

## editorial

## Here's a service you can see

The University Athletic Board will be making a budget presentation to the Board of Governors within the next week.

The B of G will be presented with two budgets—one showing a maintenance budget, the second showing the amounts needed to cover an increased athletic programme in all three areas: intramurals, intersarsity and recreational athletics.

Since costs have risen anywhere from 10 to 20 per cent in the past year, the maintenance budget shows an average increase of 20 per cent in all areas. This allows for increased costs for areas in which the physical education faculty previously picked up the tab.

However, tight money this year has meant cutbacks on grants to recreation clubs and a mere maintenance budget would continue this.

Students presently pay an \$8 athletic fee, the lowest in Canada. In comparison, Waterloo and Carlton university students pay \$22 each, Queen's \$20, Calgary \$12; U of Toronto students pay \$20 for men's athletics alone, and at Ottawa students fork over \$25.

As well, all the above mentioned universities charge their students admission to intercollegiate events. U of A students are admitted free to all sport events with their ID cards.

The last UAB fee increase was in 1967 when the fee was raised from \$7 to \$8.

The B of G can take any one of five courses of action on this matter: 1) they can deny the request for more money; 2) they can agree to levy an outright increase to be paid by the students, raising total UAB fees to either \$14 or \$16 depending on which budget is used; 3) they can tell the UAB to take the request to the students in the form of a referendum; 4) they can okay the increase, with the university partially subsidizing the budget, leaving students with a smaller fee increase; or 5) they can leave it to the university to totally subsidize the deficit.

There is a complete UAB budget printed on these two pages, showing exactly where your \$8 fee went this year, but there are more facts to consider than show in the budget.

The UAB was constructed to promote university athletics, and to set policies and see that they are administered. (By the way, membership on the UAB is over half student representation.)

Although the faculty of physical education has nothing to do with the athletic programme, in the past it has donated personnel in the form of maintenance and coaching staff. All persons not hired by the faculty are paid salaries or a small honorarium by the UAB.

What this mean is that people like Clare Drake, Barry Mitchelson, Jim Donlevy, to name only three, are doing the coaching of our intercollegiate teams for essentially no financial returns. Many assistant coaches and coaches of junior varsity teams do the jobs for an honoraria.

This is really an incredible state of affairs considering that many of the coaching staff here could go to other universities for a substantial salary. Many have been asked to take over coaching duties in professional sport.

The faculty has also been paying the salaries of the maintenance and janitorial staff who work in the buildings after 5 p.m. and on weekends. This includes people like Ray Kelly, trainer for all intramurals teams, and whose services are available to intramurals. Ron Urness, who manages the ice arena, and the janitorial staff who do the cleaning up after all sport events that take place in the building.

The problem is, of necessity, the phys ed faculty priorities lie with academic matters. The faculty has faced a steadily increasing enrollment which has meant that more staff must be hired. This means they will no longer be able to support the staff needed by the UAB, which means the UAB is going to have to come up with the money to even maintain what they offer now.

The other aspect is that since the new phys ed building was opened two years ago to accommodate increasing enrollment, there has been no budget increase at all. The phys ed faculty has been trying to manage two buildings and the staff for both on the budget allotted for one.

What the lack of money would mean to you as students, and I don't mean just phys ed students—you all enjoy the facilities over there—is that the UAB would have to start cutting even more corners. This means that the minor sports would be edged out. It's not likely that the intramural programme would be cut, but there would be less money available for equipment and supplies (and those of you who participate in i-m's know how bad it is right now).

The "Big Three" teams, basketball, football and hockey, would not necessarily have to face drastic cuts, but there would be major inconveniences, cutbacks in essential supplies, primarily. These teams are already being told to watch their consumption of certain supplies.

The biggest loss would be that of the so-called minor sports. Yes, our "Big Three" teams do feed the pros, but it is the minor teams—gymnastics, swimming, wrestling, track and field, to mention a few, who supply athletes who compete for the U of A and for Canada in international competition.

Right now we have at least ten athletes of olympic calibre working with our minor teams. Last year we sent several U of A athletes to compete for Canada in the Munich Olympics. It would be a great disservice to all involved, directly and indirectly, to stand by and see these programmes threatened.

Now, it could be that this whole thing won't get any further than the Board of Governors. But if they should ask the UAB to bring the matter to you, please think about what you get out of the athletic programme offered at the U of A right now, and think about what you stand to lose if they are forced to make cutbacks.

I've worked with the UAB people for two years now and I can tell you honestly that they are sincere, down-to-earth people. They're not politicians out to shaft you. If they didn't REALLY need this money, they wouldn't ask for it.

Allyn Cadogan

### UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC BOARD 1973-74 BUDGET

#### ESTIMATED REVENUE

Student Athletic Fees (18,000 @ \$8)	\$ 144,000.00
Basketball	3,700.00
Football	3,500.00
Hockey	5,000.00
Program Sales	800.00
Season Athletic Passes	7,500.00
Miscellaneous	2,000.00
Sports Camps	25,000.00
	\$191,500.00

#### EXPENSES

1. General	\$ 54,950.00
2. Badminton	480.00
3. Basketball	17,736.00
3a. J.V. Basketball	646.00
4. Booster Club	300.00
5. Cross Country	1,596.00
6. Curling	1,977.00
7. Fencing	2,391.00
8. Field Hockey	3,281.00
9. Football	18,493.00
10. Gymnastics	4,826.00
11. Hockey	14,205.00
11a. J.V. Hockey	1,600.00
12. Intramurals	24,416.00
13. Co-Recreational Program	907.00
14. Judo	2,134.00
15. Rugby	3,777.00
16. Skiing (Alpine)	1,358.00
17. Skiing (Nordic)	926.00
18. Soccer	4,752.00
18a. J.V. Soccer	406.00
19. Womens Speed Swimming	3,308.00
20. Men's Swimming	4,759.00
21. Women's Synchronized Swimming	665.00
22. Track and Field	9,399.00
23. Volleyball	6,050.00
23a. J.V. Volleyball	80.00
24. Water Polo	737.00
25. Wrestling	4,631.00
	\$ 190,786.00

SURPLUS 714.00

#### 1. GENERAL

Administration	\$ 8,000.00
Affiliation Fees	1,250.00
Awards	1,400.00
C.I.A.U. Meeting Expense	600.00
Cleaning and Laundry	300.00
Color Night	800.00
Consultation with High School Coaches	500.00
Contingencies	300.00
Equipment Repairs	200.00
Game Doctors	100.00
Handbook	200.00
Honoraria and Salaries	25,150.00
National Championship Fund	4,000.00
Pension Plan Fund	750.00
Publicity and Public Relations	5,400.00
Training Room Supplies	4,000.00
C.W.U.A.A. Meeting Expense	500.00
Historical Study	500.00
General Hosting Expenses	1,000.00
	\$54,950.00

#### 2. BADMINTON (Men's & Women's)

Travel: Lethbridge (C.W.U.A.A.)	\$ 395.00
Equipment	60.00
Affiliation Fees	25.00
	\$ 480.00

#### 3. BASKETBALL (Men's)

Travel:	
Vancouver	\$ 1,406.00
Victoria	1,507.00
Calgary (2)	1,092.00
Lethbridge	370.00
Saskatoon	664.00
Havre	1,713.00
Great Falls	1,687.00
	\$ 8,739.00

#### Equipment

Miscellaneous:	
Christmas Tournament	750.00
Game Officials (10 x \$60)	600.00
Game Operations	750.00
Ticket Printing	200.00
Affiliation Fees (A.A.B.A. Fees)	100.00
	\$ 2,499.00
	\$ 11,913.00

#### BASKETBALL (Women's)

Travel:	
Calgary	\$ 485.00
Victoria	1,468.00
Vancouver	1,348.00
Lethbridge	620.00
Calgary	485.00
Saskatoon	612.00
	\$ 5,018.00

#### Equipment

Miscellaneous:	
Game Officials	300.00
	\$ 5,823.00

#### 3a. J.V. BASKETBALL (Men's)

Miscellaneous:	
Game Officials (4 x \$30)	\$ 120.00
Operations (4 x \$10)	40.00
A.A.B.A. Fees	86.00
Edmonton City League	400.00
	\$ 646.00

#### 4. BOOSTER CLUB (Men's)

Equipment:	
Uniforms (10 @ \$10 ea.)	\$ 100.00

Miscellaneous:	
Band	200.00
	\$ 300.00

#### 5. CROSS COUNTRY (Men's)

Travel:	
Saskatoon	\$ 333.00
Red Deer	160.00
Calgary	307.00
Calgary (C.W.U.A.A.)	298.00
	\$ 1,098.00

#### Equipment

Miscellaneous:	
Entry Fees	156.00
	100.00
	\$ 1,354.00

#### CROSS COUNTRY (Women's)

Travel:	
Red Deer	\$ 48.00
Calgary (C.W.U.A.A.)	194.00
	\$ 242.00

#### 6. CURLING (Men's)

Travel:	
Victoria (C.W.U.A.A.)	\$ 722.00
Equipment	95.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
	\$ 1,017.00

#### CURLING (Women's)

Travel:	
Victoria	\$ 722.00
Equipment	38.00
Miscellaneous:	
Ice Rentals	160.00
Entry Fees	20.00
Affiliation Fees	20.00
	\$ 200.00
	\$ 960.00

#### 7. FENCING (Men's & Women's)

Travel:	
Winnipeg	\$ 1,502.00
Saskatoon	463.00
	\$ 1,965.00

#### Equipment

	426.00
	\$ 2,391.00

#### 8. FIELD HOCKEY (Women's)

Travel:	
Calgary	\$ 427.00
Victoria	1,742.00
Saskatoon	452.00
	\$ 2,621.00

#### Equipment

	615.00
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#### Miscellaneous:

Entry Fees	45.00
	\$ 3,281.00

#### 9. FOOTBALL

Travel:	
Calgary	\$ 805.00
Vancouver	3,640.00
Winnipeg	4,669.00
Saskatoon	1,275.00
Exhibition	300.00
	\$ 10,689.00

#### Equipment

	3,704.00
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#### Miscellaneous:

Referees' Fees	\$ 1,100.00
Game Films	800.00
Ticket Printing	250.00
Pre-Season Training Camp	750.00
Game Operations	800.00
Field Maintenance	400.00
	\$ 4,100.00

#### Equipment

	\$ 18,493.00
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#### 10. GYMNASTICS (Men's)

Travel:	
Calgary	\$ 216.00
Vancouver-Victoria	998.00
Vancouver (C.W.U.A.A.)	941.00
	\$ 2,155.00

#### Equipment

Miscellaneous:	
Entry Fees	\$ 40.00
Affiliation Fees	63.00
	\$ 103.00

#### Equipment

	\$ 2,708.00
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#### GYMNASTICS (Women's)

Travel:	
U.B.C./Oregon	\$ 945.00
Victoria	946.00
Calgary	99.00
	1,990.00

#### Equipment

	98.00
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#### Miscellaneous:

Entry Fees	30.00
	\$ 2,118.00

#### 11. HOCKEY

Travel: Saskatoon	\$ 484.00
Vancouver	2,056.00
Calgary	445.00
Saskatoon	668.00
Calgary	625.00
Vancouver	2,151.00
Winnipeg	1,000.00
	\$ 7,429.00

#### Equipment

	4,726.00
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#### Miscellaneous:

Referees' Fees	1,100.00
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