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UNB health services report recommends full-time doctor

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UNB health services report, commissioned last year under the chairmanship of Dean of Students, Frank Wilson, will recommend the hiring of a full time doctor for the health centre. The budget for health services is expected to increase by several thousand dollars with no additional student fees levied for the service. The report is now being prepared for presentation to the Board of Governors and other university officials.

A report on UNB's Health Centre will soon recommend a full-time Doctor and other additional medical personnel, The Brunswickian has learned.

The report, commissioned last year under the chairmanship of Dean of Students Frank Wilson, is now being prepared for presentation to the Board of Governors and other university officials. Reliable sources said earlier this week the budget for the expanded service will be increased by several thousand dollars. It's presently Health Centres in universities similar to UNB have budgets in the neighbourhood of \$100,000.

Moreover, the report recommends that no additional student fees be levied for the service. (Universities in Ontario, for example, charge between \$1 and \$27.60 per student.) The report says UNB should explore the possibilities of getting assistance from the provincial government for the operation of the health service.

The report's main recommendations:

— that a full time Doctor be employed and given the job of Medical Director. Part time physicians and specialists should also be employed on a per diem

basis of payment, to provide additional coverage.

— that students be involved in the selection of the Medical Director.

— that a review of staffing of the centre be made by the Medical Director, in conjunction with the Advisory Committee on Health Services.

— that all students participating in contact varsity sports be given a medical clearance annually.

— that UNB and STU adopt the same health insurance plan to provide non-resident and auxiliary coverage for all students.

— that the concept of maintaining a 14 bed infirmary (the second largest in Canada) be reviewed when the Dr. Everett Chalmers hospital becomes operational. After the review, the available beds should go to the Health Service, if required.

— that the security force on campus be requested to assist with transportation of emergency cases associated with the Health Centre. Consideration should be given to the purchase of an appropriate vehicle and training of security staff.

— that consideration be given to improving the access to the centre for non-ambulatory patients, emergency cases and food service.

Parking report says drivers should pay for space

Students and faculty may be paying \$16 and \$36 respectively to park at UNB next year, if the sub-committee on parking gets its way.

In a preliminary report to the Academic and Campus Planning Committee, the sub-committee says parking on all campus roads should be prohibited, with the remaining parking lots being coded for faculty and student parking "in a manner which would allow people who work or attend classes in a particular building to park as close to that building as possible."

Once the Academic and Campus Planning Committee reviews the report, the final draft will go to the Senate for approval. Implementation is recommended to begin in September.

The committee, comprised of

faculty, students, the Chief of Security and the Manager of the Physical Plant, made the following recommendations:

— parking on streets should be prohibited and restricted to clearly identified lots. Overnight parking will be permitted only in the student residence lots.

— parking lots should be allocated on the basis of two major categories of users — students and staff-faculty.

— colour-coded parking stickers and lot signs should be used to enable proper enforcement of the proposed parking policy.

— increased enforcement is required and a two-way policy should be established to provide a deterrent to misuse of the overall parking policy.

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