

# Credit controversy major topic for Arts Council

By GARY CAMERON

A proposal to remove restrictions on the number of credits a student can take in one year will be a major topic at a meeting of the Arts Council November 27.

According to Dean of Arts Thomas J. Condon, the proposal will first be discussed and formalized into a motion at a meeting with the chairmen and department heads on Friday.

Condon did not wish to comment on the proposal nor did he want "prejudice discussion" at this time, until he had had a chance to seek further advice on Friday. The proposal, if it is passed by the Arts Council, will ultimately be brought before the Senate.

The rule in question is one of a number of rules Arts (and business) students encounter if they deviate from the prescribed path laid out for them. As stated in the calendar, "a student (in Arts) must enroll in five courses each year. This number may be altered only with the permission of the Dean." In other words, the judgement of whether you are capable of handling any more than five courses rests not with the individual student but with the Dean.

The proposal was first broached at a Business Administration faculty meeting. Moved by Pat Kehoe, former head of the BBA department. Seconded by David Willings and Dave Banner, the motion was carried with only a few professors dissenting.

All three professors believe strongly that students should be treated as "mature people" and given the opportunity to decide for themselves whether or not they are capable of handling the extra work load.

According to Kehoe, "I have seen a number of Business students, short one half or one credit, who were unable to graduate in May because of this rule."

Kehoe also stated that "this proposal doesn't mean a lowering of standards, it is merely recognizing the students' ability as a decision maker."

Another point raised by Kehoe was that if this proposal enables students to get through university quicker, it will lessen the burden on the province, which pays most of the education costs.

Banner stated that "it is a fundamental philosophical issue... should individuals be able to decide their own destinies?" He conceded that the proposal generally affects the poorer students who have to make up credits they have failed and consequently may have trouble taking more than five credits. However, he still came out strongly in favour of the students having the final say in how many credits they take in any given year. He also felt that the role of the faculty should be one of guidance rather than paternalism.

Willings, who teaches Business Management, supported the proposal, stating that with the greater freedom given to students to set their own limitations with respect to the number of credits to be taken more guidance would be necessary.

Like Kehoe and Banner, he felt that the faculty should have a greater role in counselling students. This was proven, he felt, by research he did in England that showed 35 percent of first year students were reading in subjects that had no bearing on their interests or aptitudes.

Willings went on to compare present day English and European universities to the anthropological concept of "cargo-cult" in that "if you perform certain rituals and follow a certain rule of life material and personal benefits will materialize in a quasi-miraculous manner." He stated that he hoped Canadian universities would not go that way, if they had not already.

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## CP's get second wage increase

By FORREST ORSER

Although the UNB campus police received a wage increase last May the Students Representative Council has passed the CP's bid for another raise, which will not go into effect until January 1973.

SRC President Roy Neale explains that the reason for the delay in beginning the increase is that it is unwise to give two raises in one year.

The last wage increase was agreed to by Neale in May of last year and went into effect in September, giving the Campus Police \$1.60 an hour, and \$1.75 an hour for the person in charge at an event. The raise was not ratified by the SRC until Oct. 16.

Campus Police Chief Gary Godwin says that last May he asked that wages be raised to \$1.75 for people who have been with the Campus Police less than a year, \$1.80 for those who have been on the staff over a year, and \$2.00 for the person in charge at an event. This is the rate that will go into effect in January.

Godwin says he was told last May that the wages could only be raised to \$1.60 and \$1.75, but

that the next year they would be raised again.

Godwin feels that this executive decision should have been ratified by the SRC last year, instead of Oct. 16 of this year, and that the second raise should be given to them immediately rather than in January.

SRC member Glenn Edison, who spoke in favour of the pay raise, pointed out that the UNB campus police are paid less than campus police at many smaller universities.

Saint Thomas University, with roughly one thousand students, pays their campus police \$1.75 an hour, and \$2.00 for the person in charge. They are paid a flat rate of ten dollars a night when working at a dance.

Saint Francis Xavier pays \$1.50 for regular events, and \$2.00 for events where liquor is served. There are three thousand students at Saint Francis Xavier.

Saint Mary's, with an enrolment of two thousand, pays campus police two dollars an hour.

Université de Moncton campus police wages are \$1.50 during their

first six months of duty, \$1.75 during the next six months, and \$2.00 for those who have worked over a year. There are twenty-five hundred students at Université de Moncton.

At smaller universities crowds tend to be smaller, and there is a greater chance the campus police will know personally anyone causing trouble and be able to talk to him as a friend rather than as a campus policeman. Both these factors, Edison explained, make the work of the campus police at these universities easier.

Campus police are not allowed to sit down, or smoke on duty. They often work outdoors, and have little notice of when they are going to be on the job.

Edison compared them to the SUB supervisors who are permitted to sit down, to smoke, and who work on a schedule.

He pointed out the danger that without this pay raise to the Campus Police, the more experienced and capable people will choose to become SUB supervisors, and so leave the Campus Police a second rate force.

## SRC to require advance on group activities

By DAVID N. MCMILLAN

All groups and societies at UNB financed in whole or in part by the SRC will be required to submit a list of information on a public event two weeks prior to that event - to the SRC Public Relations Officer. The motion was made and passed at the regular SRC meeting this week.

The reason for the above, as outlined by the present Public Relations Officer Mike Shouldice, is that in the past whenever there has been any attempt to organize formal communication and promotion of campus events "too many people who represent the groups are just plain unco-operative."

It is difficult to plan and advertise campus events if one does not have an idea in advance when other groups are planning theirs.

Shouldice contends that his aims for planned campus activities include efficient advertising of events via improved communication.

Apparently last year due to a lack of the latter commodities at this campus - in one evening alone there was a drama society production, Africa night and two pubs.

The whole idea includes the planning of events so that they will not clash during the same evening. Shouldice believes that

two weeks notice of a planned event is a liberal amount of time to be allowed any group.

Council member John Rocca suggested that Shouldice "inform all campus organizations of just what he can do for them as a PR man". Rocca said that Shouldice and group-representatives should "sit down at the beginning of the year and talk over what they are planning for that year."

To Rocca's suggestion SRC President Roy Neale replied that Shouldice had previously sent out letters to the various clubs asking for their co-operation however, there had been "literally no response" from those same organizations.

One council member questioned whether or not the SRC (1) had the power to impose such a requirement (2) if so would the SRC enforce this rule and (3) how would they enforce it.

Neale replied that the SRC could control and prevent any group from holding an event, however this would never be the case. Neale continued "... the SRC could never be so cruel as to cancel any event. The sole intention is that it would be for the convenience of all, that notice should be given by the various groups and societies involved."

The motion was passed 12-5-1.

## Student representatives needed for campus groups

By DAVID N. MCMILLAN

Presently on campus help in the form of student representatives, is the basic need of various campus committees and organizations.

These latter groups are either just being initiated are the re-organization process and any student who is interested in getting involved the requirements are:

Campus Entertainment Committee - several representatives.  
SRC Students - Faculty liaison Committee - 3 reps.  
SRC Food Services Committee

- 2 reps.  
New SRC Constitution Committee - 3 reps.  
Course Evaluation Committee - 3 reps.  
Chamber of Commerce Committee - 3 reps.  
Application Committee - 2 reps.  
Awards Committee - 1 rep.  
Leadership Conference and Alumni Committee - 5 reps.  
SRC Student Public Relations Committee - several reps.  
Information as to who to see about any of the above is available at the SRC office or from any personal SRC representative.

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