

The new board is composed of

representatives from the college complexes, (two for every four colleges), former media chiefs, three students chosen from the student body at large, and two professional communicators working on campus.

The board will hear annual staff choices for editor or station manager, and recommend or reject it, in concurrence with CYSF.

Any formal disagreements between the impartial board's rulings in hiring and firing cases or mismanagement problems, result in a university-wide referendum.

Failure to follow the principles and code of ethics of the students press, and an adaption to radio, are the recognized grounds for a board-sponsored investigation. The board findings are final, and if rejected by the council, result in a

referendum.

The board is also open to petitions from the university members for investigations and firing procedures, or from councils, organizations, or the media staff.

The BOC was criticized as a ploy to give the paper and the radio all power free from the council, and as a bureaucratic drag by councillors Tony Wagner, and Paul Plotkin. Both complaints were denied by communications commissioner Karen Hood, who worked with a few advisors and the media for several months to produce the new BOC.

For anyone who cannot wait to begin a formal complaint against the favorite media before the board members are all appointed should see Karen Hood, in the CYSF.

Rights report unread as essays press

Reaction to the report of the presidential committee on rights and responsibilities of members of the York community, released last week, varied from descriptions of "magnificent" to "pretty vague" and "padded" this week, but the overwhelming reaction was the same — with exams and essays on the doorstep few people had read it.

The report, the result of 18 months of investigation listed 83 recommendations, including a proposal to set up a university court system, and discussed most aspects of the university.

York president Murray G. Ross called the report "magnificent in every respect" (see page 18) and said the report "stands as a model of how a report dealing with a problem of this kind should be dealt with."

But Council of the York Student Federation academic affairs commissioner Ken McMullen wasn't as pleased.

"It implies the administration are different from students and faculty," he said Tuesday. It "seems to define the university as administrators," he said.

McMullen noted that the report was careful to include a section on the rights and responsibilities of student and faculty publications on campus, but gave no mention of administration publications such as the Daily Bulletin.

He said that rather than rejecting the idea of "in loco parentis" the report, by "reasserting that the university is the administration" was "reinforcing the parental image... of the father taking care of the students."

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"I feel that everything in it is the same as the Order On Campus paper (the report on campus discipline of the Committee of Presidents of Universities of Ontario, released at the end of September)." He said that the definitions in the Laskin committee report were vague, and that they could "be interpreted any way."

McMullen joked that the report discriminates against arts students by banning sit-ins. Science students get labs to

conduct their experiments, he said, but a political scientist is not allowed to hold a sit-in as an experiment in political behavior.

CYSF president Paul Koster had not read the report by Tuesday, but "I briefly looked at it and it seems pretty good." He said it was "a workable document" but noted it seemed "pretty vague".

A member of the administration said the report was "padded" and said that very few of the 83 recommendations were not being practised now.

Vice-president (academic) Dennis Healy called it "an excellent report" and "a basis for discussion".

Winters college council president Marshall Green hadn't read the report thoroughly, but noted "the basic problem is the premise that the university does not initiate reform — it just discusses it."

But for the average student the report still meant nothing. With half-a-dozen essays to write, no one had time to read the massive report.