

Questionable limitations

Only 12 students will sit on York's 300-member Faculty Council. The students have not been invited to sit on judicial committees dealing with Applications and Memorials, Examinations Board, Minor Research Grants, Nominating, and Executive.

A brief prepared by Larry Englander, York student council academic commissioner states further that "students cannot be present during the judicial decisions of the Committees on Examinations and Academic Standards, and Scholarships and other Awards."

The offer of membership was accepted by YSC but president John Adams has registered the objections "that the underlying restrictions on student membership and participation is full of questionable assumptions."

YSC accepted the offer on the basis of the importance of the decisions this body makes affecting the careers of students and faculty members.

The 12 positions will be filled by a YSC-sponsored election to be held Oct. 9, with the provision that each undergraduate college must have at least one representative. Any student with standing in his previous year of study is eligible.

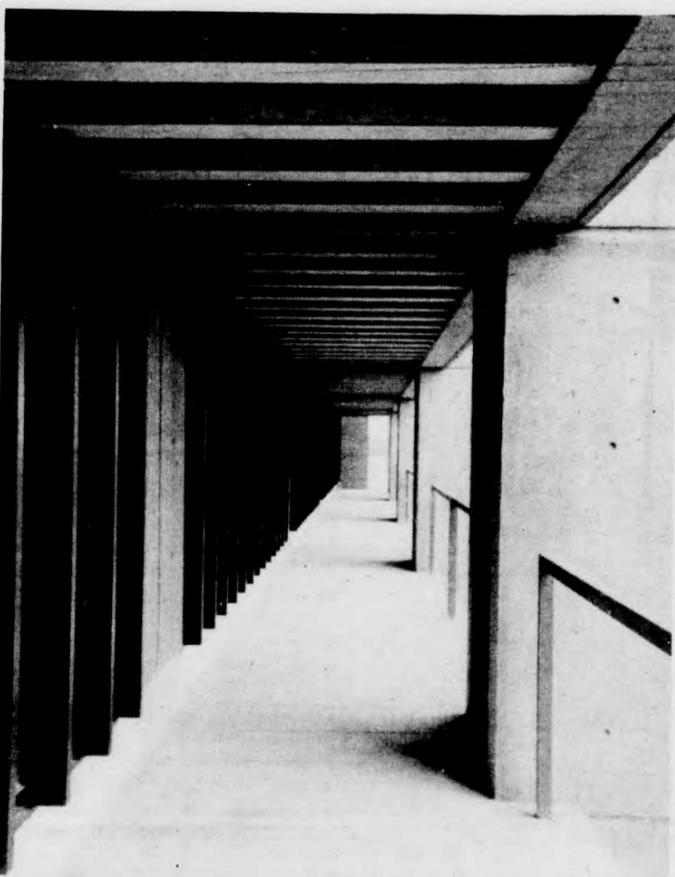
Englander also pointed out in his brief the weakness of an argument which has allegedly been used to defend a limiting of student participation on Faculty Council. The argument contends that it would be unwise to place students in judgement on their fellow students. The contention may sound reasonable until one realizes that in a democratic society, the right of free trial before one's peers is a jealously guarded freedom.

Englander concedes that perhaps the Faculty Council is fearful of divulging confidential material such as psychiatric reports to people who have been elected and bear obligations of informing an electorate.

This argument is one which can only be answered, as it is answered by Englander, by a faith in the good sense of any student who is capable of winning his responsibility.

The electorate is composed of all undergraduate students. Nominations are being accepted till

Friday Oct. 4 at the YSC office, Room A11 in the temporary office building.



In retrospection from the Humanities Building, the York perspective looks pretty empty.

by David Henry.

York's football team will play its home opener Friday, Oct. 4, at 3 p.m. on the field in front of Vanier College.

The team currently sporting an 0-2 win-loss record takes on the tough Scarborough College squad, also a rookie team.

A crowd of close to 1,000 is expected to catch their first glimpse of the York red and white in action.

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Faculty appointed to board students still not considered

Students have been ignored in a Senate decision to appoint two faculty members to the Board of Governors, the highest decision-making body in the university.

The Senate was asked by the Board to consider faculty appointments last spring.

The Senate decided upon a complicated selection procedure whereby the Senate elects four faculty senators, of which two will be accepted by the Board.

The two new members will sit for a four-year term.

The decision to appoint faculty to the Board was made nearly a year ago by the Board executive, and offered through the Senate to the faculty, who had shown no interest in membership up to that time.

The decision to appoint faculty members without appointing students was criticized by student senator David King (IV);

"Students should be on the Board — it makes decisions concerning this university, so students should be consulted in a more direct manner, through membership."

Board of Governors Chairman W.P. Scott said the Board has not discussed the appointment of any students to the Board, and

said there is no study being made by Student-Senate-Board committees at this time regarding students as governors.

Scott refused to comment on why the faculty was granted Board membership at this time, and refused to comment further on why students have not been considered for membership on the Board.

York Student Council president John Adams commented that the faculty Board members as they are to be selected will be, in effect, "Nigger Kings".

He was referring to the widely publicized Student as Nigger article which compares the administration - student relationship to that of master over slave.

"There's no way students will be appointed to the Board under the same principle of selection. It's undemocratic," Adams said.

York President Murray Ross told Excalibur the faculty had exerted no pressure on the Senate or Board for Board membership prior to the Board's offer.

At present, there are at least 23 members on the Board of Governors, which is the highest decision-making body in the university.

York plan, to aid downtown students

by Valerie Grant

ABC means A Better Chance. It means a better chance for underprivileged highschoolers to find themselves.

It means a better chance for teenagers to talk about problems — personal and world-wide.

ABC is the York Student Coun-

cil's program to give disillusioned or disinterested teenagers new academic incentive.

ABC will be a program of seminars, tutorials, recreation and outings.

Marshall Green, co-ordinator of the program says, "ABC is open to any high school student

who is bugged by his parents or his school system and doesn't know where he is going and wants someone to talk to about it."

The administration is expected to back the YSC in this endeavour.

The Toronto Board of Education and a number of professors have already endorsed the project.

Green describes ABC as a cooperative effort. For the project to be a success, YSC needs the full support of the student body. Administrative, tutorial and seminar helpers are required.

ABC means a better chance for York students to do something about their community instead of just talking about it.

Extensive advertising in the newspapers and on radio will hopefully provide a nucleus of highschoolers to start the program.

YSC is presently awaiting confirmation for the use of classrooms, recreational facilities and buses.

The program will take place several evenings a week and on alternate weekends.

Recreational facilities such as the pool and the Tait McKenzie Building will be used for weekend activities along with proposed outings up north and around the city.

All those interested in becoming part of ABC should phone the YSC office at 635-2515 or (after 5 p.m.) Gerry Blair at 633-7614.



Why wait for spring, do it now — what to do now that the winter works program is defunct.

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