

Students Want Say In Decision Making

Victoria (CUP)--The University of Victoria's students' council recently adopted its report on student participation in the university's government.

The report, which documents the rational behind student participation in the senate, the board of governors and the faculty and senate-appointed committees, will be presented to university president Malcolm Taylor.

Council says it hopes Dr. Taylor will accept the report and act on its recommendations as soon as possible.

'Fundamentally, the report defines what we feel should be the relationship between the student and the university?' said council president Stephen Bigsby.

'By admitting the students their legislative rights on decision-making bodies of the university, it will be possible for students to contribute to the evolution of the university,' he said.

CALGARY (CUP)--University of Calgary students have won representation on the general faculty council, the body which controls the university's operation and has final say in student affairs.

The 44-member council voted Thursday to give students three seats on the policy-making body.

The students will be represented by the students' union president and two students at large who will be appointed by the general faculty council upon recommendation by the students' council. Council president Roger Timms says he believes this makes U of C the first university in Canada to gain student representation on the university's decision-making body.

The U of C general faculty council is similar in function to the academic senate at most Canadian universities.

STUDENTS, FACULTY GAIN REPRESENTATION AT MONTREAL U.

Montreal (CUP)--A revised version of the University of Montreal's charter contains a proposal to include students and professors in the university's board of governors and senate.

The new charter, which will go before the Legislative Assembly for approval, will permit two students to sit on the board of governors, said associate vice-rector Paul Lacoste.

The two students, who must hold the equivalent of a BA Honors degree, 'will be appointed after consultation with student representatives', said Mr. Lacoste.

Professors will be officially associated with the university for the first time through their five seats on the board.

Other board members will be appointed by the provincial government, the archbishop of Montreal and U of M graduates.

In addition, a 70-member senate, including deans, professors and students, will be created to nominate the rector and approve major decisions.

The new charter will transform the university into a democratic and secular public institution with a decentralized administration, said rector Roger Gaudry.

It's Happening

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

Seminar on 'PROBLEMS of SURVEY RESEARCH and AGGREGATE DATA ANALYSIS', Dr. Jean J. Fortier, Colloquium Room, Lecture Hall, York Campus, 3:00 p.m.

ATKINSON COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE PARTY, swimming, skating, dancing and refreshments, Proctor Field House, Glendon Campus, 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

THE FOURTH ANNUAL ELECTRICAL CLUB RALLY, Convocation Hall, U. of T. to Meaford, Ont., Registration: 7:30 a.m., Fees: \$3.00 per car, \$1.00 extra per team of three cars, Information: Steve Rolland, 244-9346; George Vonas, 924-5574

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

Glendon Film Society presents 'BLACK ORPHEUS' by Camus, York Hall, Glendon, Room 204, 8:15 p.m.

Every Sunday at York, THE BRIG and a Laurel & Hardy short film 'THE MUSIC BOX', Burton Auditorium, York Campus, 8:30 p.m. Tickets: \$1.50 (Faculty and Staff: \$1.25, Students: \$0.75)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Philosophy Club meeting, discussion 'PERSONAL IDENTITY' by Alan Orenstein, Vanier Social & Debates Room, York Campus, 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

FORMAL, Ellis McClintock, King Edward Sheraton, 9:00-1:00, \$6.00 couple, Tickets may be obtained at Council offices or from social reps.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

York Science Society presents Dr. M. Cohen, COMPUTER & QUANTUM MECHANICS, Vanier Social & Debates Room, 7:30 p.m.

School will become a Faculty of York, effective in the fall of 1968. A model of the new building was on display at York's Glendon Campus.

The new \$4.7 million building will be called for tender early this year. To be the largest law school in Canada and one of the largest in North America, the new building has been designed by the architects of the Metropolitan Toronto Court House, Marani, Rounthwaite & Dick, to take into consideration anticipated requirements for the next twenty years. It is to be completed in time for occupancy in the fall of 1968.

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replied that under his proposed system each college has a major say, and representation, in both its own affairs, and in university-wide matters.

Jim Macdonald emphasized that 'close linking of the S.R.C. to the college councils will lead to disaster. A complete, clean division of the councils' powers, or complete subservience of one to the other, is necessary.' Glendon College, he added, wishes to remain as nothing more than a non-voting member of the S.R.C. at this campus.

Vanier President, Al Kaplan, questioned Glendon's specially privileged position, with separate representation to the administration, and apparent unwillingness to share their greater experience in student affairs with the York Campus councils. Mr. Moon continued in this line by asking why Vanier should not get special privileges too, if Glendon could. Mr. Macdonald explained that because of Glendon's isolation from York Campus, both geographically and in course curriculum, Glendon had to deal with major student administration matters or else it would be left to handle nothing but dances and culture, and eventually die from lack of major issues to unite students.

Professor Brookes, a Vanier Council member from the faculty, suggested the councils show their open-mindedness and sound out real student opinion in a novel way. He proposed that mass

meetings be held, with a college council and all its students simply telling the Administration 'sorry, no classes from noon till 2:00 p.m., we are busy dealing with student affairs today.'

Founders College then announced that it had reconsidered its proposal, and was now supporting the present form of S.R.C. with a clarification of powers and funds. Only social, cultural and educational matters of the individual colleges should pertain to their respective councils.

A vote taken showed 13 of 17 persons present did favour retention of the present S.R.C., with delineation of powers.

After further discussion, it was agreed that a committee be set up to consider correct implementation of the now-accepted S.R.C., and these powers:

- external affairs, including a reference-information department available to all colleges
- student-administration communication
- university publications, particularly EXCALIBUR
- campus-wide clubs and social affairs, possibly run by a Red and White Society, composed of college representatives.

The committee will be composed of two members from each York Campus council, plus the editor-in-chief of EXCALIBUR, Ron Graham, and appointed chairman, and is to report its recommendations to each council by February 28th.

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This system would engender a greater sense of responsibility and break down the feelings we all have of being alienated from the governing process. We would all be there with our yeas and nays, feeling more like a community participating in a grass-roots democracy, instead of being served by elected representatives who meet 'in camera'.

Members of any governing body, from Pearson's 'Adventures in Government' nursery in Ottawa, to the Tea Committee of the Rosedale Ladies Lawn Bowling Club, are faced with the problem of weighing the importance of their own personal motives and opinions against that of the interests of their constituents. At some levels the numbers to be governed prohibit anything but government by elected representatives. But surely, at the college level in this uni-

versity (and isn't this why we have a college system?) numbers are sufficiently small to allow government to be really of, for and by the people.

Yours sincerely,
Ian Brookes (Vanier College)

VANIER ELECTION RESULTS

Forty-five percent of possible college votes elected the following students to the new Vanier College Council:

Sue Brown Larry Rapoport
Leslie Gardner Richard Sand
Elaine Gryfe Jacque Tilford
Glenn Murray Barry Wood

The faculty elected to the new Council, by acclamation, are: Prof. Ian Brookes & Prof. Donald Summerhayes.

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OSGOODE BUILDING FOR '68

York University and the Law Society of Upper Canada this week revealed plans for the new Osgoode Hall Law School to be erected on York Campus. Under an agreement signed between the two bodies, Osgoode Hall Law

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