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Yes-CFS committee won't appeal ruling

CRO fines Yes-CFS side

by Kent Cochrane

The Yes-CFS committee has been fined \$75 by Chief Returning Officer Michael Brings for an infringement of campaign rules.

The committee is campaigning for the U of A to remain a member of the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS).

The fine was in regards to a Student Work Abroad Programme (SWAP), pamphlet distributed by the Travel-CUTS office in SUB.

The final note in the pamphlet states "CFS—Services is your organization. Use it. Support it."

Brings ruled Monday that the pamphlet constituted third-party campaigning on behalf of the Yes-CFS Committee, since Travel-CUTS is a service provided by CFS.

The pamphlet "was a planned and organized attempt by CFS and its Services to increase the support of the Yes-CFS Committee in this referendum," said Brings.

Brings decision came in response to a complaint from Kenneth Bosman, campaign manager of the No-CFS committee.

Brings had ruled before the pamphlet had been distributed that the last note of it was unacceptable.

This first ruling was in response to an inquiry by Kevin Coleman, Alberta CFS fieldworker, in regards to the acceptability of the pamphlet and a tour by SWAP director David Smith.

The \$75 will be deducted from the Yes-CFS Committee's total allowable campaign budget of \$1,000.

In another decision, Brings forced the Yes-CFS Committee to take down one of their posters which inaccurately stated that the U of A would lose the services of Travel-CUTS if it withdrew from CFS.

The committee will not be appealing either decision.

Yet another decision of Brings' regarding the Yes-CFS Committee was overturned by the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement (DIE) Board last week.

Brings had ruled that CFS ads

appearing in the Jan. 10 Gateway and an issue of Travel-CUTS magazine were pre-campaigning.

DIE Board disagreed, since neither of the ads mentioned the referendum or praised CFS.

Candidates uninspiring

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"Vote for the Skip Slate," he said, "because we know where your family is."

Dave Kuefler of the Progressive Alternative, after returning fire with a paper airplane, called for "no greasy-spoon, fast-food joint," and no SU fee cuts.

Such a fee cut, he said would "incur massive deficits."

Rob Splane (Initiatives '85) was also against a cut in SU fees, saying that a 50 per cent decrease would mean an 80 per cent cut in services.

Biff (Skip Slate) was the first candidate for VP External. He stressed the need for dress competency exams, with appropriate remedial classes. He also revealed that the members of his slate had discovered that "Yes, there really is a CFS, and when we find out what it is, we'll let you know."

Kurt Kufeld (Initiatives '85) complained about "excessive rhetoric, Gayle Morris (Progressive Alternative) promised to work for greater bursaries, and John Cameron (Ballas Slate) fired up the already animated crowd.

VP Internal candidate Cliff (Skip Slate) promised MTV and leather couches in trail, as well as valet parking.

Randa Cooke (Ballas Slate) said she would attempt to lower the theater deficit, and said of the SU, "We're not here for our own benefit."

Scott Richardson (Initiatives '85) promised longer RATT hours and no 10 per cent for clubs serving liquor at functions.

"Clubs and organizations are probably my prime concern," he said.

Brinton McLaughlin (Progressive Alternative) promised student aid clinics and Joan Watz (Sesek Slate) promises three more doors for the bus shelters.

Running for board of Governors rep. are incumbent Jim Shinkaruk, Sarah Wright (Progressive Alternative), and present SU president Floyd Hodgins.

In a cryptic closing comment, Floyd said, "we need visibility, not syphilis."

An open question period followed the forum.

In a response to a question about their (lack of) stance on the writing competency exam, Initiatives '85 said "the exams are under review, and may be eliminated.

Skip replied, "If you've been through twelve years of school and you're still illiterate, don't come to us with your problems."

Mike Nickel pledged to lower executive salaries from \$1,050 to \$900, stating to crowd jeers, "It's a privilege to be on the Students Union."

Don Millar called the building policy issue a "farce", and a waste of cash.

He commented that the referendum question was poorly written and impossible to support because of the way it was worded.

In the most profound moment of the forum, Skip Lauren, was asked by a questioner to define or explain what a "schlep" was.

"Look in the mirror buddy," said Skip.

The questioning continued with varying degrees of hostility both on stage and on the floor.

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