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No Valedictorian yet

"They seem to be jerking everyone back and forth," said Eric Gingles.

It's been three months since the election for valedictorian was held, but the winner still has not been declared.

The election had been plagued with problems and protests from the beginning on November 18, 1987.

At last Wednesday's Student Union Council meeting, it looked like the whole matter had been settled when Council voted 4-1-1 to declare Eric Gingles as valedictorian.

Following a recount of the ballots Monday night by Student Union President Jane Arnold and VP External James Small, it was discovered that there was a 70 vote discrepancy between the ballots and CRO Larry Long's tally sheet.

The count from the SUB ballot box was inaccurately recorded. Originally, Heather McNaught was reported to have received 77 votes, but the recount showed McNaught only received 7 votes.

Final results for the position of Valedictorian 1988 cast in the

November 18, 1987 Student Union Fall Election.

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| Erik Gingles | 98 |
| Ronald Forsythe | 46 |
| Heather McNaught | 30 |
| Shelley Gordon | 18 |
| Cathy Steele | 16 |

Council Chairperson James Gill, yesterday sent a letter to Jane Arnold stating that the motion passed by Council may have to be ruled invalid.

At press time, Arnold commented that she had no comment yet on Gill's letter, and

that the matter will be brought to the attention of the councilors.

Heather McNaught, commenting before being advised of the latest development said "The whole thing seems to be a three month long practical joke. The Student Union has acted irresponsibly to say the least. I don't feel their

priorities have been in the right place."

The possible solution to the current election problems include staging another election with the same candidates during the upcoming spring election which will be formally called at the next Student Union Council meeting.

Fundraiser nets \$6000

By JOYCE OUELLETTE

How did the first "real" attempt to have a fundraising drive go for CHSR? According to station manager Jeff Whipple the support for the station

demonstrates that people care enough to donate.

The pledges are still being collected but the amount has reached the \$6000 mark. The station received close to \$3500 from listeners plus close to \$2500 from the University and Alumni. In total

the station manager speculated that the amount will add up to \$1000.

CHSR plans to use the money for their general operating budget, a few pieces of equipment and other operating costs including a give-away fund for prizes.

"We hope that the fundraising drive will be an amount event and will continue growing each year" explains Jeff Whipple. A trial drive had been organized two years ago but had not been as effective, however the station had no idea of the support it would get from listeners and the community. The organizers are especially satisfied with the support they have received from the community business who contributed prizes before and during the campaign.

"We're also very pleased with the way it pulled all together, volunteers from all the departments worked together which is good for the morale of the station."

The organizers are confident that their efforts in this campaign to raise funds will grow each year to help benefit free radio.



Dinosaur expert Phillip J. Currie presented his lecture last Monday, entitled "The Dinosaur Project - Ancient ties between Canada and China". Photo: Derek Walsh.

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