

# FOUR STUDENT COUNCILLORS IMPEACHED

## For Missing Too Many Meetings

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Four student councillors were impeached and one more threatened to resign last night in what may have been the biggest shakeup in the history of the UPEI Students' Union.

Vice-President Marilyn MacPherson, arts rep Sandra Dunsford, science rep David Cairns and education rep Byron Carr got the axe under Article 21, Section 9 of the UPEI Student Union constitution, which states that "any Council member who misses any three consecutive Council meetings or any four Council meetings shall be immediately impeached

and the Speaker shall inform Council and a date of bye-election shall be set." This is the first time the constitution has ever been enforced in this regard.

Discussion on the subject was minimal -- mainly because the impeachments are automatic according to the constitution -- until student union comptroller Ted Crockett turned in his resignation during the meeting. He said his major reason for resigning was that he "didn't believe in the organization any more, because of the way things have been going." Crockett in effect

asked for a vote of confidence from the council by asking them to vote on whether or not to accept his resignation. However, Council decided not to vote on the matter, because the overall feeling was that it was Crockett's decision to resign, not theirs.

Crockett eventually decided to hold his resignation until Wednesday's executive meeting, when he will submit his final decision.

More questions then arose about the validity of the clause in the constitution making the impeachments of the other

four automatic. Several people present at the meeting stressed the importance of attending meetings, questioning whether councillors who did not attend meetings regularly were adequately representing their constituency. President Gordon Campbell pointed out that regular attendance is "the only written required job of a councillor."

These impeachments were the biggest news but there was other business. Charles Mills was ratified as speaker with the approval of the Personnel Board, and a change in the student representation on the Senate was considered.

Presently the union vice-president has an ex-officio seat on the Senate, but many councillors felt that two automatic seats on Senate are too many for a five-person executive, since the president already has a seat. So it was recommended that the vice-president's automatic seat be replaced by a fifth elected student.

In order to make this change in the constitution, a general meeting of the student body will be required. This meeting is tentatively scheduled for before the students' union election speeches.

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rotary door was blocked from opening by a pile of ice, so as to be inoperable. I would be very happy to find, before next spring, that we could use all the expensive doorways to our centre of resources. In other words, dear maintenance staff, could you please put your plan in gear, and open the north entrance to our library. I thank you in advance. And before we forget, a belated HAPPY GROUNDHOG DAY!

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The spanking-new library is having its problems. See story.

## Recently Opened New Library Closes for Repairs

For those of you who noticed that our new 3 + million dollar library was closed unexpectedly on Wednesday last, we managed to get an explanation (sort of) from the staff. Allegedly, due to the lack of sufficient load-bearing wiring, a fire broke out in the basement, destroying the service panel. After this was finally replaced, it

was discovered that the heating plant had also ceased to function. Ten blows later, temporary heat was restored, so that all you students could return to your books.

While we are on the subject of our new library, though, we must pause a moment to decide how to get in to the place. I made the almost fatal mistake, like someone

before me, of attempting to enter via the north entrance. It would appear that maintenance has not heard about this entrance because the snowplow managed to make it only half-way to the door. If that snow gets any deeper, we may need rescue dogs to return those who inadvertently blundered towards this doorway of civilization. Also, the