

SRC move to boost student representation triumphs

By LORNA PITCHER

University President John M. Anderson has informed the SRC he will appoint two additional students to the Aitken University Center Advisory Council.

The decision came as a reply to repeated requests from SRC President Peter Galoska, supported by council, to increase student representation on this advisory body; council had

requested an addition of four students, two to be chosen by the SRC and two by the SAA. Anderson's letter to Galoska indicated he would approach the SAA separately.

Galoska asked council to appoint Dave Miller to the Advisory Council, "because he's had extensive experience in technical matters working for CHSR." External Co-ordinator Warren McKenzie reinforced the appoint-

ment call by stressing, "the need for technical expertise cannot be accented enough. We need someone in that council who knows the technical workings of such a body as the Arena." Council approved the appointment.

The Advisory Council will meet for the first time on Oct. 3.

In other council business, Galoska told council rumours about additional seats for Business and Education reps. are unfound-

ed. "The allocation of seats is one for each 600 students. Neither Business nor Education is entitled to more seats, as their numbers have not increased enough."

Galoska read the resignation of Entertainment Co-ordinator Chris Herrington to council. Herrington resigned because he felt he had too much work to do and could not effectively fill the position. Applications for the post are invited immediately.

Councillors Rod Doherty, Peter Galoska and Warren McKenzie as well as SUB Director Kevin McKinney, former SRC President Roy Neale, and SAA President Barb Bonnett will sit on the User's Committee on the construction of the Aitken University Center, it was announced. McKenzie said, "the plans for the Center have been drastically changed since they were first drawn. We really need to get in there and make sure important features of the building such as the stage and PA system are kept in the plans."

The following appointments were made by the S.R.C. at their meeting Monday, Sept. 30:

To the S.U.B. Board of Directors - Eric Hicks, Chris Nagel, and Sheila MacDonald for a full term each, and Margot Brewer for a half-term.

To the Student Disciplinary Committee - Gary Stairs, Marvin Greenblatt, and Stuart MacDonald, all for a full term.

James Krant was appointed Fall Festival Chairman, and Daniel MacPherson is the new Pubs Officer for a full term.

"At the moment," he said, "it looks like all they're going to build is a bigger and better version of the Beaverbrook Arena; just an ice rink. This was not at all the original intention!"

Galoska informed council of a proposal by the Athletics Department to increase their own voting representation on the Athletics Board. This would upset the voting balance of the Board in favour of faculty. Galoska stated he had written to Athletics Director Peter Kelly informing him the SRC would not accept the proposal.

McKenzie moved to support Galoska in this action, pointing out, "It comes down to the old question - who represents the student voice and who should delegate student funds? The faculty or the student bodies of the SAA and SRC?"

Gilliss also pointed out Intramural funds increased from \$10,000.00 to \$11,000.00, whereas the Varsity sports allotment has more than doubled from last year's \$12,000.00 to the present \$27,000.00. Many students benefit from the intramural program, but they're getting shafted. If the Athletics Department gets these extra votes, the trend will continue."

Council voted unanimously in favour of Galoska's action in opposing the proposal, and moved to support him in seeking equal representation.

New members of the SRC elected on October 9 will be officially seated on October 21.

Atlantic union tackles loan issue

By DERWIN GOWAN

The first student loans session served mainly to get everyone acquainted with the subject, and to allow people to express their opinions.

The people from King's College said the problem was in paying the loans back. The delegate claimed that businessmen are predicting an economic collapse. This means that students will be paying back today's interest rates at tomorrow's dirt wages.

Saint Mary's delegates said that it first has to be determined exactly what it costs to finance a year at university, then the assistance program should be constructed around this.

There seemed to be agreement that the idea of the family supplying a substantial amount of the students upkeep should be

abandoned. Another suggestion was that we should start applying political pressure such as was done during the last Newfoundland General Election.

Two problems were identified - first, we must determine how to present a united stand and second, we must determine exactly that stand will be.

The first thing brought out at the afternoon session was that four different provincial governments are involved here, and that, in a lot of cases, it would likely be better to deal with individual provincial governments, with the universities of each province uniting for this purpose. However, interprovincial communication must be maintained, it was said.

The first resolution was to the effect that independent status be granted to every student 18 years old and over. This would put an end

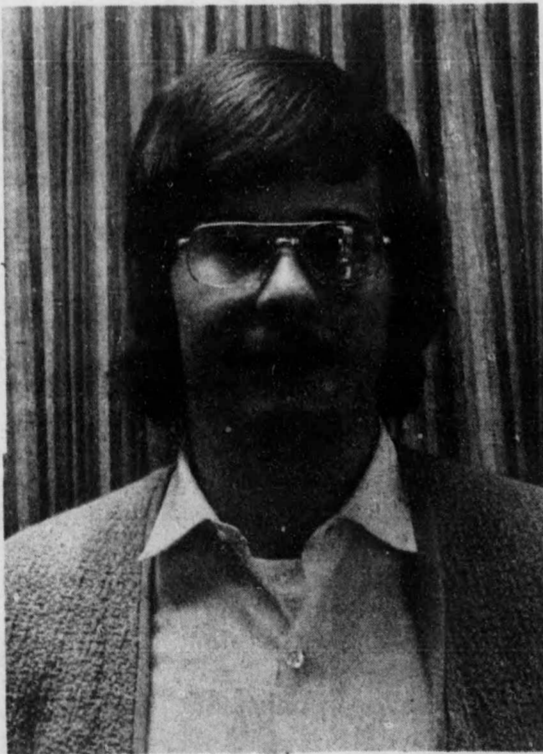
to family assistance to education.

The next topic was increases in the cost of living. One person from Dalhousie suggested that increases be met by increases in the bursary portion of the loan. She also suggested that the loans be made interest free. However, this was modified somewhat. In the end it was decided that the proportion of the total educational costs to be paid by the student should remain constant. This would mean that aid would increase with inflation. The general consensus was that students should pay a substantial part of total educational costs.

Some technical schools in Nova Scotia, the workshop was told, get a better deal from the provincial government as well as students in Ontario and British Columbia. Everyone present agreed that

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Student Representative: Law Faculty Council
Student at UNB for 5 Years

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