

**REPORT**  
**LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL STUDENTS CONSTITUENCY**  
**Canadian Federation of Students(-Services)**  
**National General Meeting**  
**November 1992**

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Trent Students' Union  
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AND OTHERS.....

**Staff Resource:**

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**INTRODUCTION**

As well as the directives and policy proposals listed in this report, the Constituency discussed a number of issues relevant to our membership:

- the issue of a women's right to choose in the matter of abortion.
- our official endorsement of the Bylaw amendment to create a Women's Commissioner position on the National Executive.
- the need to make *small* donations to projects and efforts (such as the Lesbian and Gay Guide to Universities, and Beaulne vs. the federal government) in order to officially lend the Federation's name and support to the project or case.
- the appointment of regional liaisons (B.C., Prairies, Ontario, Atlantic) to assist the Co-Commissioners.
- the need for a small newsletter for lesbian, gay and bisexual student activists.
- the possibility of doing another run of the "Pink Triangle Day" posters for this coming February 14.
- establishing the infamous Party with Queers (the best party of the general meeting, of course) as an Institution.

## **MOTIONS**

### **LGB 1      York Fed. of Students/Capilano Students' Union      Policy Amendment**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following policy under the heading "Sexual Orientation" be amended to read:

"The Federation supports the right of gay, ~~and~~ lesbian **and bisexual** students to form campus organisations, and encourages its member local associations to actively support this right."

### **LGB 2      U. Vic. Students' Soc./Lakehead U. Stdts.' Union      Policy Amendment**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following policy under the heading "Sexual Orientation" be amended to read:

"The Federation declares that all gay, lesbian and bisexual students have the right to:

- .....  
7.    **have access to programmes and courses dealing with gay, lesbian, and bisexual topics, including, but not limited to history.....**
11.   celebrate ~~June 27 as~~ International Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Pride Day;.....
14.   legal recognition of same gender domestic relationships ..... benefits, privileges and obligations **incident thereto**;.....
15.   **observe and participate in Pink Triangle Day every February 14.**

### **LGB 3      Lakehead U. Students' Union/U. of Guelph C.S.A.      Policy**

WHEREAS a closer link between faculty (including teacher assistants) and staff and students is conducive to the accessibility of post-secondary education by lesbian, gay and bisexual students;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation adopt a new policy under the heading "Sexual Orientation":

"The Federation supports the participation of lesbian, gay and bisexual faculty (including teacher assistants) and staff in lesbian, gay and bisexual groups on campus."

### **LGB 4      York Fed. of Students/Langara Students' Union      Policy**

WHEREAS lesbian, gay and bisexual faculty face discrimination in the area of advancement and tenure; and

WHEREAS the Federation opposes discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation adopt a new policy under the heading "Sexual Orientation":

"The Federation opposes covert and overt attempts by Canadian post-secondary institution administrations to deny advancement and tenure to lesbian, gay and bisexual faculty on the basis of their sexual orientation."

**LGB 5 Emily Carr Students' Union/Trent Students' Union**

**Policy**

WHEREAS the Federation is committed to eliminating homophobia and heterosexism on post-secondary institution campuses in Canada;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation adopt a new policy under the heading "Sexual Orientation":

"The Federation urges Canadian post-secondary institution administrations to work in co-operation with lesbian, gay and bisexual faculty, students and staff to provide, "Unlearning Homophobia and Heterosexism" workshops to all students, faculty, staff and administrators."

**LGB 6 U. of Winnipeg Students' Assoc./McGill P.-Grad. S.S.**

**Directive**

WHEREAS the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual students constituency is donating \$100.00 in the Federation's name to the publication of the Lesbian and Gay Guide to Canadian Universities;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all member locals be encouraged to complete the survey sent to them by Queer Press for the Lesbian and Gay Guide to Canadian Universities in consultation with lesbian, gay and bisexual activists on their respective campuses; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT all member locals also be encouraged to send a donation to the project.

**LGB 7 U. of Ottawa Students' Fed./McGill P.-Grad. S.S.**

**Directive**

WHEREAS former Federation activist Pierre Beaulne and former SWAP participant Todd Layland have been denied their right to marry, and

WHEREAS the Federation has policy supporting the right of same gender couples to get married should they so choose, and

WHEREAS Pierre Beaulne and Todd Layland have initiated a court case in Ontario challenging the constitutionality of the Marriage Act of Canada, and

WHEREAS since this action was launched, the Immigration Department has, in malicious and cynical retaliation, deported Todd Layland to the United States, and

WHEREAS Pierre Beaulne and Todd Layland require monetary assistance to ensure that this precedent-setting case goes forward, and

WHEREAS the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual students constituency is donating \$50.00 in the Federation's name to the case;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all member locals be encouraged to send donations to the case challenging Canada's Marriage Act initiated by former Federation activist Pierre Beaulne and former SWAP participant Todd Layland, care of their lawyer in Ottawa, Phillip MacAdam.

**LGB 8**

**Directive**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the resignation of Suzie Diamond as co-commissioner for the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual students' constituency be accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT \_\_\_\_\_ be appointed the new co-commissioner until the end of the May general meeting.



**REPORT**  
**Programmes Committee**  
**Canadian Federation of Students(-Services)**  
**National General Meeting**  
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**Participants:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Association</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Vaughan Benson	Marine Institute	Newfoundland
Shalendra Chand	Lethbridge CC SA	Alberta
Garth Breton	Augustana SU	Small Universities
Chantal Gingras	Ottawa FEEUO	Women's Constituency
Leanne Leclair	St. Boniface AE	Manitoba
Elaine Reid	Memorial CSU	Colleges & Institutions
Mihran Keurdian	King Edward SA	
Yvonne Wolthuis	Langara SA	
Jean Paul Faubert	Simon Fraser SC	Large Institutions
Mahtab Mehrassa	Simon Fraser SC	Students of Colour
Pierre Nadeau	AE Shippigan	New Brunswick
Carole LeBel	St. Louis Maillet	Francophones
Shauna MacNeil	Mt. St. Vincent	Nova Scotia
Graeme Gibbs	St. Thomas	PEI
Donnie Mills	Lakehead	Ontario

**Staff and Resources:**

Rod Hurd	President Travel Cuts
Robert Keddy	Travel Cuts
Ann Klug	Communications, CFS-Services
David Doze	Canadian Programming Service
David Jones	Executive Director CFS-Services
Hugh Leighton	Director, The National Student Health Network
Chris Gibbs	Director, Studentsaver
Denise Doherty-Delorme	Fieldworker, Manitoba-Saskatchewan

**Guests:**

Tony Norrad	CFS-NB Chair
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PRG.01

ST. BONIFACE/MOUNT ST. VINCENT

DIRECTIVE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Executive explore the idea of using a fold-out card format in replacement of the directory or in conjunction with the directory, or any other options available.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the national Executive take into consideration that which is more efficient, economical, and user-friendly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the national executive maintain the local content, the Federation profile, and coupons within the new format.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION

PRG.02

LAKEHEAD/MARINE

DIRECTIVE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Executive explore options for the expansion of the high school Studentsaver programme in different regions of Canada involving member locals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT

BIFRT if it is necessary to involve non-member associations there will be a differential between members and non-members for pricing of handbooks.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

**PRG.04**

**SIMON FRASER/AUGUSTANA**

**DIRECTIVE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive develop criteria for the local student discount cards

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the local members have the final decision regarding the discounts to be listed on the cards.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

**PRG.05**

**SIMON FRASER/CAPILANO**

**DIRECTIVE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to assess the priorities of the Federation where service and access of Travel Cuts to member locals without an office is required.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

**PRG.06**

**LAKEHEAD/LETHBRIDGE**

**DIRECTIVE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation re-implement the CFSnet system, using INET as the host carrier, for use by the National Executive and the national and provincial offices.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a commitment be made by the National Executive and Federation offices to make use of the system and efforts be made to ensure that all of these offices have appropriate software and training to make full use of this service

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the decentralized model for the operation of the system should be put in place as soon as possible. The initial resetting of passwords and establishment of bulletin boards, issue boards, etc. will be animated by CFS-S. The responsibility for the ongoing maintenance and operation for these functions will be shared by the CFS-S and the national and provincial offices in the interim.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the implementation of a third-party billing system through INET should be postponed for six months in order to evaluate the overall use of the system. Steps to invest in a reorganization of the administration/billing responsibilities should be considered.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

REFERRED FROM MAY 1992 COMMITTEE BY OPENING PLENARY:

(The following motion was developed from the following May, 1992 motions: PRG.13, PRG.14, PRG. 15)

**PRG.07                      MARINE/LAKEHEAD                      DIRECTIVE**

**WHEREAS** international programmes, such as Service Civil International India workcamp experience, foster cultural awareness yet are very costly to administer,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive recommend participants to the SCI India be included in the fundraising element of the SCI India project, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the National executive pursue funding to continue the SCI India Project, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive compile an analysis of costs, participant evaluation, method of selection for participants, and other areas as deemed necessary by the National Executive, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** this report be available to the membership by the May, 1993 General Meeting.

**BIFRT** the National Executive encourage involvement from member locals in the areas (of the Country) which the Asian SCI India Project participants visit while staying in Canada.

**BIFRT** the Asian SCI India Project participants visit one Anglophone, one Francophone, and one First Nations community.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

**PRG.08                      REGINA/LAKEHEAD                      DIRECTIVE**

**(PRG.19, May, 1992)**

**BIRT** the Federation call upon the government of the United States of America to lift the unfair and inhumane thirty year old embargo against Cuba, and

**BIFRT** this position be relayed to Canadian External Affairs and the Cuban National Student Union.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS MOTION BE RULED REDUNDANT**

**PRG.09                      REGINA/CARIBOO                      DIRECTIVE**

**(PRG.20, May, 1992)**

**BIRT** the National Executive prepare a feasibility study on group purchasing plans for baked goods, pare, student handbooks, meat products, office supplies, student supplies, soft drinks,



electronic goods, or any other service that may be commercially viable on a provincial or national basis, and

BIFRT this study be circulated to member locals immediately upon the completion of the study.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT

PRG.10

ST THOMAS/AUGUSTANA

DIRECTIVE

(PRG.25, May, 1992)

WHEREAS the Federation offers a very beneficial dental plan, and;

WHEREAS the actual use by students is relatively low, and;

WHEREAS it is in our best interests to increase awareness and usage of this service;

BIRT all Federation members be encouraged to handout candy in their student union offices, and assist their physical education departments in developing more hockey teams.

BIFRT the Federation support the reintroduction of campus bare-knuckle boxing tournaments.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT

REFERRED FROM OPENING PLENARY, NOV, 1992:

PRG.11

OTTAWA/ST. BONIFACE

DIRECTIVE

(92.11.N29)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation adopt the following new operation policies under the heading "Programs" within a new section entitled "Printed Materials of CFS-S":

All printed materials produced by the Canadian Federation of Students - Services must prominently feature the CFS(-S) logo.

~~Within all printed materials produced by the Canadian Federation of Students - Services the name of the Federation shall not be written as an acronym but must be spelled out fully, with the exception of the use of the name of the Federation within its logo.~~

All printed materials produced by the Canadian Federation of Students - Services must be 100% recyclable. ~~without exception.~~ When possible, post-consumer recyclable paper shall be utilized.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION AS AMENDED

PRG.12

OTTAWA/LETHBRIDGE

DIRECTIVE

(92.11.N30)

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following new operation policy under the heading "Programs" within a new section entitled "Travel CUTS":

Non-members of the Federation shall be charged a 5% non-member fee on the total pre-tax cost of any travel arrangements or bookings made through Travel CUTS. The following statement shall appear on the bottom of receipts issued where the 5% fee has been levied: "An additional 5% fee is levied by Travel CUTS to customers who are not members of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services)."

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

PRG.13

ST THOMAS/LAKEHEAD

DIRECTIVE

(92.11.N31)

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following new operation policy under the heading "Programs" within a new section entitled "Canadian Programming Service":

Non-members of the Federation shall be charged a 5% non-member fee on the total pre-tax cost of any bookings made through the Canadian Programming Service. The following statement shall appear on the bottom of receipts issued where the 5% fee has been levied: "An additional 5% fee is levied by the Canadian Programming Service to customers who are not members of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services)."

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

PRG.14

OTTAWA/AUGUSTANA

DIRECTIVE

(92.11.N32)

WHEREAS many members of the Federation have not received membership cards as they are entitled to under By-law 1 Section 3(A)iii, and;

WHEREAS many members of the Federation have not realized that their membership cards are contained in their StudentSaver package, and;

WHEREAS many members of the Federation have not received their StudentSaver package;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following new operation policy under the heading "Programs" within a new section entitled "CFS(-S) Membership Cards":

The Canadian Federation of Students - Services shall print a number of membership cards equivalent to the number of members of the Federation. These cards shall be printed separately from the

StudentSaver package and any other supplementary materials and shall be distributed to member local associations apart from the StudentSaver package and any other supplementary materials. These cards shall feature the CFS(-S) logo in a size and position of prime visibility.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING SUBSTITUTE MOTION**

OTTAWA/AUGUSTANA

DIRECTIVE

**BIRT the new Carte Campus Card be recognized as a CFS membership card.**

**PRG.15**

**AUGUSTANA/MARINE**

**DIRECTIVE**

(92.11.N47)

WHEREAS Travel CUTS is a service provided by the Federation; and

WHEREAS non-member students can benefit from this service,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive direct the Chair of the Travel CUTS board to pursue the implementation of a nominal user fee on CUTS services to be charged to non-Federation members.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

**PRG.16**

**OTTAWA/LETHBRIDGE**

**DIRECTIVE**

(92.11.N52)

WHEREAS one benefit of belonging to a national student movement is the opportunity to exchange ideas with other student associations and to develop skills which improve each student associations' effectiveness; and

WHEREAS Federation General Meetings leave little time or energy for idea sharing or skills development; and

WHEREAS the apparent demise of CFSNet usership has rendered that medium obsolete for information sharing,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to investigate means of facilitating the sharing of ideas and information between member associations.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to examine the feasibility of sponsoring skills development conferences on a cost-recovery basis.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

(90 GM 063)

**BIRT** the Federation adopt the following policy under the heading "Federation Operations Policy - Programmes"

"Member local associations having budgets smaller than \$20,000 will receive free on-line time and maintenance costs, and that CFSnet software be made available free of charge.

**NOTE:** The costs of implementing the motion was incorporated in the October revised 1990-91 budget and the draft Canadian Federation of Students - Services budget presented to the committee.

**REFERRED TO BUDGET**

**REPORT**  
**NATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE**  
**Canadian Federation of Students(-Services)**  
**National General Meeting**  
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**Participants**  
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Aubrey Hawco	Marine Institute	NF and Lab.
Eme Onuoha	McMaster S.U.	St. of Colour
Bruno Ray	C.U. Moncton	N.B.
Chris Niebler	Guelph C.S.A.	Large Univ.
Eric Stockner	Capilano College	Col. and Inst.
Paul Zemlak	U. of Sask.	Sask.
Ken Hawkins	Northwest Comm. Coll.	B.C.
Gloria Hayden	Northwest Comm. Coll.	Women's Const.
Julie Speers	Trent Univ.	L.G.B.
Kim Newton	Carleton Univ.	Ontario
David MacCarthy	Univ. of Calgary	N.G.C.
Will Morin	SUNSCAD	N.S.
Jean Labrador	Mount St. Vincent	Aboriginal Const.
Gerry Leary	Univ. of Sask.	Co - Sask.
Richard Lafferty	Univ. of Sask.	Co - Sask.
Sue Crack	Waterloo	Observer
David Funk	Waterloo	Observer
Ken Craft	CFS-O	Observer
Kelly Lamrock	CFS Chairperson	Observer
Jacquie Best	CFS B.C.	Observer
Lynne Isenor	SUNS	Observer
Paul Ward	Francophone Commiss.	Observer
Kate Rushforth	U. of Waterloo Feds.	Observer
Tammy Yates	NE - N.B.	Observer
Blair O'Connor	National Executive for NS	
Deward King	National Executive for Nf. and Lab.	
Caryn Duncan	researcher - national office	

**92.11.N15                      WATERLOO FS/NORTHWEST                      POLICY**

**WHEREAS** income contingent repayment plans can increase accessibility to student loans for all students;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the following Federation (CFS/CFS-S) policy under the heading STUDENT AID be struck:

~~The Federation opposes, in principle, income contingent repayment plans.~~

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

**92.11.N16                      WATERLOO FS/NORTHWEST SA                      POLICY AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS post-secondary education benefits the individual as well as society and the economy; and

WHEREAS the individual has an obligation to contribute financially to this partnership;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Federation (CFS/CFS-S) policy under the heading ACCESSIBILITY be amended to read:

The Federation supports:

1. the elimination of all financial barriers to post-secondary education;
- ~~2. the implementation of a guaranteed minimum income for all students;~~
- ~~3. the abolition of tuition fees and other incidental user fees;~~
4. 2. the elimination of all other social and cultural barriers including but not limited to, race, sex, language, religion, sexual orientation or gender or political affiliation;
- ~~5. 3. the universal provision of free quality day care;~~
- ~~6. the abolition of differential fees for visa students;~~
7. 4. the removal of all conditions which might prevent disabled students from attending a post-secondary institution;
- ~~8. the removal of enrolment quotas;~~
9. 5. the assurance that adequate counselling is available at both the secondary and post-secondary level for groups which are under-represented in the post-secondary system or who are clustered in a limited number of faculties;
- ~~10. 6. the abolition of unnecessary impediments to programme portability; and~~
11. 7. the abolition of barriers to accessibility resulting from geography.

THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT

92.11.N18                      WATERLOO FS/NORTHWEST SA                      POLICY AMENDMENT

WHEREAS the Federation should be a non-partisan political lobby organization;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation (CFS/CFS-S) policy under the heading FEDERAL NEW DEMOCRAT TASK FORCE ON YOUTH be struck in its entirety.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT

92.11.N19                      WATERLOO FS/NORTHWEST SA                      POLICY AMENDMENT

BE IT RESOLVED THAT all Federation (CFS/CFS-S) policies under the heading FUNDING EDUCATION be struck; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Federation (CFS/CFS-S) adopt the following policies under the heading FUNDING EDUCATION:

The Federation strongly opposes any attempt or movement towards -

deregulation of post-secondary education tuition fees.

The Federation believes that federal transfer payments to the provinces and territories for post-secondary education should be based on the student population in a given province/territory within a fully accessible post-secondary education system. The transfer payments should also incorporate any differential costs associated with institution size and/or location.

The Federation believes in the establishment by the Federal government of an institutional development fund for the purposes of supporting library expansion, physical plant growth and social environmental development.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

92.11.N22

CFS-MANITOBA/

POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation adopt the following policy under the heading ACCESSIBILITY

The Federation opposes any changes in governance in post-secondary education which will increase user fees, limit accessibility or limit transferability of credits.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION AS AMENDED**

92.11.N23

CFS-MANITOBA/

POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation opposes direct funding of post-secondary education by the private sector.

**COMMITTEE MAKES NO RECOMMENDATION**

CFS-MANITOBA/

POLICY

WHEREAS all levels of government and post-secondary institution administrations have not fully recognized and addressed this demographic change in student population; and

WHEREAS the last direct research on this constituency group listed in the Federation's bibliography is "Part-time Students: A Separate River or Part of the Mainstream?", Bruce Tate, May 1982,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National executive contact post-secondary education institutions to obtain current enrolment ratios of part-time and mature students on their campuses

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive compile information on services and facilities available to part-time and mature students, to include but not be limited to: information on day-care, academic flexibility (evening, week-end, summer, distance education), financial aid, counselling, advisors, campus Part-time and Mature Students constituency groups, space allotted to part-time and mature students on campus, and academic recognition of part-time students (Dean's list, etc.)

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT AND ADOPTION OF NEC.01**

**MOTIONS ARISING FROM THE COMMITTEE**

**NEC.01            Dalhousie SU / Guelph CSA**

**DIRECTIVE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** the National Executive circulate a questionnaire to member locals to obtain current enrolment ratios of part-time and mature students on their campuses, and information on services and facilities, available to part-time and mature students, to include but not be limited to : information on day-care, academic flexibility ( evening, week-end, summer, distance education ), financial aid, counselling, advisors, campus Part-time and Mature Students constituency groups, space allotted to part-time and mature students on campus, and academic recognition of part-time students (Dean's list, etc.).

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** the National Executive be encouraged to send data to the National office, pertaining to this issue.

**NEC.02            SUNSCAD / CAPILANO COLLEGE**

**NOTICE OF POLICY**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following policy under the heading FUNDING EDUCATION

The Federation opposes a "voucher system" as a method of funding post-secondary education.

**NEC.03            SUNSCAD / MONCTON**

**DIRECTIVE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** the National Executive be directed to review



"work for Education" schemes, including but not limited to, the current United States of America President elects' proposal (domestic peace corp), any Canadian examples to be used in the development of Federation policy and external lobby work.

**NEC.04 OTTAWA SF / SHIPPAGAN AEE**

**DIRECTIVE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive in collaboration with the Francophone Commissioner be directed to work with the Fédération des Jeunes Canadiens - françois, and the Fédération des communautés francophones et acadiennes du Canada, to study possible systems that would ensure full portability of credits among francophones post-secondary educational institutions.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to write the Secretary of State, stating the Federation's position in support of full portability credits among francophone post-secondary educational institutions.

**NEC.05 OTTAWA SF / SHIPPAGAN AEE**

**NOTICE OF POLICY**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following policy under the heading FRANCOPHONE POST SECONDARY EDUCATION

The Federation supports the establishment of two francophone community colleges (one in the north and one in the south of the province) and the establishment of a francophone university in Ontario.

**NEC.06 OTTAWA SF / SHIPPAGAN AEE**

**DIRECTIVE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to write the Ontario Minister of Colleges and Universities, stating the Federation's policy on the establishment of francophone post secondary educational institutions in Ontario.

**NEC.07 SUNSCAD / MONCTON FEE**

**DIRECTIVE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to review "work for education" schemes, including but not limited to, the current United States of America President-elect's proposal (domestic peace corp), and any Canadian proposals to be used in the development of Federation policy and external lobby work.

**NEC.08 SUNSCAD / GUELPH CSA**

**DIRECTIVE**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed, in consultation with the Co-Commissioners of the Arts Students Constituency Group, to conduct a poll of member local associations with fine, applied or performing arts departments.

**Be it further resolved that** this poll include, but not be limited to, the following points:

- the number of students in the average first year class

- the student/faculty ratio
- the increase (decrease) of first year class sizes for the past three years
- the costs of necessary supplies for first year classes in the major departmental divisions (eg photography, film, painting, video, sculpture, etc)

Be it further resolved that the raw data collected be available to the Co-Commissioners of the Arts Students Constituency Group for inclusion in a newsletter.

NEC.09 GUELPH CSA / SUNSCAD

NOTICE OF POLICY

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted under the heading THE ARTS

The Federation recognizes the extreme difficulty of fine, applied and performing arts graduates obtaining a living wage by virtue of their field of study.

NEC.10 GUELPH CSA / TRENT SU

NOTICE OF POLICY

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted under the heading THE ARTS

The Federation recognizes that the repeated and extensive costs for materials and textbooks incurred by students of the fine, applied and performing arts are a barrier to post-secondary education.

NEC.11 TRENT SU / CARLTON

DIRECTIVE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Executive be directed to express its opposition to the Ontario Undergraduate Students Alliance's paper titled "Students for Change; Access, Student Aid and Financial Recovery for Post Secondary Education in Ontario" released in November of 1992.

The committee wishes to extend its congratulations to the students at Nipissing University on their newly acquired independent status.

#### Spring 1993 - National Education Committee Agenda

1. Federal New Democrat Task Force on Youth  
-provide original Task Force Report for discussion/review
2. Review policy under Rationalization regarding the Ontario Federation of Students and Nipissing University College
3. "Work for Education" scheme(s)

4. Canada Students Loans Programs and the Post-Secondary Student Support Program



**REPORT**  
**STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES CONSTITUENCY GROUP**  
**Canadian Federation of Students(-Services)**  
**National General Meeting**  
**November 1992**

**Participants:**

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Barry Best  
Shane Kjar

Ryerson Students Union  
King Edwards Student Association  
King Edwards Student Association

**Resource**

Bernie Froese Germain  
Jo-Anna Murphy

Internal Coordinator  
National Executive Representative  
Prince Edward Island

The constituency group reviewed by-law Vlll, SR #1, #8, and the FACT SHEET 1992 - Student with Disabilities fact sheet.

Paul Felstein was appointed as acting chair in the chairs absence.

The General Meeting site was felt to meet the accessibility requirements of the delegates attending this meeting. The letters to member locals, the BCEADS Physical Accessibility Checklist, and the National Educational Association of Disabled Students (NEADS) letter out lining the accessibility review of the facilities of the General Meeting site were all discussed.

Informal discussion on how what were some of the limitations found on the respective institutions, as well as the lack of representation from member locals.

Member local are reminded that they are required to complete the BCEADS Accessibility Checklist if they are planning to submit a bid for the Spring 1993 General Meeting.



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Mahtab Mehrassa	Simon Fraser Student Society
Eme Onuoha	McMaster University Students' Union
Bosco Cheung	Ryerson Student Union
Angie Chu	City Centre Students' Union
Paulette Cassis	University of Lethbridge Students Union
Mihran Kendrian	King Edward Students' Association
Nicole Seguin	National Executive Representative Ontario
Kemlin Nembhard	University of Winnipeg Students Association, Co-commissioner, Students of Colour
Heather Dryden	York University Federation of Students Co-Commissioner, Students of Colour

**CAMPAIGNS:** For the next term the constituency will run an anti-racism buttons campaign. Preliminary discussion was held regarding an anti-racism pamphlet campaign to be discussed and finalized at the May 1993 General Meeting.

**NETWORKING:** Members in attendance will work through their provincial organisations to compile a contact list of associations which represent in some way, the issues of Students of Colour on member local campuses. A comprehensive list is to be submitted for publication in the 1993-94 edition of the CFS-S Directory.

**FUNDING:** In accordance with By-Law VIII, Section 4 A., the group discussed potential annual funding. Funding requirements include: Membership Development, Networking, Campaigns and provisions for increased participation at General Meetings. The group was not able at this time to submit an actual budget proposal at this time.

**CONSTITUENCY RESOLUTIONS:**

The Constituency recommends the adoption of the following motions:

1. 92.11.N1; regarding a voting position for the Women's Commissioner on the National Executive.
2. Francophone constituency group representation, (non-voting) on the National Executive.
3. CAM.17; supporting the position of aboriginal peoples in Canada and condemning the Government of Canada in its continued violation of treaty rights regarding aboriginal peoples' inherent right to education.

**PROPOSED AGENDA, MAY 1993 GM**

1. Constituency terms of reference
2. Membership Development strategies
3. Minimum Budget Proposal

4. PSE Institutional Anti-Racism Policy Discussion and Lobby
5. Appointment of committee representatives and Harassment Liaison officers.
6. Networking Update
7. Upcoming Campaigns



REPORT  
WOMEN'S CONSTITUENCY REPORT  
Canadian Federation of Students(-Services)  
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WC.01

The Women's Constituency Group recommends adoption of 92.11.N1 regarding a voting position for the Women's Commissioner on the National Executive.

WC.02

DIRECTIVE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT member locals are encouraged to organize "Week of Reflection" Fundraisers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the proceeds from these fundraisers shall be prioritized to go first to organizations whose mandate it is to work with survivors of violence against women.

WC.03

DIRECTIVE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Executive be directed to implement an International Women's Week Campaign for March 1993 that shall focus on aboriginal women and women of colour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the National Executive shall consult with the Co-Commissioners of Women's Constituency, the Co-commissioners of the Students of Colour, and the Aboriginal Student Representatives.

WC.04

DIRECTIVE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Executive be directed to organize workshops on the topic of Violence Against Women, to run congruent to all meetings of the Women's Constituency Group at the May General Meeting, 1993.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT there shall be one female and one male facilitator for these workshops.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT possible discussion topics for both groups could be Acquaintance Rape, Sexual Harassment, and Surviving Abuse.

Candida Rifkin  
Heather Dryden  
Co-commissioners, Women's Constituency Group



# **REPORT**

## **ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

### **Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) November General Meeting 1992**

#### **Committee Membership:**

Heather Dryden	Local 68 (York FS)	International
Students CG		
John-Paul Boyd	Local 54 (Guelph CSA)	Arts Students CG
Scott Humphrey	Local 16 (McMaster SU)	Large Institutes
Caucus		
Shawn Rapley	Local 1 (Carleton SA)	Ontario Caucus
Chris Devlin	Local 44 (Victoria SS)	Large Institutes
Caucus		
Bosco Cheung	Ryerson SU	Students of Colour CG
Trevor Davies	Regina SU	Saskatchewan Caucus
Diane Davis	Local 72 (North Island)	Mature and Part-Time CG
Melanie O'Neill	Capilano College SS	BC Caucus
Tod Wouters	Cariboo SS	Small Universities CG
Eric Burchill	UNB Fredricton SU	New Brunswick Caucus
Bruce Davison	UPEI SU	PEI Caucus
Paula Finch	Camosun College SS	Aboriginal Students CG
Mike Subasic	Local 75 (Camosun College SS)	Colleges and
Institutes CG		
Rebecca Packer	Local 74	Alberta Caucus
Naomi Abotossaway	Lakehead SU	Aboriginal Students CG
Rob Johnson	Dalhousie SU	Aboriginal Students CG
Robin MacKinnon	SUNSCAD	Nova Scotia Caucus
Paulette Cassis	Lethbridge SU	Womens CG
Jim Heber	Winnipeg SA	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual CG
Sheila Dhillon	Western SOGS	NGC
Nicole Séguin	Ontario National Executive Representative	
Dave Kappel	CFS-BC Staff	
Ted Clarke	Laurentian	Observer
Brad Lavigne	ANNEQ	Observer
David Drewe	Waterloo FS	Observer

#### **Motions Directed to Committee:**

92.11.N1 CAMOSUN SS/LANGARA SU BY-LAW AMENDMENT

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law V, Section 1 (B) of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) be amended to include:

xii) Women's Commissioner;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT By-law V of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) be amended to include:

Section 9: Duties and Powers of the Women's Commissioner. The Women's Commissioner shall perform all duties and such powers as set out in Standing Resolution #13.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** all subsequent sections of By-law V of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) be renumbered accordingly.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** By-law VI, section 3 of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) be amended to include:

Section 3: Procedures for Election of National Executive Members

E. Procedure for the Election of the Women's Commissioner

The election for the Women's Commissioner shall be as set out in Standing Resolution #13.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** By-law VI, section 4 of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) be amended to include:

E. Term of office of the Women's Commissioner

The Term of office of the Women's Commissioner shall be as set out in Standing Resolution #13.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** By-law VI, section 5 of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) be amended to include:

E. Removal from Office of the Women's Commissioner

The Women's Commissioner may be removed from office as set out in Standing Resolution #13

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** all subsequent sections

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION AS AMENDED**

92.11.N3

GUELPH CSA/

**BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS the Federation is an alliance of member local associations, and;

WHEREAS the Federation is guided by the principle of one member association one vote, and;

WHEREAS this principle is intrinsic to the maintenance and perpetuation of democracy within the Federation, and;

WHEREAS not all provincial representatives to the National Executive have the same number of member local associations within their constituency, and;

WHEREAS it is undemocratic and disproportionate that one provincial representative to the National Executive may represent three member local associations and another may represent thirty-three, each representative holding an equal number of votes, and;

WHEREAS provincial representatives to the National Executive are accountable and are directed by the member local associations in their province, and;

WHEREAS these varying levels of representation are not reflected in the composition of the National Executive, and;

WHEREAS a form of representation of the member local associations of each province based on a proportional voting system at National Executive meetings would ameliorate these problems;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation amend By-law V, "National Executive", be amended by appending the following to Section 10:

C. Each member of the National Executive shall hold a number of votes proportional to the number of member local associations they represent with the exception of the National Chairperson, the National Deputy-Chairperson, the National Treasurer, the National Graduate Council Representative and the Aboriginal Students Representative. Votes shall be allocated as follows:

i) The number of votes exercised by each Provincial Representative shall be determined by the following formula:

- Representatives with 1 to 4 member local associations in their province shall hold one vote.
- Representatives with 5 to 9 member local associations in their province shall hold two votes.

- Representatives with 10 to 14 member local associations in their province shall hold three votes.
  - Representatives with 15 to 19 member local associations in their province shall hold four votes.
  - Representatives with more than 19 member local associations in their province shall hold five votes.
- ii) The National Chairperson, the National Deputy-Chairperson, and the National Treasurer shall each exercise one vote.
  - iii) The National Graduate Council Representative shall exercise two votes.
  - iv) The Aboriginal Students Representative shall exercise two votes.

**COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

92.11.N5

GUELPH CSA/YORK FS

**BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS the Caucus of Large Institute Associations has no common interest or concern unique to its membership, and;

WHEREAS the Caucus of Large Institute Associations has rarely discussed more than committee elections at its meetings during national general meetings, and;

WHEREAS the Quorum requirement for meetings of the Caucus of Large Institute Associations, as specified in Standing Resolution #16, Section 6, has never been met;

WHEREAS a caucus comprised of a membership with no common interests or concerns belittles the caucuses of the Federation whose memberships do possess common interests and concerns;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law IX, "Caucuses", Section 3 be amended to read as follows:

- The designated caucuses of the Federation are:
- Caucus of College and Institute Associations
  - ~~Caucus of Large Institute Associations~~
  - Caucus of Small University Associations
  - National Graduate Council

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Standing Resolution #16, "Caucus of Large Institute Associations", be deleted in its entirety and that the subsequent Standing Resolutions be renumbered accordingly.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the structure of the Federation's committees and their vote distributions be an item on the agenda of the Organizational Development Committee at the November 1992 national general meeting.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION WITH A RECOMMENDATION THAT 92.11.N50  
BE REFERRED TO AND ADOPTED**

92.11.N8                      WATERLOO FS/                      **BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law II, Section 7 (B) of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) be amended to read:

iii) no member may hold more than ~~three~~ **one** proxy votes

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

92.11.N9                      WATERLOO FS/                      **BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS representatives from member associations vote on behalf of individual members of CFS/CFS-S and;

WHEREAS elected student officials are held directly accountable to those individual members

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law II, Section 7 of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) be amended to add the following:

**c. Delegate Voting**

**The Chief Delegate shall be the only person entitled to cast a vote at a plenary session.**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

92.11.N10                      WATERLOO FS/                      **BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS the Federation is a democratic organization which represents 400,000 students; and

WHEREAS at this time member associations all pay the same fee per student but cannot represent them fairly, as larger institutions pay more fees to CFS/CFS-S but this is not reflected in political representation

WHEREAS some member associations have their representative student councils based upon representation by population

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law I, Section 3 (B), item i) of the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) be amended to read:

i) Each voting member of the Federation will have ~~one vote~~ **a number of votes** at general meetings of the Federation **based upon the following formula.**

a. less than or equal to 5,000 student members shall have one vote

- b. greater than or equal to 5,001 but less than or equal to 10,000 student members shall have two votes
- c. greater than or equal to 10,001 but less than or equal to 15,000 student members shall have three votes
- d. greater than or equal to 15,001 student members shall have four votes.

**COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

92.11.N11

CFS-ONTARIO/YORK FS

**STANDING RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) have assumed funding responsibility for all CFS(-S) fieldworking in the province of Ontario for almost ten long years; and

WHEREAS 22 of the Federation's 70 member local associations are located in the province of Ontario, a membership and geographical area greater than the combined membership and geographical area handled by the two nationally-funded Prairie fieldworkers; and

WHEREAS CFS-Ontario handles all fieldworking and other membership development for the Federation in Ontario; and

WHEREAS the CFS-Ontario budget assumes financial responsibilities for all long distance telecommunications in Ontario as well as many other expenses on behalf of the national Federation; and

WHEREAS the name Canadian Federation of Students and/or the CFS logo appears on virtually all campaigns materials produced by CFS-O; and

WHEREAS By-law VIII [Provincial Components], Section 4 [Funding of Provincial Components] states "Provincial Components shall have the right to automatically receive a minimum level of funding established by Standing Resolution",

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the following Standing Resolution be adopted:

**Standing Resolution - Ontario Component**

The Ontario Component shall automatically receive \$0.50 per individual member of the Ontario Component each semester from the Canadian Federation of Students (-Services) national budget(s) contingent upon the signing of a componency agreement with the Federation.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION AS AMENDED - PLEASE ALSO REFER TO MOTION OD.01**

92.11.N14

UNB FREDERICTON SU/ST. THUMBING RESOLUTION AMENDMENT

WHEREAS thousands of dollars are spent on National Executive



meetings; and

WHEREAS there is need to proceed with pressing business in a non-political manner; and

WHEREAS it is unfair to ask the elected Chair to remain impartial during controversial discussions;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation adopt the following addition to Standing Resolution #20, Section C:

viii) Secure an outside facilitator for all regularly scheduled meetings of the National Executive. The Chair will select a candidate who is bilingual, familiar with the operation of the Federation, and has a good understanding of Robert's Rules of Order.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the National Executive meeting receive an honoraria as decided upon by Plenary, at the recommendation of Budget Committee.

THE COMMITTEE WAS DIRECTED TO DEAL ONLY WITH THE BIRT, THE BIFRT HAS BEEN SENT TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION

92.11.N28

GUELPH CSA/YORK FS

POLICY AMENDMENT

WHEREAS the National Executive has repeatedly demonstrated its inability to produce updated Federation documents in accordance with the Federation's Operation Policies;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Operation Policy under the heading "Federation Documents" in the section "Timelines" (November 1989) be amended to read as follows:

The Federation shall ensure that the amended policy manual of the Federation be distributed to the member local associations no later than **twelve (12)** ~~eight (8)~~ weeks following each national general meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following Operation Policy under the heading "Federation Documents" in the section "Timelines" (October 1990, 90GM095) be amended to read as follows:

The Federation shall ensure that the draft minutes of each national general meeting be distributed to the member local associations no later than **twelve (12)** ~~eight (8)~~ weeks following each national general meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following Operation Policy under the heading "Federation Documents" in the section "Timelines" (October 1990, 90GM128) be amended to read as follows:

The Federation shall ensure that all budget resources, including the draft budgets of the Federation, be sent to member locals **associations** at least **four (4)** ~~six (6)~~ weeks prior to **national** general meetings.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the following Operation Policy under the heading "Federation Documents" in the section "Timelines" (November 1989) be amended to read as follows:

...The amended Constitution(s) and By-laws will be distributed to the member local associations no later than **four (4)** ~~two (2)~~ weeks following notification...

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

92.11.N34                      ST. THOMAS SU/UNB FREDERICTON                      **POLICY AMENDMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the first policy under "Federation Documents - Time Lines" dated November 1989 be amended to read:

The Federation shall ensure that all amendments to the Constitution(s) and By-laws be submitted for approval to the Ministry of Consumer and Corporate Affairs no later than four (4) weeks following each general meeting. The amended Constitution(s) and By-laws will be distributed to member local associations no less than seven (7) weeks before each General Meeting.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS REDUNDANCY UPON CONSIDERATION OF 92.11.N28**

92.11.N35                      ST. THOMAS SU/UNB FREDERICTON                      **POLICY AMENDMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the second policy under "Federation Documents - Time Lines" dated November 1989 be amended to read:

The Federation shall ensure that the amended Policy Manual of the Federation be distributed to the member local associations no less than seven (7) weeks before each General Meeting.

**THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS REDUNDANCY UPON CONSIDERATION OF 92.11.N28**

92.11.N36                      ST. THOMAS SU/UNB FREDERICTON                      **POLICY AMENDMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Policy 90GM095 under "Federation Documents - Time Lines" be amended to read:

The Federation shall ensure that the draft minutes of each General Meeting be distributed to the member local associations no less than seven (7) weeks before each General Meeting.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

92.11.N37 GUELPH CSA/

**DIRECTIVE**

WHEREAS the National Executive has consistently failed to abide by By-laws and Operation Policies governing the distribution of the updated Policy Manual, the Constitution, the Standing Resolutions, and the By-laws to the membership after each national general meeting, and;

WHEREAS the National Executive has consistently failed to abide by Operation Policies governing the distribution of the Draft Minutes of each national general meeting and the Draft Budgets of the Federation, and;

WHEREAS the National Executive wasted several hours during the 18-21 September 1992 National Executive Meeting debating the new wording of a by-law without the updated by-laws to refer to;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be censured for failing to conform with By-law III Section 3(B) and with the Federation Operation Policies under the heading "Federation Documents" in the section "Timelines" (November 1989, October 1990)

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

92.11.N42

SUNSCAD/KING'S COLLEGE SU

**DIRECTIVE**

WHEREAS external responsibilities arising from business conducted between member locals, provincial organizations and the Federation are extensive and best served by a position on council devoted to their attention;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** member locals who lack a position specifically dedicated to external affairs be strongly encouraged to amend their constitutions to include such a position.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

92.11.N46

DALHOUSIE SU/

**DIRECTIVE**

WHEREAS there is a sunset clause on policy motions;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** additions and amendments to the policy manual include the date on which they were passed by plenary.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** only future additions and amendments to the policy manual be so annotated.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

92.11.N50

ST. THOMAS SU/UNB FREDERICTON

**DIRECTIVE**

WHEREAS the structure of Federation General Meetings has not been reviewed for several years; and

WHEREAS the current General Meeting structure seems to maximize conflict, avoid consensus and hamper productivity; and

WHEREAS Federation General Meetings tend to drive everyone crazy,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to establish, at the May General Meeting, a General Meeting Review Committee which will review proposals for General Meeting restructuring and make recommendations to Closing Plenary.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** members be encouraged to submit restructuring proposals to the National Executive no later than March 15, 1993.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION**

92.11.N55

**BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-law I Section 3(B)(i) be amended to read:

i) Each voting member of the Federation will have one vote at and participate in General Meetings of the Federation provided all outstanding delegate fees for past meetings have been paid in full. This is subject to review by the National executive on a case by case basis upon request.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION AS AMENDED**

92.11.N56

**POLICY**

WHEREAS the Federation requires timely remittance of membership fees in order to meet financial commitments; and

WHEREAS the member locals of the Federation collect fees on behalf of the Federation and are therefore contractually obligated to remit those fees; and

WHEREAS many member locals have a history of failure to remit fees on a timely basis,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following policy under the heading "Financial Policy Relating to the Collection of Membership Fees":

The Federation shall apply an interest charge of 1% per month compounded monthly against all member local associations who

have failed to remit all membership fees for the past year.  
beginning July 1 for the year.

B. All component allocations described in a Standing Resolution shall be indexed to the cost of living.

OD.03

**BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law VIII Section be amended to read as follows:

Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Constituency Group  
Womens Constituency Group  
Francophone Students Constituency Group  
International Students Constituency Group  
Students With Disabilities Constituency Group  
**Students Artists Constituency Group**  
~~Art Students Constituency Group~~  
Students of Colour Constituency Group

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** Standing Resolution #7 "Arts Students Constituency Group" be renamed "Student Artists Constituency Group".

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** all further references to the "Arts Students Constituency Group" within the By-Laws and the Standing Resolutions of the Federation be amended in accordance with the new name of the constituency group.

OD.04

**STANDING RESOLUTION AMENDMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Standing Resolution #7 Section 7 be amended to read as follows:

At a meeting of the Constituency Group during ~~any the semi-annual~~ **General Meeting** of the Federation, the members of the Constituency Group shall elect **no more than two Student Artists Commissioner(s)** ~~an Arts Students Commissioner~~ from the membership of the Constituency Group...

OD.05

**BY-LAW AMENDMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** By-Law III Section 1(D) be amended to read as follows:

The voting members of the Federation may, by a two-thirds vote ~~of all members present~~ at a General Meeting, pass policy that has been given appropriate notice as set out in sections 1(A) and (B) above. **Abstentions in such votes shall not be counted in the tally of such votes either for or against a given policy.**

OD.06

**STANDING RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following Standing Resolution under the heading "Constituency Group Funding":

The Students of Colour Constituency Group shall receive a minimum funding of \$10,000.

**OD.07**

**STANDING RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following Standing Resolution under the heading "Constituency Group Funding":

The Students With Disabilities Constituency Group shall receive a minimum funding of \$10,000.

**OD.08**

**STANDING RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following Standing Resolution under the heading "Constituency Group Funding":

The Womens Constituency Group shall receive a minimum funding of \$10,000.

**OD.09**

**STANDING RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following Standing Resolution under the heading "Constituency Group Funding":

The Francophone Students Constituency Group shall receive a minimum funding of \$10,000.

**OD.10**

**STANDING RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following Standing Resolution under the heading "Constituency Group Funding":

The Aboriginal Students Constituency Group shall receive a minimum funding of \$10,000.

**OD.11**

**STANDING RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following Standing Resolution under the heading "Constituency Group Funding":

The International Students Constituency Group shall receive a minimum funding of \$10,000.

**OD.12**

**STANDING RESOLUTION**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation adopt the following Standing Resolution under the heading "Constituency Group Funding":

The Arts Students Constituency Group shall receive a minimum funding of \$10,000.

OD.13

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** CFS create a francophone representative on the national executive with full participation rights but with no vote.  
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** By-law V National Executive Section 1B be amended to add; xii) Francophone Students Representative

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** standing resolution #9 be amended to add section 9, to be as follows:

The authority, role and responsibilities of the francophone national executive representative shall be:

- a) to sit on the national executive of the Federation;
- b) to be in power to make decision on behalf of the francophone constituency group between general meetings;
- c) to be responsible for representing the best interest of the constituency group between general meetings;
- d) to take the direction of the constituency group during constituent meetings during general meeting;
- e) to facilitate Constituent Meetings during general meetings.
- f) to carry out the duties as do other National Executive members as outlined in By-law V in the Constitution and Bylaws;
- g) to be elected at a meeting of the Constituency Group during the semi-annual general meeting of the Federation: the members of the Constituency Group shall elect a Francophone Students National Executive Representative.

OD.14

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Bylaw III, Section 3, Subsection A be amended to read as follows:

A. All Federation policy statements will be compiled in a policy manual.

1. These will be updated following each semi-annual general meeting using the format currently used to update amendments to Government Statute, the insertion of an addendum with amended wording. Complete renumbering will only occur when the manuals are revised, renumbering on inserted pages will use a decimal system.

2. Complete revision will occur every fourth semi-annual general meeting.

3. Updated versions of the manuals will be available only on request.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a list of all inserts to date be compiled and sent out to all member locals twice per year; before each semi-annual general meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the national executive be directed to investigate the process of translation to this new format and either implement the above changes or report back on the progress of that implementation.

OD.15

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Operation Policy under the heading "Federation Documents" in the section "Timelines" (November 1989) be amended to read as follows:

The Federation will ensure that the amended policy manual of the Federation be distributed to member local associations no later than twelve (12) weeks following each national general meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following Operation Policy under the heading "Federation Documents" in the section "Timelines" (October 1990, 90GM095) be amended to read as follows:

The Federation Shall ensure that the draft minutes of each national general meeting be distributed to the member local associations no later than **twelve (12)** weeks following each national general meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following Operation Policy under the heading "Federation Documents" in the section "Timelines" (October 1990, 90GM128) be amended to read as follows:

The Federation shall ensure that all budget resources, including draft budgets of the Federation, be sent to member local associations at least four (4) weeks prior to national general meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the following Operation Policy under the heading "Federation Documents" in the section "Timelines" (November 1989) be amended to read as follows:

...The amended Constitution(s) and Bylaws will be distributed to the member local associations no later than **four (4)** weeks following notification ...



REPORT  
PART TIME AND MATURE STUDENTS CONSTITUENCY GROUP  
 Canadian Federation of Students(-Services)  
 National General Meeting

November 1992

Participants:

Diane Davis	North Island Students' Association
Patrick Crawley	Northwest Community College Student Association
Lucie Montgomery	Northwest Community College Student Association
None Robinson	University of Guelph Central Students' Association
Rob Chambers	Acadia University Students' Association
Michael Munro	Capilano College Student Society
Cynthia Isenor	Dalhousie University Student Union
Lynn Isenor	Students' Union of Nova Scotia, Chair
Shauna McNeil	Mount St. Vincent University Students' Union
Chloe Burgess	North Island Students' Association
Heather Morin	Langara Students' Union, Aboriginal Commissioner, B.C.
Tammy Yates	New Brunswick, National Executive Rep
Jocelyn Charron	CFS Staff

PT&M 01

Whereas no research on the demographics of part time and mature students has been done by the Federation in ten years, and that these demographics are changing, and with them the needs of those respective students; and

Whereas Governments and Institutions still recognize student needs as the needs of the more traditional students, research is needed to document the inadequacy of current funding, programs, and services;

Be it resolved that the National Executive be directed to prioritize Motion 92-11-N49.

Be it further resolved that the National Executive encourage and coordinate the member locals in participation of the subject of Motion 92-11-N49.

PT&M 02

Be it resolved that Diane Davis be ratified as the Part-time and Mature Students' Commissioner.



**REPORT**  
**BILINGUALISM COMMITTEE**

Canadian Federation of Students (-Services)  
National General Meeting  
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BIL.01      Augustana \ Moncton FÉECUM      DIRECTIVE

Be it resolved that the draft document entitled CFS-SERVICES AND CANADA'S TWO OFFICIAL LANGUAGES be referred to the sub committee of bilingualism of the national executive for further studies.

BIL.02      McGill PGSS \ Saint-Boniface      STANDING RESOLUTION

Be it resolved that the standing resolution on the sub committee on bilingualism be admended to read under clause 3 a):

(a) make biannual, written reports to the membership on the status of bilingualism within the **Canadian Federation of Students-Services.**

BIL.03      Moncton FÉECUM \ Shippagan AGE      DIRECTIVE

Be it resolved that the **National Chairperson** of CFS be directed to write a letter to the premier of New-Brunswick, Mr. Franck McKenna and to the premier of Canada, Mr. Mulroney urging them to entrench Bill 88 in the Canadian constitution.

Let it be noted that Yannick Spierkel of University of Ottawa as been elected to the sub committee of bilingualism.

## **RAPPORT**

### **COMITÉ DU BILINGUISME**

Fédération canadienne des étudiant-e-s (-Services)  
Assemblée générale nationale  
Novembre 1992

**BIL.01      Augustana \ Moncton FÉECUM**

**DIRECTIVE**

**IL EST RÉSOLU QUE** le brouillon du document intitulé **LES DEUX LANGUES OFFICIELLES ET LA FCEE-SERVICES** sera soumis à l'attention du sous-comité du bilinguisme de l'exécutif national pour être examiné plus à fond.

**BIL.02      McGill PGSS \ Saint-Boniface**

**RÉSOLUTION PERMANENTE**

**IL EST RÉSOLU QUE** la clause 3 a) de la résolution permanente concernant le sous-comité du bilinguisme sera modifiée de façon à se lire comme suit :

(a) établir des rapports écrits biannuels à l'intention des membres concernant la situation du bilinguisme au sein de la Fédération canadienne des étudiant-e-s (-Services).

**BIL.03      Moncton FÉECUM \ Shippagan AGE**

**DIRECTIVE**

**IL EST RÉSOLU QUE** le président de la FCE sera enjoint d'écrire au premier ministre du Nouveau-Brunswick, M. Franck McKenna, et au premier ministre du Canada, M. Mulroney, afin de les exhorter à enchâsser le projet de loi 88 dans la Constitution canadienne.

Il est noté que Yannick Spierkel de l'Université d'Ottawa a été élu au sein du sous-comité du bilinguisme.

Membership Development Committee Report  
Canadian Federation of Students(-Services)  
National General Meeting  
Nov. 1992

Participants:

Name	Local	Representing
Janine Mutch	Acadia SU	Nova Scotia
Kristine Robinson	Windsor SAC	Large Institutes
Emma Talbot	Windsor SAC	Ontario
Geoff Ritche	McMaster SU	Ontario
Stephanie Fowler	Saskatchewan SU	Saskatchewan
Derek Peddle	Memorial CSU	Newfoundland
Chloe Burgess	North Island SA	Small Colleges
Jocelyn Charron	CFS/FCEE Communications	Staff
Brian Humphreys	CFS-Alberta Fieldworker	Staff
Giséle Carriér	Simon Fraser SS	Nat. Grad Council
Meghan Thompson	U of Victoria SS	Women's Constituency
Line Chiasson	CU Shippigan	New Brunswick
Doug Sanders	UNB-Fredericton SU	Prince Edward Island
Michelle Brazil	CFS Fieldworker NS/NF/LAB	Staff
Dan Grant	Lethbridge Comm. College	Alberta
Annette Loe	Calgary GSA	Aboriginal Const.
Mike Johnston	Ryerson SU	Aboriginal Const.
Beth Hardy	Women's Liaison (BC)	British Columbia

AGENDA ITEM #3: MOTIONS REFERRED FROM OPENING PLENARY

Acadia SU/Windsor SAC:

Motion to refer 92.11.N2, N28, N34-37 to Organizational Development  
(CARRIED)

92.11.N6                      GUELPH CSA/YORK FS

WHEREAS private post-secondary institutions are independent of financing from either the federal or the provincial governments; and

WHEREAS private post-secondary institutions charge exorbitant tuition fees and are thus not accessible to all members of society; and

WHEREAS the administrations of private post-secondary institutions generally do not allow local student associations autonomy, either politically or financially, which undermines the intent of Sections 1 and 7 of the Preamble and Sections 3 and 7 of the Statement of Purpose of the By-laws of the Federation; and

WHEREAS the existence of private post-secondary institutions is against the principles of the Canadian Federation of Students

(-Services) as expressed in the policies of the Federation (under the headings "Accessibility", "Federal New Democrat Task Force on Youth", "Funding Education", Governance of Post-Secondary Institutions", and "Declaration of Student Rights"); and

WHEREAS the acknowledgement or acceptance of student associations from private post-secondary institutions as members of the Federation may be construed as an acceptance of the existence of private institutions;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation By-law 1, "Membership", be amended by the insertion of the following prior to Section 1, "Types of Membership":

Section 1: Eligibility for Membership

1. A student association of an individual post-secondary institution wishing to receive membership status must satisfy the criteria of autonomy as expressed in Section 3 of the Definition portion of the Federation By-laws.

2. That student association must be comprised of students attending a government-funded public post-secondary institution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the subsequent sections of By-law 1, "Membership", be renumbered accordingly.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THE MOTION BE RULED REDUNDANT**



92.11.N44

SUNSCAD / KING'S COLLEGE SU

DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS eye-catching and groovy/thought-provoking informational material regarding the past, present and future endeavours of the Federation would serve as an invaluable tool in the pursuit of new membership, as well as the revitalization of its present membership; and

WHEREAS such a thing does not currently exist;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to create promotional brochures for CFS(-S), outlining their work and aims.  
**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THIS BE RULED REDUNDANT**

92.11.N45

SUNSCAD / MOUNT ST.VINCENT SU

DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS there is currently no cohesive means of introducing newly elected councillors at the local level, who may not be otherwise familiar with CFS(-S), to its functions and role in the Ottawa and Toronto offices; and

WHEREAS such a user-friendly explanation would certainly ease that transition for many;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to create cohesive methods for the orientation of newly elected councillors at the local level, explaining the structure, functions and role of CFS(-S) in the Ottawa and Toronto offices.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING SUBSTITUTE MOTION:**  
MD.01      SIMON FRASER SS / North Island SA      DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS there is a need for new member locals and new council members at member locals to be properly oriented to the Federation;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to create a cohesive, interactive orientation for new member locals and incoming councils at member locals.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive will coordinate the implementation of interactive orientation workshops with Federation Provincial Executives.

92.11.N51

ST. THOMAS SU / UNB FREDERICTON

DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS members of student councils remain the best conduit for getting Federation information to students and for bringing grassroots input back into the Federation;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to develop a Councillors' Orientation Manual, which includes information on the Federation's decision-making structure, how to mobilize their

constituencies for Federation campaigns, suggestions for utilizing Federation programmes and ways to improve Federation profile.  
**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THIS BE RULED REDUNDANT**

AGENDA ITEM #8: CFSNET: REVIEW OF OPTIONS

MD.02      RYERSON SU / MEMORIAL CSU      DIRECTIVE

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive select CFSNet as the Federation's network;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive be directed to develop a strategy to promote membership use of CFSNet, improve Francophone accessibility to CFSNet, and improve accessibility to CFSNet to Macintosh-users, by the May 1993 general meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #5: GETTING LOCAL COUNCIL MEMBERS MORE ACTIVE

The committee discussed the upcoming Federation information brochures, video, and member's handbook, and ideas such as:

- a proposal for interactive orientation sessions at member locals
- putting local representatives on provincial executives where they do not currently exist
- improving distribution of information to member locals and to local councils
- encouraging Federation updates at all local council meetings
- doing general meeting orientations for all council members and possibly including such information with the member's handbooks
- getting general meeting delegates follow-up with written and/or oral reports to their councils
- pairing experienced and inexperienced delegates to general meetings
- encouraging accessible delegate fees

AGENDA ITEM #6: INVOLVING INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS IN THE FEDERATION

MD.03      U VICTORIA SS / SIMON FRASER SS      NOTICE OF POLICY

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** The Federation serve notice on the following operating policy:

The Federation shall produce a publication for individual members under the title "Student Advocate" two times per year.

(CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY)

The committee also discussed:

- establishing local Federation action committees, or external affairs committees involving individual members
- putting information about the Federation in local handbooks
- getting information about the Federation into local student newspapers

- setting up Federation displays at places where students gather, for example concerts and/or academic conferences (the port-a-CFS, or CFS travelling road-show idea)
- getting Federation banners out to demonstrations
- producing stickers and buttons for the individual members to use
- sponsoring rallies, and involving high school students in rallies
- involving students in creative events for the media (for example the idea of holding a national referenda of our members on the proposed changes to the Canada Student Loan Program)
- getting fax numbers of local media to the national office for wider distribution of Federation press releases and wider exposure for the Federation

AGENDA ITEM #9: OTHER BUSINESS

MD.04 CU SHIPPIGAN AEE / UNB FREDERICTON SU DIRECTIVE

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive sub-committee studying Federation relations with the Quebec student movement meet before the May 1993 general meeting;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Federation mandate this committee to make a complete study of this question and give recommendations to the National Executive before the May 1993 general meeting.  
(CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY)

MD.05 RYERSON SU / SIMON FRASER SS DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS the Federation supports organizations of aboriginal student enroled in post-secondary institutions across the country, and

WHEREAS Aboriginal student are under-represented on post-secondary campuses and within the Federation, and

WHEREAS the challenge to invite Aboriginal students to the general meeting issued by the Aboriginal constituency group was successful in increasing participation in the Aboriginal constituency group, and

WHEREAS the challenge was only half taken up, that being by the delegates of the member locals themselves, and

WHEREAS the Aboriginal constituency group feels that it does not have adequate culturally diverse representation within the First Nations,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Executive invite each member local, in writing, to send an Aboriginal student as a delegate to the next general meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #7: MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT AND REFERENDA STRATEGIES

MD.06 SASKATCHEWAN SU / MEMORIAL CSU DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS local member involvement is an effective and important method of membership recruitment.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT member locals be encouraged to invite non-members to join the Federation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the National Executive members encourage such action within their constituencies or components.

MD.07      McMASTER SU / SASKATCHEWAN SU      DIRECTIVE

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the member locals be encouraged to send copies of their correspondence relating to membership development to the national office.

MD.08 ACADIA SU / McMASTER SU DIRECTIVE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Executive be directed to investigate membership maintenance and the reasons for reaffirmation referenda at member locals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the National Executive's report on this issue be available for the May 1993 General Meeting.

MD.09 RYERSON SU / LETHBRIDGE CC SA DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS the Federation supports organizations of Aboriginal students enrolled in post-secondary institutions across the country, and

WHEREAS Aboriginal students are under-represented on Canadian campuses and, moreover, within the Federation, and

WHEREAS many post-secondary schools have large First Nations student populations that could contribute greatly to Federation initiatives, and

WHEREAS the needs of Aboriginal students are particular to, and inseparable from, their status as members of a distinct nation, and not wholly based on regional location or size of their respective schools.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Executive develop a plan to recruit post-secondary schools with significant Aboriginal student populations into the Federation, and that this plan be presented at the May 1993 General Meeting.

(CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Executive study methods of promoting leadership development within the high school system, and present options and recommendations at the May 1993 General Meeting.

The committee also discussed National Graduate Council referenda and the importance of thinking about graduate student unions whenever we discuss membership development, referenda and communications.

AGENDA ITEM #10: AGENDA FOR THE MAY 1993 MEM-DEV COMMITTEE MEETING

1. Election of Committee Chair
2. Review Committee Report from Nov. 1992 General Meeting
3. Motions Referred From Opening Plenary
4. Review of National Executive Report on Membership Maintenance
5. Review National Executive sub-committee Report on Relations with the Quebec Student Movement
6. Review the National Executive Plan for Recruitment of Student Associations with large Aboriginal Student Populations
7. Review Recruiting Strategies Involving Member-to-Non-Member Contact
8. Review Existing Communications Tools
9. Review National Executive Report on High school Student Leadership Development
10. Getting Local Council Members More Active
11. Involving Individual Members in the Federation
12. Membership Recruitment and Referenda Strategies
13. Other Business
14. Agenda for the Nov. 1993 General Meeting



REPORT  
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
Canadian Federation of Students (-Services)  
National General Meeting  
November 1992

Participants:

Jill Power	Memorial Council SU
Wade Thomas	Emily Carr College of Art and Design SU
Mathy Tubadi	Langara College SU
Rainer Gehnen	International Union of Students
Stephanie Fowler	University of Saskatchewan SU
Tim Pelzer	Langara College SU
Dominique Hanna	Université Ste-Anne

Resource people:

Jaimie McEvoy	National Deputy Chair
Bernie Froese-Germain	Internal Coordinator

**Motions referred from Opening Plenary:**

92.11.N17                      WATERLOO FS/                      **POLICY AMENDMENT**

Whereas issues regarding education should be first and foremost for the Federation;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** all Federation (CFS/CFS-S) policies under the heading INTERNATIONAL ISSUES be struck; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Federation (CFS/CFS-S) adopt the following policy under the heading INTERNATIONAL ISSUES:

The Federation shall establish policy on international issues subject to the following guidelines:

1. International Issues of concern to the Federation should be first and foremost educational issues;
  2. support, in principle, international students and student organizations that are generally in keeping with the aims and principles of the Federation; and
  3. serve to educate its members on international issues.
- COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS DEFEAT**

92.11.N27                      EMILY CARR SU/                      **POLICY**

WHEREAS the country of Burma is a virtual concentration camp for its 42 million citizens, and that the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC) military regime has refused to transfer power to the legitimate and victorious opposition party from the

1990 elections (82% majority);

WHEREAS more than 3000 pro-democracy students were massacred by the military regime in peaceful protest in 1988, and students remain at the forefront of the struggle for the restoration of democracy in the country;

WHEREAS corporations such as Petro-Canada are exploring for oil inside Burma resulting in no positive gain for the people of Burma, and at such time as oil is discovered, Petro-Canada is under contractual obligation to sell it to the military;

WHEREAS Canadian churches have unsuccessfully lobbied the corporation to divest, and the Canadian Parliament has discussed to no avail the issue of a crown corporation (81% owned by the Canadian public) doing business with the regime -- described by the U.S. State Dept. as one of the worst human rights situations in the world;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation support the Boycott Petro-Canada campaign until such time as the company suspends its operations in Burma while the SLORC military regime is in power.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Federation notify Petro-Canada C.E.O., Bill Hopper, that the boycott is in effect and enunciate the Federation's support for the Cross-Canada campaign.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION AS IS**

92.11.N38

EMILY CARR SU/

**DIRECTIVE**

WHEREAS the member student federations of the Asian Students Associations (ASA) come together once every three years to their General Assembly, and that it will be held December 10-16, 1992 in New Delhi, India, providing an important opportunity to do effective networking with one of the largest and most effective student networks in the world;

WHEREAS the Federation is interested in building ties between the student movement in Canada and the student movement in other areas of the world, and that a representative from ASA was invited to the May 1992 General Meeting in Edmundston, New Brunswick, but was unable to come;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Federation assist Canadian students in meeting travelling expenses to the Asian Students Associations (ASA) General Assembly, and that such assistance be in the form of a matching grant of up to \$500 -- if a student raises funds from a local student union -- for no more than two students.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** a report be presented to the National Executive by the students who attend the General Assembly, concerning further prospect for International solidarity work between the Federation and the ASA.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS ADOPTION PENDING APPROVAL FROM BUDGET COMMITTEE**



We are submitting the following motions for consideration by Plenary:

IAC 1                      LANGARA SU/EMILY CARR SU                      DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS Cuban students and the Cuban population at large are presently suffering from the loss of export markets in Eastern Europe which constitute 85% of their foreign trade;  
WHEREAS the Torrecilli law is another instrument of the New World Order, in which the U.S. seeks to impose further political and economic control on the Third World;  
WHEREAS the Torrecilli law will only impose further suffering on the Cuban students and people;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation express its opposition to the Torrecilli law;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the National Executive send a letter to the U.S. Government and to the Prime Minister of Canada, stating its opposition to the Bill and reasons for opposing it.

IAC 2                      LANGARA SU/U OF SASK SU                      POLICY

WHEREAS hundreds of African students have lost their lives while participating in non-violent protest against the dictatorial regimes in their countries; and,  
WHEREAS most documents found in university libraries in Africa are outdated in terms of their content;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation support African students, as well as political opposition parties supportive of their situation, in the students' struggle for freedom of expression and freedom of assembly, conditions necessary to overcome barriers to access to education.

IAC 3                      LANGARA SU/U OF SASK SU                      DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS Cuban students and the population at large are experiencing economic hardship due to that country's loss of exports to Eastern Europe; and,  
WHEREAS the U.S. continues to penalize Cuba through its 30 year economic embargo and the recently passed Torrecilli law which will

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Federation raise awareness among member locals of the U.S. embargo and its damaging effects. Humanitarian aid may consist of such things as medicine, powdered milk, bicycles, clothing, paper, money, etc.

IAC 4                      LANGARA SU/U OF SASK SU                      POLICY

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation recognize November 17th as International Students Day.

IAC 5                      LANGARA SU/EMILY CARR SU                      DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS Yugoslavia has been torn apart by a war that has claimed over 50,000 lives and caused much anguish and despair to its students and people;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation support the efforts of students in the former territory of Yugoslavia, and their campaign to end the war and politics of hatred;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the National Executive inform the Yugoslavian Student's Union of the Federation's support.

IAC 6                      EMILY CARR SU/U OF SASK SU                      DIRECTIVE

WHEREAS human rights violations in Guatemala include the 1978 assassination of University Students Association in Guatemala (AEU) leader Oliviera Castaneda, the burning alive of four student leaders in 1980, the 1984 disappearance of the entire leadership of the AEU, the August 1989 disappearance of 14 student leaders, and the January 1992 bombing of the AEU offices; and,

WHEREAS the Government of Guatemala continues to be one of the worst violators of human rights, after previous efforts to place Guatemala in the "Item 12" (worst offenders) category of the United Nations Human Rights Commission were delayed in order to give the new government an opportunity to bring security forces under control; and,

WHEREAS the Federation Policy Manual states, under the heading International Issues, that the Federation supports the struggle of the people of Guatemala for democracy and opposes bilateral aid to Guatemala;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Federation express to the Canadian Government its concerns regarding the situation facing students and the University Students Association in Guatemala (AEU);

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Federation urge the Canadian Government to review its relations with the Government of Guatemala, and to work to place Guatemala under the "Item 12" (worst offenders) category at the U.N. Human Rights Commission.

WHEREAS the Union of Students in Ireland (USI) President, Maxine Brady, and other student leaders are facing possible prosecution for contempt of court charges over a controversy about freedom of information and freedom of the press (in this case, student press), for printing information on accessing abortion services in the U.K.;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the National Executive write to the Irish Government in protest of the Irish Government's ruling against freedom of information and the press;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the member locals be encouraged to write to the Irish Govt. protesting the Irish Government's ruling against freedom of information and the press;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Federation request that the contempt of court charges be dropped.

Agenda items for the following International affairs Committee meeting:

1. Review Committee report of November 1992 meeting, looking at:
  - i) the success of International Education on awareness of the Cuban situation, if any.
  - ii) the policy on African Students and its effectiveness, if any.
  - iii) the effectiveness of the letters written in support of the Yugoslavian students in their efforts for peace, if any.
  - iv) the impact on the U.S. Govt. seeking control of politics and economics in Cuba, if any.
  - v) if the Guatemalan students have benefitted from the Federation's efforts.
  - vi) the effectiveness of the letters being sent to the Irish Govt.
  - vii) the effectiveness of the Boycott on Petro-Canada and the current situation in Burma.

2. Review the report presented to the National Education by the student(s) who attended the Asian Students Associations General Assembly in December 1992 in New Delhi, India, if available.



REPORT  
PART TIME AND MATURE STUDENTS CONSTITUENCY GROUP  
 Canadian Federation of Students(-Services)  
 National General Meeting

November 1992

Participants:

Diane Davis	North Island Students' Association
Patrick Crawley	Northwest Community College Student Association
Lucie Montgomery	Northwest Community College Student Association
None Robinson	University of Guelph Central Students' Association
Rob Chambers	Acadia University Students' Association
Michael Munro	Capilano College Student Society
Cynthia Isenor	Dalhousie University Student Union
Lynn Isenor	Students' Union of Nova Scotia, Chair
Shauna McNeil	Mount St. Vincent University Students' Union
Chloe Burgess	North Island Students' Association
Heather Morin	Langara Students' Union, Aboriginal Commissioner, B.C.
Tammy Yates	New Brunswick, National Executive Rep
Jocelyn Charron	CFS Staff

PT&M 01

Whereas no research on the demographics of part time and mature students has been done by the Federation in ten years, and that these demographics are changing, and with them the needs of those respective students; and

Whereas Governments and Institutions still recognize student needs as the needs of the more traditional students, research is needed to document the inadequacy of current funding, programs, and services;

Be it resolved that the National Executive be directed to prioritize Motion 92-11-N49.

Be it further resolved that the National Executive encourage and coordinate the member locals in participation of the subject of Motion 92-11-N49.

PT&M 02

Be it resolved that Diane Davis be ratified as the Part-time and Mature Students' Commissioner.



Within the next few months, five referenda on CFS membership will be held by graduate student associations. Five graduate referenda have already resulted in terminated CFS memberships. NGC has made its best attempts to communicate to the CFS membership ~~and executive and staff~~ that there is nothing less than a crisis occurring within NGC and that graduate concerns have to be addressed now.

The CFS and NGC constitutions state that the NGC executive are responsible for upholding the goals and activities of the CFS; this means that the NGC executive should, in a referendum situation, support CFS membership. After much reflection, we, the current NGC executive, find that we cannot in good conscience recommend that graduate students vote in favour of CFS membership. Thus, we are resigning effective at the end of this meeting.

Our reasons for this action focus around the continued inactivity and/or unwillingness of CFS to address graduate concerns.

#### 1) Research

In May of 1988, the CFS constitution was changed to guarantee NGC 25% of all funds paid into CFS by graduate students. At the same time, a half-time researcher position was created. Documentary evidence from that time indicates that an informal agreement gave NGC the power to direct the activities of the half-time researcher in exchange for giving up a higher percentage of graduate student fees. This was also the understanding of the NGC executive at the time. This agreement appears to have been in effect until subsequent changes in ~~staff~~ <sup>the</sup> CFS executive caused confusion. NGC is now told, despite having received no formal notice or other information, that it has no exclusive claim on any researcher's time.

Further, until recently NGC understood that it could communicate its research requests through its representative on the CFS National Executive. In the past year, with no discussion, NGC was informed that it must now submit research requests through plenary, as does every other special interest group.

NGC attempted to gain explanations for these two changes and attempted to negotiate different formats for conducting research (contracting out, sharing research with other CFS groups). It also tried to establish some method of accountability for research directives. This has not been overwhelmingly successful.

#### 2) Financial Issues

Because NGC produces its own newsletter and hosts one meeting on its own each year, among other activities, NGC executives and members must frequently incur expenses and then wait for reimbursement. The NGC executive examined financial records this summer and discovered that close to \$6,000 was owing to various NGC members, with some of those debts nearly a year old. It was necessary to threaten small claims court action before these expenses were reimbursed. In the meantime, the NGC executive decided to cancel NGC's annual participation in the Canadian Association for Graduate Studies meeting - graduate students' major opportunity to discuss issues with deans and administrators from across Canada - since it was unclear when the expenses involved in this activity might be repaid.

NGC has put forward motions attempting to gain some measure of financial control over its own activities (e.g. having its own bank account) in order to avoid these financial crises. None have been successful.

### 3) CFS Meetings and Graduate Students

Graduate attendance at CFS meetings has dropped dramatically over the past few years. We believe this is because many graduate students cannot afford the time away from work or school in order to attend a five- or seven-day meeting (not to mention the lost wages). The meeting fees are also very expensive for small organizations.

The NGC has proposed that pro-rated fees be implemented for graduate students and others who are unable to attend for the entire meeting. This proposal has not been successful, and in fact met outright hostility from some delegations.

NGC has been rendered ineffective as a voice for graduate students within CFS. It is reluctant to undertake activities because of its unsure financial position; it does not have the authority or political power to have its research directives undertaken, and therefore cannot produce information that would benefit its members; and, in our perception, many of its proposals which would benefit not only NGC but CFS as a whole are dismissed out of hand because they "come from the grads".

We anticipate that this letter will be met with reactions such as "what a bunch of whiners" and "you should work for change instead of complaining". We can only respond with two points:

- 1) the number of pullout referenda held by graduate student associations in the past year, and the number currently scheduled, should indicate that these views are held by far many than the three authors of this letter;
- 2) NGC has been grappling with many of these issues since 1989 - how much longer are we expected to wait, or continue to expend all our energy, for some positive action?

In conclusion, we would like to note that while our experience has perhaps been more extreme than that of other special interest groups within CFS, it is not unique. CFS must decide whether it wants to encourage special interests within its ranks or whether it wishes to work only on those issues that are representative of a majority of all students. It cannot continue paying lip service to special interest groups while allowing its internal functioning to deteriorate into power grabbing and games of "I'm more oppressed than you". As it stands, CFS is so internally disrupted that we question how effective it is a voice for any student.



Fiona McQuarrie  
NGC Chair, 1991-92  
NGC Vice-Chair, 1989-1991  
SFU Grad Rep, 1988-1989



Sacha Veillette  
NGC Vice-Chair, 1992  
UBC GSS Rep, 1991-1992



Mike Loncke  
NGC-CFS Link, 1992  
USask GSA Rep, 1989-90