

# Correspondence

From page 8.

Glendon College Student Union."

That very statement seems to indicate just what kind of people we are dealing with, as even a cursory reading of the C.Y.S.F. Election Rules indicates Glendon has no authority to cancel B.O.G. elections. In my initial conversations with Ms. Watson, she informed me Glendon College had its own C.R.O. and would handle all the balloting for B.O.G. on the Glendon campus. Appreciating that this would alleviate my duties to a great extent, I consented.

The progressions from that discussion indicate to me that it is Glendon who should shoulder the burden for any lack of polling station. On the day the poll was to be set up, Ms. Watson phoned the C.Y.S.F. office, and in an infuriated tone complained that nobody had appeared to establish a polling station. Appreciating that this was a major deviation from our original agreement, I confronted her with this. Much to my dismay, Ms. Watson disavowed any knowledge of such a statement.

In light of the recent fiasco on the Glendon campus with their own elections, they should think twice before pointing accusing fingers elsewhere. A polling station was set up on Friday, March 20. It was through my efforts that this was done, and thus presented Glendon students with their opportunity to cast ballots for the B.O.G. elections.

**Robert Steadman**  
Chief Returning Officer  
Council of the York  
Student Federation

## BOG race protested

This letter is being written to you to formally protest the handling of the Board of Governors election. It is the C.Y.S.F.'s responsibility to run the B.O.G. elections and to give all students a chance to vote. The G.C.S.U. feels that this was not done and therefore the elections should be declared invalid for the

following reasons:

- Because, for the first time I know of, the C.Y.S.F. elections were not held at the same time as the G.C.S.U./A.E.C.G. elections, the B.O.G. candidates were not given the chance to speak at our all-candidates meeting and therefore the students were not given a proper chance to consider the three candidates for the position of B.O.G.

- While there was only one day allotted for Glendon students to vote for B.O.G. there was no polling station set up until after 1:00 p.m. after over 200 Glendon students had voted.

- Due to the confusion the polling station was not set up at all on Wednesday, as the CRO decided to hold the election on Friday.

- The advertising was very poor to say the least for the voting on Friday, and the fact that three-quarters of our students are not here on Friday, was ignored.

- Over 500 Glendon students voted in the G.C.S.U. elections and to deny them their fair right to vote for B.O.G. at the same time is unconstitutional.

We therefore request that the B.O.G. elections be declared invalid, and that another election be held either within the next two weeks, or that a by-election be held in the fall.

We also request the resignation of yourself as C.R.O. since it has been proven to us that you could not run an election properly, or according to the Elections Act of the C.Y.S.F.

I am very sorry that this kind of problem arose, but it is such a major violation of Glendon students' right as York University students.

**Dorothy Watson**  
President  
G.C.S.U./A.E.C.G.

## Boyd dismissal dismaying

On Tuesday, March 2 a group of 26 students met to discuss ways of presenting to the University their concern and dismay over the dismissal of Professor Terry Boyd

(Lecturer in the Humanities and Director of the Advising Centre).

A representative body of seven was chosen to co-ordinate and to promulgate our consternation. Professor Boyd is an exceptionally rare and gifted teacher whose commitment to his students and his dedication to the University makes him an invaluable member of the York community.

As students concerned about the quality of our education were perturbed that the Dean of Arts (Professor H. Kaplan) is willing to sacrifice such an outstanding teacher as Professor Boyd for ambiguous reasons. Dean Kaplan's insistence that the firing of Terry Boyd was merely financial does not meet the facts. The facts being an increase in the Provincial grant of 10.1 per cent, an increase in tuition fees of 13 per cent and an increase in student enrolment.

We paying students demand the right to top quality education and Professor Boyd is a paradigm of excellence whose commitment to teaching and learning is beyond reproach.

We hope that this letter will be taken in good faith by Dean Kaplan and the University as the expression of anguished students who wish to voice their tribulations and their expectations to high quality education at York.

Not only does the dismissal of Professor Boyd deprive us of this but it also impinges a negative reflection upon York University as an institution committed to intellectual excellence and top quality education for its students. We, therefore, beseech Dean Kaplan to rescind his decision in the interest of the University and its students. We also entreat all those interested in supporting Professor Boyd to contact us through the *Excalibur*.

**John Elias**  
**John Mahaffy**  
**Diane Brown**  
**Lee Danes**  
**Dary Berger**  
**Norm Kunc**  
**Geri DasGupta**

## Steadman's Reply to Monastyrskij's Reply to Gardner

Once again, *Excalibur* has displayed they do not know what constitutes news coverage. In the March 19, 1981 issue, Mr. Michael Monastyrskij submitted a letter in reply to Mr. Keith Gardner, a member of my council. In that letter Mr. Monastyrskij accuses Mr. Gardner of either being "less than informed or less than honest."

I find these accusations highly peculiar when Mr. Monastyrskij erroneously reports later in the same letter that McLaughlin College Student Council "wrote a letter to the C.Y.S.F. in which they described Tory education cutbacks as good fiscal policy." I personally wrote and presented that letter to the C.Y.S.F. While the letter contained many different sections, not one of them ever applauded cutbacks as being beneficial or appropriate.

Mr. Monastyrskij concludes his letter by stating "all that happens at a council meeting isn't news." Perhaps a derivation of this would be appropriate for Mr. Monastyrskij: All that is reported in *Excalibur* is not news. In fact, some of it does not even resemble reality.

**Bob Steadman**  
President  
McLaughlin College  
Student Council

## Thanks Excal

The 1980-81 season has been one of the most successful for York's Interuniversity athletic teams. Please accept my thanks for the excellent coverage which was in keeping with our student-athletes' performances. I am especially appreciative of the fine work done by Rose Crawford and Jules Xavier. Well done!

**Frank Cosentino**  
Chairman and Director  
Department of Physical  
Education and Athletics

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# Cops storm Mac sit-in

## Hamilton (CUP)

A sit-in of eleven McMaster sociology students ended March 19 when 40 Hamilton police officers stormed the offices they were occupying.

The students were protesting the lack of representation they have on the sociology department's planning committee.

Only twenty minutes before police raided the sixth floor of the occupied arts building, university president Alvin Lee assured student representatives there would be no police involvement without warning. Student union president Alex Dashko said this did not occur and was disturbed that

such "strong action was taken to end a peaceful occupation."

Student left peacefully when the police arrived and there were no arrests made.

The short-lived sit-in was brought to a head when students were denied their forty per cent representation on the sociology department committee which decides items such as promotion and tenuring of professors. The representation was guaranteed in a department constitution in 1974.

Attempts at mediation by the student union ombudsman and the campus chaplain failed to resolve the issue.

However in January the

sociology chair, Willam Shaffir declared the constitution was unworkable and a vote taken among sociology professors resulted in a 11 to 10 decision against student representation.

Shaffir said students were not capable of making decisions about the promotion and hiring of faculty members. Dashko says this is not a good argument because it is students who have the day to day contact with professors and know their strengths and weaknesses.

The sociology department now says they want to start with a clean slate by eliminating the constitution and sitting down with students over the summer to draft a new

one. According to Dashko, this is an acceptable compromise for the students.

## Monty: lack of continuity

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To Montgomery, and many of his predecessors as CYSF president, York needs a central student government. "The colleges just don't know enough about what is going on."

He equates Greg Gaudet's election victory last week with a feeling of *deja vu*.

"I see him faced with the same sort of problems that faced me," said Montgomery. "When Keith (Smockum, former CYSF president) left office, most of the staff left with him. There was no continuity." The same, he says, has happened to Gaudet.

"We won't be able to tell if the change in CYSF will help until this time next year," he says, adding about former CYSF administrations, "there will always be things that I'm sure we'll never know about."

## SCUTTY

