

PROPOSED GOALS FOR UPEI

The University is a community of scholars engaged in the pursuit of truth. It seeks in particular those truths which liberate human beings by helping them to know themselves and the world

around them, and by enabling them to order their own lives so as to achieve their proper ends. It seeks to promote respect for the worth and dignity of every individual. It seeks to develop along

with specific skills, creativity, the capacity for critical thought and the ability and desire to learn throughout life.

The University within western civilization has a special commitment to seek and to study the truths of that civilization by examining its values and its institutions, by weighing them against those of other traditions, and by transmitting the best of what has been said and done. It is the critic as well as the repository of cultural heritage. The independence of thought and the freedom of inquiry characteristic of the University guarantee that the assumptions underlying society, including those underlying the University, are continually challenged and renewed.

Although the pursuit of truth in all its forms and the formation of the free person have always been the espoused ends of the University, each University is itself a product of its own time and place. As an integral part of its own society, it is, without compromising, its ultimate ends, accountable to that society and sensitive to its needs and values.

To fulfill these general purposes while at the same time recognizing the special obligations that it has as the only university in the Province, the University of Prince Edward Island seeks:

1. To promote academic excellence through effective instruction in the Arts, Sciences and certain Professional Studies, recognizing the crucial

example of the instructor in developing a respect and enthusiasm for knowledge.

2. To integrate the study of Arts, Sciences and Professional Studies in such a way as to give the student a sense of the wholeness of knowledge.

3. To provide an environment conducive to the personal development of each member of the University Community, including students, faculty, staff, and to encourage all members to accept a shared responsibility for that environment.

4. To recognize the importance of moral discernment in the use of knowledge, and to provide an environment wherein personal integrity and responsibility may grow.

5. To maintain strong links with, and add to, the world of knowledge through scholarship and research.

6. To place at the service of the local community, whenever feasible and appropriate, the knowledge skills, research capabilities and other resources of the University with a view to the building of a better world.

7. To preserve the freedom of intellectual inquiry.

8. To reflect the University's special relationship to the Island in its teaching, learning and research.

9. To provide the human and physical resources and administrative structures and processes that best assist the University in the achievement of its goals.

Student Union Fee Increase In '79

Student Union fees at UPEI will be increased to \$55, the student council decided at their meeting January 26.

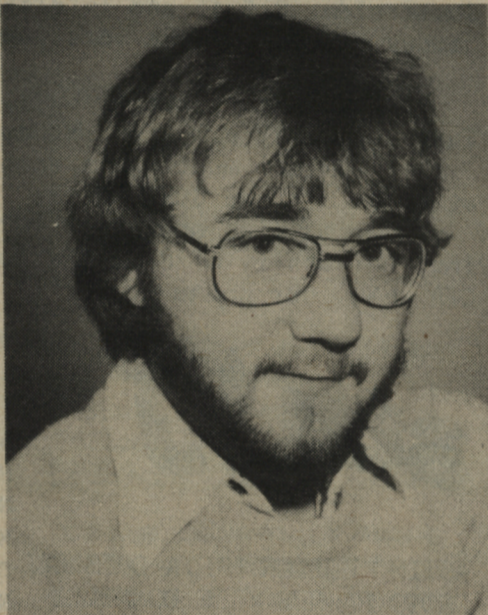
The motion was made to council by treasurer John Neville and seconded by President Kevin Gauthier. Neville presented exhibits and diagrams of how the fees are spent each year and pointed out that future Student Unions would be in extreme financial difficulties if the fee increase was not implemented this year.

During the ten years that UPEI has been in existence, Student Union fees have increased twice, once in 1970 and again in May of 1977.

In the fall of 1979, 20% of Student Union fees will go into the first of five payments being made into the Capital Savings Fund. This fund was established in 1978 to promote saving and investment of Student Union revenue for future capital purposes.

Neville presented the proposed increase to the Finance Committee of the Board of Governors.

At the Board meeting January 29, Will MacInnis, Chairman of the Finance Committee moved that the Student Union fees be



increased \$10 the desired amount. The motion passed unanimously.

President Gauthier said "we regret having to increase the fee, especially when we realize how tight the money situation is for all of us. Unfortunately the increase in costs, particularly the cost of maintaining the BARN, coupled with the decrease in enrollment this year put us in a position where we simply could not continue to operate as an effective Union without an increase in revenue. It is regrettable but we had no other alternative."

The fee increase goes into effect in September, 1979.

Council Notes

-meeting held on January 25/1979 in Kelly Building
-present were Ivan MacArthur, Darlene MacNevin, Brendon Bolger, Maria Driscoll, Mati Kolga, Dave Connaughton, John Neville, Mike Kennedy, Kevin Gauthier, Linda Dunning, Tara O'Blenis, Betty MacDonald, Jennifer Tweddle, Patti Bradley, Heather Ronalds.

-Peter Watson, Campus Police Chief, received a letter from the Campus Police Chief at Acadia University enquiring if there was enough interest to hold a conference at Acadia for Chiefs and their assistants to discuss policy. Council discussed the idea and tabled it waiting for further information.

-A motion was passed paying the Freshmen class \$200 for the work of carrying out the Spring '79

Book Exchange.

-Personnel Board applications: 1) that Frank Costabe accepted as a regular member of Campus Police force--passed; 2) that Sharon Timmons be accepted as Assistant Campus Police Chief effective February 14/79--passed.

-After much discussion it was decided by the Student Union Council to apply to the Board of Governors at the University for a Student Union fee increase from \$45 to \$55 for the academic year 1979-80.

--Kevin Gauthier presented councillors with the brief he had prepared for the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission at their Halifax conference, and reported on the results of the conference.

--a motion was passed that the yearbook Nexus '79-80 and consecutive yearbooks must have a minimum of \$3,000 advertising or if not, it will be the decision of the S.U. Council whether or not it will be published.

--Sharon Timmons gave a report on the Winter Carnival schedule.

--Meeting adjourned.