

UNB Senate Hears Fee Reduction Proposal

By Sue Morrison

The University of New Brunswick heard suggestions from two student senators, Tom Ekers and Paul Campbell, for such changes as a co-operative type existence in the residences, and the dropping of the \$50.00 fee all UNB students pay towards the upkeep of the residences.

At the meeting on Tuesday night, the senators also suggested that those in residence

should be responsible for the keeping in order and also the damages throughout the year, in the buildings themselves.

The undergraduate scholarship committee report commented on by Professor MacLaughlin, recommended additional funds for entrance scholarships and bursaries; that UNB provide \$25,000 in addition to the present amount available to undergraduates in the form of scholarships and

bursaries. The committee also suggested that the main criteria for awarding scholarships be scholastic excellence and other characteristics such as athletic ability be secondary in importance. The review of awards every five years was also suggested by the committee.

The proposed regulations for second undergraduate degrees generally suggested that the Registrar and the Dean of the department concerned make

the final decision of what courses and how many would be required for the degree in question.

The course evaluation committee proposal to wait for McGill to research and produce a practical questionnaire on course and professor evaluation thus saving time and money for UNB. (See story page 6) was accepted after a lengthy discussion.

The question of French and English degrees received from other universities was discussed briefly with the Senate deciding that degrees received from either a French or English university be considered equal.

The report of the Admissions committee and the proposed new system of grading students were put aside until next week.

Strax Denied Position

by Liz Smith

Dr. Norman Strax has written a letter dated December 18 to President Dineen asking to be considered for a teaching position in either the physics or philosophy this spring.

Investigations into the origin and structure of the life on other planets (from a scientific viewpoint) were suggested by Dr. Strax as courses that he could possibly teach for the philosophy department this spring.

Prof. Demopoulos, whose field is the philosophy of science said concerning this that: "the courses suggested by Dr. Strax include topics which many people think about but which few people look into seriously. This would be a useful addition, not just to the department, but to the whole university."

Several members of the philosophy department expressed an interest in Dr. Strax

joining the faculty, but the chairman, Dr. Robinson, says that as no allowance had been made in the budget, it is impossible to hire additional staff this year. "It might be possible next year," he said.

Dr. Strax taught physics for two years at UNB until he was fired in the spring of 1968 for politically oriented disruptions on the campus. Since the academic qualifications and teaching ability of Dr. Strax has never been in question, there has been much speculation that he was treated unfairly.

President Dineen, in reply to Dr. Strax, said: "After investigating the requirements for staff this year, I find we do not have any need for additional faculty."

There had been a possibility of a vacancy in the physics department this term because of the unexpected death of Prof.

Walter Baker, a theoretical physicist, on December 19.

Dr. Strax is a specialist in theoretical nuclear physics, but as one faculty member pointed out, with a PhD. from Harvard, he is amply qualified to teach a wide range of courses.

The four courses that Prof. Baker taught have been divided among Dr. Tupper of the Mathematics department, Dr. O'Havlon, a post-doctoral fellow in theoretical physics, and Drs. Young and Kaiser of the physics department.

Dr. Boone, head of the physics department, said that although Prof. Baker's teaching load has been adequately absorbed, he has applied to the administration for a permanent replacement. He says that he is not interested in rehiring Dr. Strax because: "we're thinking more in terms of getting someone who is in spectroscopy."

Student Senators-71

Results of the elections for Student Senators

Peter Ashton	991	re-elected
Michael Cochrane	893	re-elected
Peter MacDonald	771	elected
Tom Evans	750	defeated
Dave Campbell	448	defeated

Spoiled Ballots	18
Total No. of Ballots	1621
Possible No. of voters	4500

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Rap Room plans referral centre

The Rap Room staff held an open meeting last Monday to welcome new members into the organization. They explained the function and programs to be instituted.

Approximately 50 people turned out Monday evening to a meeting of Rap Room held in Room 102 of Tilley Hall.

In a general talk Dave Ellis basically explained the history of Rap Room and elaborated on the policy statement issued previous to the meeting.

He also pointed out that Rap Room is waiting for official word on where and when a permanent room will be provided for interviews. It is hoped that the old Infirmary can be used. Once a room is obtained, the Rap Room can go ahead with its 24 hour peer counselling service to students of UNB, St. Thomas and Teachers College. Dave Ellis pointed out that although Rap Room is mainly for students on the three campuses, they will not turn away travellers who are pas-

sing through and looking for a place to stay.

The second speaker Bob Thomson explained the schedule set-up. Volunteers can work a minimum of 3 hours a week. This can be a concentrated 3 hour shift, or can be spread out over the week. Rap Room is hoping to work on a 24 hour basis at first, and later, after deciding when the peak hours are, they may either cut back or maintain the 24 hour service. A lot depends on the number of volunteers. There is a great demand for more people in order

to fulfill the promise of a 24 hour service.

It was also pointed out that Rap Room is a referral centre working in conjunction with professional agencies and counsellors if needed.

During the question and answer period it was pointed out that the names of persons interviewed would not be recorded, and that all records of interviewing sessions would be kept in strictest confidence.

Many agencies both on and off the campus are assisting Rap Room in their service to students. On the campus are student organized Womens

Liberation and Legal Aid. The latter is comprised of a group of law students who will research legal problems and inform students of their legal rights. They can refer students to professional lawyers if the situation demands it.

Students can be referred to Medical Services, consisting of all the doctors on campus, and to Student Services, which help in providing accommodations, financial aid and foreign student aid. Involved in Student Services are Ken Fulle, Guidance Counsellor and Dr. Whitney who is in charge of Social Services.

Others willing to help are Reverend Robert C. Jones, Campus Chaplain; and the Holy Cross Fathers at St. Thomas.

Off the campus, Rap Room is working in co-ordination with Insight, a drug information center located downtown. Pamphlets on drugs and drug abuse have been provided by Insight, to be distributed about the campus.

But Rap Room does not stop here. They are also hoping to get such groups involved as the YMCA, Salvation Army, Department of Health and Welfare and the Social Workers in the city.

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