

CUEW satisfied with agreement

Settlement gives union 13 - 15 per cent wage increase

Barb Taylor

On the eve of provincial legislation which has suspended collective bargaining and imposed wage controls of 5 per cent on "public and para-public employees", the Canadian Union of Educational Workers and the York administration have settled on a new contract.

On September 20th the union membership voted 92 per cent in favour of accepting the following offers from the administration:

- a 13 per cent wage increase with 15 per cent for college tutorial leaders and writing workshop assistants.

- increased marking assistance when class sizes reach 28 students for tutorial leaders and 32 students for course directors. Last year, more markers were provided when a class numbered 37 students.

- recognition of some seniority system in hiring

- equality with YUFA when applying for YUFA overload positions in the fall and winter terms

- a mechanism to ensure tutorial assistants do not have to work over the legally defined limit of 10 hours per week

- \$45,000 has been transferred from proportional tuition deductions for all CUEW members to a special

fund for international students.

If CUEW had not settled on September 20th, they "would have been kept at 5 per cent with no other benefits," said CUEW Chairperson Charles Doyon. "Since the overall package was acceptable and beneficial to members," they settled. Given the legislation,

Doyon is satisfied with the contract: "We did gain some language; if the union had the

ability to mobilize, management would have been in a more difficult position." He considers the offers gained in the areas of seniority, CUEW overload and equity with YUFA in hirings as major gains.

CUEW will not be able to negotiate with the administration until 1984 because of the provincial legislation. Doyon believes this is "obviously disastrous since they have effectively taken away the

right to collective bargaining and there will be no right to negotiate anything including class sizes and seniority."

Doyon feels, if "York continues the policy of packing classrooms and cutbacks in the future, the three major student bodies on campus should form an alliance to fight underfunding." CUEW will "work through other means than collective bargaining to get these issues settled."

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Orientation in the red but CYSF President considers the extra money well-spent

Paula Todd

This year's CYSF Orientation programme proved as much an adjustment period for the student government as it did for the students.

While free activities like the Bearpit shows with such performers as singer John O'way and illusionist Carbone were enthusiastically received, the Orientation Dance and the Spoons concert did not manage to recoup the

CYSF investment.

"I was not pleased with certain programming and promotion," said Maurizio Bevilacqua. But, he added, "Orientation was a success because it satisfied our basic objective--to make the first contact with the students."

The 1982 programme was budgeted in Council for approximately \$4,600 and Tony Finn, CYSF Business Manager estimates the real

cost "was something like \$5,000."

According to Finn, the Spoons/Otway and Ceedees/Bannerman concerts cost \$2,200 after the sale of tickets was calculated, the Bearpit session, \$500, the labour of the Student Work Force for poster and odd jobs, "about \$400", the CYSF Open House \$150, while printing costs totalled approximately \$1,000. Finn emphasized that these figures are not exact as the paperwork is not finished.

Howard Goldstein, manager of the Reel and Screen estimated the free screening of *Network* cost CYSF about \$292.

CYSF President, Maurizio Bevilacqua, commented upon the costs incurred by the government for Orientation:

"I feel that it was worth the money. You must remember that it was first and foremost, experimental--especially the entertainment."

Handling the 'experimental' branch of the Orientation activities was Elliott Lefko, the CYSF Entertainment Co-ordinator who was appointed during the summer. "I wasn't dissatisfied with the Spoons concert. I felt the response was reasonable given the circumstances. He explained: "It was the first show at



Yorktones drew a large Orientation crowd Friday when they entertained in Central Square.

Burton. Some people didn't even know where it was. As well, Shox Johnson was playing at another college on campus and we only had ten days to advertise the concerts because school had just begun."

The Spoons were greeted by a York audience of 300, 43 of whom were guests, while only 100 tickets were sold for the Orientation Dance. "In retrospect," said Lefko, recalling the dance with the Ceedees and Maja Bannerman, "I should have cancelled it, but

somehow I believed people would support us."

Reel and Screen's free screening of *Network* took place the same night as the Orientation Dance. "I am surprised how many people showed up for the film," said Howard Goldstein, "It's already been on TV."

When questioned about the possible conflict with the dance, Goldstein replied, "The concert and the film were catering to a different audience. I didn't think there would be a problem." Lefko,

however, felt it was "regretful that they coincided."

John Chang, under whose portfolio Orientation fell, said, "The people can judge the success of Orientation. But the feeling around here is that it was pretty successful."

On Monday, Bevilacqua issued a "Presidential Advisory Report on Entertainment Guidelines." It contains "procedural guidelines" which he hopes will "facilitate the promotion and organization of future endeavours in the field of entertainment."

University adds lighting and Student Security increases their night patrol

Keiren Smith

The announcement by York Student Security that it is increasing its size comes after Vice-President William Small's report on new security measures at York, presented at the last Board of Governors meeting.

Small stated that forty-eight high-intensity lights have been installed, but did not give specific locations.

Better lighting

When contacted Tuesday morning, George Dunn, Chief of Security, said that a survey taken last year showed that there was a need for better lighting in the parking lots commonly frequented in the evenings. The new lights are being installed on the basis of which lots are the most used and the worst lit. According to Dunn, 31 lights have been put in the "J" parking lot, the two lots behind the graduate residence, and the lot adjacent to Osgoode Hall. Dunn said that he was very pleased to notice "the tremendous difference" when parking in the "J" lot at night.

Special levy

To finance the lights, a special levy of five dollars has been placed on parking permits.

As well as the parking lots, two lights will be installed at each of the cross walks on the York campus. A final installation date for all the lights is not known. Silvania, the company supplying the lights is presently on a three day work week and York has been

receiving the lights in very small numbers. Although he could not give an exact date, Dunn expects all the lights to be in place sometime in October.

As well, no final date has been given for the installation of the eight emergency phone kiosks in the major parking lots. The overhead blue lamps designed to make the phones easy to find are being ordered from the United States.

Although Dunn feels the new measures will help meet the needs shown in the survey, he urges students to use York Student Security's escort service. Escorts are provided to all students and staff members who call the service at 667-3333. The service is now in operation, from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. every evening.

Student patrols

The York Student Security force has increased from twelve to twenty members, and is still recruiting others. Patrols have been doubled and a patrol has been added on Sunday.

At the Board of Governors meeting, Small said Glendon Campus is beginning its own student patrols. He and other board members expressed satisfaction at the new security measures. "But," he pointed out, "you can't buy total security. If the community is truly worried about its safety, they will realize that a community effort is needed."

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Metro students picketed the Toronto Dominion Bank at the Eatons Centre last Thursday to protest the limits placed on loans available to students.

The TD Bank imposed a 10 per cent limit on additional loans this year, while student aid applications increased 30 per cent and student unemployment reached 20 per cent this summer.

Helena Mitchell, Chairperson of the Canadian Federation of Students Ontario says, "The Canadian Bankers Association is pressuring the federal government to increase the interest rates on student

loans even though student loans are guaranteed by the federal government and students have a lower default rate than commercial loans."

The Bank of Montreal is also pressuring the government by restricting loan processing to one branch in each major urban centre. The Toronto branch is located on Front St., approximately an hour and a half from York. Both the Toronto Dominion Bank and the Bank of Montreal require students to have accounts for at least six months before the banks will negotiate a loan. Mitchell does see a solution to the problem: "Gerald Reagan, Secretary of

State promised that no student would be affected and this move on the part of the banks places more pressure on the federal government to immediately introduce the legislation they have promised regarding a grant program which would eliminate the need to deal with the banks."

CYSF President Maurizio Bevilacqua says, "Twenty per cent of York students applying for loans will be in limbo." Jorge Garreton, Vice President External of CYSF asserts, "At a time when students are facing record unemployment, increased educational costs, the limits on loans may deter many students from low

income backgrounds from pursuing their studies." Garreton and Bevilacqua point out that "CYSF will be running an informational campaign as well as the CFS-O Appeal campaign for student aid. We will also be working with students across the country through CFS-O to oppose this policy."

Asked about Toronto Dominion's policy on student loans, Mr. Ben Boyle, a Director of the bank, replied, "I am not familiar with it."

When provincial student leaders gather in Sudbury for this week's CFS-O conference, they will discuss a programme to fight the bank's policy.