

Students say "Yes" to WUSC question

By Michael Zinck

With strong candidate support from all contenders and a hard-hitting campaign of posters, an information table in the library lounge, residence visits and heavy one-on-one campaigning, the WUSC local committee rolled up 728 'yes' to 110 'no' votes to win student support for its permanent refugee fund.

Joe Byrne (President of WUSC) along with the other WUSC (World University Services of Canada) local committee members waited Thursday night for the results in the Panther Lounge.

Byrne, who turned in a solid, low-key speech on Tuesday afternoon, was clearly delighted and somewhat amazed at the overwhelming show of support.

"That's great!" was the extent of his speech-making on Thursday to the assembled local committee, who were elated at the 87% showing.

While happy, the local committee now realizes that the work has just begun. WUSC local must now raise

an additional \$3,000 dollars to cover one refugee student's costs at UPEI.

Professor Ralph Hazleton, WUSC's faculty advisor stated, "At least now we have something to point to when we ask the rest of the community for support."

He went on to say, "This is what the UPEI students have done. Now what will (the community) do to help us?"

The WUSC local committee will be meeting soon, and everyone is invited to help out.

Dorsey admits mistake

By Michael Zinck

After the dust settled over the pulling of Kevin O'Brien's name from the Vice-president Academic ballot, President Michelle Dorsey admitted to allowing the whole affair to start.

"I accept complete responsibility for what hap-

pened," President Dorsey said, having met with Kevin before he filed his nomination papers.

Dorsey stated that "I checked the constitution with Kevin at the time, but we only looked at the first section (of the constitution regarding eligibility)."

After this check of the

constitution, President Dorsey gave Kevin verbal permission to run for the position of Vice-President Academic.

Clearly disturbed by the upheaval that occurred through out Thursday, President Dorsey could only add, "I guess I should have checked further."

Stanley satisfied with results

By Michael Zinck

Bob Stanley is not too unhappy with the results of last Thursday's election, but then he not elated either. Bob wants to congratulate opponent for the position of VP Operations Karen Blacquiere on her victory, and will, he promises, lend her all his support next year.

He says "I look forward to working with Karen."

In his speech to the students last week Bob stressed his experience in the operations field, especially with CIMN. But clearly Bob states "I feel I did a good job, but you can't eliminate popularity boundaries over a few weeks."

He felt there was a lot of voting in blocks, and that the election could have gone either way.

But he admitted, while he received a lot of individual support, he did not get the bigger groups, such as residences to vote for him.

Yet Bob's not out of business yet, he says. He plans to apply for the position of Station Manager at CIMN or for Orientation chairman next year. If, of course, he should become Operations Manager at CIMN, he would

be working closely with Karen.

He may have lost this election, but clearly Bob is a long way from quitting. He will be back next year, involved in many activities within the UPEI Student Union.

Above all, Bob says, "I am glad it was a clean race, and one of the fairest of the election."

Ryan ready to go as VP Academic

By Michael Zinck

Carolyn Ryan would have preferred to win her position of VP Academic through the

ballot box in last Thursday's election, but it was not to be.

Attempting to steer clear of the O'Brien controversy has

not been easy. As it is, Carolyn realizes that there will always be a question hanging over her term of office.

Yet she feels good to have the position and intends to throw herself fully into the job.

After all, she says, "I worked hard to get it, so of course I feel happy."

In her speech last Tuesday, Carolyn told the crowd what she would do if elected. Her biggest job, she felt, is to get a number of research projects underway.

This remains her commitment. Carolyn plans now to get the projects started over the summer and to draw up a plan of action for next year.

Carolyn says, "I want to get to know people in the university and open up the channels of information."

Also as important for students, Carolyn plans to attend the summer meetings of the Senate. This, she states "will be to see that nothing just gets pushed through on students while they aren't aware of it."

In her speech she spoke of the need for better recruitment for the Yearbook and the *Netted Gem*. Carolyn will follow that up, working with the editors of both operations

in order to help make the team feel comfortable with their new jobs.

Carolyn will also sit on a newly-established committee

to review election procedures, which will draw up amendments so as to avoid this year's problems.

Carolyn feels "this position has a lot of potential, for providing information to students and lobbying both

government and the University administration."

She promises to actively search for student opinions, and student can, she says, "bring me their concerns, and I will help any way possible."

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VP Operations - elect Blacquiere

By Michael Zinck

"I'm looking forward to working hard in my new position," is what Karen Blacquiere wants the student body to know about her now.

Karen is pleased to have won the election for Vice-President Operations, and she fully intends to fill her campaign promises.

Karen, in her speech to the UPEI student body last Tuesday talked of her experience on past student councils, and she felt this was one of the contributing factors in her win.

"I feel that I was involved in more areas (of The Student Union) than Bob," stated Karen.

She felt also that her heavy advertising campaign and speech worked in her favour.

Says Karen, "I did the best I could, and I put a lot of

work into my speech."

When told that Bob Stanley felt block voting contributed to her win, Karen agreed, but wanted it know that she had worked and campaigned hard for those residence votes.

"I visited the residences (Marian & Bernardine), and went door to door to get the vote. I didn't just assume I had the vote".

Karen was not sure that Bob had done this, and she felt it was an influencing factor.

Karen's immediate plan is to get working on plans for the Orientation program next fall.

Karen also looks forward to working with the new full-time Entertainment Director, and will be glad of his or her help.

She also feels the new sub-

organization policy will be an assistance in bringing better order to all sub-organizations.

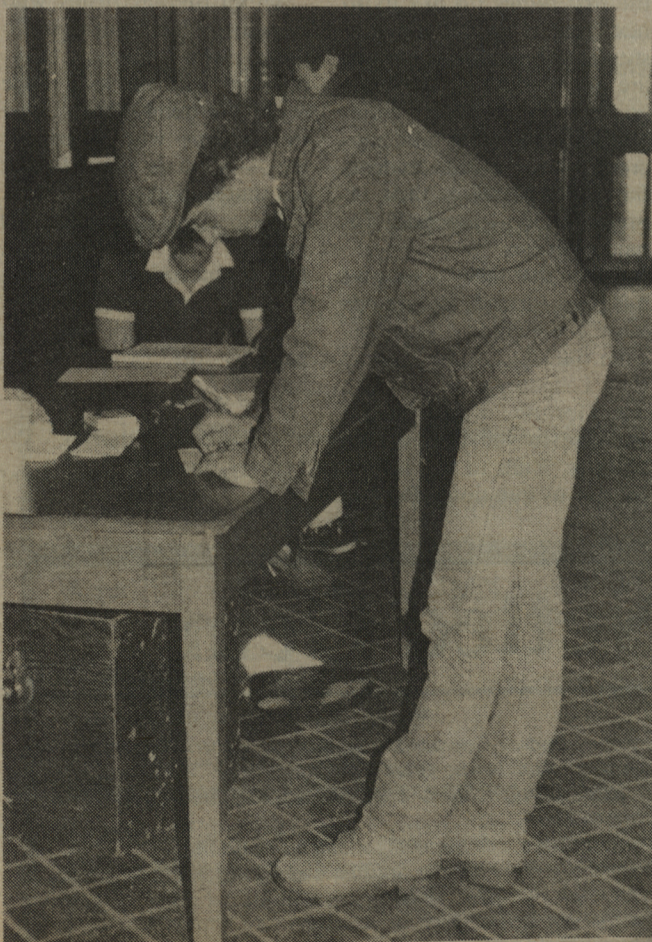
At present, she is working with Howard Beattie, current Vice-President Internal to gain experience in her new position.

While Karen has little experience with CIMN she intends to learn the station's operations inside out.

Karen says, "If I know the station better, it will be of help, especially to the new operations director."

Like Stanley, Karen is pleased the campaign for Vice-President Operations was run cleanly. She felt there was already enough trouble in the other campaigns.

Karen also wants to thank Dave Doiron, Jody Cunningham and Shelly Enman for their help and support on the campaign trail.



At the poll ... (Photo: MacLeod)