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## Athletic director's job still up in the air

By Scott MacDonald

It appears that the search for the 'new' Athletic Director is still going on. The vote for who gets the job has been delayed for a yet undetermined length of time.

Many people are wondering why the committee is taking its time making a decision since the university athletic season is just getting underway. It would make the most sense to hire someone as quickly as possible so they could get started in their position.

The six member search committee was supposed to pass in their formal vote to the Board of Governors last Monday to decide who would become the new A.D.. It seems, though, that the committee's decision to rehire current A.D. Barb Mullaly has some opposition from both the board and some members of the community. Mullaly has been the acting Athletic Director on an interim basis for the past four years, since she replaced Ed Hilton who resigned amidst controversy in the fall of 1990.

Mullaly was on the three person 'short list' which was cut down from the more than 20 applicants that wanted the job. The other two names were Concordia hockey coach Paul Arsenault, and ex-women's basketball coach Dave 'Hermie' MacNeill who has worked with

Sport PEI the last few years.

Several reasons were given for the delay in decision making, including a notion that the search committee itself was at fault because two of the six-members had an obvious bias for Mullaly to retain her job; and, the only voted 4-2 in favour of Mullaly.

There are some people who are still wondering why several applicants, including Morell native Al MacAdam, were not even given interviews for the position. One member of the Board of Governors said that the delay will allow further information from the public to be voiced.

One rumour floating around campus that Mullaly and one unnamed varsity coach were on bad terms, leading to a partisan crowd who are opposed to the idea that Mullaly be appointed as head A.D..

What it all boils down to is this: whether the committee approves Mullaly does not matter. The Board of Governors has the ability to select any of the three member short list regardless of the committee's recommendation. Mullaly's four years as a highly competent athletic director may mean nothing if what may amount to a glorified popularity contest.

## Frontier College seeks to set up literacy program at UPEI

By Shannon Younker

Many University Students Find they are swamped with reading material at this time of the year. Fortunately for most, the bulk of material encountered every day is legible and understandable. This is not the case for the 5 million Canadians who are classified as "non-readers".

Worse still, according to statistics Canada, of the 38 per cent of Canada's population classified as functionally illiterate, less than 4 per cent are getting help with their reading and writing. Those who are considered "non-readers" include over half of the Native Canadians living on reserves and over 70% of the nation's prison inmates (all statistics from 1988).

Ninety-five years ago, Alfred Fitzpatrick inspired a group of students from Queen's University to help the workers and labourers of the nation upgrade their literacy skills. These reading tents became the Labourer Teacher Program which in turn was the beginning of Frontier College, now a nation-wide, non-profit literacy organization.

As well as labourers, Students for Literacy volunteers now work with street kids, youth at risk of becoming drop-outs, prison

inmates, recent immigrants and many other learners.

There are now Frontier College programs in twenty-two Canadian Universities including Mount Allison, Dalhousie and Saint Mary's. At St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, students have been working with Micmac and Black communities for over twenty years. Frontier College staff would like to add fifteen more campuses to the Students for Literacy network and Anna-Lisa Brewer, Campus Outreach Coordinator says "the University of PEI is a priority".

Information on Frontier College, hints on how to set up an effective, efficient group of volunteers and training to become a tutor is provided free of charge by the Frontier College staff. Stephanie Miller, Program Manager tells interested students all that is needed to be involved is "a sense of commitment, an open and creative mind, and a big heart." People interested in tackling the illiteracy problem in Prince Edward Island can contact Mary Burke at 675-4791 for more information on establishing a Students for Literacy club at UPEI.

## Human Rights case against UPEI under investigation

By Rebecca Moore

Wendy Adams, an employee of the UPEI security department, has filed a human rights case against her employer based on sexual discrimination. The case is still in the preliminary stages and the findings of the initial investigation are likely to be released this week.

An anonymous source says that Wendy would like everything to work out, "She hopes

everything can be worked out and is hopeful for a positive conclusion"

Jim Wyatt from the Human Rights Commission stated that he is restricted by the confidentiality rule, but he did confirm that the case is under inquiry. John McEntee, Director of Security, had no comment on the case.