

# Letters & Opinions

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so that their position can be re-opened to other qualified applicants.

The Personnel Board does not, and does not wish to have absolute power in hirings. We all want to be able to enjoy ourselves on campus too, and not be considered "heavies". That is why all Personnel Board recommendations must be approved by Student Council, and why we encourage people to report to us if someone is not doing his/her job.

I would like to respond specifically to some of the statements made in those 3 letters last week. First of all, we feel that Patrick Kelly, the person hired as station manager of CIMN does have the knowledge necessary to run CIMN efficiently. Contrary to David Dobson's beliefs his (Dave's) qualifications were not taken lightly. The new manager also worked for CIMN last year, as a D.J. and has done volunteer work on Cable 10. After seeing Patrick's goals for the station, which included specific types of programming for specific times; making the station more conducive to students wanting to work there; recataloguing records; affiliating with local radio stations and record stars; ways of increasing listeners through promotion, and achieving financial stability by soliciting more ads; we are not worried about the future of CIMN

under his direction. In response to Neil MacKenzie, the Head Bartender, I would like to say that I don't know any Board, hiring for such a wide variety of jobs as bartenders, waitresses, campus police, photographers yearbook editors, newspaper editors, heads of committees, etc., that could possibly have experience in all of these areas. The members of the board, though, have been and are very involved on campus, having done such things as Asst. Editor of the SUN, vice-president of Business Society, secretary treasurer of Biology Club, secretary-treasurer of Sophomore Class, member of Photo Club, bar waitress, member of Social Committee. Hopefully this experience is a decent proportion to be qualified as interviewers. Secondly, contrary to Neil's statement, no C.P.'s with experience, and a good recommendation from the chief, were left off the list recommended for this year's force. Another point raised is true, that the Head Bartender was not in attendance at applicable interviews, but last year's Assistant Head Bartender, who is now Comptroller, was invited to attend. Perhaps it was an oversight not to invite the Head Bartender also, but since it is difficult to arrange times when members of the Board, invited advisors, and over

70 applicants can get together, it was felt adequate to have this person sitting in, who had experience in more than one area.

As to the statement that P.B. doesn't have to justify their recommendations it must be emphasized that P.B. is strictly an advisory body, whose recommendations, if questioned, must be justified, in order to be passed.

In response to Miss Bradley's comments on the calibre of waitresses hired, all successful candidates had previous waitress experience, either in the Barn itself, or private establishments.

In summary, we the Personnel Board, have devoted long hours of volunteer time in making recommendations that we hope are in the best interests of

the student body. Obviously, not all candidates can be successful, which has in some cases resulted in bitterness. This is unfortunate, but is difficult to avoid when dealing with matters of such a sensitive nature.

Sincerely,  
The Personnel Board

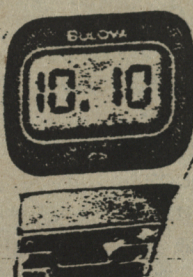

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