The CYSF budget: where your dollars go

By GORD GRAHAM

This year's \$96,000 CYSF budget is based on three priorities, described by president Dale Ritch as "student services, education on social issues, and organization on political questions, in that order."

Accepted at a CYSF meeting on November 3, the budget is based on an estimated six per cent rise in student enrolment over last year—a tentative figure that may be corrected in mid-winter, yielding additional funds. CYSF

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Education there will want to control the project."

The committee may well have been thinking more of money than control when it voted to upgrade the East York facility. According to a story in last Friday's Globe and Mail, Metro will spend just \$425,000 on the East York stadium and put the remaining two and a half million dollars it had earmarked for a big indoor-outdoor facility into its 1976 capital works programme.

The York proposal includes an indoor track with portable bleachers for 1,000 spectators; an outdoor track and stadium with 3,000 seats; and a field house connected to the phys-ed complex, all nestled on a nine to 10 acre area in the vicinity of Tait-McKenzie. The facility would face directly onto Steeles Ave.

McKeough said York still stands with its proposal, which he called" "an excellent solution which could accommodate Metro's demands and the needs of the track and field community."

The Ontario Track and Field Association (OTFA) has been very critical of the proposed York site.

OTFA President Ian Anderson has forecast "a minor rebellion by York students if they see off-campus people (track and field athletes from the Metro region) using the track a good deal of the time."

Bruce Kidd, famed Canadian track star of the early sixties and chairman of the OTFA's facilities development committee, wrote Excalibur (Oct. 23) urging its readers "to persuade the administration to withdraw its endrun for track and field funds." Kidd believes the needs of the York community and those of the OTFA would conflict and the resulting situation would "hardly ensure warm feelings toward track and field."

Not all concerned with track and field are enthusiastic about the East York site favoured by the OTFA.

Cecil Smith, chairman of the Ontario Coaching Association, was quoted in last Thursday's Globe as saying that "track and field won't have another facility like this offered to it for the next forty years." He claimed that building the facility onto the East York stadium, "would be like trying to squeeze it all onto a postage stamp."

"Unfortunately," noted McKeough, "Smith was a little late coming forward." ministration is arraid of attracting socially conscious people and that's why they failed to talk to us."

receives \$10 for every registered full-time student at York.

Under the broad term "student services", Excalibur will receive \$23,000 according to a contract with CYSF; Harbinger will get \$6,000 and the International Students' Centre, \$500. \$1,000 will go to publishing Breakthrough, the women's newsletter.

Net expenses for the controversial handbook "Take -it" were \$4,000 — a decrease of several thousand from last year's handbook and directory.

Other highlights of the budget include \$5,000 for student clubs, to be allocated on a project -by-project basis, plus \$1,500 for guest speakers and \$1,000 for two movies series.

\$1,000 will go toward the fledgling York Social Co-op, a

collective effort between the CYSF and undergraduate colleges to sponsor major social events such as last week's John Lee Hooker concert. There is an additional \$1,500 earmarked for "other social activities", bringing the total allocation for social-cultural affairs to the sum of \$10,000.

A significant step taken toward "organizing on political questions" is the \$1,800 set aside to develop course unions in as many departments as possible.

Another break with previous budgets is the \$2,000 pegged for student elections.

Chief returning officer Alex Ahee will be paid \$750 for his year-long responsibilities. Ritch added that CYSF "will be publicizing all elections much more this year", so costs will increase for advertising.

One sore spot is the \$3,600 mcmbership fee in the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS) which students voted last fall to pay for with a \$1.50 per student increase in fees this year.

Last year's CYSF executive, headed by Anne Scotton, failed to act on the referendum and request the increase from the Board of Governors; hence, this fee must be borne directly by CYSF this year.

Including membership fees and

conferences for both OFS and the National Union of Students, expenses for external affairs are budgeted at \$7,800.

Ritch called the budget overall "very flexible" and pointed to the \$8,70°C contingency and summer budgets as breathing space should any emergency expenditures be needed.

Office expenses have been trimmed this year through the elimination of a full-time book keeper's salary. The CYSF will pay a part-time book keeper \$1,000 to keep its records straight.



Four years of poppies



By IAN MULGREW

Laura Pulker, Ladies Auxiliary president of Branch 527 of the Royal Canadian Legion, has been selling poppies at York every November for the past four years.

She is one of three volunteers who come to the campus to raise money for war veterans by selling the little red flowers immortalized by John McCrea's poem In Flanders Fields.

Pulker says that Remembrance Day is to remind us of all the veterans who died in the two world wars. The poppy is a symbol of peace, it is a symbol of hope hope that it will never happen again.

"There is no set amount one must pay for a poppy" she says. "All the Legion asks is that you give what your conscience allows you to."

Seventy per cent of all the money raised is allocated for a contingency fund for veterans and their families, student bursaries and housing for the elderly.

Pulker says that poppy selling is an interesting pastime. "Men buy more poppies than women, and men usually ask more questions," she says. "Students are also more concerned with where the money goes than is the general public.

Pulker says she likes selling poppies at York because it is "one of the best locations in Toronto.

"It's one of the only places where you can see men, women, children, monkeys, dogs and cats in one place."

Casino night at York

Vegas bogus will hit York University when the Crown and Anchor wheels spin and whitegloved dealers rake the chips from the roulette tables next Friday in Vanier and Founders Colleges. The occasion? Casino Night at

The event will include games such as Blackjack and Money

Tree. There will be a cash bar and a dance with music by January.

Casino Night is open to all York students with sessional validation cards for a \$1 admission charge.

The proceeds will go to the York Daycare Centre to offset the centre's \$8,000 deficit and to purchase more playground equipment for the children.

Bringing back the drop-in

York University was invaded for three days this week by members of the general public.

Drop-in days have been reintroduced after a four year absence. The university hopes that by inviting the public to peruse its facilities it can gain new insight into itself. According to Denys Brown at Communications' "We're extremely happy about the whole affair. We want the public to come up and visit us so that we can build up goodwill with the community."

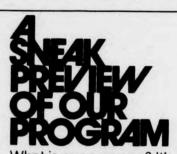
A sour note in the affair was the absence of any activities involving the CYSF. CYSF president Dale Ritch said, "We were not even consulted on the matter. We would have embraced the chance of showing the public what the student council at York is all about. I feel that perhaps the administration is afraid of attracting socially conscious people and that's why they failed to talk to

Brown said that the failure to involve the CYSF was an oversight. He added that "if the CYSF was truly concerned, they would have read the mail we sent them or noticed the announcement in the York Bulletin and approached us."

Coming Events

CYSF and the Third World Students' Union are presenting Costa-Gravas' State of Seige and Louis de Rochment's animated classic, Animal Farm in Curtis L tonight at 8 o' clock. Cost is 99 cents.

The third World student Union is meeting today in Curtis B at 5 p.m. Guest speakers are Dale Ritch, Susan Miller (International Students' Centre) and Carol Mc-Bride (Harbinger).



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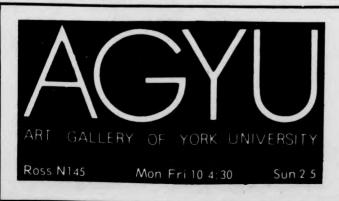
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