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Extra SRC fee increase possible for SUB expansion

By LORNA PITCHER

Student fees may be raised an unspecified amount in addition to the SRC's proposed inflation allowance to subsidize SUB expansion.

SUB Board of Directors chairman Roy Neale said, "I expect expansion in whatever form it takes will not take place for two to three years because we must fit in with an overall scheme for campus expansion (the 1972 Murray & Murray Esquisse Plan) and we must amass the money for architect's fees and construction."

"We may do what the student councils did back in 1963 when they first planned the present SUB. They increased student fees and saved until 1969, when the SUB opened." he said. "The people who gripe because they will probably not benefit from the money they will be putting in should remember the kids who went here from '63 to '67. Without them we wouldn't have a SUB today."

Neale hypothetically suggested a million dollar project, and stated increased fees would certainly not be the only source of funds, but would only supplement loans.

He said, "at present we are not paying off the loan on the existing SUB as fast as was previously expected due to the high mortgage we have. We spend so much on the mortgage that the principle isn't shrinking much." This fact could have an effect on the size and nature of any expansion to student facilities.

Neale stated there is a proven need for expansion as student services are scattered all over campus and have demands on them too great for their facilities. "An excellent example of this is the dining space - people are spread all over and at mealtimes you'll find many people eating in offices since there just isn't room in the dining areas." he explained.

He said the expansion board has no preconception of what form the expanded facilities will take, but whether it is a wing or a separate structure it will be built near the present SUB, possibly to its rear toward D'Avry Hall. This is the location suggested in the university's Esquisse Plan.

He said student groups have been pushing for increased space, especially the media. He also remarked all student services with the exception of the Deans of Men and Women would ideally be brought together in a services wing or building and that this would be a major purpose of expansion.

Neale feels a large multi-purpose room which could be partitioned would also be a desirable priority. He mentioned Dalhousie has one in their SUB, and commented our SUB ballroom is very insufficient for large functions. He felt such a room as he proposes would pay for itself if it is used by outside groups for conferences and banquets.

He mentioned the possibility of a mini-mall for commercial interests its support over the past few years of retail outlets within it," he explained. "Sub Towne has come into its own, and soon there will be a ticket outlet and record shop near the cafeteria." Neale said this mini-mall concept is an expansion of student services.

He also said the present Games Room facilities are a prime area of need of expansion. He felt more ping pong tables and some bowling lanes would be desired in the future.

He said, "we've asked major users of the SUB (i.e. Saga, the SRC, and the media) to present preliminary plans for their future space needs by November 15, and final plans by the middle of January." Other interest groups will be approached in the meanwhile.

"Then we will check our present financial capabilities and possible methods of collecting funds and alloting them," he explained. "Then we will pick the site and ask for preliminary architect's plans and artist conceptions. All our plans will have to be based on financial considerations and our priorities in building will be determined the same way."

"Next week," he said, "we will be going on a fact-finding mission to see what facilities already exist, and what interest groups would like to see built. Everything is well in hand and phased carefully to give us time to prod people for plans if necessary. We're cooking!"

Ballot-stuffer gets off easy with $25 fine

Although a verdict of guilty or not guilty was deemed inappropriate in the case, the student whose actions disrupted the Oct. 9 SRC, board of governors and senate election was fined $25 by the Student Disciplinary Committee last week.

John Gillis, a poll worker at the SUB voting station during the election, was charged by the SRC when two students filed written statements saying they witnessed him marking ballots and placing them in the ballot box.

However, the SDC decided that the SRC was partially responsible for the incident because of lack of instruction for poll workers.

In their decision, the SDC said although the ballots were placed in the ballot box, there was no attempt to fix the election. Gillis stated earlier that he knew none of the candidates in the election and was not voting for anyone, but merely spoiling the ballots.

A total of 193 votes were cast at the SUB polling station, and 23 spoiled ballots were found in the box.

Peter Forbes, legal counsel for the SRC, had asked for a compensation of $132.26 to cover expenses incurred by the SRC during the election.

The three hour trial included lengthy discussions about the jurisdiction of the court. The SDC was granted jurisdiction to try the case by the board of deans.

Clyde Spinney, counsel for the defendant argued the case was out of the jurisdiction of the SDC, that insufficient time was given between the issuing of a summons and the trial, and that no specific regulations were broken. After a long discussion it was decided to continue on in the case.

SAA elections coming

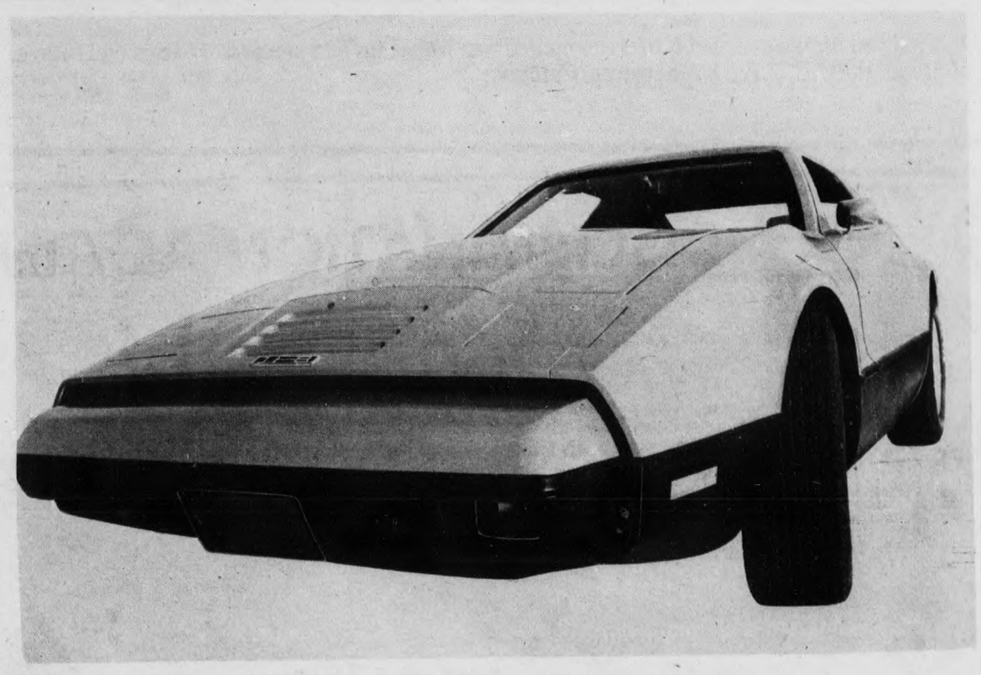
Nominations are now being received for candidates who wish to run in the SAA Fall Election for the following positions: 1st Vice President - who shall be a Junior, Intermediate or Senior and SHE must have been enrolled in the previous year at UNB; 2nd Vice President - who shall be a Junior, Intermediate or Senior and HE must have been enrolled in the previous year at UNB; Secretary - who shall be a sophomore, Junior, Intermediate or Senior.

All candidates must be full time registered students of UNB.

All nominations must be in writing and signed by a nominator, seconder, and eight other students.

All nominations for position shall include the full name, Fredericton address and telephone number and the faculty and year of the nominee, nominator, and seconder.

All nominations will be received at the Athletics Department Office, UNB Gymnasium, and nominations will close Friday November 11th at 5:00 PM.



Above is New Brunswick's infamous Bricklin. President of the company, Malcolm Bricklin, may speak to engineering students after the election.

Local car manufacturer to speak at UNB after provincial election

A.M. Stevens, University of New Brunswick associate engineering dean, said there is a "pretty strong" indication Bricklin Canada Ltd. president Malcolm Bricklin will address engineering students here after Nov. 18.

Stevens said in a telephone interview Wednesday arrangements to have the executive of New Brunswick's first car manufacturing plant speak at UNB had been attempted earlier.

Bricklin was due to speak to engineers Nov. 4 during Engineering Week and this had been changed to Nov. 6. Stevens said Bricklin won't be able to speak here before Nov. 18, the date of New Brunswick's general election.

"Obviously they didn't want to bring him in during the election," he said. "I don't know if the word came from the Premier's office or if it was Mr. Bricklin's decision."

Stevens said provincial economic growth deputy minister Harry Nason "had felt pretty strongly that we could get him after the election." The department negociated having Bricklin speak in Fredericton.

Brian Walker, acting deputy minister in Nason's absence, said he had no knowledge about the speaking engagement. He speculated Bricklin might have decided to wait until after the election in light of "rather puerile public discussion" about the plant's economic feasibility. He suggested Bricklin might have feared misinterpretation.

Stevens said engineers were "disturbed since they were counting on his coming but we never had been promised that he would speak."

Bricklin was unavailable for comment Wednesday and officials at the Saint John plant didn't expect him back from engagements in Detroit for two weeks.