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CP Executive condone questionable expenditures

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From January 1 to March 31, 1984, the former Campus Police executive authorized the expenditure of \$1,598.00 for CP parties.

Doug Burgess, Vice-President Finances, expressed concern over the CP's 10% administration fee (charges over and above their hourly rate) being used to subsidise CP parties. He feels that had the money been allocated "properly" the present CP executive would not have had to approach the Student Union for \$1,000.00 to cover the cost of new jackets.

Greg Dickie, the present chief of the Campus Police told the *Brunswickan* that the 10% administration fee is "technically to buy new equipment, office supplies, etc., but, because of the usual delay in receiving payment from the organizations we service it is used to meet payrolls." Dickie said that as an example November's administration fees went to meet the payroll for December.

Dickie also pointed out that the residences do not usually delay paying their bills but that the university and the Fredericton Express are generally late. According to Dickie the delay is due to their having to send the bill to Quebec for payment.

Since Dickie's administration took office in September only \$294.00 has been spent on parties for the staff. Dickie admitted that "This cost is absorbed by the CP administration fees from preceding months. The executive feel these parties are necessary for the members so that they can blow off steam and party, rather than always working and handling disputes that occur when other students are party-

ing" Another CP spokes person stated that the assertions made by Burgess that they handed out free beer at their parties is untrue.

Dickie assured the *Brunswickan* that "We'll only have one more party this year. It will be held when there is a transfer of power from the old to new executive in late February or early March."

When asked if he thought that \$1,000.00 a year was a reasonable amount to spend on CP parties Dickie replied "Yes, when I look at other organizations and see how they spend theirs. We only received \$50.00 from the Student Union this year for our budget. Other

groups receive much more and squander it."

"We took out two contingency loans totally approximately \$3,500.00 in the fall and this money was borrowed to meet our first payroll. We begin with \$50.00 in our bank account in September. The loan is still outstanding and will not be paid until our accounts receivable are obtained; this should be in April."

Dickie added that "Currently our bank balance is approximately \$4200.00 and our accounts receivable total roughly \$3,500.00 to \$4,000.00. We will probably not get

\$1,200.00 of our accounts receivable. That is owed to us by the CSL and one of the assistant chiefs was told by a CSL spokes person that they did not have the money; "sue us if you want to." They weren't even prepared to give us \$200.00 of the \$1,200.00."

When the *Brunswickan* spoke with Steven McGill he said that Stephen Clarke and Jim Fleming were those who had access to the books and allocated the funds. Jim Fleming is the former Chief of Campus Police. Barb Whitenect takes care of the books now and Greg Dickie also has access to the books.

McGill thinks that "\$1,800.00 is too much to spend on parties." and assured the *Brunswickan* that neither one of us (himself and Greg Dickie) knew how much had been spent, nor did we have access to the books."

Dickie, comparing the CP's to other campus groups, said "ours is a working organization. We raise our own money and at the same time provide the campus with a valuable service."

According to another CP spokes person the present CP administration has spent only a fraction of the amount expended by the previous executive.

Student protest encouraged by VP's

By OLIVER KONCZ

One week ago, the UNB Board of Governors issued a press release stating their intention to assume a number of the previous SUB Board's responsibilities. Amongst these are signing of leases and contracts for the building, acting as employer for SUB staff, and providing for the building's annual operating budget. To protest this action, VP Academic Bennet and VP Administration Long are encouraging students to take their \$10 Third Century Fund rebate.

All students had to make a \$10 donation to the Third Century Fund along with their \$30 Student Union fees. This donation is refundable to those who do not wish to donate.

The Student has gone on record asking for a return of the SUB to student control, and further asking that a lease to the building be granted to the UNB and STU student unions. The Board of Governors has elected to administer

the SUB itself. They promise that in a year they will review the situation and if students prove that they can run the SUB, they will give it back. But, says VP Long, their proposal removes the possibility of proving ourselves capable.

The committee that presented this report (including Larry Fox) did not ask for submissions from users, employees or tenants of the Building and tried to blame the past SUB Board as stated in

the press release. The report from Touche and Ross regarding the past SUB Board stated that they could not find any financial irregularities. Further, the Board was dissolved by Dr. Downey because the Student Union had gone

against "the spirit of the constitution" by appointing its leaders to the Board. Dr.

Downey appointed Larry Fox to the Trustees and a new Board.

The committee states that since the Directors of the old SUB Board were personally

liable for any actions (due to the fact that the SUB Board was not incorporated) the old Board should not be

reestablished. According to Bennett and Long, the old Board tried to incorporate three times and each time the Board of Governors rejected the application.

Administration takes over SUB

By LOIS CORBETT
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The UNB Student Representative Council narrowly rejected a report that had the administration of the university assume control of the Student Union Building.

Council voted 12 in favour, and 8 opposed to a motion that condemns the report of the committee struck and chaired

by university president James Downey, and refuse to appoint UNB student representatives to a new advisory board for the building and ask SRC president Larry Fox to decline from sitting on the same board as an ex-officio member.

The report of the committee, "New Administrative Structure for the SUB", was accepted unanimously by last Friday's meeting of the university Board of Governors.

The document calls for the administration to assume the responsibility for signing leases and contracts for the SUB, provide for the building's operation in its annual budget, and be employer of all staff, including SUB Director, Kim Norris.

These had formally been duties performed by a student dominated board of directors.

Both Fox, and the student union president of St. Thomas, Mary Laslo, sat on the committee that released the report. Fox voted against Monday's SRC motion, claiming the building was not lost to student input because of the provision for an advisory board.

The committee recommended that a new SUB Board be established to advise the director of the SUB on policy and administration of the building.

The board was to be comprised of four UNB students, four St. Thomas students, and two BOG representatives.

Although the committee was struck at a BOG meeting in late November, the report released on Friday says there was not enough time to collect written student input concerning the SUB. The committee had the time, however, to collect written student input concerning the SUB. The committee had the time, at other Canadian universities, including Dalhousie, Carleton, McGill, Memorial, Mount Allison and Queen's

Laslo and Fox were the only student members of the committee which included Dwoney, the chair of the SUB Trustees, John Webster, a Fredericton lawyer Richard Scott, and a city businessman, Sam Rield.

The St. Thomas SRC chose to table the discussion of the committee's report until next week's Tuesday night meeting.

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