

Financial decision may come on arena by October

By GARY CAMERON

UNB's proposed multi-purpose arena could potentially hold 4500 people, with approximately 300 in the bleachers and 1500 in seating on the ice area.

Development Officer Eric Garland, in a talk to the Students Representative Council Monday night, said there may be a financial decision made by October. But

"nothing can happen until at least next summer," he said, since money for the complex must be found, working details approved by users and drawings and specifications drawn up even before tenders could be called.

The complex, to be situated north of the Teachers College playing field, is a large enclosed area with a official ice service in the middle of one side. At two ends

and one side there are fixed bleachers that will have a seating capacity of 3000.

Since the building is a compromise in order to accommodate different purposes, acoustics will not be good. A speaker system can be constructed to give people good sound reproduction with a stage and the U-shaped seating.

However, the university can also use it for such things as exams, rock concerts and graduation.

To sell the centre it must be of some use to the city, since some of the major costs will be operations and upkeep. "If the city needs it we will try and fit it into our schedule.

but the arena is mainly for university use," said Garland.

The arena, which would have the largest indoor capacity in the city of Fredericton, may be lost to such things as varsity basketball and hockey games above the varsity level.

Campus co-ordinator Gallotti

to contact clubs and organizations

By RON STEWART

Last spring competition was open for the position of SRC Co-ordinator. Chris Gallotti succeeded in attaining the job and is now serving the campus as co-ordinator.

Gallotti says his chief duty is to inform the students at UNB of the various events and ensure that scheduled activities do not conflict.

For example, Engineering Week and Fall Festival were slated for the same time. That problem has been solved by arranging to have Fall Festival after Engineering Week which is Nov. 5 - Nov. 12.

When asked about advertising for activities, Co-ordinator Gallotti stated, "I plan to use CHSR, the Rap Room, bulletin boards and perhaps a page in the Brunswickian."

He urged all clubs and organizations to be in contact with him in order to prevent any major difficulties in timing. Also, priorities on scheduling will be on a first come, first serve basis. "The earlier the better," says Gallotti about planning events and making reservations.

Gallotti went on to say that students should never be left wondering what is going on when. Tables of events will be constantly advertised at every opportunity.

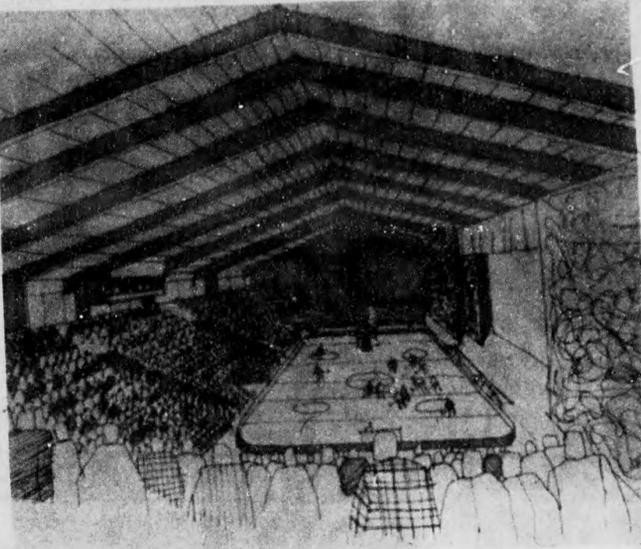
The selection of Gallotti as SRC Co-ordinator fills a vacancy left standing for some time. Because of this, there really is "no precedent" in how the job is to be done adds the new Co-ordinator. So the results of this year's scheduling will be a guideline for further ventures into co-ordinating campus events.

The main problem is money. "I don't know how much it's going to cost - it's only a conceptual plan," said Garland. "We're trying to find the money to build it...there seems to be some support from the City of Fredericton, the University of New Brunswick and private donors."

The idea for the multi-purpose arena is not new - "its been in the works for the last couple of years but nothing has ever been put on paper before this."

The conceptual plan was first introduced at last weeks senate meeting, where there was some back lash from people alleging that the idea "had just fallen from the sky."

The arena will primarily fill the need for more ice time which Garland feels could not be realistically achieved through expansion of the present facilities.



These are the preliminary plans for UNB's new 5,000 seat arena. If the proposal is approved construction could be completed within the next few years. A financial decision on the matter could come as early as next month, officials say.

Housing project progresses

By JOHN LUNSDEN

On recommendation from a housing study a year ago, chaired by Professor Patterson, a proposal an apartment-style on campus housing is being readied. It is a three phase project, each phase consisting of a cluster of five buildings. Only the first phase is being considered now. The proposed site is the wooded area just off Montgomery St.

Each building consists of ten units. Each unit is flexible enough to accommodate a married couple and child, or four single students. Married and singles will not be mixed in one building. Each unit has 585 square feet, not counting the balcony. The space and quality are well above minimum standards, and Professor Garland doubts they would be equalled on a commercial scale. In the basement of each building will be a games room, laundry and storage sites. The buildings are built as split-level types to accommodate the slope of the hill. A minimum disturbance of the area surround-

ing the buildings is planned to conserve landscaping costs, and preserve the natural beauty of the wooded sites.

After receiving approval from the housing committee, they will approach the CMHC for financing and funds. Prof Garland's personal assessment is that he "is sure the CHMC will give our proposal serious consideration". Dependent on funds available, and building costs, rents will be approximately \$160 to \$195 a month.

If all goes well, the project should be ready by next fall. It is hoped this will relieve some of the pressure caused by competition for housing by the medical staff coming in next fall, who can doubtless afford the prices better than students.

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