

# Ou Es Paul? Observations

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An ordinary UPEI student gets to wondering what the Student Union Executive is up to. Well, all you do is go to the very welcoming Student Union office and take a quick peek around. Upon entering the office, the first thing noticeable is the letter board which just so conveniently marks WHO is in. We all know that our executive works extremely hard, so it indicates Chris-IN, Krista-IN, Matt-IN, Cara-IN, Kirk-IN and Paul-OUT.

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Quoi? You get frightened. Your reason for going to the offices was to get that much needed financial counselling from the infamous Paul Murphy. Alas, you go to the VP Finance office, but the rumble in your belly wasn't the Chartwell's lunch you just ate. It was the feeling of disap-

pointment. All that lingers is a "P.W.M" backpack and a jacket hung over the back of the chair. Ou es Paul?

A self-proclaimed Guru of Finance, Paul evidently holds the VP Finance position on UPEI's Student Council. He's a fourth year Business student, who, upon graduating in May, will take the next step in "growing up" to be a Chartered Accountant. To his friends, Paul is known as Jimbo, and to his co-workers he holds a

Clarke Kent/Superman persona. As Matt McCarville, VP Activities, pointed out, "Paul comes in. Where's he coming from? Who the *knows*. Paul leaves. Where's he going? *Who the knows*."

In making a conclusion as to where Paul is, or what occupies his time, one can only piece together the array of facts collected from his co-workers, cohorts, and observers. One young lady begs to understand her encounter with Paul Murphy at The Wave one evening, as she fell victim to the constant threats of "Not knowing the facts." She believes that Paul may hold membership in the Interrogation Mafia.

POINT OF INFORMATION: It seems those who fall victim to the mafia are those who lack in the business efficient category. Paul was unavailable for comments concerning his involvement with this organization.

It's true that Paul isn't around a lot when the rest of the executive is, but bear in mind, there are frequent meetings throughout the week that he has to attend on account of his position, he never misses

a meeting, and his work is never left unfinished. Some have even described Paul's work as being done superlatively.

"You wouldn't hire someone because they sucked," said Big Sco (Scott Flemming), who later stated, "One time I saw Paul in his office...." Obviously, as VP Finance, Paul is the guy that signs the staff members' cheques, delivers the Budget vs. Interest reports at council, and ensures that there is no misappropriation of funds.

These things are not matters to be taking lightly, so it is safe to conclude that a 'chump' would not be hired to do the job. But beyond that, what is at the core of Paul

Murphy? Always with a National Post in hand, Paul likes to call upon the inner "Jarred" with his daily visits to Subway. It seems that number-crunching, bowling, and backing his political views are at his forte, and he's not one to hide his infatuation with getting impeached, as previously stated in the last Cadre issue.

POINT OF INFORMATION: As Paul's position is hired; he can only be fired, not actually impeached.

No one knows better than Krista Gallant, Executive Vice President, what it's like to work along side Paul, as she conveniently shares an office with him.

"Actually, the only time I know Paul is around is when I come into the office and see his backpack, you know, the one with the initials on it. Sometimes I think he's trying to throw me off by leaving it here for a night or two."

All in all, Krista enjoys sharing an office with Paul, but c'mon, who wouldn't love to have a financial guru within her grasp!

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