



Students have objectives

Last Thursday there was an open forum to discuss University objectives from the students viewpoint. It was probably the most largely attended meeting of its kind that there has ever been at U.P.E.I. Maybe some people that were there thought it evolved into a "bull-session" but there were some very concrete ideas discussed also.

The biggest problem that was recognized by the majority of people there was the student to student communication problem. It was realized that before anything can be accomplished on this campus for students

this communication problem has got to be fixed. It's not only the communication between the Student Council and the members of the Student Union that has to be corrected, but the communication between the students themselves. A method has to be devised so that all 1400 students can know and can have a say in what is going on at U.P.E.I. Gary Webster suggested that possibly course unions could be organized. That is, that all the persons majoring in a certain discipline (psych, history, economics etc.) form a union in which they could have a strong input into the functioning of

be things like discussing course changes in that department, marking procedures, faculty/student problems and a great variety of other things. After all we have to take the courses and try and get through them! At the meeting, Thursday some people offered their services in order to try and possibly form some of these unions. So if someone walks up to you this week and asks if you would be interested in forming a course union in your discipline, why not give it consideration. It certainly can't hurt.

This wasn't the only suggestion that evolved from the meeting though. There were some sound student objectives voiced - objectives which students felt should be strongly considered by the university.

One fact brought to light was that in order to pass most courses students have to write what that professor wants to read. A couple of students substantiated this fact with their own examples - one girl said that after she had written a paper of her own ideas on the topic, she received a low mark and could not get a reasonable

explanation from the professor. It's very hypocritical of the university to do absolutely nothing about these going-ons when they say that they are here to expand our knowledge as students. One big joke. What it boils down to is that some professors think that students don't have any brains at all, therefore the students should follow their light of knowledge. In some cases this light is getting very, very dim. We have to put up with this bull shit if we want to get those esteemed Bachelor's degrees. This stifling of our creativity by professors has to stop. This should be one of our prime objectives.

A lot of students were concerned about the university and the community. Right now, there is very little interaction between the two. They felt that the university should become more involved in the Island community. Some suggested that possibly an agricultural department should be set up considering that agriculture is our number one industry in the Island.

All in all, there was a lot of loose talk at the forum, but there were a lot of good, useable ideas passed around too. But we have to stand as a unified body behind our objectives once we get them all tabulated if we want to see them become reality.

If you missed the meeting last Thursday, there's one this Thursday and Friday. Watch for posters.

By the way, has anybody heard the rumour that there is going to be a senate meeting before Christmas? If there should be one, there is something very controversial coming up - a compulsory college composition course. I don't know too much about it since I haven't received the outline of it. I guess senate members don't need to know about it yet or something. But the Senate is another story in itself. A long, long story. Anybody got a couple of years and we'll talk about it?? I believe that the Senate invented procrastination. Let's have a minute of silence in memory of the Senate. It's been dead for years, but rumour has it that the tide may be finally coming in. The Senate may take the limelight next week. This week's "Poke in the Ribs" goes dually to Mickey "open-throat" Place and Dean Ken "slow-guzzler" Ozmon. They placed first and third respectively in the CIMN chugging contest last Wednesday night. Keep up the good work!?

Residence Students Do you want to eat breakfast?

If you eat in the campus cafeteria, this concerns you!

Five years ago, resident students were asked by way of a vote, whether or not they wanted to retain their English style breakfast of ham and eggs etc. or convert to a cheaper Continental breakfast of coffee, pastries and cereals. The students at that time voted in favour of the Continental breakfast. The change came about because the majority of students did not attend breakfast and did not want to pay extra for meals which they weren't attending. However, they felt that breakfast should not be completely done away with, as there were those who attended regularly.

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...serving the Continental type breakfast which we have at the present time.

In the light of complaints received about why the cafeteria does not provide an English style breakfast, we, the food committee felt it was time to clear the air on this matter once again. We therefore decided to let you vote and decide whether you want to retain the present Continental breakfast or go back to the English breakfast.

Converting to English style breakfast will cost you approximately \$2.80 per week or \$47.60 per semester more to cover the extra cost involved in providing such a meal. (Based on a five day week)

It should be pointed out that whatever decision is reached, all students eat-

ing in the cafeteria will have to abide by it.

On Wed. Nov. 13, beginning at 4:30 p.m., a questionnaire will be given to you upon entering the cafeteria. It is to be filled out and placed in the box provided there. Voting will be open to anyone eating at the cafeteria for that meal.

Please choose wisely, as this decision will effect students coming here in the future.

So remember to bring your opinions and your student I.D. card to supper on Wed. Nov. 13.

Yours truly,
John P. Barry
Chairman Food Committee

