

Course evaluation problems explained to Council

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Managing Editor

Course evaluation was again the major topic under fire at the regular meeting of the UNB Student Representative Council Monday night.

Student Governor Mike Richard spoke to Council as chairman of the course evaluation committee, concerning the revised recommendation for the program that the SRC had earlier submitted to Senate.

Richard explained the reasons the committee had for not wishing to have the results of the course evaluation survey published this year. He said they would feel lucky if 50 to 60 percent of the professors (last year's figures) agreed to take part in the evaluation due to the complete bungle of the program at the computer centre last year. He added that most of the courses evaluated this year are second term only and therefore the overall results would only total 50 percent of 50 percent, meaning a 25 percent coverage of the total number of courses offered at UNB.

Richard said the committee felt that publishing 25 to 30 percent would provide only a very limited use.

He also explained that there has been a number of complaints in regard to last year's questionnaire itself. If these were to be revamped, Richard questioned whether the data obtained would be scientifically valid.

However, he felt that if the results were not published the program would lose student support, which he said would probably lead to complete failure of the survey since it is a student program.

Richard mentioned that if the results were published the cost of the budget would be approximately \$1500-3000. Funding would be considerably less if they are not. SRC vice president Valerie Jaeger suggested that it might be a better idea to spend time to make a better questionnaire and publish the results next year.

Richard said this was a good idea but one of his main concerns which is the most serious is loss of support by the SRC and the Brunswickan, if it is not published this year.

He added that the committee is planning another meeting in January to discuss the problems.

Former SRC vice president Steve Mulholland has presented three proposals to the Student Standings and Promotion committee, concerning the lightening of the course load for the top executives of the SRC. The Brunswickan and CHSR. The

recommendations stemmed from the fact that the averages of these people fall considerably due to the great amount of time the positions require.

The three proposals suggested were: one credit reduction on a degree, average adjustment due to the lack of marks achieved or a reduction in conjunction with those capable of earning an activity award.

Councillor Barb Hill complained about the third proposal in that many activities are left out of the point system for these awards, some of these people she said put in equal efforts only in different areas.

SRC President Roy Neale in answering, suggested that perhaps there should be amendments made to the evaluation points of the system.

Student senator Maria Wawer said she saw no reason for the "aid". Using herself as an example, she said that her own marks have risen every year even though she has been involved.

SRC Comptroller Fud Steeves used incentive as one reason for implementing one of the proposals. Councillor Gary Cameron added that some people are not as "gifted" as others and can certainly use the help.

Neale mentioned such a program received unanimous support from the SRC about two years ago to compensate people involved in student affairs.

Councillor Kathy Pomeroy asked that Council consider the problem of the representatives at large having to obtain 10 percent of the student population vote in order to sit on the SRC. She said that taking into consideration the small percentage of voters each election and the fact that almost every year there is a by-election for the seat, the requirements are impractical.

Council agreed that perhaps the percentage should be lowered but that no rep-at-large should get in by acclamation. Councillor Warren MacKenzie said that the candidate should definitely have a clear basis of support. The argument was referred to the Constitution committee.

Neale announced that Charles Morgan Jr., lawyer for the Democratic party for Watergate, who was to speak at UNB in October, will lecture December 6 at 8:30 p.m. in Tilley 102. Old tickets will not be accepted and new tickets will be available at the SUB Information Booth.

Council was also informed that a motion is now on the floor of the Senate to hold open Board of Governor meetings. Due to the important and confidential topics

the Board discusses, a number of Councillors questioned whether open meetings was a good idea. Student Governor Maria Wawer noted that the Board may call a closed meeting should they decide the topics are not for public knowledge.

Council passed a motion expressing support for the proposal of open Board of Governor meetings.

In order to bring worthwhile speakers to UNB, the SRC formed a Guest Lecture Committee to look into available celebrities in different fields. The committee was formed when a motion put forth by Jaeger to invite Prof. Hans Holzer, an authority on ESP, ghosts, and the occult, to speak here was defeated. Councillors serving on the committee are Jaeger, as chairman; Chris Gilliss, Gilliss, Alex Mersereau, MacKenzie, Barb Hill and Pomeroy and Maria Wawer.

Wawer also reported that Dial-a-secretary, an organization formed by Mrs. Ruth Mersereau at Fredericton High School, could be available to students on campus. The secretaries are hired out at two dollars per hour for typing and paper work. Wawer suggested that the SRC guarantee the secretaries their wages should no one show up for the service.

Neale said that the suggestion was a matter for the Administra-

tive Board and that she had made the information on the service available to the SRC.

Neale told Council he had been asked to strike a committee to study acoustics, entertainment and staging for the new multi-purpose arena, officially sited near Teachers College. The committee's proposals should be completed by December 9.

Fall Festival chairman Alex Mersereau gave a preliminary report on the success of the annual event. He said the final analysis should be ready by next week.

It was noted that Red and Black made a \$500 profit this year which goes into the show's budget.

Rod Doherty was appointed to the Administrative Board and was accepted unanimously by Council.

A first year student, Terry Dougherty resigned as a member of the Athletics Board. He agreed to step down because he felt as a freshman he was not acquainted enough with the position and precedents. Neale nominated Dave Kent, who has participated in varsity and non-varsity sports and has served on the Student Athletic Association and the SRC, to take Dougherty's place.

Winter Carnival chairman Chris Gilliss reported that letters have been sent to residences and organizations on campus inform-

ing them of a number of annual events such as the sculpture contests and parade. He added that approximately 20 people turned out for the organizational meeting and that they are looking for an even better attendance next time.

Hugh Whalen was appointed comptroller for winter carnival. Although he will co-ordinate carnival funds, he is directly responsible to SRC Comptroller Fud Steeves.

Entertainment officer Pat Flanagan explained that he had a tentative plan for the major entertainment for Carni this year. It is hoped that a concert will be held Tuesday, February 5, the day before the official opening and the torchlight parade.

Also tentatively scheduled for Thursday night is a group from Newfoundland, Ryan's Fancy. A SUB take-over has also been discussed which would include a group playing on each floor of the building. Admission at the door would allow you to attend whatever entertainment that appealed to you.

Pubs and a Winter Carnival ball have also been planned tentatively.

Intercollegiate Press which is printing the 1973 yearbook said they were expecting the bulk of the book within the next 10 days. This information, Neale said, arrived about a week ago.

Multi-purpose arena to be ready Sept. '75

By TERRY DOWNING

The multi-purpose arena complex could become a reality by September 1975. The building of this arena has already been approved by the Senate on November 22nd. The presentation of the arena will be sent to UNB's architectural firm of Murray and Murray after the next User's Committee meeting, which is scheduled for the 11th of December.

"Two locations were seriously looked at" according to Professor Eric Garland, Director of Academic Planning and Campus Development. "One place was beside the tennis courts behind Lady Dunn Hall and the other, which is where the complex will be built, is on the hill overlooking Chapman Field (TC field) and about a 100 feet from the TC gym."

"The placement of the arena was made partly because that was a better site and partly because the noise problem which could have affected Lady Dunn Hall will be less noticeable," added Doctor John Meagher, Executive Assistant to the President. "Also a parking lot will be built going from the arena to Montgomery Street providing room for 750 cars."

There are many facilities being built into the arena. These include two large conference rooms, which can be divided into smaller rooms to form class rooms, eight locker rooms and press and radio facilities, among other things.

There will also be a track training area, probably going around the outside of the ice surface. Track meets could be held in the complex by borrowing a track surface available from Sussex.

The ice surface will be 200 by 85 feet, which is larger than the present ice surface at the Lady

Beaverbrook Rink. They will be individual seats, as opposed to the bench style.

"We hope to be able to use the complex for convocations, registrations, exams, conventions, conferences, and the like," replied Meagher. "For this, we'll have to get some sort of covering to put over the ice surface so that we won't have to drain the ice off."

"What will make this complex desirable for conferences and the like will be the newness, largeness and the heating of the complex," added Meagher.

"We are hoping that the first shovelful of earth will be dug up by May 16th and the main work under way by July 1, 1974," according to Meagher. "The total expected cost

of the complex will be 2 1/2 million dollars. The money is being supplied by the Beaverbrook Foundation."

An added feature to the new complex will be that the press and radio will be able to see the ice surface and by simply turning around will be able to see Chapman field.

"Yes, we are planning to turn Chapman field into the new College field by 1976 or so" said Meagher. "But Chapman field is a very poor field now. A lot of work will have to be done on it. Also it takes about two years after the field is completed for the sod to take properly. The work includes building up the field for proper drainage, putting topsoil on, and things of that nature."

Winter Carnival needs YOUR help

To all students of UNB:

This year UNB Winter Carnival will be held from February 4 to 10. Carnie plans are still in the formative stage and we need your ideas, your interest and your support to make this years Carnival the best ever. Many good ideas have been brought to us from students and organizations but we are sure you must have things that you would like to see included. Join in the excitement of the parade, the snow sculpture competition, groups and dances....Join the UNB Winter Carnival Committee (or at least tell us what you would like to see). We can be reached through the SRC office in the SUB.

Winter Carnival Committee

Keith K. Manuel
Christopher Gilliss
Hugh Whalen
Suzanne Payan
Peanuts (Frances Callan)
Chris Mulholland
John Landrey
Trish Gordy
Claire Levesque
Donalda Standish
Johanne Belle-Isle

Margaret Carten
Jody Gorham
Anne Bedard
Brent Melanson
Pat Kingley
Eileen Maiter
Robyn Scott
Kathy Ramsay
Kathy Mitchell
Damian Bone
Warren McKenzie
David Chase

Research associates appointed

By LORNA PITCHER

Three marine ecologists and a specialist in Canadian history and nationalism have been appointed as research associates to UNB.

Appointed at last week's Senate meeting were: Dr. David Scarratt, Dr. Ralph Brinkhurst, Dr. John Calagrice, and Dr. Genevieve Jain.

Dr. Scarratt is a research scientist at the St. Andrews Biological Station. He is studying the changes in lobster population and behavior in relation to pulp mill effluents, oil spills, and other environmental pollution.

Dr. Brinkhurst is also associated with the St. Andrews biological Station and is currently its director. He is a founder and Director of Pollution Probe and a

Director of the Canadian Environmental Foundation. His research papers have dealt mainly with pollution research, recovery of polluted rivers, and other environmental subjects.

Dr. Calagrice is a lecturer in the Zoology Dept. of UBC. He is a Director of the North Atlantic Salmon Research Center and Assistant Director of the Huntsman Marine Laboratory and has written several technical reports of salmon studies.

Dr. Jain has lectured at several universities and colleges, including Teacher's College in Fredericton. She has published studies on Bilingualism and Biculturalism, and wrote her thesis on Canadian history textbooks and nationalism in Ontario and Quebec.