

UNB dean appointed new Vice President

(UNBPRI) The University of New Brunswick has appointed an experienced dean and respected educator to a new vice-presidency.

Frank Wilson became the first to serve as UNB's vice-president (research and international co-operation) when he began a six-year term on May 1.

The new vice-presidency was created in response to rapid growth in UNB's research activity over the past decade and an increasing awareness of the value of international linkages in teaching, research and community development. It will embrace a wide range of responsibilities, including expanded relations with

government and industrial organizations concerning research initiatives and funding, as well as the management, coordination and stimulation of international programs and initiatives. The office will also have responsibility for the allocation of internal research funds ant UNB.

Known for his energy and dedication, Dr. Wilson has already begun tackling the challenges of his new office. "It's extremely important for universities to attract more external funding for research and development that meet the needs of business, industry and the community at large as well as academic needs," Dr. Wilson asserted. "UNB has an excellent track record in research, so I'm confident we can increase that external support." The university now attracts more than \$14 million in research grants and contracts annually.

The new vice-president has some areas in mind for special attention. "Funding support for research in the humanities and social sciences in critical and will require a concerted effort by the research office and faculty members," Dr. Wilson stated. "We will also be giving specific attention to the establishment of research centers and externally funded research and teaching chairs."

On the international scene, Dr. Wilson says UNB has been involved for decades with international student education and collaborative projects in countries around the world, and he would like to expand that activity to the mutual benefit of

both UNB and its international partners.

Dr. Wilson became UNB's first dean of students in 1971 and was appointed dean of engineering in 1981. His 1989 appointment as dean of graduate studies and research made him

the first faculty member of UNB to be appointed to three different decanal offices. He has been active on UNB's Board of Governors, Fredericton Senate and Associated Alumni, and has served on numerous university committees.



Frank Wilson



Shown here in front of their mobile office are (left to right) Cst. Errol Phillips, Cst. Katherine Alchom, Cst. Tim Durling and Cst. Barry MacKnight. The Mobile Community Police section will be based in the College Hill area for the next few months. (M. David Smith photo)

Community policing

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this is innovative because traditionally, policing organizations are very hierarchical. The Fredericton Mobile Community Police section, because it works without a constant, on site supervisor, can operate "unhindered by what is perceived as a 'management point of view'" MacKnight says.

The Constable believes that many aspects of the section's structure contributed to its success in its last base, Marysville, but says that he and the other members of his section are constantly adapting new ideas to better serve the communities in which they are centered.

The Mobile Community Police section will hold meetings with university-area residents in the near future so that the section can get its mandate from concerned inhabitants.

The section's mobile office is presently located across from the Goody Shop on Albert Street. All are invited to visit the office to discuss their concerns about the community or to learn more about the Mobile Community Police section and its operations.

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