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President denounces voluntary Student Union fees

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Monday both the University Comptroller and Secretary explicity stated that fees were mandatory and concluded that within their authorization to collect such fees, that if made time being inefficiently spent by

the job. This would first of all lead to a severe reduction in Student Union finances seeing that the Union would have to devote much time to a Union membership drive. Such activity would lead to much voluntary, they would refuse to do people interested in the preserv-

Second petition?

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combined budgets of the Brunswickan and CHSR constitute only 11.4 percent of the total union budget or 15.9 percent of the total portion which would be made optional. Being such a small fraction of the total there is no way that these budgets need be affected unless the SRC deliberately decides to cut them. The union could operate without radical changes in its structure, and without affecting the budgets of the Brunswickan and CHSR with half the revenue it currently receives from the students. I think at least two thirds of the students would join the union if membership were optional because the students want a union. They just don't want what we have now.

Everyone agrees idealistically with optional membership but the SRC members say that in practice it wouldn't work. Well, they were wrong about payment of SRC fees being optional right now, and they were wrong about our petition being over its time limit, and they're wrong in saying the union would be destroyed by optional membership.

(Incidentally, Jim Murray, J. David Miller, and I were in a meeting Monday afternoon and we checked with Mr. Mullin, the University Comptroller, to see if payment of SRC fees was compulsory. He stated that payment was mandatory. I checked further with Dugald Blue, the University Secretary, who said that it was his impression that the university was legally entitled to collect the fees. So don't let anyone tell you that they aren't compulsory.)

long lasting benefits will be realized if the motion is passed. The SRC will be made responsive to students wishes, the dictatorship of membership will be destroyed, and more spirit will come into the union. Think about it.

Alan Hildebrand

financial resources. Capital investment in subsidized services such as the Brunswickan and CHSR would fall to zero and upkeep of present equipment would subsequently fall off. Eventually, if not sooner, clubs would be cut off from badly needed funds and the Union would fail to continue operation in all areas of interest. student support (and thus credi-The collective student voice which carries a heavy stick in dealing both on and off campus, would die off to an inaudible murmur. In addition, the time spent in the

ation of a Student Union and Events such as Orientation and would mean severe cuts in Winter Carnival would disappear from reality due to lack of funding. It is virtually impossible to collect Union fees in anyway near the efficient way that the Administration does, let alone conduct any on going membership drive. To lose our voice with Administration officials due to a lack of

bility) via a financial collapse would only prove to be a sad day for all students in general at UNB. The Administration would be at liberty to literally do, as they previously mentioned member- please without any chance of ship drive would greatly deter student repercussions. From a from other activities of students. political stand point alone, the

Union is necessary to act as a check and feedback look on all activities of Administration which affect students detrimentally.

So to recap, any type of system of voluntary fees at UNB would be detrimental to the existence of the Student Union. In terms of being an organizer of students, a financer of student activities, and a voice of students at large before the Administration, the Union definitely serves its purpose and benefits all students.

Jim Murray President

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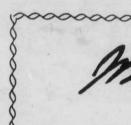
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Should this ridiculo lot of people myself

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I have spent 3 years sure that pubs and cor personally confronted rink that would be fo students.

In addition hours of the viewpoint of the evaluation, alcoholism

I am not alone in t working students who life here at UNB.

We are currently involved in collecting names on a second petition. If we collect enough names a campus-wide referendum will be forced on the issue. Three

In a rather unusual display of generousity last Wednesday, the Law Students of UNB opened their hearts and their wallets in aid of a fellow student. Joseph J (Oral Jack) Walsh was struck Monday by Cupid's Arrow and impulsively sent two dozen roses to the love of his life.

All was bliss until the bills arrived two days later and Mr. Walsh was faced with personal bankruptcy.

Leaping to the aid of his fellow student Valedictorian-elect Brian Forbes made a compassionate plea to the third year Conflict of Laws class and the perverbial hat was passed.

Donations totalled over 20 dollars and Mr. Walsh was saved from insolvency. In a rare show of emotion Oral Jack wept as he expressed his gratitude to his friends and gave his assurance that in even his case love must have its limits. Happy Valentine's Day Maria!



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to find out that he has I what some of us are evidence of our naggin average UNB student

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the pub, things ran u Due to the unusual I at about 11 p.m.. This who needed a beer.

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