

WORDS FROM THE WISE ...

Reply from Application Committee

To the GAZETTE:

With reference to your editorial regarding the Applications Committee, I must support your contention that the purpose of the Committee be questioned. I do feel that such a committee can serve a useful function but that its procedures, makeup and power be examined at great length and before another Applications Committee is chosen.

In regards to our initial recommendations for Sub Affairs Secretary, Communications Secretary, Chairman of Council and two members-at-large, a time factor had to be contended with. A fundamental error was

made on Council's part in deciding that applications would close on the same day and just a few hours before our recommendations were to be presented. There was too little time to review and question our decisions; to consider how the recommendations were to be presented and the reactions of Council as well as others attending the meeting.

I most certainly agree that is necessary and crucial for Council to inquire into and question the actions and the decisions of the Applications Committee. I was personally amazed at the lack of questions that came from Council

itself. Perhaps the Applications Committee was partly at fault. However, it is much more satisfying to have Council agree with your recommendations after

questioning and debate, than to just have Council ratify your recommendations and no more.

Wilma Broeren
Applications Committee

Suspended member protests

To the GAZETTE:

I would like to protest the impression left by the last sentence in the article "Dal Radio sets P.R. Policy" which appeared in the March 23 issue.

The sentence read that, "Even the suspended member appears to agree with this general attitude and policy." I am the suspended member, and in no way do I agree with Dal Radio's

New registration procedures adopted

Faculty approval needed

New registration procedures have been adopted by the Faculty of Arts and Science. The main difference between the new and old procedures is that students now require faculty approval to enter classes before the Registry can register them in those classes. Faculty adopted this procedure to ensure that proper academic advice is given to students before they register for classes, and that proper academic control is maintained over entry into classes.

In the words of the report on registration, which Faculty approved in January: "When we suggest that faculty exercise control over entry into courses, we are not suggesting that individual faculty members be given whimsical or arbitrary powers of refusal. Individual faculty members can, however, steer students into courses more appropriate. They cannot do this until they see prospective students."

The new regulations involve

an "Approval to Register" form. Each student must present a duly completed form of approval to the Registry before he can be registered or pre-registered. On the form each student's programme for the year will be outlined. The signature of the relevant departmental advisor will be required on the form for each class listed. The whole year's programme will have to be counter-signed by an advisor in the department in which the student has declared his major. Each department will advertise (in its departmental areas) who its advisors are and where they are to be found. Students will not have to seek out the instructors of each class in which they want to register but will be directed to the departmental advisors who should be readily accessible. The approval forms can be obtained in departmental offices.

Once faculty approval has been given to students to enter their proposed classes, they will

policy regarding the public relations aspect of its members outside activity.

I agreed to appeal my suspension to a general meeting of the Radio member, but that is all. The vote against me was 15 to 6, with several members notably absent from the meeting. Some of those who supported me were actually in the building, but did not attend the meeting.

I demand a retraction of the implication that I support the P.R. policy. Indeed, it is not an explicit policy of the station. It is something that a person becomes aware of only after working at the station for a while.

Name withheld

Ed. note: This letter was written by a member of the GAZETTE staff from notes taken during a visit of the suspended Radio member. It is being printed instead of a retraction. Our attempts to contact the suspended member after his visit proved futile.

be permitted to pre-register or register. Pre-registration can take place any time after April 9. The week of April 9 to April 13 will be the first formal pre-registration period. During this week advisors will be available in the departments to approve programmes from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily.

Approval to pre-register may be granted at any time after April 9. There will, however, be three other periods in the spring and summer during which every department will have advisors formally available to approve programmes of study and entry into classes. The first of these will be the week from April 23 to April 27. For two days during that period representatives from all departments will be concentrated in one central place for consultation with students. The other two periods of formal pre-registration will be from July 3 to July 6, and from September 4 to September 6.

Returning students are urged to plan their programmes, have them approved, and pre-register in their approved courses during the spring term, or at the latest during the summer. Students new to Dalhousie will be informed of the procedures for pre-registration and of the times at which faculty are formally available to offer advice and give approval for pre-registration. They should be encouraged to plan their programmes, have them approved and pre-register during the summer. Pre-registration will not be permitted for two days preceding the registration period.

During the first two days (Monday, September 10 and Tuesday, September 11), of that registration week in September, new students will receive counselling and be given approval to enter courses. Returning students will begin registration and payment of fees on Wednesday, September 12. The period September 10 to 11 will be set aside for those students new to Dalhousie who were unable to come to Halifax during the summer for counselling and pre-registration.

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