

speaks out about the facts of life



"Citizen" Brent Kane: head of a ship in troubled airwaves.

photo by Rob Schmidt

campus radio stations. The non-students are usually connected to the U of A, though not necessarily. For example, Myer Horowitz does a show on Friday mornings and our football broadcaster is a U of A Law grad.

Where do you fit into this mosaic? I came from commercial radio in Vancouver. I was dissatisfied with the commercial radio philosophy. And I'm more comfortable in cam-

pus radio — the people are more interesting.

I think when the position of station manager came open, internal politics of the past made them look outside the station for a replacement. I have the experience in fundraising and they probably liked that too.

What's the fallout of the power struggle you were involved in at CJSR in the fall?

I decided I wanted to be a populist

instead of a dictator. I think I'm listening better now.

But are you still pursuing the goal of four minutes of ads per hour on-air?

Yes, but remember it's just an ideal. Not all shows can artistically tolerate four minutes of interruption every hour. What we're doing is a fine balancing act between making money and keeping listeners happy.

In Saskatchewan, SU votes to eliminate CHSK campus radio

SASKATOON (CUP) — Campus radio at the University of Saskatchewan became campus history in November.

Members of the U of S Students' Union council voted to "cease all efforts and activities related to the establishment of the USSU-owned radio station."

The 22 to 6 vote on Nov. 13 followed emotional debate both on council and across campus.

One USSU executive member said two separate surveys showed students did not consider the campus radio station, CHSK, important.

Kevin Doherty said a group of U of S Commerce marketing students found students' priorities in terms of USSU funding and space were "from highest to lowest, campus legal aid, reading lounge, offices for clubs, campus chaplains, Grad students association, radio station."

The other survey, by a private company, came to similar conclusions.

"There's a lot of groups out there that need our help," said former president Ian Wagner.

He said other concerns have been neglected because the USSU executive "have been spending all their time on the radio station."

But FM Broadcasting Club members argued moving CHSR onto the FM waves would be eco-

nomically feasible and would fill a community need.

"Ninety-five per cent of the music that is released into the buying market — classical, folk, rock, jazz, everything — does not make it to the airwaves," said James Pollack.

"This is what we mean by musical variety, tapping into this non-mainstream element of music," he said.

Although the formal debate on changing CHSK's format began only one week before the final decision, the real debate has raged since the university shut down the 19-year-old university-owned station in November 1984.

Citing financial reasons, the station went off the air Sept. 30, 1985, when its CRTC license expired.

The USSU began looking into the feasibility of financing its own radio station soon after the university decision.

In April 1985, 57 per cent of students who voted on a referendum said yes to a \$5 annual levy to support the station.

When no space could be found for the station, the USSU decided not to collect the levy in 1986-87.

The rejection of CHSK's FM bid came just weeks after students at the University of Manitoba voted against turning its campus radio into an FM station.

Attention Gateway Staffers

The Constitution Committee will hear proposals from staff on Thursday, January 15, 3:00 p.m., in the Gateway office.

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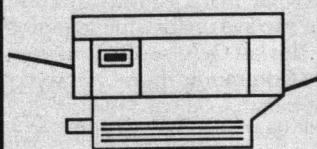
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