

# Students' groups lose bid on SUB store

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The lease on the Smoke Shoppe expired on July 31st of this year. Two student organizations, the Student Union and the Business Administration Society bid against the owner of the Smoke Shoppe for the lease.

Eric Semple, President of the Business Society termed the Student Union proposal as "horribly inadequate." After some consideration, the Business Society decided to bid on the lease.

Larry Fox, then President of the SRC, suggested a dividend payback system similar to that of a co-op. Semple saw this feature and many others as inequitable.

The student run store, it was predicted by Semple, "would have become impracticable

and inevitably strung to be used as a political weapon." In addition, Semple and the University administration saw the Student Union as an organization, at that point, far from capable in succeeding judging from their track record.

Therefore, the Business Society, hoping to confront Mr. Belding, the owner of the store, with a bid offering some semblance of a challenge, proceeded to write up their proposal without informing the Administration, said Semple.

UNB Vice President Administration, James O'Sullivan, wrote to Fox inviting the Student Union to offer a student bid. He provided Fox with guidelines by which to write up an outline of proposals. These guidelines were also followed by Semple.

Semple stresses the fact that

faculty members, with extensive backgrounds in business administration would have acted as watchdogs and Alumni would also have been appointed. This was a feature of the Society's written proposal.

The proposal was highly structured, thoroughly reasonable and wholly professional according to some members of the business faculty.

Some features of the bid include: operation on an average gross profit of 20% (the average gross profit on sales for variety stores is 32%); supply through Co-Op Atlantic, ensuring the lowest prices possible; one full-time manager approved by the University; identity as a limited, non-profit company with a Charter from the New Brunswick government; all profits reinvested into University, with 50% pre-

assigned to a general scholarship fund, and the rest for philanthropic endeavors; and financial statements published in *The Brunswickan*.

The Administration Faculty approved the bid and looked forward to making use of a "live laboratory situation." Real world experience for cost accounting and marketing classes would have been provided by the venture.

The Business Administration Society was turned down in favor of Belding's proposal. Semple said that this was predictable considering the Administration knew the Student Union was not capable of running the operation before the proposal was received. He added that the Administration felt the Business Society's proposal was unexpected and un-called for.

## Planned parenthood funding cut

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Health and Welfare Canada has cut, by 12.5%, funding for the Planned Parenthood Federation of Canada.

There was also a 75% cut for the Canadian Council on Fertility Research, and a 12% increase for Serena, an organization which promotes the natural rhythm method of birth control.

According to the PFFC, the

ministry's move is a way to "discriminate in favor of one form of birth control above all other methods." While they have nothing against natural birth control, the PFFC believes that artificial birth control and sex education are also vitally important in the prevention of unwanted pregnancies.

There, according to the PFFC, is a need for birth control, whether natural or not.

In 1983, there were 40,000

teenage pregnancies in Canada. About 15,000 of these ended in abortion.

The local branch of Planned Parenthood is not funded by the national Federation. Even so, Joanne MacBride (executive director of the local branch) feels that the budget cut is a problem. The national Federation helps keep individual branches in touch with one another. It also lobbies on the national level.

She also said that the Council on Fertility Research did not qualify for Health and Welfare money; for funding purposes, research is not considered as a service.

Planned Parenthood Fredericton receives income from a number of sources. Donations come from individuals and through the United Way. Money also comes in from its infant car-seat rental service, contact work it does for the provincial Dept. of Health, and fees for other services it provides.

The purpose of Planned Parenthood is to prevent unwanted pregnancy. Information on birth-control methods, education and counselling are the means of doing this.

Abortion is not considered as a method of birth control by the PFFC.

Planned Parenthood finds general support in the community, and they try to reciprocate by reaching out in the form of workshops. In October alone, 8 workshops — in subjects such as parent-child communications and sexual values — have been held. Planned Parenthood also has a lending library covering a range of topics.

Anyone wishing more information on birth control, or on Planned Parenthood's other services, should call 454-6333.

## Graduate Student Notes

by ACHILLES KARAGIOS

The new executive of the Graduate Student Association was elected October 9, 1985.

Major efforts will be made to establish a better bond among the Graduate Student population.

The executive has already made decisions in formulating committees such as the Travel Grant Committee, the Graduate Student Union Committee, the Constitution Committee, and the Graduate Student Association Office Committee.

Office space is one of the priority subjects on the agenda of this executive. Several solution paths are currently being examined.

You will be informed of the progress made in the above matters through the Brunswickan and newsletters throughout the year.

Every member of the Graduate Student Association is urged to attend the Graduate Student Council meetings.

Several social events, such as wine and cheese parties and Multicultural Food Nights will be organized during the year. Nonalcoholic beverages will be served.

The introduction of guest speakers will be considered as a viable source of education and recreation. Athletic participation in future scheduled events depends on your participation and your requests.

Travel grant applications can be obtained through the Graduate School Office or from the Secretary at our Association.

Requests for information should be mailed to the GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION, GRADUATE SCHOOL OFFICE, U.N.B. FREDERICTON

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