SPECIAL EXPANSION OF UNBSJ KEY THEME OF SPECIAL SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT



By EDISON STEWART

FREDERICTON - A report recommending the expansion of UNBSJ to at least four year programs in both Science and Arts was released this morning at a press conference on the UNB campus.

Report outlines plan 'close to needs of community'

By ANDY WATSON

FREDERICTON - The report on the future of UNBSJ outlines a plan for an institution that is "closely responsive to the needs of the community" said the chairman of the sub-committee that drafted the report.

Dr. Jaeger said that the report envisaged the Saint John campus playing a distinctive role rather than merely duplicating the facilities at the Fredericton campus. UNBER ident I.O. Dincen and UNBSJ Principal Forbes Elliot announced in the report that they were attempting to bring UNBSJ closer to the mainstream of of higher education in the province as well as provide a good educational institution for the Saint John metropolitan area. The report's 20 recommendations may be found elsewhere on this page.

UNBSJ has in the past received a good deal of coverage in radio, television and newspapers in the area, noted the report, "sometimes the advocacy (for an expanded curriculum) has been expressed in extremely strident tones, holding that the larger campus at Fredericton was preventing a natural development in Saint John for selfish reasons. As a result there have been numbers of Fredericton Faculty who protested that what should have been an academic matter was becoming a political football.

"The opinion of many faculty members in Fredericton is that expansion of activity in Saint John must only be permitted if it brings in its train no weakening of the Fredericton campus; according to this viewpoint UNB in Fredericton is large enough to look after the province's needs for expansion of english language education and a poor province should not overstretch itself by trying to do too

UNBSJ, in Saint John's scenic Tucker Park, may be in for quite a change if the recommendations of the Senate sub-committee report are accepted. Among things, the report asks that full four years programs be instituted at the Saint John branch of the province's main university.

The registrar of UNB Dr. Blue told the BRUNSWICKAN that approximately 460 of the 515 students registered at the Saint John campus either live in the city or commute from surrounding areas. Since it is expected that there will be considerable growth in the population of the Saint John area, it is probable that there will continue to be a large portion of local students at UNBSJ.

The report considers this fact very important. Improved transportation facilities called for in the report will help to make the campus accessible to the community. The merging of extension and night school courses with the regular curriculum is designed to integrate the university with community activities.

The Bachelor of Business Administration program is a logical one for the Saint John area according to Dr. Blue. The program in business will be the same as that offered at the Fredericton campus. The anticipated growth in this program would necessitate an increase in faculty regardless of whether the program is offered at one or both campuses.

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"Recently there have been welcome signs on both campuses of increased willingness to seek a future for UNBSJ that takes account of the valid aspects of both viewpoints. The committee whose

report this is has been fortunate in doing its work in this atmosphere of goodwill." Members on the investigative committee, convened by Dean Jaeger (UNB), are Professor F.W. Cogswell (UNB), Dr. T.J. Condon (UNB), Dr. M.A. Edwards (UNB), Dr. G.F. Elliot (UNBSJ), Professor R. Garland (UNBSJ), Dr. A. Logan (UNBSJ), Professor E.D. Maher (UNB), Dr. A.L. McAllister (UNBSJ), Dr. Z. Valenta (UNB).

Valenta (UNB). If the report is accepted, UNBSJ will not only gain an expanded curriculum but increased representation on the governing bodies of the university as well. One recommendation affects both campuses. The report recommends that the number of Professorial seats on the Board of Governors be increased from four to five, with one professor each from UNB and UNBSJ and the other three to be "professors at large."

UNBSJ representation on the Senate has also changed, "though not excessively."

Transportation, honours programs and increased representation at UNB among 20 recommendations from Senators

Recommendation 1. The report recommends that UNBSJ continue on the Tucker Park site and that cheap and sufficient daily transportation, subsidized if necessary, be provided.

Recommendation 2. We recommend that the evening operations of UNBSJ shall be fully integrated into campus life and, in particular, the following aspects of a recent report by a University of Toronto Committee* (*University of Toronto Report of the Presidential Advisory Committee on Extension) be addopted for UNBSJ:-

- (a) The word "Extension" and the term "Extension Student" should be dropped from the nomenclature in respect of courses given on the UNBSJ campus.
- (b) All part time students proceeding to degrees, diplomas, etc., should be fully integrated (i.e. for academic, administrative and social purposes) into the UNBSJ campus.

(c) The distinction between full time students and part time students should become purely formal, "full time" meaning simply that number of concurrent courses which should not normally be exceeded by a stu-

- dent.
 (d) Students should be permitted to proceed to degrees, diplomas, etc., at whatever rate they judge appropriate to their individual circumstances without having to petition for less than a full programme.
- (e) All classes and courses should be open to part time and full time students equally.

It is further recommended that the courses offered in the evening shall be of sufficient scope as to encompass at least one degree programme.

Recommendation 3. We recommend a five year transitional period beginning in September 1972 during which third year and fourth year courses will be progressively introduced leading to the availability of the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Business Administration and Bachelor of Science.

Recommendation 4. We recommend that the courses offered shall be grouped into programmes of a general and interdisciplinary nature and that duplication of the honours programmes of Fredericton should be avoided.

It may be noted that in the opinion of the committee, the curriculum in Business Administration as offered on the Fredericton campus already comprises a programme of the general type proposed for Saint John. Thus, no reason is seen for suggesting a radically different curriculum in Saint John. Indeed, one justification for the B,B.A. in Saint John is that enrolment is expected to be high and it is efficient and economical to have unified control of the course offerings on both campuses. Recommendation 5. We recommend that the corpus of Professors at UNBSJ shall constitute the Saint John Faculty Council and that this Council shall be chaired by the Dean of the Saint John Faculty

Faculty. The Dean should be responsible for the academic well-being of UNBSJ and should be a member of the Board of Deans and ex-officio member of the Senate in exactly the same way as every other Dean of a Faculty. The Deanship should be a renewable term appointment.

Recommendation 6. We recommend that the Saint John Faculty shall initially comprise:-

(a) HUMANITIES AND LANGUAGE DIVISION

Classics	History
English German	Philosophy
	Romance Languages

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 (b) SOCIAL SCIENCES AND ADMIN-ISTRATION DIVISION
 Administration Political Science (Business and/ or Public)
 Economics Psychology
 Physical Education Sociology and Anthropology
 (c) SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS DIVISION
 Biology Geology

Chemistry Mathematics Computer Science Physics It is expected, however, that as the

staff grows in number at least one (and quite possibly all three) of the Divisions may seek to divide, perhaps along the lines implicit in the naming of the divisions, as a consequence of having become cumbersome.

Recommendation 7. We recommend that the Principal shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the campus and shall continue to be responsible to the President for the operation of UNBSJ. In particular he shall coordinate academic matters (which are the responsibility of the Dean) with every other aspect of the functioning of the campus. With the concurrence of the present occupant, we further recommend that the post of Principal shall be a renewable term appointment; this will bring all administrative posts into this category.

Recommendation 8. We recommend that consideration of the creation of posts of Associate Dean for Arts and Associate Dean for Science shall be part of the first progress review of the transitional period.

Recommendation 9. We recommend that the Principal of UNBSJ shall be exofficio a member of the Board of Governors, with the same privileges of voice and vote as the Vice President (Academic). Recommendation 10. We recommend that the existing four Professorial seats on the Board of Governors be increased

ate shall be, (i) the Principal, ex-officio;

(ii) the Dean, ex-officio;

 (iii) one Professor elected by and from the divisions of Humanities and Languages, and of Social Sciences and Administration, taken together;
 (iv) one Professor elected by and from

the division of Science and Mathematics; (v) two Professors at large, elected by

the whole UNBSJ Faculty Recommendation 12. We recommend that both the Principal and the Dean of UNBSJ shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Deans.

Recommendation 13. We recommend that a Professor shall have an appointment in a named subject and in a stated division, for example "Associate Professor of Economics in the Division of Social Sciences and Administration", and during the transitional years non voting membership of the appropriate department in Fredericton. We further recommend that if the future development of the University leads to the creation of a Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, the Professors at UNBSJ shall be members (where qualified) of the appropriate post-graduate departments of that Faculty.

Recommendation 14. We recommend that there shall be a committee of the Saint John Faculty Council for each programme offered, the membership (and chairman) of each committee to be selected in accordance with procedures authorized by the Faculty Council from among those Professors whose appointments are in the subjects covered by the programme.

A proposal affecting a give programme would thus usually be initiated in the appropriate committee, feasibility (in terms

There is one exception to the above pattern which we wish to recommend. Reference has already been made to the fact that the offerings in Business Administration on the Fredericton campus already constitute a programme and that it is efficient and economical to have unified control of all B.B.A. programmes; we, therefore, recommend that the programme committee in Business Administration shall comprise the Professors from BOTH campuses in that area and that proposals from that Committee shall be subject to approval both by the Arts Faculty Council and the Saint John Faculty Council and then transmitted to Senate. In this way the Business Administration offerings in Saint John can be made to complement those of Fredericton in a closely integrated manner and the development of areas of emphasis on one or the other campus can be done smoothly. For example, it is possible that one campus might give rather more emphasis to Public Administration than the other.

Recommendation 15. We recommend that programmes in Business Administration, in General Science and in the Humanities and Social Sciences shall be introduced in 1972, with third year work being offered in September 1972 and fourth year work in September 1973.

Recommendation 16. We recommend that a first review of progress shall take place in January/February of 1974 and a second review in January/February of 1975, continuation of the transitional expansion to be dependent upon progress being satisfactory up to these points. It is envisaged that these reviews will be performed by an ad hoc committee of Senate, on which the Principal, the Dean of UNBSJ and the three chairmen of divisions will all sit. which the appointment will be held, shall be members of all selection committees for new Professors. The name of the person selected shall be communicated by the Principal to the Vice President (Academic) and the President.

Recommendation 18. We recommend that the Vice President (Academic), the Dean shall be members of all selection committees for chairmen of divisions. Recommendation 19. We recommend that the first two years of the UNBSJ programmes shall be kept close to their Fredericton counterparts. We further recommend that students shall be entitled as of right to transfer from either campus to the other at the end of both the first and the second years of study.

Recommendation 20. We recommend that the Higher Education Commission be asked to accept our earlier recommendations I to I9 on the basis that the weighting factor will be increased to the point that UNBSJ becomes substantially self supporting.

Report to be reviewed before go-ahead given

By ANDY WATSON

FREDERICTON - The Jaeger report on the future of UNBSJ must be approved by several bodies before its implementation is possible. The UNB senate, Board of governors and the Higher Education Commission must have their say before the recommendations are acted upon.

The chairman of the senate sub-committee, Dr. Jaeger, submitted the report to the Senate at its meeting on Sept. 24. The Senate is presently awaiting comments on the report from the faculty councils.

If favorable reports are received from the faculty councils before the October senate meeting the report could be approved at that meeting. The Senate is to consider the academic aspects of the report.

It is the Board of Governors which decides if the financial requirements of the report can be met. The Higher education commission must approve any new university program or expansion. Jaeger pointed out that the timing of the various stages of the decision process are very tight as arrangements must be made to hire several new faculty members if the parts of the program scheduled for implementation in September 1972 are to be fulfilled according to the time table. The expense involved in starting the programs seems to require a change in the grant structure to the university.

A⁺ present the university receives a grant of three monetary units for each student registered at the Fredericton campus as compared with one unit for each student registered at the Saint John campus.

Plan

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• Dr. Blue said that as registrar he did not feel that the regulations outlined in the report would be difficult to apply. Giving his personal opinion, Blue felt that the report was a good one since it avoided the duplication feared by some and did not involve the Saint John campus playing a "second fiddle" role to the Fredericton campus as was feared by some others.

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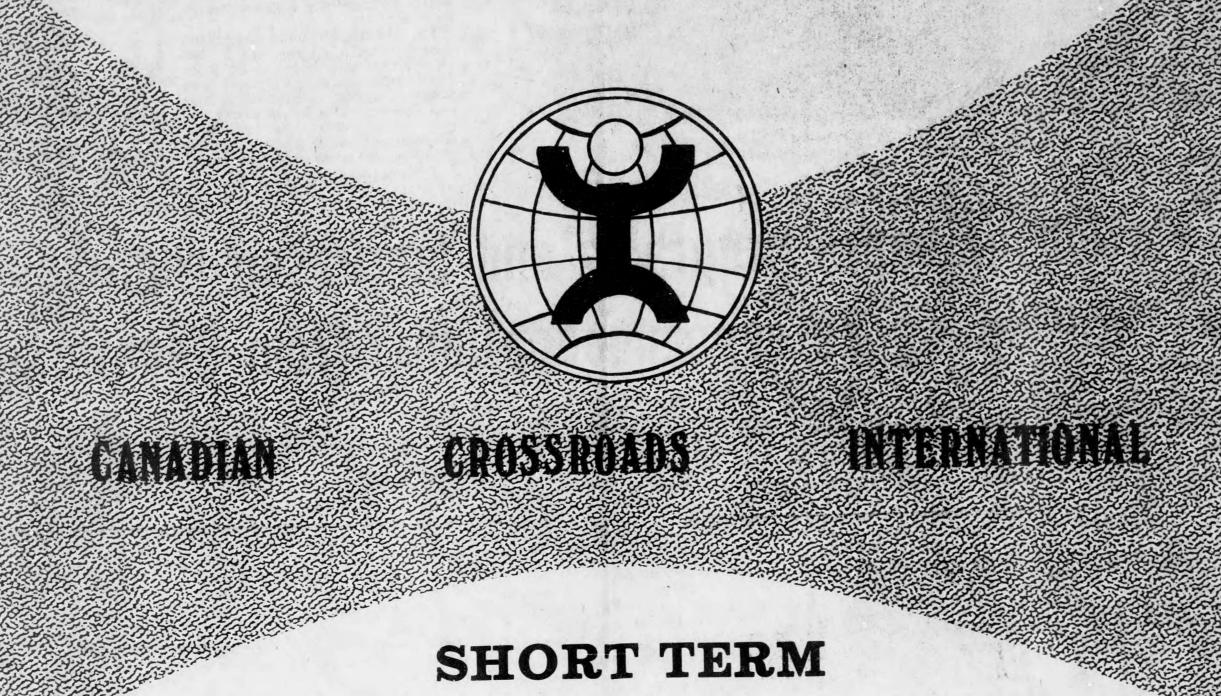
to five, one to be filled by and from the Fredericton Professors, one by and from the Saint John Professors and three at large.

Recommendation 11. We recommend that UNBSJ representation on the Senof teaching loads on Professors, etc.) would be confirmed by the division (s) concerned, the proposal would then go to the Faculty Council for debate and, if approved, would be forwarded to the Senate.

Recommendation 17. We recommend that the Principal and the Dean, along with the chairman of the division in

overseas volunteer programmes

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