

soundoff continued

Stacey clarifies SUB issue

Dear Editor:

As the date of the upcoming Referendum draws nearer (October 21) there appears to be several areas which need to be clarified before students go to the polls. Although only two or three students actually bothered to come to the Student Union Building Information Office to ask questions or have points clarified I have heard several misinformed comments about the referendum around campus. So in point form I will try to provide you with more information regarding the Student Union Building Referendum to be held on October 21, 1981 in hopes that you will have a broader base on which to form your opinion.

1. The students of UNB and STU have been contributing \$15 each as part of their Student Fee to pay off their half of the construction cost of the building since its conception in 1966. Now that this construction cost has been paid off we are asking that you (the

students) continue to contribute the \$15 to the S.U.B. to ensure the necessary renovations in the future will be possible. We are not asking for an increase in your student fees.

2. The plan that has been displayed is only a conceptual drawing of what could be done if we were certain we had funding to do the much needed repairs, renovations and reorganization.

3. You are not being asked to vote on the plan but rather to give your continued support to your Student Union Building.

If you do not like the plan there will be ample time and opportunity to voice your opinion and make changes after we know we have funding available to work with. Nothing will be done with your \$15 until you have participated in the planning process.

4. The estimated cost of a plan such as the conceptual one being presented is about \$700,000. This amount will change depending on what

happens during the planning process for the Building. Given present interest rates and other factors such as the time for repayment this is as high as we can go with one overall renovation. However, understandably this amount will change with the magnitude of the plan decided on. It quite conceivably will be less.

5. Renovations to the building do not have to be done all at once, they can be conducted in stages depending on importance.

6. The funding arrangements for any type of renovations have not been worked out at this point because before this can be done we have continued support from the students and if we have any funding to work with.

7. If you are concerned about making a commitment for students who will be attending UNB in the future keep in mind that if the students in 1966 did not make a commitment then we would not even

have a building. They were concerned about the students of future generations and you should be as well.

I have brought these points to your choice. The Student Union Building has given time and money to this cause to give you the students the opportunity you should have to decide the fate of your building. This is your chance to improve your Student Union Building.

If you do not agree to con-

tinue your support in the form of \$15 you will have given up this opportunity. Please give this matter careful consideration because it may be a long time before you have the opportunity again. If you have any questions regarding the referendum please ask at the Student Union Building Information office during the day and they can help you.

Sincerely,
Darcy Flynn
Acting Director

Wants answer

Dear Editor:

After hearing a CHSR report about the results of this year's orientation committee activities I feel compelled to ask the following questions of Gerard Finnan, Sue Lynch, and Dave Leblanc of the Orientation Committee executive.

1. Was the committee's receipt book lost as has been rumoured?
2. If it has been found may the public see it?

3. Is it true that this year's Orientation ran a deficit of about \$5,000 versus last year?
4. Why didn't you produce a public record of your activities before submitting your names for SRC nominations in this year's election.

Anxiously awaiting your replies,

Sincerely,
John Bosnitch
SRC Eng. Rep.

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