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## New flu plan awaits approval

by Natalia Smith

A draft of a new flu contingency plan has been drawn up as a result of last year's flu epidemic at Stong and Bethune colleges and is awaiting administrative approval.

The plan was drafted following a March 20 meeting of a temporary committee comprised of student and administration representatives, said director of housing and food services Norman Crandles. In order to take effect, it must be approved by York provost Elizabeth Hopkins and Vice-president (finance and administration) Bill Farr, he said.

Crandles said the committee no longer exists.

The draft outlines all the necessary procedures mandatory for night emergencies in residence where large numbers of students are involved. The draft states that in the event of an emergency the don or master of a residence is required to contact York's Emergency Services which then calls and escorts appropriate emergency vehicles to the site of the incident. It also lists the various responsibilities of the provost, director of student affairs, the

medical director of health services, the director of communications, and the director of housing and food services.

Last January, about 50 residents at Bethune and Stong fell ill in the middle of the night, complaining of vomiting and diarrhea. The cause of the illness was never determined because it was unclear who was responsible for taking feces samples and sample kits delivered from the North York Board of Health. As a result, samples were not taken soon enough.

Students complained at protest rallies that the university was not doing enough to tell the "flu" victims what was happening and that resident dons were left to deal with the problem in the middle of the night in the absence of a university plan to deal with such a situation.

At the final protest meeting in February, Crandles addressed the students and accepted full responsibility for the lack of a plan and promised to set up a committee to draft one.

The draft of the proposed plan has been approved by Crandles but no deadline has been set for its implementation.

Hopkins said she only recently

received a copy of the plan which she was supposed to receive during the summer. She called the plan a "good help mechanism" but she suggested to Crandles that the plan should be for general emergencies not just night emergencies.

She said the plan will return to Crandles for amendment and then back to her for approval. She did not know how long the procedure would take.

Farr said it is important for the plan to be implemented soon because the procedure is necessary for student security. However, Farr has some reservations about the present form of the plan.

"What was proposed was all quite suitable but somewhat complicated," he said. "The further into detail it went the less confident I became as to how realizable it was, although the plan is good for an initial response."

Farr said the plan has already gone back to Crandles for amendment and he believes it will be made official in the near future.

Crandles said that when the Flu Contingency Plan comes into effect after final approval, a copy of it will be published in *Excalibur* and other campus newspapers.

**A bogus call about a woman giving birth** was received by the Metro Ambulance Services from Stong Residence on November 18. The background noise indicated to Metro that the call could be a hoax. Security responded to the 10th floor of the residence and established the identity of the caller, a very drunk student.

**Five separate instances of vandalism** to parked cars were reported in Lots 1A, 3B and 5A on November 18. In each instance, at least one window had been smashed. Only one car had items stolen from it (two speakers). Total repair costs were estimated at \$1,450.

**The passenger door window was broken** and the car stereo was stolen from a staff member's car that was parked in Lot 1A over the weekend of November 18. Estimated loss was \$950.

**A rear passenger window was broken** and the contents of a glove compartment were strewn about the interior of a student's car parked in Lot 1A since Thanksgiving. Nothing was stolen but damage is \$250.

**Unknown persons slipped explicit photographs** from adult magazines into graduate lockers, as reported by Scott library staff on November 20.

**An unknown person knocked on the door** of a staff member's apartment in 2 Assiniboine for about a three to five minute period and at the same time covered the peep hole on November 21. The complainant's wife was alone with her children and was unnerved to the extent that she did not phone either Metro Police or York Security for assistance.

**A student was punched in the face** during a fight in Stong Residence November 22. The four youths who started the fight were identified as non-community members and were issued notices of trespass. Metro police also attended.

**Obscene writing was found** on one of the desks in Curtis Lecture Hall K on November 22. Arrangements were made to have caretaking staff remove the writing.

**A student reported that when walking outside** the west side of the fine arts building on November 24, a male standing in a doorway whispered that he was going to rape her. The student dropped her knapsack and ran. The knapsack was later found, although her wallet was missing. A vague description of the suspect was provided: male, white, 5'10", 180 lbs, wearing a light grey coat with a fur-lined hood.

**Five males and a female were seen throwing ice** and breaking a window in Vanier Residence on November 23. A search of the area failed to turn up any of the suspects. Replacement cost is \$111.65.

**McLaughlin, Founders and Stong Residences were all evacuated** at the request of the North York Fire Department on November 24. However, the residences were the scenes of false alarms. There were no suspects or witnesses.

**Three males carrying baseball bats and fire extinguishers** were seen inside the Central Utilities Building on November 24. Although the building and surrounding areas were searched, only an abandoned extinguisher and some footprints outside the west door were found.

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