

No-shows stall food committee, apathy and councils to blame

The York University food services committee, a voluntary body of students, faculty and staff that acts as advisors on the operation of the university's food services, has as yet not conducted one meeting for the 75-76 year.

The committee was to meet on October 14 and on October 20, but both meetings were cancelled because of poor attendance.

"The turnout is shocking, considering the degree of publicity

concerning the alleged inadequacy of food services on campus," Peter Jarvis, chairman of the committee, said Monday. "The lack of interest seems to suggest that food is only a political issue," he added.

While Jarvis, student president Dale Ritch, and both the YUFA and Residence Committee representatives have attended both aborted meetings, among the representatives not present for either meeting was representatives from

Atkinson, Founders, Glendon, McLaughlin, Stong, Vanier, Winters, the Graduate Business Council, the Graduate Students Association, the Senior Common Room Board, and the Undergraduate Business Students Association.

"It may be that some councils move so slowly that they have not yet elected representatives to the committee that is to fight what is supposedly the biggest issue on campus," said Jarvis.

Jarvis admitted that the committee does not have the names of the individual representatives involved, and that in some instances no reps have as yet been appointed. Winters college appointed their representative, this Tuesday.

Among the items in the agenda awaiting the committee's first meeting is a plan to dump York's compulsory meal plan, scrip, and reducing the beverage overhead charge levied on college coffee shops by ancillary services from the present 20 per cent to 15 per cent.

Wage and price freeze "will put gears" to unions

OTTAWA (CUP) — Rick Deaton, spokesman for the Canadian Union of Public Employee (CUPE) which represents over 10,000 university staff employees, charged that the Federal government's 10 per cent wage freeze meant members of his union would "get the gears put to them" by the government. He said the "guidelines" would affect most institutions, and predicted that university administrators would welcome the restraints as a way of controlling costs.

Official CUPE policy on prices and incomes controls will be decided at a conference in Toronto this week.

The Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) pointed out that universities fall under provincial jurisdiction, and questioned whether the freeze would be made to apply to universities.

The Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC), the national organization of university administrators, have stated that while universities come under provincial jurisdiction, they don't come under provincial control.

AUCC response to the government action will be decided at a national conference to be held in Ottawa at the end of the month. AUCC spokeswoman Rosemary Cavan said that the AUCC "will likely make a statement independent of any provincial prompting".

Roof to get make-up

Physical Plant manager John Armour told Excalibur last week that the roof of the Fine Arts building needs 'cosmetic treatment'.

According to Armour, the paint has peeled in some areas on the roof, causing the underlying insulation to be exposed.

"We don't know why the paint has reacted this way" he said. "It's probably moody and just needs attention."

The architects of the building have expressed their concern over the matter.

Projec. manager A. Snell said that there is nothing wrong with the

paint, and that the chemical composition of the insulation is causing the paint to peel.

"We've never experienced this problem before," he said.

ULC meet

The United Left Coalition is holding a meeting tomorrow Oct. 24 at 2 P.M. in S170 Ross. Any students interested in involving themselves in the fight against racist immigration laws, for repeal of anti-abortion laws, for cheaper and better food, or for student, staff and faculty control of the university are invited to attend.



Anthony Caro's iron sculptures littered across a vacant field at the south-east corner of York, have often been the subjects of scorn. See story on page 12.

Coming Events

A three-week series called "The Secret Life of Plants" will be presented by York's newly formed Integrity Group. Guest speaker Grant Clarke has lectured throughout Canada on this and other topics relating to the theme of creative self-expression.

The series will be held on the next three Thursdays commencing today. The meetings are at 12 noon in 107 Stedman. For information about the Group contact Greg Martin at 661-1449.

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An organizational meeting of the Student Christian Movement will be held in the Atkinson College cafeteria on Tuesday, Oct. 28 at 6 p.m.

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It's a good time to sound out student interest in the formation of a York Geology Club. Potential activities include talks by guest speakers, field trips, earth science films, contact with government and industry personnel as potential future employers. Contact Ian Brookes in N417 Ross, or phone 667-2421 and leave a name and phone number.

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A Ukrainian club meeting will be held today at 4 p.m. in room 124 Central Square.

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