

# BJ McCarville Wins the Election for Student Union President

## Dead Letter Office

**Dear Editor:**

In response to the "Fact and Opinion: UPEI Milestones Edition" piece published on March 20:

*Fact*

Mr. Stephen MacLeod (sic) authored the above article, and it was published by the CADRE using funds, at least in part, from UPEI student fees.

*Opinion*

This tasteless, humorless, badly-informed, poorly-written, foul-mouthed trash is an insult to students, alumni, staff and faculty of the University. It tells us far more about the mind of the author than about the history of the institution.

Yours truly,

**Andy Robb**, History Department  
**Deena Robb**, School of Business

**Dear Andy, and Deena:**

Usually in this space it would be my great pleasure to reply to your letter. I would probably mention something like the fact that Stephan (a not e) gets paid nothing for writing, and that the hardest thing to write is humour, and he is a near genius at it, I would also question what gives you the right to speak on behalf of the:

"students, faculty, alumni and staff" since I am both a student and an alumni and I know at least fifty others who, to my lament, think F & O is the best part of this paper and I would probably also

question the fiscal responsibility of such things as the Internship program and the University Teaching Centre, but instead I have invited Stephan to respond himself-Ed.

**In response to the Robb's letter:**

- 1) I take great offence at being called badly-informed.
- 2) Since I work as the Ad Manager for the Cadre I pay for the Fact & Opinion page through dollars earned from advertisers. No student fees were spent publishing my page of the paper.
- 3) I find it funny that it took two people to write one Fact and Opinion that was not funny when I write 30 a week that are not

by Sarah Murphy  
News Editor

Students have spoken, BJ McCarville was elected UPEI Student Union President for 2000-2001.

"I'm happy I won, and I'm glad voter turnout was so high," said McCarville, quoting the 21% voter turnout, possibly a record for a UPEI student union election.

Despite this, McCarville was disappointed by some aspects of the election. He commented on the fact that two polling stations ran out of ballots, and some voters were unable to cast a vote for every position.

"If there were any discrepancies, McCarville, "they were handled well, but I will make sure it [running out of ballots] does not happen in the future."

Comrade McCarville, has shown her willingness to take on challenges this year with her work with the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) and the Access 2000 campaign which played an important part in obtaining a tuition freeze for UPEI student in the coming year.

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But there is more to be done, insists McCarville.

"I really want to focus on the student loan program," she said, adding that she wanted to start researching the matter but did not have time to do so this year as Vice President External.

McCarville also wants to increase the role of councillors, and wants to ensure that every councillor position is filled in next year's council. She also wants to enforce student union bylaws which stipulate that every councillor must take part in council sub-committees. This admitted McCarville, has not been done.

The student union constitution should also be looked at, and changed since the closing of CIMN, she added. "A re-writing of the constitution is in order" she said.

Improving communication is also high on McCarville's

list of things to improve on campus. Word of mouth is the best way of getting news and announcements around UPEI, but McCarville, would like to enhance it with a television program on Cable 10, which would inform students of upcoming events on campus.

"[This] half-hour segment would encourage people to get involved," said McCarville.

McCarville, has not had much time to think of new projects to take on this summer or for the year to come, but is looking for more challenges. With the ongoing project of the Student Centre, and continuing government lobbying, McCarville is sure to have her hands full in the coming months.

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