

LETTERS

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the conditions of employment necessary for us to do our jobs well — and next time, we might not need to strike.

Gill Teiman
Chief Steward, Member of the
Negotiating Team)

Gritti's Ditti

Your article on the ACSA General Assembly meeting of October was a fair representation given the limited facts at your disposal and the limited time available to research.

Firstly, your reports of the resignations are somewhat inaccurate. Ms McDonnell's resignation as Speaker occurred immediately following the previous Assembly meeting after a ruling was requested from our Constitution & By-Laws Committee on her 'conflict of interest' in chairing both the ACSA Publications Board (which oversees the Editor and the Atkinsonian) and the General Assembly meeting. Evidence was being tabled to demonstrate her bias in favour of Ms. Rowntree, Editor of the Atkinsonian, and her associates while being unduly harsh on others wanting to question the conduct of the Editor and her associates. To date, this ruling has not been made.

Ms Margaret Davies' resignation as Director of Communications was prompted by her graduation from Atkinson College last spring, although she was criticised in the Executive Council for non-performance of duty. Ms Frisen's resignation as Director of Social & Cultural Affairs is the only one actually related to the dismissal of Ms Jane O'Rourke. She felt she betrayed a friendship when she agreed to dismiss her friend, Ms O'Rourke. The Executive Council disagreed with the necessity of her resignation but accepted it as a matter of her own personal principles.

Mr. Avi Cohen's resignation as Elections Officer (not an Executive position), however, can readily be dismissed as a cheap political ploy of a disgruntled presidential candidate who lost the election and as one of two ringleaders of the 'fanatic five' with the most to lose if his record were to be made public.

Secondly, my 'repeated'

censuring for profanity only extends to the previous meeting when provoked by Mr. Cohen. I quietly informed him what he could do with himself. He, of course, loudly complained about it (see point No. 2 regarding Mr. Cohen). As to my informing Mr. Bloom of the composition of his body, how would you react to juvenile behaviour lasting 3 1/2 hours.

Thirdly, as to my statement agreeing to resign, I said that I would if the General Assembly desired it AFTER the facts were exposed to them.

Dario Gritti
ASCA President

Reverend Rebuked

In sponsoring Ken Campbell's two lectures last week, the York Christian Fellowship was continuing its commitment to present Christianity as a relevant topic for discussion. Campbell's presentations were worthwhile in their content, but unfortunately this was obscured by the somewhat argumentative approach he took, especially in his abortion discussion. It is ironic that while he was attempting to take a sensitive approach to the problem of abortion, he did not deal with his audience as sensitively as we may have hoped. To his opponents, we wish to apologize, not for the content, but for the style. While we in the York Christian Fellowship generally affirm the "pro-life" position, we do not encourage rudeness in an academic setting in order to make our point. We would hope that the door may remain open for further discussion and probing of the sensitive issues that are facing our campus and the society at large. We shall endeavour to continue expressing our belief that the lordship of Jesus Christ can and should be applied to all areas of life: we hope that this can be done in a manner appropriate to an academic setting.

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President, Y.C.F.

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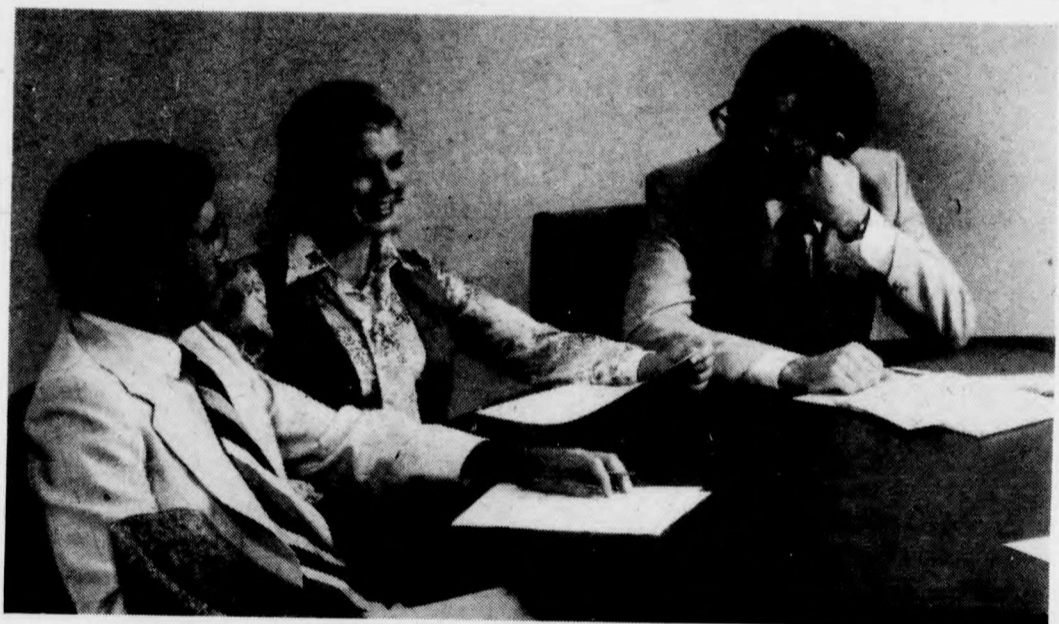
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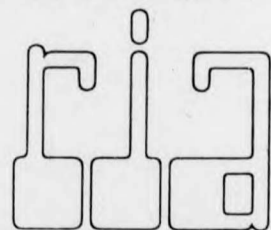
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