

Executive to consider fate of co-operative

IAN BAILEY

At four o'clock next Wednesday, the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors will decide in a closed meeting whether to recommend to the full Board that 400 family housing units be constructed at the south-end of the campus.

The decision will be based, at least partly on a report written by the Administration's Physical Resources Committee as well, as a report from the Board of Controls Building and Property Committee.

The proposal under consideration would call for the construction of the housing units in a space of land behind the existing Graduate Residences, just west of Sentinel Road between the residences and the private developments. The cost of the project would be three million dollars, which the Co-op would pay to the University for a 45 year lease.

Michael Goldrick, one of the Co-op's directors believes the Executive Committee will approve the decision. "I am optimistic. The Physical Resources Committee supports it. Bill Small (University Vice-President) supports it. The consultants report supports it. There is also general support from the University for co-op housing which President Macdonald supports.

Macdonald told *Excalibur* "I think the objectives of the project are very good. The total initiative involves the community and is an opportunity to bring more people on campus. He adds, however, if there are lots of implementation problems." Goldrick says the project is important because of the housing shortage facing the city. With a lack of vacant land or funding in the city and the project funding in place at York, Goldrick says there is a "moral obligation for the University to use its vacant land to provide housing for which there is funding." He adds that, "With a development of this kind ready to go it's something they should do for students, staff and faculty."

Goldrick suggests that the reason for the delay that initially greeted the project was the need for a learning period on the part of the administration. "We made a proposal for millions of dollars. This was foreign to the officials. Their natural reaction was caution and there was a learning period that went on. Their job is to look at the University campus as a traditional campus and this was alien to them. We look at the University function as more than providing classrooms."

CYSF gives money to non-CYSF member

JOHN P. SCHMIED

The Council of York Student Federation will finally be able to consider the 1982-83 budget on January 26 when Finance Director Tony Finn presents his revised proposal.

Finn originally presented his budget to council on November 23 but it was rejected because of its "unintelligible" nature. He again submitted a proposal on January 12th of this year but it was turned down for the same reason. To ensure that the third budget proposal would be different, council passed a motion forcing Finn to make revisions. This revised budget would be required to include gross revenue and expenditure totals, separate budgets for all portfolios and a summary of all expenses made to date.

At the same meeting, the council passed a motion by President Maurizio Bevilacqua requesting that Larry Till be appointed Chief Returning Officer at a salary of

Requested 5,000 dollars

The council also heard a presentation by Board of Governors representative, John Weston and Dean of Law, McCamus, who requested \$5,000 for a seminar on legal education at Osgoode Hall. Weston and McCamus both told Council that without CYSF support the National Conference on Legal Education would not be held on its scheduled date February 18. The conference will be an open seminar on various aspects of legal education in North America, and will examine present policies on law school admissions, faculty requirements and the marking schemes (presently set at 100 percent final exams). The professors from various schools in North America, including Laval, U of T and Harvard, will attend the conference which has a projected budget of \$6,900.

Council's initial reaction to the request was one of caution; council members questioned the viability of making such a large grant to a non-CYSF member. Referring to

council's past funding of the Osgoode hockey team and the possibility of non-CYSF backing of the Law Games, Bevilacqua asked Weston if he thought it was right "for CYSF to fund Osgoode almost \$7,000 when it wants nothing to do with this school at all?"

Tony Finn echoed Bevilacqua's sentiments when he questioned whether "it was worthy to fund someone who's not a member of CYSF for something which is arguable not necessary, when someone like student security comes asking for \$1,500 just to survive." After open discussion, however, council members awarded Weston \$4,000 on the condition that any money not used will be returned on a pro rata basis.

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THIS WEEK'S LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

I am writing so that I can respond to some of the letters in the January 6th edition of *Excalibur*. Some of those letters against the anti-U of Tea campaign really made me mad. I am a third year Business student here and I am sick and tired of being put down by jerks who don't know what their (sic) talking about, especially at U of Tea. I work hard and so do a lot of my friends that go here. The anti-U of Tea campaign was worth it. I thought the jokes were great.

I think some people's problems is that they don't have a sense of humour. Too bad. The Contest was hilarious, in my opinion. Unlike some of the letters I read, I am not ashamed to be a part of York. It's a great school and anyone who tries to insult it should be insulted right back. Those U of Tea nerds think they're so smart. But they aren't. It's a great thing to put them down. After all, they've been putting us down for years, which is a real mean thing considering we're such a keen university. They are so out of it, maturity-wise, that they think they're better than us. They've got another thing coming.

I would like to submit by own jokes to the Contest. I know it's over, but I don't think the issue is.

PORN NOT FUNNY

This letter is in reference to the "anti-porn" film under attack in a recent *Excalibur* publication. We believe that there is no justification for laughter in the screening of *Not A Love Story*. It is not in fact a "schlock" film, but rather a true analogy of the hatred that exists in society and is represented and perpetuated in pornography.

The film is not an attack meant to provoke male/female animosity or hostility, but rather an attempt to raise consciousness (obviously badly needed) for re-evaluating present sexual mores and priorities. We recognize that the male participation in pornography is as much a matter of exploitation, and that there may be validity in connecting sexual repression and class domination. But we are disappointed that the writer cannot see that the portrayal of women in pornography (specifically the focus of *Not A Love Story*) is explicitly related to women's inferior social position. His limited theories do not explain the misogyny clearly illustrated by the many examples of mutilation, victimization and subordination.

Is this your idea of humour???

Bonnie Strand

Karen Gold

Joanne Hurley

Remember U of Tea; he who laughs last goes to the better school:

1. How many U of Teamen does it take to screw in a lightbulb? 100. One to screw it in and 99 others who just stand around because they're too stupid to do anything else.
2. What's black and red and white all over? U of Tea.
3. Knock knock. whose there? U of Tea. U of Tea who? Duh, I forgot, I'm so stupid.
4. What do you get if you cross York with a whole bunch of nerds? U of Tea.

There. I think that'll give them something to think about. I don't want any prizes for them. I just want other people to see them, so U of Tea can see there's plenty of people up here who won't take their button (a very un-funny one, too) lying down.

I hope that other York students join in with the others who are trying to stop the smear campaign. Our school is not worthy of insult. Why put up with it?

Peter Fennison (Mr.)

P.S. Please print this letter. I really do think its important for us to keep up the struggle. Thank you.

Cipriani talks back

I can't believe how my letter on abortion has suddenly changed to the topic of birth control. But then again, maybe I shouldn't be so surprised, that's a way to avoid the point in question.

Dear Mrs. Gaye Stein and Mr. David Cochrane, and anyone else who may have misunderstood me. I will repeat myself. Abortion is wrong. Abortion is inhumane. Abortion is immoral.

I did not say anything about birth control being the total responsibility of the women. A women becoming pregnant is the responsibility of both the male and female. I would hope that this is clear and obvious. I did say, if the mother did not want the child she should of taken precautionary measures. I didn't say anything about birth control devices, or that in the case where a women is pregnant, its all her fault and not the man's. (The 100% full proof method is called Abstinence. But birth control is another matter and I will not discuss it)

Can't you see that what I am talking about is mainly the concern for the teenagers and young adults, and even adults--that there has to be a more serious, clear, responsible, conscious concern for unwanted pregnancies. The beginnings of the formation of life is not something material. You can't say, "I don't want it, I'll throw it away". Birth control is not the answer to the problem. There has to be a moral and humane responsibility for sex. And I don't mean for women.

Mr. Cochrane, you said, "let each person be left to his or her own belief." I believe in that. but when we are talking about the destruction of life, I will do what I can to oppose it.

I speak as a Catholic and a believer in God. Mrs. Stein, God has ordained women as the bearer of children, not biology. Women do not have the destiny of what is created in their bodies. Mrs. Stein you said "those who support abortions do not see abortion as a method of birth control". That statement is ridiculous. For what other reason is the pregnancy terminated. You also stated that banning abortion will be unjust to the poor. This is a poor excuse. Ignorance is not justifiable to deny a life.

Mrs. Stein, in your letter you described me as an insensitive chauvinist. One who lacks feeling for women. This is so far from the truth. Females do not have to have any concern entering a relationship with me. I was greatly hurt and offended by your comments. I care about people. How could you without even knowing me?

Marco Cipriani
York Student

P.S. Miss Rebecca Galanis, thank-you for your encouraging letter.

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