

## APPLICATIONS for the position of CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER

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### OPEN LETTER

On November 4, 1982, Master Doxey of McLaughlin College, without consultation or warning used his residual powers to dissolve the McLaughlin College Student Council. In a brief letter address to the President, Lisa Feldman, he stated this action was taken due to "recent events culminating in the resignation of (your) Speaker Ameen A. Keshavjee and Internal Affairs Representative Steve von Allmen."

We, the members of the McLaughlin College Student Council feel it is important the facts be known by all, particularly by those it affects the most, the students of McLaughlin College. The events leading to the resignations are as follows (all quotes are from Public Council Minutes):

#### October 28, 1982 - Emergency Council Meeting

- the Speaker reported that the advanced poll had been called off due to a "misunderstanding regarding voting procedures for the by-election" as "students were wrongly informed that only first-year students could vote for first year representatives"

- Council voted unanimously to: 1) extend the campaign period until Nov. 7, and then to have polls on Nov. 8 and Nov. 9. 2) destroy the day's ballots and "inform all students and candidates of the changes in procedure"

#### October 29, 1982

- Posters were put up in the College and letters placed in residence mailboxes informing students of the changes in the by-election

#### November 2, 1982 - Council Meeting

- the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) presented his report regarding the by-election

- the Speaker ruled that the by-election should be called off and started again (note: McLaughlin College has no formal election guidelines)

- Council reaffirmed it's original decision to extend the campaign and hold new polls due to Council's general feeling that the election of two new members was very necessary and had already been held up too long

- the External Affairs Representative was "called upon to account for his actions" regarding his involvement in the misunderstanding of polling procedures that occurred on October 28, 1982

- at the conclusion of the meeting, Council states: "the situation regarding the by-election has been resolved"

#### November 3, 1982 - Emergency Council Meeting

- the Speaker resigned stating that he held views regarding the by-election situation which he wished to express, but could not as Speaker

- the Internal Affairs Representative resigned (quite unexpectedly) stating a number of reasons mainly dealing with his dissatisfaction over the handling of the problems with the by-election

#### November 4, 1982

- Council members received a letter in their mail boxes from Master Doxey informing them that Council was dissolved, effective immediately

There has been rumour that a major underlying reason behind the dissolution of the Council was due to the "cool" reaction given to Master Doxey's proposal that Council pay \$5 000 for College Student Security at an Open Meeting held on November 2, 1982 (refer to Nov. 2, 1982 and Nov. 3, 1982 Council Meeting Minutes). The Master, however, has repeatedly told a number of Council members that this has nothing to do with his decision to dissolve Council. He states that the by-election problems is the reason behind his actions.

We present this letter in order that you, the student, are informed of what has happened and may rationally judge the situation and it's consequences for yourself. If, as a student of McLaughlin College, you disagree with the dissolution of your elected Student Government we urge you to sign the petition expressing your concern and asking that Council be reinstated.

Yours truly,  
Randy Dobson  
Marilyn Hare  
Lisa Feldman  
Dana Cohen  
Fareed Khan  
Nancy McCully

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