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SRC meeting goes on and on

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A long and controversial SRC meeting Wednesday finally came to an end after five and one half hours. Shortly after

midnight the chairman, comptroller, SRC president and all of the councillors except Bosnitch, Cooper and Osborne left the meeting.

Although no motion of adjournment was made, the chairman stated he had the authority to terminate the meeting.

During those five and a half hours the following motions were passed by council; 1) Joey Kilfoil's resignation as Editor In Chief of the Brunswickan, effective Dec. 31, 1981 was accepted, 2) the Society of Surveying Engineering was reimbursed \$272.00

after the payment of money owed the SRC; 3) Carol Daley was appointed recording secretary of the SRC effective Jan. 6, 1982; 4) the SRC ratified the Administrative Board minutes of Nov. 27, 1981 and 5) the SRC regular meetings will be limited to three hours in length.

Due to a suggestion by Mr. Bosnitch, each SRC member now has a mailbox in their respective faculty office.

Any student who has ideas or suggestions for the improvement of this year's Winter Carnival are encouraged to get in touch with their faculty rep., drop their suggestions in their rep's mailbox or stop by the SRC office.

The question of the SUB renovations surfaced once again. The SUB board in co-operation with the SRC are seeking to know the opinion of the students on this matter. Any suggestions are to be submitted to the SRC office in writing before Jan. 25, 1982.

Bosnitch was quick to point out that it would be the SRC who had the final say on what, if any, renovations take place.

The Orientation financial report was not completely compiled and could not be presented to the SRC. Some debate arose as to whether Andy Young had been competent as Comptroller of the Orientation Committee or if in fact he had really been comptroller for the committee.

Mr. Young assured council he had performed the job to the best of his ability; he had not been derelict in his duties. The preliminary budget for Winter Carnival was rejected by council. A realistic and current budget was requested. Once again, suggestions from students would be more than helpful.

The motions that Fraser Dickson be appointed Assistant Comptroller effective Jan. 10, 1982 was defeated by council. Dickson said "Bosnitch has argued against me because of

my impeachment proceedings against Mr. Bosnitch."

The motion that council approve the honoraria of Tom Kovacs (\$25.00) and Lloyd Tozer (\$250.00) was tabled and will be voted on at a later meeting.

A report was presented by the Ad Hoc Honoraria Committee. The amendments were made, but council did not vote on the report. Bosnitch suggested binding rules concerning job specifications, expectations and salary for summer SRC councillors, be drawn up to ensure consistency.

President Ratcliff, in the executive report informed councillors students graduating at Christmas and Education students practice teaching outside districts 25 and 26 were entitled to a \$15.00 rebate on student fees.

The question of whether or not the Law Rep. would be allowed to rejoin council was not settled. It was suggested that McKillop make a formal appeal to council on the matter.

The minutes of the meeting held Nov. 25 were not amended due to complications which arose from the late availability of those minutes to councillors. Bosnitch suggested measures to be taken to ensure minutes of future SRC meetings be made available to councillors 72 hours before the following meeting (as stated in the Constitution) be it in written or taped form.

The SRC office will be closed from Dec. 19 to Jan. 5.

Arts appeal rejected

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The SRC rejected an appeal launched by Steven McAlinden in a special meeting last Friday.

McAlinden was appealing the election of Arts representative Willa Stephenson which he lost by one vote. Council voted ten to four in favor of rejecting the appeal with Comptroller Akumu Owuor abstaining. Voting in favor of the appeal were President Kevin Ratcliff and Councillors Bosnitch, Osbourne, and Ward.

The 90-minute debate, at times heated, centered around two main issues; the question of whether there were improper election procedures on the parts of Lloyd Tozer, chief returning officer, and McAlinden; and whether either candidate suffered from the administration of the election.

The question of improper procedure was the focal point of McAlinden's appeal. In his opening remarks he brought out the following points: 1) that he had submitted his form prior to the initial nominations closing; 2) that his form was filled out as it should have been; 3) that he was informed by Tozer of his not being a candidate over a week after he had submitted his nomination form; 4) that he had told Tozer that legal counsel would be sought to oppose this decision; 5) that Tozer later informed him of his being again allowed to run; 6) that this only gave him one class day to campaign, and 7) that if the byelection itself was not so close, a hearing would have been unnecessary. McAlinden summed up his speech by asking for another election with the same two candidates.

Tozer, the main target of the McAlinden attacks, offered his response on paper, distributed to councillors.

Tozer's verbal comments centered around the other major issue, that of equal time for candidates.

He stressed that Stephenson had perhaps even less time to campaign than McAlinden had, and questioned whether or not an appeal would have been brought forth had McAlinden won the election.

The cases of "clear, specific contraventions" of the SRC constitution drew Engineering Rep. John Bosnitch into the debate. The approximately half dozen clauses that Bosnitch mentioned dealt with the duties of the Vice president and with general procedural details regarding elections.

Bosnitch said that if the rules had been followed, McAlinden would have been acclaimed, with no extension of nominations.

Debate then centered upon McAlinden's activities. Arts rep Liz Lynch, questioned the appearance of "Orientation '82" or McAlinden's posters. McAlinden said he could put anything on his poster.

Questions were also raised as to the appearance of the "New Brunswickan" of which McAlinden was editor-in-chief.

Business rep Derek McDorman argued that "the arts faculty have spoken," and stressed the interpretability of the constitution by his statement "there must be some way to get around this."

Both members of the executive present, Ratcliff and Owuor suggested an objective viewpoint be taken, comparing McAlinden's nomination form with the rules.

The timing of the appeal was also questioned - some councillors asked why there was no complaint when nominations were extended.

Bosnitch replied, claiming that he had protested Tozer's extending nominations at the time on McAlinden's behalf,

that McAlinden had been unable to attend the meeting himself due to his job, and that no SRC meeting was held in between then and the election, giving McAlinden no other chance.

After a short recess, McAlinden's nomination form was distributed to councillors for examination. The chairman declined to decide upon the correctness of the form saying it was outside his domain.

President Ratcliff said there was slight deviations from the customarily used form, although such deviations were not mentioned as wrong in the constitution.

The vote soon followed and council rejected McAlinden's appeal. Bosnitch was upset by this, and in a CHSR interview vowed to appeal this decision saying he would resign from council if "the rules were not going to be followed."

Murray House sold



UNB President James Downey confirmed Thursday a buyer has been found and terms have been agreed to for the sale of Murray House. Dr. Downey said the sale could not be consummated and would not be considered legal until approved by the board of governors. The former co-ed residence was sold to offset renovation costs to nearby Maggie Jean Chestnut House. Greig Morrison photo.