

Residence fee increases listed

The board of governors approved Tuesday increases in residence fees for the coming academic year. The Board was meeting on the Saint John campus. Room and board rates on the Fredericton campus were increased at Tuesday's meeting as follows: single to \$2,115 from \$1,935 (9.3 per cent); double to \$1,965 from \$1,785 (10.1 per cent); multiple to \$1,915 from \$1,735 (10.4 per cent); and special to \$2,165 from \$2,035 (6.4 per cent).

Room rates for UNB's off-campus residences in Fredericton, the Maggie Jean Chestnut and Murray Houses, were increased as follows: single to \$1,160 from \$1,100 (5.5 per cent); double to \$1,000 from \$950 (5.3 per cent); and multiple to \$950 from \$900 (5.6 per cent).

Magee House apartment rents were increased by approximately 7.5 per cent with effect from expiry of present leases.

In raising residence fees for 1980-81 the Board was acting on recommendations submitted to it by the UNB Fredericton Residence Budget Committee and the Fredericton Campus Budget Committee. Even with the increased rates, a deficit of about \$350,000 on residence operations is forecast for the next fiscal year.

A decision on tuition fees will be made at a future meeting planned for late April.

Jones house broke rules?

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On Friday, March 7, Jones House held an "Open Pub" which is not permitted this year.

In a memo sent to the Jones House Committee and the Don of Jones House, dated March 11, Dean of Men's Residences J. Robert Smith said "it appears that the following infraction of provincial university and residence regulations occurred:

1. No license was obtained from the N.B. Liquor Licensing Board;
2. The Campus Police were not notified;
3. Signs were posted at various locations on campus advertising "Davy Jones Locker and using the expression "Open";

Thorbourne not talking

SRC President Perry Thorbourne refused to be interviewed for this week's Brunswickan. He would not comment on the referendum issue, but said he would make a statement

Monday concerning his role as president and the president's role in the student union.

Collins, Kay, Sutherland elected

Elected to the senate Wednesday were Michael Collins, a third-year English student who was elected with 256 votes, while David Kay, a third year science student came in second with 235 votes. Paul Sutherland, a fourth year English student placed third with 191 votes.

The other candidates were Ken Johnston (arts fourth year) who got 174 votes, and Richard Pringle (science fourth-year) with 168 votes. Approximately 341 students voted in the Wednesday elections.

The senate elections were held again because of a lot of small problems from the last senate election which resulted in larger ones. During the last election the pollworkers did not let graduating students vote for the senate seats because no distinction was made between the graduating students and the grad students. Apparently the past chief returning officer, Chris Earl, did not brief the pollworkers well enough on who was eligible to vote. As well, on election day, some pollworkers did not bother to show up to their assigned stations.

4. The pub apparently operated past the 1:30 a.m. deadline;

On the night of the "illegal" pub, there was a CHSR disco in the SUB and a Neville House pub in the Memorial Alumni Building, both of which were licensed. Smith said in the memo "one of the intents of the regulations...is to ensure that legally-run pubs are not adversely affected by a number of illegal operations."

Dean Smith said that for the moment he has decided to suspend the privilege of Jones House to have socials for the remainder of the year in a university residence building, and will take further action when he has collected more details.

The social chairman of Jones House, Robert Edgett, admitted

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Two acclaimed

Diane Maxwell and Kim Oakes, both second-year business education students, have been acclaimed as education reps to the SRC.

A vacant law seat received no nominations. However, Chief Returning Officer Kenneth Cuthbertson said he will ask the law society to appoint a representative to sit on the council.

James Downey: UNB's 13th or 14th president?

James Downey, the unanimous choice of the Senate and Board of Governors for next president of UNB will join a select group when he begins his term of office August 1. In the almost 200 years of UNB's history, only a handful of men have held the position of president of the institution.

Exactly how many there have been, however, is open to question. The University of New Brunswick, officially incorporated in 1860, has had 10 men hold the office in addition to four who were designated 'acting president': Joseph Hea (1860-1861), William Brydone Jack (1861-1885), Thomas Harrison (1885-1906), C.C. Jones - known as first Chancellor and later as President - (1906-1940), Norman MacKenzie (1940-1944), Milton Gregg (1944-1947), A.F. Barid (Acting President, 1948-1948), A.W. Trueman (1948-1953), C.W. Argue (Acting President, July/August, 1953), Colin B. Mackay (1953-1969), James O.Dineen (1970-1972), Desmond Pacey (Acting President, 1972), John Anderson (1973-1979), and Thomas Condon (Acting President, 1979-1980).

As Kings College, Fredericton, the direct ancestor of UNB, the institution had three men, who by virtue of their church offices, held the post of president. Archdeacon George Best, Archdeacon George Coster and Archbishop John Medley.

However, the man who held the responsibilities of the office we now refer to as the president was the vice-president and principal of Kings College, Edwin Jacob. His term matched that of the college's existence, 1829-1859. Previous to its incorporation as Kings, this university was known as the College of New Brunswick (CNB). Chartered in 1800 the CNB appointed James Somerville as its president in 1820. He served from that year until the official opening of Kings on January 1, 1829.

In case you haven't been counting, that makes 12 presidents and four acting presidents. There is, however, another man that must be mentioned, for the CNB did not spring out of nothing in 1800. It, too, evolved from two earlier institutions, the Academy or Collegiate School and an unchartered College of New Brunswick. Both institutions existed contemporaneously and both were headed by the same man - James Bisset.

Bisset's appointment as principal preceptor of the Academy and president of the CNB (unchartered) probably came in 1797. In that year the Bishop of Nova Scotia wrote, "Mr. Bisset was educated at our Seminary (Kings College, Windsor). He is modest, studious, and of an irreproachable moral character, a good classical scholar and of respectable abilities. His title came from Mr. Pidgeon and the trustees of the Academy at Fredericton. ...The Trustees finding it necessary to annex the duties of Indian Missionary to the appointment of their President...applied to me...Mr. Bisset was the person I recommended. I have good expectations of his usefulness."

James Bisset's appointment at Fredericton was confirmed by a draft charter of the college though he never received any official written notification. The original draft was drawn up in 1787, but along with other corrections added later, Bisset was designated "to be the first and present President of the said College, to hold and exercise the said Office and Place for so long Time, as he the said James Bisset shall well behave himself." Misbehaviour was later described as "evil government, inability, Neglect of Attendance of Duty, any infamous Crime, gross Immorality, or any other just and reasonable Cause...."

Whether Mr. Bisset committed any of these crimes is unknown. More likely, the CNB council simply couldn't afford to pay him an appropriate salary as president, for when the charter of 1800 was approved, it named Bisset as a trustee and "principal Preceptor of the Academy" but not as president. In 1802 he took up the parish of Mougerville in his capacity as an Anglican minister and retired from the Academy. Despite the fact that he became 'addicted to intemperance', he held his post as rector until his death in 1815.

Counting Bisset then, our president who never was quite a president, Dr. Downey is UNB's 14th president in almost 200 years. We welcome him.

"The University of New Brunswick has done me a great honor by confirming me as its next president.

"While I harbor no illusions that the job will be easy, I am confident from all I've seen and heard that there exists at UNB enough good will, determination, and imaginative energy to ride out the next difficult years. Not just that we may survive - mere survival is not an adequate goal for a university - but so that we may continue to build on the achievements and excellence of one of Canada's truly fine and truly essential universities!"

-James Downey