

NEWS FROM UWFA

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EDITORIAL

Now that the current crisis is over and the new contract is ratified (by UWFA, not yet by the Board of Regents), we should take stock of what has happened and prepare for the future.

First, volunteer or nominate someone for the 1996-7 UWFA Executive. Service on UWFA is at least as important as service in any "University" function. Next year is particularly important, as Alden Turner said at yesterday's meeting, because our new collective agreement establishes Joint Consultative Committees consisting of 3 UWFA members and 3 management members to negotiate two crucial issues: financial exigency/redundancy and salary structure. Our members on these JCCs will be checking with the UWFA Executive on a regular basis and relying on the UWFA Executive for research to argue our position.

Second, don't sit back and wait for the Executive and committee members to do everything for us. Our February bargaining crisis occurred because the members were too complacent to ask questions about the December deal that wasn't. The Executive probably failed to keep us posted because it didn't think that we were listening. We weren't.

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There were problems before December, too. Ed Byard told us at yesterday's meeting that he could have gotten us a better contract if he had felt stronger membership support behind him.

Third, start thinking NOW about the bargaining impasse of September 1997, six months after bargaining begins on the next collective agreement. Are you ready to strike to prevent the erosion of our financial exigency and redundancy clauses? Are you ready to strike to establish a reasonable salary structure that balances the interest of junior and senior faculty? Are you ready to strike to get a contract without "days without pay"? I am.

Daniel Stone

TPDA DEADLINE APPROACHES

The TPDA deadline is March 31. Get your form in the office of the Vice-President (Academic) and send your completed form to Elinore Loos in that office. Send her a memo if you want to roll over unspent funds (\$150 and over).

UWFA EXECUTIVE PROFILE

Charles Porter. Instructor III, Department of Theatre and Drama

Teaching Subfield: Production. Supervisor of Technical Theatre

Research (Creative) and relevant outside activities: External productions in professional theatre. District Secretary of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) since 1988.

Years at UW: 15

Recent UWFA Positions or Activities: chief negotiator, member of the Executive Council

Recent University Positions or Activities: FPC, chair DPC

GUEST COLUMN

UWSA President, Arlan Gates, reports on activities of the Students' Association.

One of the strengths of The University of Winnipeg is its focus on academic achievement at the undergraduate level. We know that this is one of the principal attractions of our University for students who excel in high school. We also know that many of the students who receive an undergraduate education here are well prepared for further study in professional programmes, second degrees, and graduate studies. In the past, the work of The University of Winnipeg Students' Association (UWSA) has not always shown the commitment to academic pursuit that is demonstrated by other parts of the University. This year, we have launched a number of programs designed to reaffirm the role of the students' association in supporting our faculty as teachers, and in promoting academic accomplishment among students. We are pleased to have this opportunity to share details of these projects with members of the faculty association.

The first, and one about which you may already have received some information, is an edited scholarly journal for the publication of academic and creative work by undergraduates at The University of Winnipeg. Titled The University of Winnipeg Undergraduate Liberal Arts & Science Review, the journal will be primarily an electronic publication, mounted on the World Wide Web. Hard copies will also be published, and the 1995/96 edition of the Review should see completion in May 1996.

The Review ideally will contain at least one piece of academic work a project or a paper from each department and programme. The Review will also feature up to six creative works, which could be poems, short stories or plays. An editorial committee composed of faculty and students will select works to be

submissions directly from students: all academic work must first be submitted to a department or programme head for shortlisting. The deadline for academic submissions to reach department and programme heads is March 15, although heads may offer to accept submissions after this date. Creative works, which are invited from any undergraduate student regardless of course of study, may be submitted directly to the editorial committee.

The detailed regulations that govern the Review have been sent to department and programme heads. Guidelines and submission forms for students are now available from department offices, the Information Booth, and the UWSA General Office, room 2L24. We hope that faculty will encourage students with good projects and papers to enter them in the Review. The support of faculty will be essential to ensuring the Review's diversity and quality. We hope that you will contact us if you have specific questions.

To complement the Review, the UWSA is planning a Forum for Undergraduate Scholarship, a colloquium for the presentation of undergraduate academic and creative work. The Forum will use existing and highly successful symposiums in such fields as Psychology and History as templates for a single, interdisciplinary symposium. The audience for the Forum is anticipated to include students, faculty, others in the University community, as well as friends and family of the presenters. A committee of students from a variety of departments and programmes has been planning the Forum, and has tentatively set the date at Wednesday, 24 April. The deadline for submitting entry forms which the committee will make available by 4 March will likely be 25 March. It is our long term objective that the Forum serve as no more than a publicity umbrella and advisory structure for colloquiums organized by students and faculty in each academic department and programme in the University.

We recognize that the turnover in students' association staff each year makes

projects like the Review and the Forum even more difficult to maintain than they are to set up. It is our hope, none the less, that both the Review and the Forum become a sustainable part of the UWSA's commitment to academics.

Arlan Gates
1995/96 President
University of Winnipeg Students' Association

**The CANADIAN CENTRE ON DISABILITY STUDIES
invites
Nominations for the 1996-97 CCDS Board**

The CANADIAN CENTRE ON DISABILITY STUDIES, incorporated in May, 1995, is committed to education, research and information exchange and dissemination on a wide range of disability issues. The Centre, in collaboration with the University of Manitoba and other national and international post-secondary institutions, is currently active in several local, national and international participatory research disability projects.

The Centre's Board of Directors is made up of individuals from the community, representatives from disability groups and from various faculties at the University of Manitoba who share a common interest in disability studies.

Interested individuals are encouraged to contact the Canadian Centre on Disability Studies at 287-8411 (or fax: 453-1367) for more information and a nomination package.

All nominees must be members, or must take out membership, in the CCDS. Nominations forms must be received by no later than April 1, 1996.

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
1996/1997 UWFA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

The UWFA is seeking interested persons to serve on the 1996/97 UWFA Executive Council. If you would like to serve, or want to nominate someone, please submit names no later than FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 1996 to Kristine Hansen (Psychology) or Kim Best, UWFA Office (3S06).

POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Treasurer

Members-at-Large (six to be chosen)

A call for volunteers/nominations for committees and representatives will be issue later.

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I nominate/Volunteer (please print) _____
for the position of _____.

Signature of Nominee or Volunteer

Signature of Nominator