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Threats thwart SU nominations

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Although elections for UNB Student Council are just around the corner and signs advertising the open positions have been posted, there has been a surprisingly low turnout for council positions.

When nominations closed on Wednesday, March 11, all executive positions except President had been acclaimed. Of the 14 positions available, only the Business Administration seat was contested. The positions for Arts Representatives, Law, Science and Engineering have all been acclaimed; while the remaining eight positions have been extended because of a lack of nominations.

The list of contenders for the position of President are:

- Jane Arnold
- Thomas Rivington

- Tony Tracy
- The candidates for Business Administration Representative are:

- Nathan Phillips
- Reg Denny

The acclaimed positions are as follows:

- VP Internal Larry Hansen
- VP External James Small
- Comptroller Armand Vaillancourt
- Arts Reps Kathleen Johnson and Jacqueline Veinott
- Law Brent Hancox
- Science Luigi Roca
- Engineering Steve Secord

Despite the rather unhealthy

situation of SRC Representation, the University positions for Board of Governors (1 seat) and the Senate (3 seats) have plenty of competition. The nominees for Board of Governors are:

- Christopher Nakash
- Shirley Lee
- Susan Forestall

Those contesting the Senate seats are:

- Mike Robichaud
- Tony English
- Randy Ferguson
- Susan Forestall
- Brent Hancox

Nominations for the following positions have been extended until 4:30 pm on Wednesday, March 18, 1987:

- 1 Science (full term)
- 2 Engineering (half term)
- 1 Representative at Large (half term)
- 1 Forestry (full term)
- 1 Nursing (full term)
- 1 Education (full term)
- 1 Phys. Ed. (full term)

Nomination forms and further information may be obtained from the SUB Information Office between 9 am and 5 pm.

The SU President, Larry Hansen, feels the lack of turnout for council seats is undoubtedly related to the threat of lawsuits which have plagued SU councillors and executive for the past year.

A source who prefers to remain unidentified, supports Hansen's view. This person told the Brunswickan that the reason that he did not run for an executive position can be attributed to a statement made by John Bosnitch. John Bosnitch threatened that if the individual ran for election he'd "be slapped with a lawsuit so fast, it would make your head spin. How do you think we got Corinna Goulding (past VP External) to resign?"

Elections threatened

By Melynda Jarratt

Although they have been threatened with disciplinary action by Dr. James Downey, President of the University of New Brunswick, the Student Union Inc. headed by John Bosnitch intends to go ahead with its slated election from exile in direct competition with the UNB Student Union elections on March 25.

In a hand delivered press release dated March 10, 1987, Lana Grimes (VP Administration) informed the Brunswickan that the final date for nominations to Student Union Inc. elections will be March 19. Further, Ms. Grimes included in a separate release the following resolutions which were passed at the last executive meeting of the Student Union Inc. Council:

Resolution 1

That the executive determine that these following six questions be considered as Substantially Important Referenda Questions in the upcoming March 25th General Elections.

- Do you support the Universi-

ty policy of not including free birth control pills as part of the health insurance plan?

- Do you support the University refusal to make condoms freely available on campus as protection against sexually transmitted diseases?

- Do you approve of your Student Union fees being spent for personal legal defenses?

- Should UNB President Jim Downey have the power to lock out and replace elected student government at will?

- Do you approve of the new "Foundation for Students" which gives UNB President Jim Downey a veto over all student finances?

- Do you believe that the \$30 Student Union fee should be increased?

Bosnitch/Grimes

Carried unanimously with the recorded consent of all Executives and assistants.

In a further note, Barry White, a former member of the Board of Governors who was removed from the Board in January due to a conflict of interest, will not be allowed to re-offer for the position in the upcoming Student Union elec-

tions because he does not meet the "eligibility" requirements.

Eligibility for the Board of Governors is based on two criteria. Under Section 4(a) of the Regulations, a candidate for a two year term on the BOG "may be enrolled in any year of a program, other than the year in which the candidate is to graduate." Secondly, he must not be on Academic Probation.

Despite the fact that White fits both requirements, he has been informed by James Woodfield, University Secretary, that he "is not an eligible candidate" because of the nature of his previous offense.

Also, it should be noted that Tony Tracy, who was finally allowed to claim his seat as SU Comptroller this past week, has announced his candidacy for Student Union Inc. as VP (Services) along with, Lana Grimes (President); Micheal Bennett and Paul Micheal Lord as VP (Academic); Susan Forestall as VP (Administration); and Rachel Pelletier and Tony English as VP (Finance).

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