

Three people to Senate

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Each of the five candidates running for election to the Senate is determined to represent the student body to the best of his or her ability. Each has presented his or her views, opinions and possible actions on many issues that are likely to be decided while they hold office. On February 16, the student body will decide which of the candidates will become Senators. Here are some of the issues and the candidates' comments—NOW DECIDE!

Warren Hansen (CE) 4

Experience

Member of the Civil Engineering Student-faculty liaison committee, 1 year.

Member of the Co-op residence house committee, 1 year.

Why do you want to be a Senator?

"I am interested in university affairs and would like to get a first hand look at how the decisions are made and have some influence (from the student's point of view) in the final decisions. I also feel that the Senate would provide experience for future work. I am confident that I can take an active part in the Senate and express the feelings of the students well."

Issues and Comments

When asked about issues in the election Mr. Hansen stated that "there is an immediate need to expand student housing." He noted that this is necessary in view of the generally poor housing facilities that students are now forced to live in due to a paucity of alternate housing space.

When questioned about a number of other student services, Mr. Hansen indicated that as a Senator any issues that affected the welfare of the student body such as health services or Day Care Centers would receive his attention.

On academic matters Mr. Hansen had more definite views. He cited the need for "greater course variety within and among departments," and for the establishment of student-



WARREN HANSEN

faculty liaison committees. He noted that the introduction of the trimester system at UNB might be a good development, but only if all students could take advantage of it equally.

On the subject of athletic facilities he noted that stands are needed at the football field and that he would like to see the outdoor rink continued next year.

Ken De Freitas (F) 4

experience

Photo editor of the Brunswickan, 2 years.

Co-editor of the yearbook.

Photographer for the yearbook. Board of Directors of the Residence Co-op.

Past member of the Co-op House Council.

Chairman of the Co-op Downtown Expansion Committee.

Photo-Editor of the Forestry (Leader) Yearbook, 3 years.

Why do you want to be a Senator?

In response to this question Mr. De Freitas noted that at 1:30 p.m. on the day nominations for the Senate closed, only two candidates had been nominated for the three seats. He said that in view of the general apathy displayed by students, he felt that he should declare himself a candidate, so that the seat would not remain vacant. He noted that he had been approached to run for the office by members of the SRC and by a number of the Brunswickan staff. He also noted that he is a candidate in the SRC election and that if he was elected he could provide a good liaison between the SRC and the Senate.

issues and comments

When Mr. De Freitas was asked about the issues in the election he drew attention to housing problems. He said that off campus housing for students was poor in general with houses being too far from the campus and rents too high. To ameliorate the problem Mr. De Freitas suggested a type of communal housing development in which twelve to sixteen people would live. He also commented that there was a demand for more single rooms in residence.

With respect to academic matters, Mr. De Freitas said he would like to see the introduction of a fine arts department and take a close look at the introduction of other departments. He also said that he would favour the introduction of the trimester system if loans could be increased so that all students could take advantage of it, televised lectures if it could be afforded, and that he would study the possibility of student representation on the faculty councils.

Questioned on student services, Mr. De Freitas said he would like to see medical services improved on the campus and that he would give his full attention to the establishment of a Day Care Center at the University, noting that he would like to see it develop into a community affair.

On athletic matters, Mr. De



KEN DE FREITAS

Freitas said he would like to see more skating facilities and the development of tennis courts.

Brian Forbes (Bus) 2

experience

President of the student council

at Moncton High School.

Editor of the Moncton High School Paper.

Why do you want to be a Senator?

"I feel the Senate is important; I think that the people on the Senate are important and that I can effectively help."

issues and comments

Asked about his platform Mr. Forbes said that they were a sensation more than anything and that they don't get people elected. He noted, however, that he would do the job to the best of his ability.

With respect to academic matters, Mr. Forbes said he would like to introduce athletic scholarships, see a wider range of courses introduced, work toward student representation on the faculty councils and pursue the matter of televised classes to the community. He said, however, that he does not favour the introduction of the trimester system at UNB since the pressure of studies would be too great for the students and because of the heavy financial burden which he feels most students could not meet.



BRIAN FORBES

On the subject of student services, Mr. Forbes noted that the Day Care Centre serves a useful purpose and that the Senate should do what it can to see that full use is made of it.

With respect to athletic matters, Mr. Forbes told the Brunswickan that there was a

need to expand the athletic complex at UNB and that he would give his attention to the matter, although, he noted, that the money may not be available.

As a final comment on the Senate and the students he said "Communication is the key, students have got to make an effort to communicate with their Senator. If they do not make the effort there is no way we can help them."

Beth Blakey (F) 4

experience

Has worked with the Forestry Association.

Proctor of Tibbits Hall

Secretary of the Debating Society, '70-71.

Why do you want to be a Senator?

"I am running because I feel I can take on the responsibility of representing the student body conscientiously and efficiently enough so that I can maintain the achievements that previous Senators have attained, and at the same time inject enough of my personality to make additional contributions."

issues and comments

Miss Blakey spoke out on a number of academic matters during the interview. She told the Brunswickan that she would



BETH BLAKEY

favour the introduction of sports scholarships, take a hard look at introducing more co-operative education into the curriculum, study the possibility of introducing new courses and departments at UNB and attempt to have students represented on the faculty councils, noting that it has worked very well in the Forestry faculty. In addition, she would like to see more classes televised to the community since "academic institutions are not only for the benefit of the students, but for the benefit of the community. Miss Blakey does not feel that the introduction of the trimester system at UNB would be feasible but she indicated that she would be willing to study the matter.

With respect to housing, Miss Blakey told the Brunswickan that off campus housing is not good, rents are too high and that there is little co-operation from the landlord. She is not impressed by the Co-op in Fredericton, although she does like the Co-op idea of housing.

Questioned about student services on the campus, Miss Blakey said she would like to see a full-time doctor run his

office from the campus and that she is in favour of working out an arrangement between UNB and the community with respect to the Day Care Centre.

Miss Blakey believes that athletic facilities on the campus are adequate.

Dave Anderson (S) 4

experience

Staff member of the Brunswickan, four years.

Currently sports editor of the Brunswickan.

Why do you want to be a Senator?

"The position needed to be filled, and if the Senate is to be filled it needs interest and participation."

Issues and Comments

Like Miss Blakey, Mr. Anderson was quite outspoken with regard to academic matters.

Mr. Anderson said he favored more money being made available to students through scholarships, the introduction of sports scholarships (to Canadian students that need the money), the introduction of new departments, especially fine arts, the introduction of the trimester system "since it would give more freedom to the student to complete his education on his own time", student representation on the faculty councils and where feasible more stress on co-operative education. He also noted that he would look the matter of televised classes.



DAVE ANDERSON

With respect to student services, Mr. Anderson said he would like to see a doctor on the campus part of the day so that students would not have to go downtown. Mr. Anderson believes increased financial support should be given to the Day Care Center and that the community should be brought into it if they provided some financial support.

With respect to athletic matters he would like to see the stands at College Field increased in capacity.

Mr. Anderson feels that housing is still a problem at the university and that he would like to give his full attention to the matter.

As a closing remark, Mr. Anderson stated that he feels the Brunswickan should publish a summary of the Senate minutes to make students more aware of events in the Senate that concern them.