



HOW ABOUT THAT—FIW—Presumably it's not as painful as it looks but the frosh will hit campus this week for a whirlwind of activities. L to R: Sam Hanson, Stew McAllister, Bonnie Knowlton, and Greg Harries.

No vote for students until gov't action

By GLENN CHERITON

Voting students representation on the U of A Board of Governors awaits provincial action.

The students' union has accepted a B of G offer to seat two "student consultants" as an interim step toward the vote.

The 1966-revised Universities Act precludes voting students, but students' union president Marilyn Pilkington hopes the act will be changed in the coming session of the provincial legislature.

U of A representatives suggested the amendment to Education Minister Raymond Reiersen at an informal government university seminar June 12.

The meeting involved representatives from the government, and from the Senates, the General Faculty Councils and the students' unions of the three Alberta universities.

"We encountered no opposition to the idea of voting student representation," said Miss Pilkington, a delegate to the conference.

"The meeting recommended to the minister that the Universities Act should be amended to provide for student representation on the Board of Governors," she said.

Another workshop meeting dateless as yet, has been scheduled for the fall. Council is waiting to see if the government acts on the recommendation.

In June, after the first meeting, the U of A Board of Governors requested the students' union to send two students to sit as non-voting members on the board. At the June 24 council meeting the students' union accepted the board's offer.

Last year council rejected a motion to request seats on the B of G at their December 4 meeting.

"The students will be representative students rather than representative of students," said Pilkington. The student body will not directly elect the two students.

The student consultants will be the president of the students' union, currently Marilyn Pilkington, and another student selected from applications by a selection committee and approved by council.

The interim representative for the summer was vice-president David Leadbeater.

The selection committee consists of student councillors, graduate students selected by the Graduate Student Association, and students appointed by council. Miss Pilkington is a non-voting member on the committee.

Applications for the position will open next week, and should be given to students' union secretary Sandy Young.

The Board of Governors draws its members from the public at large, and the university administration and faculty. It decides matters of general policy rather than routine administration.

Students at the University of Toronto have rejected a similar offer of board seats on the grounds that it would be 'tokenism' and would divert their aim of a meaningful voice in the administration of the university. The U of A was criticized at the recent Canadian Union of Students conference and the World University Service conference for accepting the offer.

Treasure Van exterminated as WUS vows to go activist

Pilkington damns political involvement - - suggests re-examination of WUS aims

By George Russell
Special to The Gateway

World University Services in Canada has chopped away Share Week and Treasure Van—or at least vowed to chop them away—for the sake of The Revolution.

Delegates to the WUSC national assembly, held this year at The University of Alberta, voted 32 to 28 Thursday to remove the national charity programs from future WUSC plans.

"This is going to mean that in next couple of years the national secretariat will get quite a bit smaller," said WUSC general secretary David Hoye.

The process will take some time, as \$200,00 worth of Treasure Van inventory is still sitting on the WUSC books.

Abolition of the programs was only one of the points contained in a resolution sponsored by the universities of Montreal, Toronto, Western Ontario and York, which created an uproar in the assembly sessions and dragged initial plenary sessions four hours past their allotted time.

The resolution also calls for WUSC to take "public stands on matters of domestic and international political importance," and resolves that WUSC "act as a pressure group on the government and the community" to raise public concern over problems of domestic and international development.

First priority for WUSC, the motion added, should be to develop an "international political consciousness in the university community."

Removal of the charity programs, however, were the chief factor in an almost fifty-fifty split among the WUSC delegates, who were almost unanimous in expressing agreement with the three other major points of the proposal.

"The content of this motion is a direct descendant of our seminar," said Al Shapiro, a professor at York University.

"I don't expect this motion to pass," said Manuel Neira, a Columbian student who had argued for the resolution.

"This could be the beginning of a real revolution in the character of WUSC—but only a beginning."

Opposition to the resolution came largely from two areas, the Prairies and the Maritimes but no defections are expected from WUSC ranks.

The University of Alberta delegation, who also strenuously opposed the resolution, will also stay in WUSC.

"We can still work within the framework of WUS," said Sylvia Van Kirk of the Edmonton delegation. "Because of our local autonomy, the vote tonight could be almost irrelevant to our programs."

Edmonton WUS is considering continuing the Treasure Van and Share Week campaigns on its own.

U of A students' union president Marilyn Pilkington, said she disagreed with the WUSC decision to take political stands representing students and faculty across the country.

"Delegates to the WUS assembly are not elected," she said, "and are thus not representative."

"When they take stands purporting to

represent their campuses, they're misrepresenting themselves."

When interviewed before the motion passed the assembly, Pilkington said U of A should "look closely at the benefits of belonging to WUSC" if the resolution received WUSC approval.

300, 400's evaluated

SU Course Guide on sale of course

For one dollar and fifty cents, upperclass students can discover what many arts and science courses are all about.

The course guide, representing the opinions of students concerning their courses and instructors, is now available at the information booth in S.U.B.

Its purpose is "to produce a document of genuine service to the total university community," said editor David Leadbeater.

"Because the development of a large university of increasing size and complexity effectively militates against adequate student awareness of both the faculty and the academic endeavors of the university, great numbers of students are unable to plan their academic year with thoroughness and accuracy," he said.

The guide staff of 40, by using ideas from the course guides of the University of Washington, Carleton, and Professor Wilbert McKeachie, chairman of the dept. of psychology, University of Michigan, completed the guide in four months.

Questionnaires were distributed in April, 1968. The answer sheets were grouped and run through IBM machines.

"The statistical data forms the basis of the evaluations, indicating not only the results of the questionnaire's thirty questions, but also the validity of the many discursive comments," said Charles Lyall, grad studies.

"Reading the comments without understanding the statistics could be misleading," said Leadbeater.

Publication of the guide was subsidized by the students' union.