Outgoing SRC executives spout final farewells

By DERWIN GOWAN

Speeches of the outgoing SRC executive were given at last Monday's meeting. They gave an appraisal of Council's work over the past year, as well as recommendations for next year's council.

First to be heard was the Assistant Comptroller, Pat Flanagan. He said he had a lot of problems working with a group the size of the SRC.

He stated, "I must admit I was frustrated."

Flanagan said that, sometime, he thought he could work better on his own. He added that he learned something in working with the SRC.

He said some of the meetings were rather long adding, "This is one of the few marathon meetings that was justified." He gave special praise to the two girls in the SRC office, and SRC Financial Consultant, Wayne Charters.

He then added, "I doubt anyone has done so much for Council and got so little out of it as Roy Neale.

He said, "I hope everyone has appreciated what he has done."

Flanagan repeated the praise for the comptroller. "I've enjoyed working with Fud. It's been an experience."

He stressed the Travel Office as a student service, and suggested that the position of Entertainment Chairman "be set up, along with a separate budget. This would cost in the order of 2 or 3 thousand dollars.

He finished off by saying that people should get involved with the SRC.

This was followed by Fud Steeves' report.

Referring to the SRC, he said, "The system doesn't need to be reformed in any major way at all."

He said that it is one of the best in Canada.

Steeves recommended separate budgets for such things as Carribean night. Also, he said that no money should be given to clubs without the name and phone number of the president. He said he believes there should be an Administrative Board Supervisor, to whom clubs would be responsible for giving progress reports, and would have a general supervision over SRC sponsored activities. He said that money should not be given to clubs and organizations unless they can at least break even.

He said he would rather see one big Christmas Party for foreign students, rather than a number of small ones.

He aiso recommended that better use be made of student radio. Steeves believes that it should be at least 5 years before CHSR goes FM and should remain amateur.

He said the advertisement and editorial policy of The Brunswickan should be part of the SRC policy decisions. He said he would like to see better use made of the campus graphic typesetters.

He also said there should be better payment an advertisements. He said that bad debts should be collected by people not connected with the selling of the ads. He mentioned that CHSR's and The Brunswickan's ad revenue is at an all time high.

Steeves said he wants UNB drama to start doing "more popular stuff," rather than some of the "heavy drama" they are doing presently.

He also said that Winter Carnival should be kept "student run" with no honoraria, to keep out "entrepreneurs."

Steeves said he dislikes the "growing autonomy and professionalism" among student clubs and organizations, and would like to have them remain on a "student level."

Honoraria should not be awarded automatically he said, but council should be satisfied that the recipient has earned it.

He said he would like to see the President increase his power in policy matters, possibly having a Policy Board, which would be much like the Administrative Board is to the Comptroller. The difference is that it would deal with non-financial matters.

Concerning summer employment on the SRC, he said that the part-time president's salary should depend on the "requirements of the job."

He said he believes the SRC should deal directly with beer and liquor companies serving on campus. By this he meant that beer and liquor companies should go to the SRC executive, rather than the Pub's Officer, Winter Carnival Chairman, etc., so that kickbacks and other abuses could be prevented.

Outgoing President Roy Neale began by reading a quote which said that, in the United States, student unions serve two functions -- one educational and one of providing service. However, in Canada, it said, a student union's functions are divided into two categories -- one political and one of service again. The services are usually one that the university won't provide. Neale said that a good student union contains a happy medium of the two.

Neale said, "When I came to my present job, the SRC had been doing very little besides re-allocating student funds given by the goodness of their hearts or the hard arm of the law."

He said he has tried to have the SRC provide more services, although there is still room for improvement.

Neale said he does not want the SRC to join the National Union of Students, as its views are too political, and they don't concentrate enough in providing services. However, he sees the SRC as the "number one student political organization," more so than the student members on the Board of Governors and the Senate. This is due to Council's more representative structure and membership.

He said, "the SRC is the only constitutional, legal, elected representative body."

He said that other organizations, such as CHSR, The Brunswickan, and the Yearbook must be subordinate to the SRC.

"It's been the longest two years of my life," said Neale.

The position of Campus Co-ordinator should be re-established, he said, and "should be given all possible support."

He said he also believes the SRC should have some part in forming the policy of the student media.

With respect to the councillors, Neale said, "I haven't seen too many bad ones this year."

He drew attention to the good attendance record.

To the new council, he said, "The best of bloody luck."

The President has some good points and some bad ones, he said, and added that he will likely find out that he will have to take a firm stand on some policy matters, as well as delegate authority to others.

He concluded with, "I've really appreciate the help I've been given and want to thank you for the opportunity to be of some service to the university."

Peter Forbes, SRC Chairman, said that one of the main reasons for student positions is to learn about the outside world, and see how things run.

Forbes said, "In my opinion, this is the best council I've had the opportunity to work with or observe. Although differences of opinion were expressed they were expressed.

Forbes said he likes the idea of giving academic credit for work done on The Brunswickan and CHSR. This would have to be controlled by the Senate, he said.

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STU professor

Father E. J. Casey dies

Saint Thomas University classes will be cancelled today while funeral mass and interment for STU sociology professor Edmund J. Casey is held in Chatham.

The former STU sociology department head died following a heart seizure at the University of New Brunswick Lady Beaverbrook Gymnasium Feb. 18.

Casey was born 45 years ago at Barnaby River, son of the late Jeremiah Casey and Mary E. (Foley) Casey. Funeral mass for the Burnaby River Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish administrator will be held in Chatham's St. Michael's Church beginning at 11 a.m. today with interment to follow at his birth place.

STU classes were also cancelled Wednesday morning during a memorial mass.

Following early education at Burnaby River and Newcastle, he graduated from STU with an arts degree in 1949. Casey studied theology at Halifax's Holy Heart Seminary and was ordained in 1953 a St. Michael's Church priest.

His first appointment was to the staff of Saint Thomas College High School and he later studied at Laval University Catholic University of America and St. Louis University in Missouri where he was awarded a M. Ed. in 1959 and a Ph.D. in sociology in 1966.



Father E. J. Casey

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