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## SUB expansion referendum passes

by Gordon Loane

James van Raalte is smiling from ear to ear these days.

The Student Union President's buoyant mood may have a great deal to do with the results of last week's SUB expansion referendum, where, by a vote of 779 to 670, undergraduate students voted to pay \$25 towards an expansion fee beginning in September.

While voter turnout was just 22% and the referendum passed by a 53% to 47% margin, van Raalte was not surprised on either counts.

"The lack of candidates was expected to have some negative effect on voter turnout, but I think in the end it was just about average for spring elections," he said. "The vote was close. I wouldn't have wanted it any closer."

But the vote was good enough for the project to clear the first hurdle and move forward. In the end, van Raalte felt the majority of students thought centralizing services in the SUB made sense and most were

willing to pay the price.

"On the other hand, there were students who felt the \$25 yearly fee was too much at this point in time," he said.

In fact, just days before the referendum vote a "No" campaign emerged. In posters widely distributed on campus, the "No" forces criticized the \$25 expansion fee and questioned recent Student Union decisions and spending practices. The leaders of the "No" forces have so far refused to identify themselves.

One thing van Raalte and a team of "Yes" voters learned as they campaigned door-to-door in residence was the need for a pharmacy in an expanded SUB. A student survey conducted last year at UNB and STU came to the same conclusion. van Raalte expects to meet with UNB President Robin Armstrong just after the March break.

"We're looking for assurances from him. We want the SUB project included in the university's upcoming fundraising campaign."

van Raalte still believes the cost of the expansion will total five to six million dollars.

"It's expected to take at least a year before the financing and final approvals are granted," he said.

Meanwhile, the Saint Thomas Student Union is gearing up for a similar SUB expansion referendum late this month. STU students will be asked to contribute a yearly fee of \$15 beginning in the 1995-96 school year.

"We still have a year to go on our commitment to collect \$20 per student for the new Sir James Dunn Building," said Kelly Lamrock, who co-chairs the STU "Yes" referendum campaign committee along with Tanya Clark.

"Once that commitment is over, we'll begin collecting the \$15 SUB fee in September 1995 if students approve," Lamrock said. Student elections take place at STU on Wednesday, March 23rd.

## SU budget released

by Gordon Loane

Just a week after the UNB Student Union elections, Vice-President Finance and Administration Paul Estabrooks has handed down next year's operating budget.

The \$640,000 budget calls for a student fee increase of four dollars, bringing the total to \$103 next September.

Estabrooks is blaming a projected enrolment decrease and increased expenses for new student services.

The largest increase in the budget will go to cover administrative expenses in the SU office. Salaries will increase by \$20,000 to cover the addition of a new General Manager. That office is expected to be filled by June 1.

The SU's five executive members will benefit from full summer salaries totalling just over \$23,000

up \$6500 from last summer. SU office expenses are forecast to rise just over \$5300.

Student Services get the next largest increase. The SU Help Centre and a new Peer Support Centre will cost an extra \$6000.

Special Interest groups will get a \$5000 increase, mostly because new organizations have asked for money for the first time. Other budgets remain mostly unchanged.

Cutbacks occur in student publications, certain campus activities and student councillors salaries.

Council will provide no money for Winter Carnival or the UNB Yearbook.

A new operation, the Pub in the SUB is forecast to break even.

Advocates of a new Daycare Centre on campus will receive a

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## Election results lacklustre

by Brunswickan staff

At UNB, student elections last week produced no real surprises. The elections featured a lack of candidates, a choice of nearly all yes/no votes and just two close contests requiring recounts.

For Arts representative on the Student Council, Tricia Sheppard defeated her only opponent Chantale Walker by just 13 votes. Election night returns had given Sheppard the victory by just three votes but a recount increased the margin to 13.

In the only other close contest, Brooke DeLong defeated Mike Wallace by just 10 votes for Grad Class 1995 Vice-President. A significant 29 ballots were spoiled.

Dave Erb was elected Grad Class 1995 President, while Erica Gomez will be Grad Class 1995 Secretary-Treasurer.

Peter Bance, recently named a Rhodes Scholar, was elected Valedictorian of this spring's Graduation class. Bance received 88 votes to 74 for Debbie Calvin, 57 for Rajeev Venogopal and 55 for David McTimony.

In other contests, Renee Peters and Robb Hayes will serve as Science representatives on Council. Jeff Clark finished out of the running in the three way race.

Joe Fitzpatrick won a three-way contest for a one-year seat as student representative on the UNB Senate. He finished with 534 votes to 354 for Shawn Pleunis and 278 for Eli Watson.

Other Senate seats were won in

yes/no votes by Douglas McLean, Luke Peterson and Vish Nandlall. The two year Senate seat was won by Robert Dorman.

The Student Union Executive, due to take office May 1, will look like this. Third-year Business Student Paul Estabrooks, who won election as VP Finance just last fall will serve as President. Pat Fitzpatrick gets a second term as VP University Affairs.

Newcomers to the executive will include Chris Alward, VP Student Services, Luc Pinet as VP Finance and Lara Rooke as VP External. All survived yes/no votes.

Other members of council include Anoushka Courage, Heather Godwin, incumbent Cheryl McLean, Jeffrey Melanson and Tricia Sheppard as Arts Representatives.

Business students will be represented by David Erb, Erica Gomez and Mike Wallace.

Kelly McLaughlin was elected in Computer Science and Todd Muscroft in Education.

The four members strong from Engineering are Deryl Armstrong, David Flook, Vish Nandlall and incumbent Andrew Van Wart.

George McGugan will represent Forestry while Paul McLean will take the Law seat. Trevor Brown and Douglas McLean were elected students-at-large.

Estabrooks and Fitzpatrick will serve one year terms on the university's Board of Governors.

Shane Heath was elected to a one-year term on *The Brunswickan* Publishing Board.



The women's volleyball team are in Winnipeg representing the AUAA at the CIAU nationals. Photo by Kevin Q. Porter