

York wins TTC late-night service

By NANCY PHILLIPS

York has won a sixth month trial of late-night TTC service with the help of North York Mayor Mel Lastman.

Presentations by Lastman and York representatives at the commissioners meeting on Tuesday convinced the TTC to extend late-night service.

Current service on campus ends with the Keele 41D bus at 2:40 a.m. Council of York Student Federation (CYSF) Vice-President Joe Zammit said this route is not adequate as it goes to Lansdowne station which is nearly an hour ride from York.

The TTC will decide in two weeks which of two possible routes will be extended. It was proposed at the meeting that either the York University 106 bus, originating at Wilson Station, be extended from 12:45 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. or that the Steeles 60 bus be added to the Blue Night Network.

Gerry Broiely of the TTC's Planning Department said that increasing night service on campus is not necessary, as existing routes "satisfy current demand." He said ridership counts show that late-night service at York is only lightly used. He added all that is necessary is for the "TTC and York to promote the existing services."

Lastman, Zammit, and York University Faculty Association (YUFA) representative Professor Gerda Wekerle - among others - disagreed. Lastman pointed out to the commissioners that 80 per cent of the students who live in residence rely on the TTC.

He said that "students are asking for something very, very reasonable." Lastman said that students can't go off campus at night unless they have a car, as "they can't use the TTC to come back late at night . . . Without late-night service, students end up stranded at Finch Station with no way home."

Lastman added that it "makes no sense for a bus to leave from Lansdowne when the two main stations serving the campus are Wilson and Finch."

Zammit said existing service is not heavily used because people know it is inadequate. "People don't go downtown anymore because they know they can't get back home," he said. Zammit is convinced that participation at York dances and other events will increase with better bus service, as people will be sure that they can get home.

Wekerle pointed out that over half of York's students are female, and that walking alone on campus at night can be dangerous. She said that by not having adequate TTC service "we are putting them at risk."

When Chairperson of Metro Toronto Council Dennis Flynn suggested that York run its own shuttle service to Finch Station, Wekerle explained that York is severely underfunded and could not afford it.

Zammit was thrilled with the TTC's promise of increased service. He said "I am ecstatic that after months of work the concerns of the students were finally met. I made a promise to the students to confront the issue and I did"



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"I KNOW IF I CONCENTRATE HARD ENOUGH I'LL SHATTER THE GLASS!"

York co-op housing project planned

By JAMES HOGGETT

A proposal for a \$15 million York co-operative housing project is presently being formulated by three campus unions.

The Harry Sherman Crow Housing Co-operative, named in honour of the former Atkinson College Dean, has involved the York University Faculty Association (YUFA), the York University Staff Association (YUSA), and the Canadian Union of Educational Workers (CUEW).

A draft of the proposal states that the cooperative will be located on the

north-east corner of campus and will consist of 32-1460 square foot townhouses. Also planned is an eight-storey apartment building containing 98 units ranging from 600 to 900 square feet.

The project has been included as a part of a special Provincial Government initiative in which 3,600 non-profit housing units will be built across Ontario. In addition, the Province is offering mortgage guarantees and some start-up funding.

The project has also received assistance from the Labour Council Development Foundation, an arm of the Metro Toronto Labour Coun-

cil that has experience in building cooperative housing projects.

YUSA and CUEW representative Andy Ranachan feels optimistic about this year's proposal's chances of acceptance but added "A lot of things still have to be worked out and we're not really sure at this point if the plan meets with the University's development plan."

In order to demonstrate that there is a demand for this type of on-campus housing, the cooperative Directors have distributed questionnaires to members of the three unions.

YUFA Chairperson Michael Cope-

land said that a cooperative housing project proposal was made a few years back but it was not accepted by York's Board of Governors (BOG).

"Part of the reason we failed is because there was no campus plan and the university felt uneasy about the project," Copeland explained. Copeland also stressed that York needed more money than a cooperative housing project could provide.

The project committee will take their proposal to the BOG sometime in December. If approved, construction could begin by the summer of 1989.

CYSF pays \$30,000 dues to OFS

By ADAM KARDASH

After withholding payment for almost three months, the CYSF has finally issued last year's \$30,000 membership fee to the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS).

The OFS is a lobby group, which the CYSF help found in 1972, that represents 250,000 post-secondary students in Ontario. After releasing a highly critical report about the organization, the CYSF voted to withdraw its membership last March. CYSF also claimed that no proof of their membership exists and subsequently refused to pay their \$30,000 annual fee.

"We recognized that we were members last year for nine months," CYSF President Tammy Hasselfeldt explained. "But in an effort of goodwill we issued the \$30,000 for a full twelve-month term."

Hoping to pressure the CYSF to remit its payment, the OFS launched a letter writing campaign during the summer. The CYSF was criticized by various College Councils and Campus newspapers across the province who stated, among other things, that CYSF had taken its hard-line stand in order to save \$30,000.

"Money was never the issue," Hasselfeldt explained. The issue was their (OFS) organization, or lack of it."

"All we were concerned about is that we were not being represented to the best of their ability . . . especially for the \$30,000 fee," added Joe Zammit, CYSF's Vice-President of External Relations.

OFS Chairperson Shelley Potter was pleasantly surprised by the CYSF's latest actions. "Getting the check was a shock," Potter said. "I was happy that they (CYSF) recognize their responsibility with respect to the fees. We're all really happy about the check."

With last year's account with the OFS now settled, the CYSF claim that they are no longer members of the lobby group. "It's a voluntary institution that we chose never to be

involved in again," Hasselfeldt said. "We know that legally we are not members . . . It will be futile for them to assume that we are."

Hasselfeldt added that Council will not directly participate in OFS activities and will return all OFS mailings sent to the CYSF offices.

Potter, however, disagrees, with CYSF's stand explaining that according to OFS by-laws a student referendum must be conducted before an official withdrawal takes place.

"They still haven't gone to the students," Potter explained. "The check to me is further recognition of their membership . . . I will be expecting their \$30,000 fee next year."

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