

Candidates talk shop

We got the three presidential candidates (at least the ones we felt like talking to) to sit around and yak at each other for 3 hours. Here's how they treat each other. How will they treat you?

Bev: I'd like to start by discussing our platforms and promises. We say in the platform that we've got plans and it's obvious that plans cost money. But our slate is so committed to the plans and we think they are realistic enough, that we're proposing the entire executive take eleven percent cut in salary. We have worked out the financial details of where that cut can go so that it will finance all our plans adequately. I'd like to get your comments and feedback on that.

Gateway: What plans are you going to finance with the money created by this pay cut?

Bev: For one thing, there is the typing service. There is need for capital expenditure...like a typewriter, the desks, whatnot. This cut gives us approximately \$6,000 to spend. Now, we figure about \$1,600 for the typing service. We've also talked about operating student aid clinics...something we feel students should realize they can get help with from the Students' Union. We've budgeted about \$1,000 for that publicity and printing the materials to explain things. Because God knows those forms are tough enough to wade through as they are right now. Also, there is the Office of the Advocate. We think there should be two people doing that and we are budgeting to pay for this one extra person. We have a contingency fund so that if things go wrong we've left over eight hundred dollars to carry over in case there is any problem and to take care of the publicity involved to take care of the services we hope to offer.

Mungo: Just to get this clarified, you're saying that the Students' Union executive will take an eleven percent pay cut.

Bev: Yes, we're saying that our plans are so good and so important that we're willing to take the eleven percent pay cut to finance them.

Mungo: Well, I think that if your executive gets in that's great but then, why don't we go down and give it all for free? You're there to run the Students' Union. You should be able to run it with the resources that you have.

Bev: But you have to be realistic and say to yourself, well it's all well and nice to offer all these plans but they are going to cost money. The typing service (a Therrien campaign promise), for instance, will be break-even but it will require money to get it off the ground.

Mungo: Are you going to run this thing on charity?

Bev: We think you have to be realistic in what we're going to offer and we're capable of offering these things in that amount of time. We know they can be implemented.

Robert: I think it really shows a lack of understanding of the Students' Union. For one thing, that's less than one half of one percent of our budget. For another thing, in our case, it wouldn't finance the kinds of improvements we're talking about, such as the rejuvenation of SUB. Generally, with the restoring of furniture, putting in an

information centre, this type of thing, things which will bring more people into the building by making it a more attractive place to be. At the same time, by doing that, we will generate more revenue for our businesses, thereby paying for it indirectly...

Bev: I agree but...

Robert: I think the idea of a cutback in executive salaries, while you may be able to afford it and I may be able to afford it, I think it could have a really detrimental effect come next year, on the type of people who will be running for it. I don't think that it's a coincidence that this year, for the first time in several years, there was a fairly large increase in executive salaries-

Bev: 35%

Robert: Right, brought about by last year's Council, we have a record number of candidates running and I think that is due, at least part, to the fact that the executive are being paid for what they're doing.

Mungo: I think you (Bev) are being irresponsible.

Robert: I agree with Mungo on that and I think the cut would encourage a poorer quality executive. Plus, I don't think it makes financial sense. I think \$6,000 is a pittance.

Bev: Well hold on Robert. You say it wouldn't finance your plans. I agree. For instance, I think your pamphlet mentions something about a course guide. In Calgary, they figured it would cost about \$20,000 to do that. Given our University is twice the size, it would cost about \$40,000 and I think that's irresponsible. I agree a pay cut would not finance your plans but it is adequate to finance ours and we think they're realistic enough. They're viable and they should go in.

Robert: In my mind it's kind of a Motherhood statement and what you're doing is jeopardizing the quality of student government for a mere pittance. If I can also comment on the question of the course guide. In fact, what we've done is decided that instead of having it printed up, which is a major cost, we will have it put on the computer. It would be more accessible to students because they can access it from any terminal on campus.

With our information centre, we'll have a full-time information director. We'll have two student Ombudsmen and we'll be using Room 270 in SUB.

Bev: How will you finance this?

Robert: It will be costing in total along with the course guide, 20-25,000 dollars. Now if you're looking at the increased revenue we hope to be generating from the bookstore space and its rent or through its sale, and at the other areas that we have in order to increase revenue- the restoration of the theatre, the expansion of L'Express and the bringing in of more people into SUB- then it will be fairly easy to pay for those things next year. To try to do it by sacrificing the quality of our student government is not a good idea.

Mungo: Bev, I'm afraid I agree with Robert. The thing I wanted to ask you about, Robert, is your computer service. People tend to think that everybody is apathetic at this university and myself, I think you guys would agree, it's not that they don't care. It's that they don't know what's going on.

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Will lead a discussion at the Hillel House (11036 - 88 Ave.) at 12:30 on February 15.

All members are welcome.

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- Gourmet Coffees
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- Hot Sandwiches
- Soups
- Salads



Food Service on Campus Reading Week 1983

Facility	Close	Open
SUB - Buffeteria Snack Bar	Feb. 18/83	Feb. 28/83 Open (With Limited Service)
CAB		Will Remain Open
LISTER		Will Remain Open with Limited Service at Breakfast (Continental)
FACULTE ST. JEAN		Will Remain Open
THE SHIP	Feb. 18/83	Feb. 28/83

The following will be open for service from February 21 through February 25, 1983

Administration Building - Basement
Biological Sciences - 4th Floor
Education IJ - 4th Floor
General Services Building - 7th Floor
University Hall - Basement

ALL food services will re-open for regular service
Monday, February 28, 1983

Vending areas are available throughout Reading Week as well as the food outlets on the HUB Mall: HoHo Chinese Food, Bottleneck Restaurant, Cafe Casablanca, Incredible Edibles, Living Earth, HUB Deli, Patria (Ukrainian), HUB Burgers, Java Jive.

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Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. (Canada) announces a scholarship program to enhance opportunities for Japanese students to study in Canada.

The scholarships are open to any Japanese citizen who is admitted to a course of full time study in Business or Economics at a Canadian university, at either the undergraduate or graduate level.

SCHOLARSHIP PROVISIONS

Cash amounts may be awarded annually to an individual or individuals, to an aggregate total of \$2,500.

The scholarships are tenable for one full academic year.

Individuals may re-apply in subsequent years, whether or not they have previously been awarded a scholarship.

SELECTION

A selection committee to be named by Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. (Canada) will review applications and decide the number of scholarships to be awarded in any year and their amount.

The Consul General of Japan, in Toronto, will act as advisor to the committee.

APPLICATIONS

Requests for application forms should be addressed to:

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Completed applications will be received until April 15 of each year, applicable to the subsequent academic year at the Canadian university which the applicant will attend.



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