

SRC issue fun but disappointing for Bruns staff

As you can't help but notice, the UNB Student Representative Council "took over" the Brunswickan this week. However, their so called "siege" wasn't quite what they claim it was on page one. Actually we, The Brunswickan invited the executive and councillors down to help us out. We felt that each year the SRC passes a budget of \$16,000 (for a total of \$28,000 including advertising revenue) and really don't know what they are (for you) paying for. So we decided to educate them (so the next time we need something they won't look so god awful blank). It did seem ridiculous that these students were giving us money on your behalf and the majority of them didn't even know how the paper works or is put together.

We took our idea of an "SRC issue" to council one night and told them we would teach them the tricks of the trade PROVIDED it was unanimously agreed upon; a half assed effort just wouldn't do. Needless to say, the majority of the councillors were there at the time and wholeheartedly supported the idea and set this week as the date.

So time rolled by and the big day came...now we must give credit where credit is due for eight members of the Council took our suggestion and even wrote articles for the paper but the most important part naturally was layout night when the paper takes its shape; that night (Wednesday) six SRC members showed up and they did one hell of a job. But the question is, what happened to the other fourteen, twelve of which did nothing for the issue at all. Well, one of the newest editions to the SRC, as of last Friday, said he didn't want to and he shouldn't be expected to since the project was voted on BEFORE he was elected to Council. Well sir, all we can say to you is does this mean

you won't take your honoraria because they voted it in before you came, or if the SRC had planned a party beforehand, you would not attend for the same reason. We hardly think so. And for the member of the executive who said he couldn't make layout night because he was too busy...we're too busy too...and for the statement "well, you are responsible to be there"...yes, sir the editorial board is, but everyone else is voluntary and

don't need to be here any more than you do and they show up every week.

We are very disappointed with those who didn't do a single thing. We realize there probably are a few valid excuses in the group but surely even a half hour to three quarters of an hour could have been spared.

We would like to thank those who put in a tremendous amount of effort when their time was limited. Their names are

throughout the paper and on the masthead. We are especially grateful to them, for they made it all worthwhile and we hope they learned something. We also hope all other students enjoy our "SRC issue" and by the way, if you've got any complaints send them to the SRC....

We feel the relation between the printed media and Council has been helped by the joint effort. We hope students at UNB and St. Thomas don't forget that they too are welcome anytime.

Ta da the SDC does it again

Well, the Student Discipline committee has done it again, or hasn't whichever the case.

On page two this week there is a story concerning a student who was fined \$75 for using a meal card illegally three times at UNB.

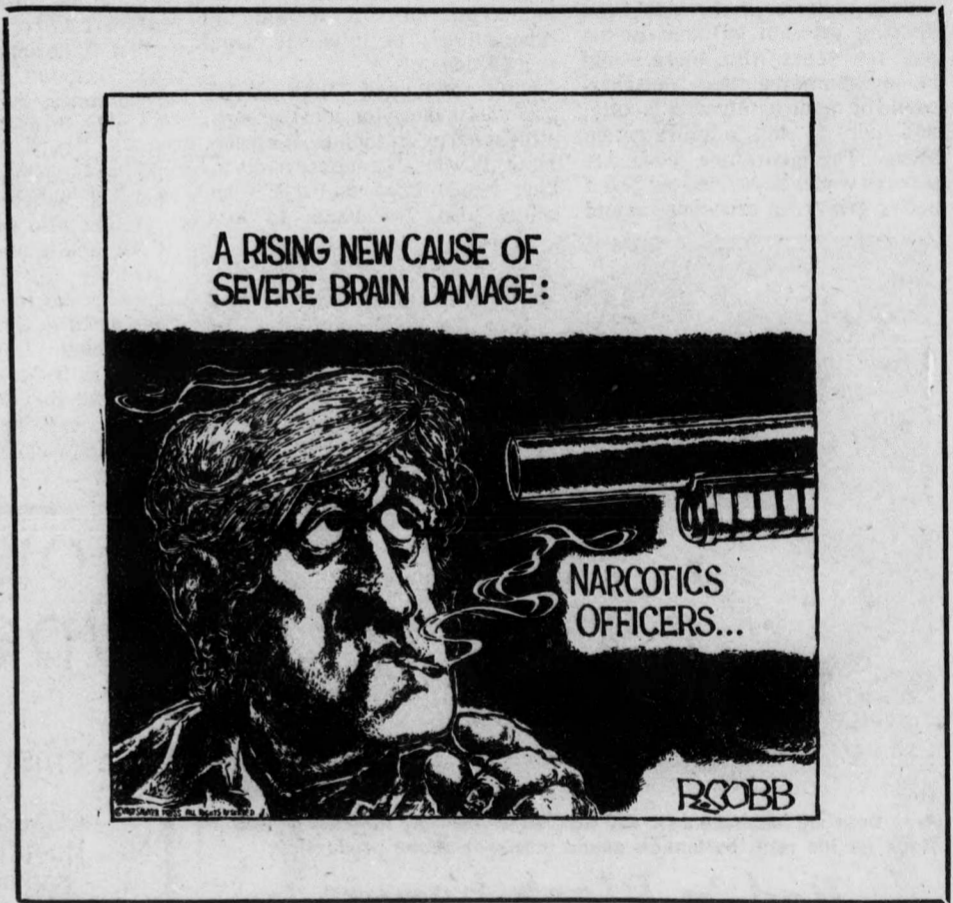
We feel this action by the SDC is insane. The crime was called a "serious" one, the ticket costing \$200 at the time it was stolen. What about the ballot stuffing incident? The SDC made no mention of that being serious and it cost the SRC \$131 plus the inconvenience and pressure the candidates to rerun and campaign again. Needless to say that person got off with a \$25 fine.

We fail to see how the SDC can justify asking a student who used a meal card three times to pay \$75 when a tremendous amount of time, effort and money to rerun another whole election deserves only \$25. It appears that the members of the SDC should study their precedents a little more closely.

Some reasonable system should be set up which would give more continuity to the decisions laid down by the body. Perhaps these

students should look more closely at what they are using as a basis for their punishments.

We feel the punishment should fit the crime, or at least be consistent.



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