

## Reports require action and revision, respectively

Two reports on student services that have kept this campus waiting for months will soon see the light of day. If accepted, both will alter this campus to a great degree.

At the health centre, implementation of the committee's recommendations will lead to a full-time Doctor for UNB - something we have supported for almost a year and a half. Other medical personnel are also recommended. We assume that the budget for this operation will now be somewhere in the neighbourhood of \$100,000 (similar operations across the country use approximately this much money.) The fact that no additional fee levies are recommended for the new service is to the committee's credit.

Frankly, we're quite satisfied with it. The committee has done its work, and done it well - though not near as quickly as we had hoped. The administration should now move swiftly on the matter. We have waited many months for this report to be released - and soon our hopes will be realized.

But the war isn't over yet. Just the battle. As yet, we have had no concrete evidence that the administration is interested in spending this extra money for increased student benefits. Some indication as to how the administration fees should be forthcoming shortly, if the bureaucrats in the Old Arts Building are concerned about this campus and its students, their acceptance will be almost automatic. Further hesitation will be very bad indeed.

The other report that will soon be unveiled is that of the sub-committee on parking. Recommendations there are that those of us with cars pay for our parking space - a realistic and understandable approach, esp-

pecially for those of us who don't have cars.

While we note that the recommendations of the sub-committee are by no means final (there is another committee and the Senate to go through before it sees the light) we have several objections to the recommendations, and we'd like to note them now - not later.

Highest on our list is the sub-committee's choice of priorities. Briefly, it says priority should be given first to faculty. Then post graduate students with teaching assistantships. Then comes Joe Student.

It seems to us that faculty, post graduate students, and students generally often use the same building. Sounds reasonable doesn't it? Segregating the parking areas makes about as much sense as having separate faculty and student washrooms.

We can see no reason for giving faculty preference. Granted, they work here. But damn it so do we. If we weren't here, they certainly wouldn't be. This is not to say that students should be getting the best spots.

By no means.

One man's car is as good as another's. It might sound ridiculous to be arguing about the segregation of cars - but that really isn't the issue. What we don't understand is this: why should anyone faculty, student, staff, or otherwise - be given preference over any of the others. Open the lots to all. And when they're full, whoever is left over will just have to park elsewhere.

Also, we fail to see why parking on the university's various streets should be prohibited. Spaces by the bank, bookstore, the Physics building, and McConnell Hall are already taken. If these are to be taken away, where are the cars to go? They certainly can't be expected

to park in the already over-crowded lots. That's a problem the parking committee should be out to correct, not create.

Neither does the report recommend new parking lots. Instead, it says, use the

out-of-the-way lots that presently lie bare. But that doesn't make any sense either.

In total, the parking sub-committee has too many recommendations that we feel are wrong and unfair. Revision is required.



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