

Vice-presidential candidates

On Friday, November 3, students go to the polls to elect a vice-president to the students' council. Of the original six candidates, only five remain in the running, following the withdrawal of Marilyn Pilkington, Saturday. Here are the platforms and policy statements of the five candidates.

Judy Lees

TIME is the main issue. The vice-president you select must be prepared to work immediately in the four remaining months of office, must be familiar with the pre-



JUDY LEES

Robert West

When asked what was the most important qualification needed by a member of government, someone answered "It is the ability to predict what will happen tomorrow, next week, next month—and then be able to explain why it did not happen." The withdrawal of David King from office is an example of the unpredictable and it has created at this particular point in the year a special situation.

Most students' union organizations drafted their policies for the upcoming year last spring and have spent the summer laying the foundations for these. It would be definitely impractical for a new vice-president to attempt any staggering policy changes now.

The new vice-president of the students' union must be able to work immediately with the heads of these organizations, to observe their activated programs from a vantage

point unclouded by personal prejudices and to evaluate them for their own particular worth.

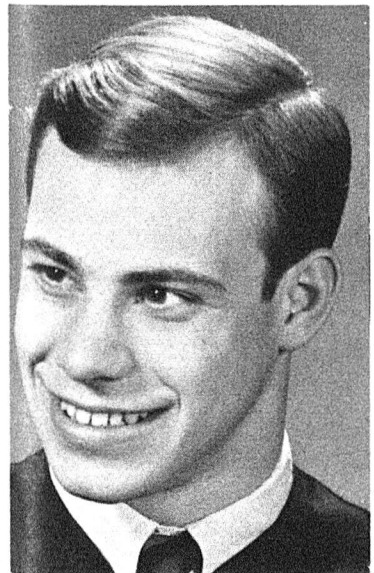
This is not to say that he must support these policies against his will or without question. And here is perhaps the most important quality necessary for any member of the students' union—the quality of originality—the ability to think for himself.

I support:

- Responsible representation in student government.
- Further emphasis on the needed revision of the Students' Union fee structure.
- Equitable representation to Students' Council, a reorganization of the present system.
- Further development of The Alberta Association of Students.
- Student representation on curriculum planning boards.
- An effective Conference Selection Committee.
- An improvement in Foreign Student Orientation.
- Continued co-operation with the Government, the Administration, and other Students' Unions.

I ask that you support me in your vote on Friday.

—Judy Lees



ROBERT WEST

The students' union is a tremendous organization and has proven vital to the campus, especially in this last season.

Every year new life and new ideas must be injected into the council. Every year there is new hope that an even better job can be done than the year before. It is an exciting and stimulating institution because every year the students are supporting the potential not the static.

The importance of this bi-election is not the obvious issues such as CUS and the possibility of a new union of Canadian universities. These problems have already arisen. It is now your responsibility to elect a person able to cope with problems involving any facet of university life.

I am satisfied and confident I have the experience, understanding and above all the ability to revive student enthusiasm through students' council. Definite leadership will be demanded of the new vice-president. But this can only be possible with a maximum of student support.

This support must begin Friday when you fulfill your obligation as a member of the students' union. I very much would like you to vote for me—but, whatever you do, VOTE!!

In closing, I sincerely hope that the next vice-president may have the courage to change the things he can, the serenity to accept the things he cannot change, and the wisdom to know the difference.

—Bob West

Therefore, if elected, I will endeavor to work for more effective and representative student government. During this campaign I intend to talk to as many students as possible to find out what this campus thinks about the problems which confront it now as well as those which will confront it in the future. The question is: do we succumb to disinterest and apathy or do we make the most of our

Neil Driscoll

Neil Driscoll is a special student in the Faculty of Science. His activities over the last several years include: two years as Gateway photo editor, Director of Photo Directorate since February of this year, and Rush Director for the Delta Sigma Phi fraternity since March.

To be of value to you, your student government must be active and aggressive—a source of new ideas as well as an instrument for developing these ideas into concrete programs.

A vote for me is a vote for sound ideas coupled with a proven ability for getting things done.

The following are some of the key points from my platform:

- Construction of a parkade behind the Students' Union Building.
- Construction of a pedestrian overpass across 87 Ave. in front of Lister Hall.
- I favor a larger capital works grant from the provincial government.
- The present level of tuition fees should be maintained, but residence rates should be decreased.

• Effective use must be made of student representation on the General Faculty Council.

• The principle of the academic grievance committee is good, and I would try to make it a workable body.

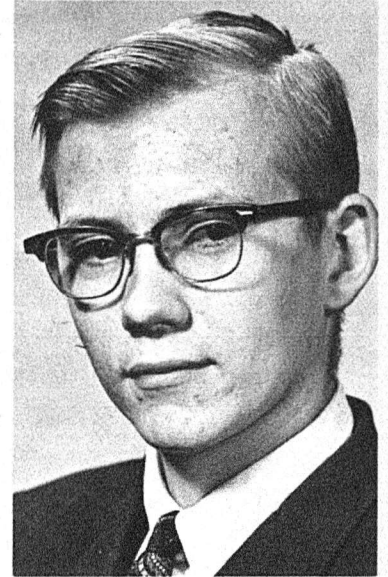
• We must try to get City Council to zone the area between 110 and 111 Streets and 85 and 87 Avenues as RC-1 for Co-op housing and fraternities.

• We must vigorously support the Alberta Association of Students and try to ensure that it will be a useful body for the benefit of the average student.

• Examine the possibility of setting up a new national union of students that will concern itself only with problems of direct student concern. In the interim, before the new union could become a reality, we must provide for a periodic review of the Canadian Union of Students.

• I would attempt to obtain a liquor licence whereby at certain times in the week, liquor could be served to students in SUB.

—Neil Driscoll



NEIL DRISCOLL

Gordon Drever

The New Democratic Youth is setting a precedent in this by-election by bringing partisan politics into student government. The reason for this is simple: the conventional activities of campus political parties, such as model parliament, forums, debates, etc. have

no relevance whatever to a political organization whose primary intent is to bring about certain radical changes in the university and in society. Furthermore, we feel that student union politics have degenerated to the point where it is necessary for a radical movement such as ours to step forward to raise basic and controversial issues. The only legitimate function of any political group is to involve itself in the political process of whatever constituency it finds itself in: our constituency is the University of Alberta. Thus our candidate, Gordon Drever, is not running as an independent, but openly as the candidate of the Campus New Democrats.

Our basic policy is that of student syndicalism and student power. These topics are dealt with at length in our tabloid and can only be touched upon here. Student syndicalism is the demand that students have a greater say in the running of their own affairs; of the administration, policy and governing of the university. To this end we demand at least three student representatives on the Board of Governors, as well as representatives on the General Faculty Council, and within the departments: all representatives will have a full voice and vote. All graduate students must

have equal representation with the faculty and undergraduates a proportional representation within the departments. Furthermore, we see the student worker, the activist, as the progressive and decisive force in the university. The activist is concerned with all matters that affect him, and is willing to act upon his opinions. The students, individually and collectively, must express opinions and take stands upon all matters of local, national, and world-wide importance. We urge that U of A rejoin the Canadian Union of Students and take a stand in such issues as American aggression against Vietnam, racism in South Africa, the Middle-East, etc. Also, we feel that it is incumbent upon the government to recognize the position of the student as that of a legitimate occupation, not an extended period of childhood under a different set of parents. All students should receive a salary or stipend of \$50 per month initially, with further increases to be sought by collective bargaining. Of course, we call for the abolition of tuition fees, and the extension of financial aid based upon need. For further information our campaign headquarters are at NDY House 11137-89 Ave., phone 439-0478.

—Gordon Drever



GORDON DREVER

David Stelck

I am a candidate for Students' Union Vice-President because I feel that it is necessary for the "average" student to have a voice in Student Government. On a large campus such as the University of Alberta, the students' union can become a bureaucracy which does not carry out its role as a truly representative student body.

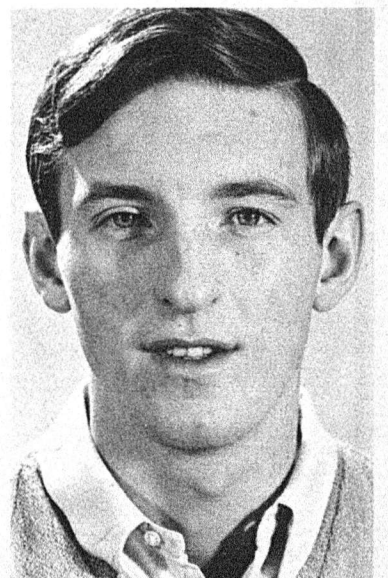
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student political institutions? The answer will be decided by each individual and it is his responsibility to find out the facts and make a decision. Remember, you can stamp out student apathy with Stelck.

These are programs which I will work for if elected:

- total student involvement in what could be a "Great Campus Society"
- support a war on student poverty
- battle professionalism in student government
- have vice-president act as informal student ombudsman to fight your battles and help solve your problems
- construction of a parkade to solve campus parking.

—Dave Stelck



DAVID STELCK