

# Editor "irresponsible"

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an opportunity to defend his position and said that the VCC violated 14 sections of the Vanier constitution, including the stipulation that an editor can only be removed for financial mismanagement, unless removal is recommended by the *Vandoo's* board of publications, which has not met once this year.

Downes said that this part of the constitution "is something we are going to have to change."

"In my opinion, council must take action on other matters regarding the paper," he said.

"I take full responsibility for the board not being formed," said Downes. "*Existere* (Vanier's literary publication) was running very well. Unfortunately, the *Vandoo* got neglected," he said.

"I think if a good board had been in place this probably never would have happened."

Gavin Lumsden, chair of the board, said he handled all board matters — such as finance and policy — on his own.

"Aside from the fact there was no board, everything was running efficiently," he said.

Lumsden also said that the firing

resulted from "more than just the two articles."

"In many areas Darryl did a good job. He put the paper back together," he said, "but he used extremely bad judgement at times."

"It came across as if he used to titillate himself by doing something provocative and waiting for the reaction. As he progressed he became more irresponsible," Lumsden said.

Wiggers said he is leaving the matter in Vanier Master Mary Sue McCarthy's hands.

McCarthy said Wiggers' dismissal will be "reconsidered" on Monday by council because it was unconstitutional. She said Wiggers was "definitely" irresponsible.

"But that doesn't mean he was a bad editor," she said. "He just went a little too far."

She added that she would like to see him back for one more issue, but she does not think council will want that. McCarthy also said that Wiggers did many things that were sarcastic, and made people angry at him.

"I could have vetoed the decision but I chose not to because the council had strong feelings and strong reasons for the dismissal," she said.

"I like students to work things out for themselves."

## Excalibur elects new editor

By EXCALIBUR STAFF

Excalibur has elected its new editor-in-chief.

Nancy Phillips, who has been with Excalibur for two years as a news writer and news editor, was elected in a unanimous vote at last Thursday's staff elections. She will begin her one-year term in May.

"I am very excited, especially because Excalibur is taking a new direction next year with bigger issues," said Phillips.

The 24-year-old sociology/mass communication major promises

more analysis stories, more features, and more coverage of York events. She plans to continue current favourites like Yorkdex and Question Engine.

The departing editor, Adam Kardash, said, "I am confident that Nancy will be a responsible and dedicated editor. She did a fantastic job this year as one of our news editors."

"It's great to have another broad on board," said Excalibur business manager Merle Menzies. "I didn't know they made woman editors anymore."

# YORKDEX

Percentage dropout rate for York undergraduates in 1987-88: 4

Percentage dropout rate for York undergraduates who received OSAP in 1987-88: 7.9

Amount York spent on telephone and data equipment in 1987-88: \$1,901,069

Percentage of full-time professors in the Faculty of Education that are female: 51.9

Percentage of full-time faculty at Osgoode that are female: 13.3

Overall percentage of full-time faculty at York that are female: 22.4

Student/faculty ratio in the Faculty of Environmental Studies: 8-1

Student/faculty ratio in the Faculty of Arts: 16.5-1

Student/faculty ratio at Osgoode: 18.5-1

Percentage of teaching space utilized Tuesdays at 3 p.m. on the York campus: 99

Percentage of teaching spaces utilized Fridays at 4 p.m.: 3

Percentage of York students who believe that Blue Jay farmhand Alexis Infante is the new leader of Paraguay: 27

Hours until major league baseball's opening day, as of 1 p.m. Thursday: 432

Odds that Princeton will win the NCAA basketball tournament: 1,000,000,000-1

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## Arthurs disappoints YUFA

By KAREN SUGAR

The York University Faculty Association (YUFA) is "disappointed" that President Arthurs has not taken a stand against the condominium development to be built adjacent to Glendon.

YUFA Chair Michael Copeland urged Arthurs to take a stand against the Chedington Condominium Development in a March 7 newsletter. He stated that "I find it surprising that the university has taken no public position on this matter. Why has the university been invisible and inaudible?"

YUFA is protesting against the Chedington Development along with the Bayview-Lawrence Environmental Association (BLEPA), a coalition of students and ratepayers. BLEPA President John Sullivan says his group's main concern is the visual impact of the project.

"Ecologically the development is also bad for the area because of the destruction of trees," said Sullivan.

Copeland's concern is that "the condominium complex is intruding on parkland and will cause increased traffic congestion in the area."

BLEPA received \$7,000 after Glendon students voted them at \$5 per course levy for the next three years. Additional donations of \$3,900 have come from YUFA and from individuals, including faculty, staff and local ratepayers.

According to Arthurs, the university's legal advisors say there is no possibility of stopping the development. He added, "we've intervened [at the municipal board] to make sure those opposed to the development get a careful hearing." Arthurs also says the administration will keep a close eye on the project to ensure that Glendon will in no way

be hurt by it.

However, Copeland believes the university has failed, "to attempt to get the development more acceptable to Glendon community."

He said it is, "likely the development can be modified at the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) hearings."

The first OMB hearing, which was on March 6, only lasted for three days and another hearing is scheduled for March 28.

Ian McDonald, a faculty member at Glendon disagrees with Arthurs that the development cannot be stopped, because the hearings are not over. McDonald said, "The outcome is not yet certain" and he is, "cautiously optimistic."

When Glendon campus was formed, neighbours were opposed to its construction and took a similar stand as the one BLEPA's supporters are now taking.



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