

DIE Board kills political dreams of three

by Roberta Franchuk

The Discipline, Interpretation and Reinforcement Board (DIE Board) affirmed the decision of Chief Returning Officer Shelley Chapelski to prevent three candidates from running in the Student Union election.

Sitting Board of Governors representative Jim Shinkaruk, presidential candidate Peter Sesek, and VP Internal candidate Kevin Brousseau were removed from the election on February 25 due to an outstanding debt of \$610.50 owed to the Students' Union.

The three potential candidates were all members of the *Students*

Working for Students slate last year. According to election regulations, anybody who owes money to the SU is ineligible to run for office.

SWFS neglected to pay their printer last year, so when the SU reimbursed the printer, the three candidates were disqualified.

The candidates appealed the CRO's ruling, but the DIE Board found "the Chief Returning Officer a more credible witness than Mr. Sesek throughout the proceedings."

The Board also ruled that Shinkaruk could not claim immunity from the action because the SU Bylaws state that each candidate is responsible for the knowledge and

repayment of campaign expenses, and the candidates cannot shift their liability to other people on the slate.

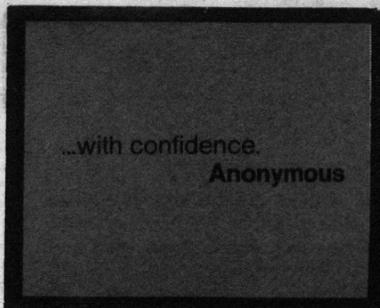
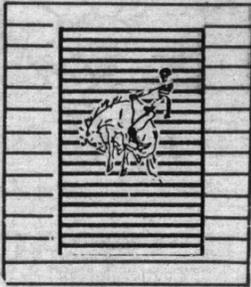
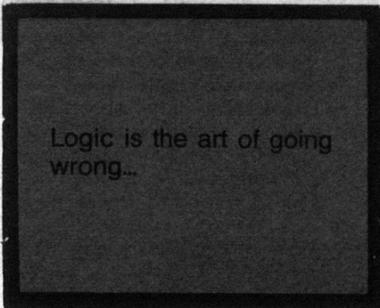
SU VP Finance candidate Grant Draper has been allowed back into the SU election race.

It was reported in the February 26 edition of the *Gateway* that Draper had been removed from the race due to unpaid election debts. Chief Returning Officer Shelley Chapelski made the decision to remove Draper's name because the Woodbridge Slate, on which Draper ran last year, had outstanding debts to the SU from its '86 campaign.

Jayson Woodbridge is now being held solely responsible for all debts incurred in the '86 election. Draper, therefore, is eligible to run in this

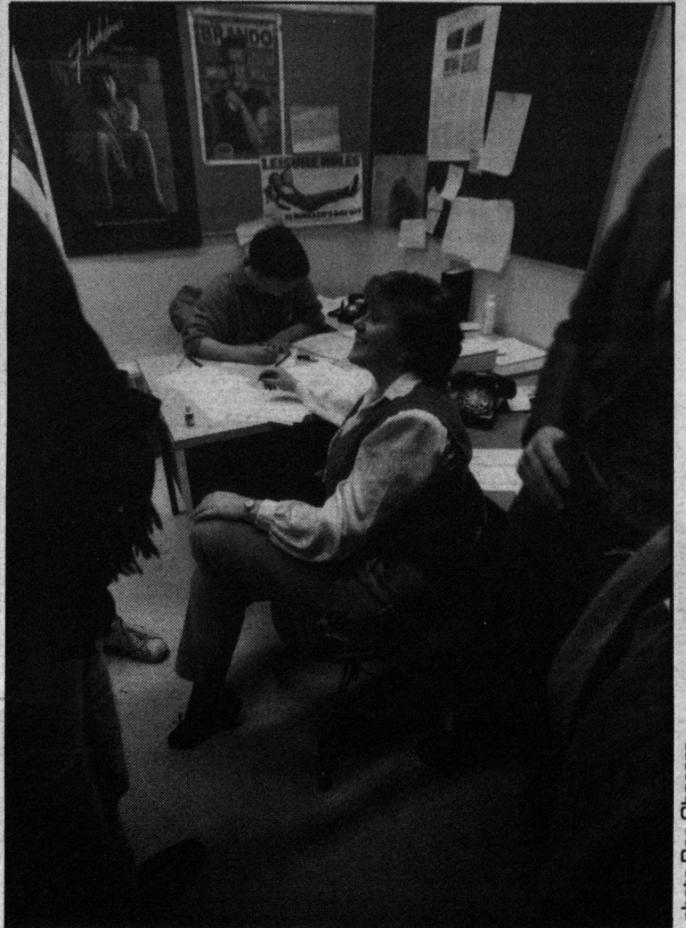
election.

Woodbridge has not been located for clarification of the debt.



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Chief Returning Officer (CRO) Shelley Chapelski under pressure and holding her own.

photo Ron Checora

FMC a forum for concerns of Native students

by Everett Lambert

Dubbed as "high-profile," "Preview: First Ministers' Conference '87" (FMC '87) is shaping up to be an interesting forum indeed. To be held on March 6th, it is one of three put on by the University of Alberta (U of A) Native Students' Club (NSC).

Five national Native organizations have confirmed attendance: from Canada's North, Harry Allen, Vice-Chief, North will represent the Assembly of First Nations (AFN). The Inuit Committee on National Issues (ICNI) will send a figure well-known in Native circles, their President John Amagoalik.

Although yet to confirm a speaker, the Metis National Council (MNC) will also attend. Sam Sinclair, President of the Metis Association of Alberta (MAA), is attempting to have the President of the

Association for Metis and Non-Status Indians of Saskatchewan (AMNIS), Jim Sinclair, represent the MNC at the forum.

However, Sam Sinclair says he will speak if Jim Sinclair is unable to.

Confirmed from the Native Council of Canada (NCC) is their President, Louis "Smokey" Bruyere. Although the speaker has yet to be confirmed, the Prairie Treaty Nations Alliance (PTNA) will also have representation.

The forum will basically deal with the positions to be put forward at the 1987 FMC on Aboriginal Constitutional Issues. Speakers will deal with one or more of the following: what their position is, why or how they came to have such a position, and who exactly they represent. Thus, they will speak about their constitutional position.

The forum will be held in the

Students' Union Building (SUB) Theatre on the U of A campus. The forum will be chaired by a NSC Board member, and co-chaired by Richard Price, Director of the School of Native Studies (SNS).

Price was well-publicized for his part in the leaking of Neilson Task Force recommendations concerning Native people. The SNS was also very instrumental in producing the forum.

The SNC is calling "Preview: FMC '87" high-profile for the purposes of public awareness — a very important ingredient of Native

constitutional development.

The Native Student Club Forums will be held from March 4th to 6th on the U of A campus.

The first forum, on the afternoon of March 4th, will see Muriel Stanley-Venne, Dr. Walter Twinn, and Roy Louis speak and answer questions at the "Native Economic Development" forum starting at 1 p.m.

"Native Education in Alberta" will be held on March 5th in the Kiva Room at the Education Building. The NSC have confirmed a number of speakers for the forum:

from the Ben Calf Robe Program comes Phyllis Cardinal; Eva Cardinal will represent the Sacred Circle; the Native Education Project within the provincial government's Ministry of Education will send Dr. Ralph Sabey; and, the NSC is also working on having a rep from the Alexander Band School attend.

On March 6th, the last day of forums, during "Preview: FMC '87", an Art sale will take place in the foyer of SUB Theatre. The NSC is also working on having the involvement of Kathy's Cree-ations (Kathy Shirt) during the day.

Not again! CAB Mac stolen!

by Dragos Ruiu

Just when you thought you were safe... Following the recent rash of computer thefts, departments all over campus are rushing to bolt down their computers to discourage would-be thieves. Unfortunately, this doesn't seem to be much of a deterrent.

Sunday night, at some time after

midnight, someone broke into the terminal room on the sixth floor of CAB and removed a 512K Mac, external drive and printer. The computer had been donated to the Math department by Yogi Sharma.

All the computer equipment had been bolted down using steel brackets that Campus Security is recommending for all computers

around campus. The high-strength tempered metal was mechanically sheared in Sunday's theft.

"At this rate, pretty soon we won't be able to use micro-computers as an educational tool," said Walter Aiello, an analyst with the Math department who was in charge of the computers.

\$4000 of guides lost in mail

by Dean Bennett

It has cost the U of A close to \$4 thousand to re-issue course guides lost in the mail.

Last November the Registrar's Office sent out student guides and application forms to 380 high schools around the province, but by December some schools were informing the Registrar they still had not received the guides.

"We lost about one-third (of the

guides)," said Admissions/Liaison Officer Becky Purves. "That's about two to three trollies worth."

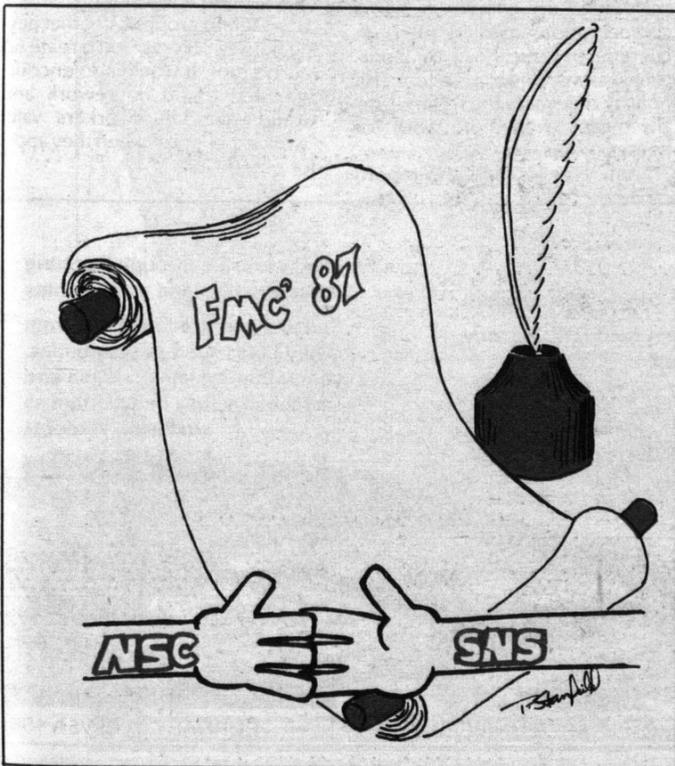
The postal service has still not recovered the missing merchandise and, as a result, the U of A has been forced to re-issue new guides.

The original batch went fourth class, the lowest class of service, one that doesn't include insurance. The new batch is going priority post, the most expensive class

which guarantees next day service.

Registrar Brian Silzer says this is the first time this kind of problem has occurred with the mail service, but he and Purves agree that the incident will force a change in policy.

"We're going to stop using the postal service for these (guides)," she said. "We'll go directly to the couriers."



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