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Council and Dean of Students to lobby on parking

By SUSAN MANZER

Methods of relieving the parking problems on campus was one of the main topics studied at the UNB Student Representative Council meeting Monday night.

SRC President Roy Neale described the student parking situation at UNB as leaving a great deal to be desired. He told Council that he attended a meeting concerning the problem with interested members of the Senate, student governor Mike Richard, members of the SRC executive, chairman of the parking committee, Professor Fiander, and director of academic planning and campus development, Eric Garland, and Dean of Students, Dr. Frank Wilson, who both served on the committee.

Neale said that one of the "main issues put down was to try to eradicate the hypocrisy of the first year students not being allowed to drive or park their cars on campus. This is an unfair situation that I am particularly keen on seeing justified.

"The meeting, although no definite changes were made, was not a waste of time. The general parking policy itself has to go to Senate and we are very serious about trying to get open parking implemented. We will be watching the proceedings with particular interest. At the meeting we stated what we wanted and now we must work toward getting it."

Neale added it has not been common knowledge among students that there was a problem. Seeing the lots in color on a pamphlet gives a better overall view of the situation and shows what the committee had to deal with. There has been a "great demand by faculty but students are more willing to run the risk of getting a ticket rather than offering some input."

He said he has received many calls and letters concerning the issue; the last time such response was received was during the Amchitka bombings in 1971. "So you can see how upset students really are."

After lengthy discussion on the subject, Council passed a number of resolutions:

Be it resolved that the SRC request the university to waive any restriction against first year students in regards to motor vehicle operation and regulations, if it has not been already done.

Be it resolved that the SRC request the administration, Senate and Board to investigate and develop new parking lots on campus where feasible.

Be it resolved that the appeals section (of the parking code) be amended to read: 1. Appeals against traffic or parking violations must be made within 72 hours with the Student Disciplinary Council from the time the violation ticket was issued. 2. Student appeals to be made by mail to the SDC chairman and dealt with at the next SDC meeting. Cars should be towed away for the following reasons: For repeated offences which have been upheld by the SDC determined by the SDC upon

recommendation of the security and traffic section; for cars parked in a place or manner which would involve considerable risk to motorists or pedestrians; for cars parked in such a manner as to obstruct access for fire, maintenance or pedestrian traffic.

Be it resolved that section H actions resulting from student violations be referred to the SDC that the A,B,C, clauses and towing fine be considered maximum penalties and that all fines be assessed by the SDC.

Be it resolved that the SRC recommend to the administration,

Senate and Board that parking on UNB go to an open parking system as soon as possible. This last motion was suggested as an interim step and the problem should be solved with added parking lots.

Be it resolved that the SRC disapprove of fees for parking on campus and request that this provision be discontinued immediately.

Neale also complained that "there are more green spaces (faculty parking illustrated on the parking pamphlet) than grass right now." A typical student

complaint lies in the fact that most faculty parking is situated next to the buildings on campus.

Chris Franklin, sole student representative on the parking committee, stated the group worked with the only feasible remedies available and that all possible resolutions were taken into consideration.

Rick Fisher said, "I was astounded by the people on the committee." He felt they were biased against students for the faculty. "Chris is very conscientious but that is not enough

representation. There certainly was a lack of input."

Council also discussed the possibility that a strong voice on the situation might not be enough to get desired results. Stronger actions such as ripping up traffic tickets en masse, blocking faculty cars in the lots and blocking off all entrances to the university so no one can park, as alternatives, were examined. However, Council felt that only in time of drastic need should these be implemented. Constructive lobbying for the time being was the general consensus.

Murray House residents form safety demands

By NORMA SEILING

"Was it really an act of God?" This question and many more are being asked by the residents of Murray House after the incident last week when the ceiling fell on Mary Philpott.

This prompted the residents to form a list of demands to ensure the safety of the house. These were presented to Dean Kidd November 2nd and the house members met to discuss the petition with her the following Tuesday.

The residents of Murray House asked that a building inspector, Fire Marshall and electrician, not connected with the university, be contacted to assess the condition of the ceiling, exposed wires and the fire escape.

They had been previously informed that a period of at least a year could elapse before the ceilings could be fixed by services. However, this and other rumors were quickly dispelled by Dean Kidd.

A preliminary inspection has now been done by services and those ceilings which look suspicious will be subject to closer investigation. However, if the girls wish to contact an outside expert they must finance this themselves.

One house member asked if Miss Philpott's room had been inspected before it had been painted, and Dean Kidd was quite sure it had been, blaming the collapse on water seepage.

This summer another ceiling on the first floor collapsed and this was attributed to the spring flood. Miss Philpott's room is on the second floor.

The house members were quite concerned with the personal

Parking registration

deadline Nov. 14

The deadline for registration of cars for parking on campus is November 14, according to Security Chief Charles Williamson.

Although the regulations are being enforced now, said Williamson, very strict enforcement of the regulations will begin on November 15.

liability problem and were informed that the university is responsible only if negligence can be proved and apparently this is quite difficult to do in a court of law.

Dean Kidd informed the residents that the fire marshal had inspected Murray House and Maggie Jean and was satisfied with the condition of both. It was explained that the wood fire escape would actually be better than a metal one, in the event of a fire, because it does not absorb the heat. The reason that it ends 10 feet short of the ground is to prevent intruders from wandering up to the top floors in the middle of the night.

The fire marshal was also satisfied with the condition of the wiring, stating that under condition exposed wiring is acceptable.

Some students at Murray House are still somewhat skeptical even though the house has been given the stamp of approval.

As one girl was told by the painters, somewhat jokingly, on examining the roof over her bed, "You just might not wake up one morning, on the other hand, it could last nine years." Despite this off-hand reassurance people still continue to look upward as they walk around Murray House.



Some students living at Murray House are beginning to fear for their safety.

Edwards to be UNB vice-president?

By EDISON STEWART
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Another member of the Ottawa civil service may be making ready to become a senior member of the UNB administration, The Brunswickan has learned.

Donald Edwards, Director General of Policy, Planning and Evaluation with the federal Department of the Environment has been offered the positions of UNB vice president administration.

Edwards' nomination was made Monday at an afternoon meeting of the vp search committee. President Anderson, who also came from the Dept. of the Environment, is chairman of that committee.

Edwards stressed in a telephone interview he hasn't decided whether or not to accept the offer. He

said he had received a verbal offer Monday, but as of Wednesday the written offer still hadn't arrived in Ottawa.

He wouldn't comment on the offer, except to say he will likely make his decision sometime next week. "I may be a little premature to presume that I'm vice-president," he said. "It would be wise to wait and see."

Edwards said he was interested in the vp's position for a number of reasons. Chief among them, he said, was the fact that "it's something different. It looked like a very interesting sort of job."

Edwards, 46, is married and has two children. He was born in Kingston Ontario, and has spent the last three years with the federal government. He assumed his present position in June.