

# Steve Berube's final report

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Increased Tuition, co-ed dorms and changes in the Student Representative Council internal structure were several topics in former SRC president Steve Berube's final report. Presented to council Monday night, the report discusses various aspects of Berube's term as president and makes recommendations for the future.

Berube's report was divided into three sections: one dealing with external agencies, one dealing with the university and the final one dealing with the internal aspects of the UNB Student Union.

Concerning the UNB Student Union's dealings with outside organizations Berube recommends that UNB stay out of NUS for the present but does not rule out the possibility of a return to

the organization sometime in the future, provided certain changes occur. He praised York-Sunbury M.P. Bob Howie, stating "he is truly concerned with the best interests of UNB".

At the regional level Berube feels it is important that the union continue to lobby local governments through civil servants, the government and the opposition. Greater efforts are needed to co-ordinate various

student groups in the Maritime provinces and the Ministers Advisory Committee on Student Aid has run into many stumbling blocks and little change appears to be at hand according to the report.

Berube feels the Student Union should continue to pressure the N.B. Premier to appoint another student to the Maritime Provinces Higher Production Commission, and sing-

les out the present student on the MPHEC Terry Morrison as an example of a student representative who is doing an excellent job. The N.B. Coalition of Students must be kept active through the efforts of the ePresident and the Vice President External if it is to survive he states.

Turning to relations within the university community, Berube has several comments and recommendations. According to Berube "Residence fees are slated to go up approximately \$75 and tuition will probably increase by about \$60 (8percent cost of living increase)". Berube claims "there is no reason to increase tuition fees" as he feels further savings could be effected at the administrative level. However, Berube feels it is now up to students to be responsible for suggestions to the administration on how these savings can be made.

Berube recommends the establishment of co-ed dorms in residence and hopes again that residence fees will not increase just to reduce the deficit of the residence system. Berube suggests to the administration that perhaps a policy of allowing freshman preference in residence should be adopted.

Concern about faculty unionization was also raised in the report. "Pressure should be placed on the administration to force them to place a student on the final negotiating committee", says Berube.

Course Evaluation by next term may become a reality through the efforts of various students. This is an extremely important matter according to Berube who suggests "it is essential that the faculty not receive tenure in the future without a reasonable evaluation being run to see how the students feel about the faculty member in question as a teacher".

The Bookstore continues to be an area of concern to many students, and according to Berube, Mrs. Logue and her staff at the bookstore are not to blame. Problems that students have in obtaining texts are largely due to faculty members who continually put in late orders for texts, under estimate the size of their classes and perpetually change the texts" according to the report.

The Aitken Centre continues to be a problem for all students in that it is too expensive to rent in most cases and students continue to receive low priority when their events are scheduled.

Berube questions whether creative arts at UNB are too expensive and asks all students if the expenditure now being made is really worthwhile.

Berube's final remarks are addressed to the internal workings of the UNB SRC. He suggests that revenue expected from the Travel Office next year should be used to fund Guest Lecturers or for more non-alcoholic events. He anticipates

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