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Campaigns & Government Relations Committee
Canadian Federation of Students-Services • Canadian Federation of Students
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PART I: COMMITTEE SET-UP

1. Introductions

2. Election of Committee Chairpeople

13. Review of Committee Mandate & Goals

4. Adoption of Committee Agenda

PART II: REVIEW OF CAMPAIGNS STRATEGY 1995-96

- 5. Review of Legislative Campaigns
 - a. Campaign to Stop the Canada Health & Social Transfer (CHST)
 - i. Vision & Goals of the Campaign
 - ii. Campaign Implementation
 - Research Undertaken
 - Contact With Government
 - Membership Involvement
 - February 7, 1996 Pan-Canadian Day of Action
 - On-to-Ottawa Trek
 - Materials Produced

b. Campaign for Grants & Improved Student Assistance

- i. Vision & Goals of the Campaign
- ii. Campaign Implementation
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c. Campaign to Improve Granting Councils Grants

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- ii. Campaign Implementation
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6. Review of Awareness Campaigns

a. Campaign to Expose "Chilly Climate" on Campus

Representatives from Women's Caucus will give an overview of the campaign including:

- Vision & Goals
- Tactics
- Materials Produced
- Timelines & Proposed Follow-up

b. Aboriginal Students "Get Involved" Campaign

Aboriginal National Executive Representative, Renée Shilling will provide an overview of the campaign:

- Vision & Goals
- Tactics
- Materials Produced
- Timelines & Proposed Follow-up

PART III: DEVELOPMENT OF CAMPAIGNS STRATEGY 1996-97

6. Review of Current Federal Government Legislative Environment & Draft Lobby Strategy

A brief presentation on recent federal government legislation and the current political environment in Ottawa will be given. Issues to be covered include: the 1996 federal budget, Canada Health & Social Transfer, changes to the tax act as they pertain to students and the upcoming priorities of the Human Resource Development parliamentary sub-committee. As well, the committee will review the *Draft Lobby Strategy* document prepared by Jocelyn Charron, Government Relations Coordinator.

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7. Development of Legislative Campaigns

The committee will develop the legislative campaigns strategy for the upcoming year. Included in this strategy will be:

- Vision & Goals of the Strategy
- Issues to be Targeted
- Implementation
 - Research to be Undertaken
 - Contact With Government
 - Membership Involvement
 - Materials to be Produced

8. Development/Announcement of Awareness Campaigns

At this time, committee participants will develop any awareness campaigns that it deems appropriate. In addition, the committee will have presented any awareness campaigns that are developed by constituency groups or caucuses.

PART IV: ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMPLEMENTARY CAMPAIGNS

At this time, committee participants will have the opportunity to announce campaigns being run by other organisations that promote goals and aims that are similar to the Federation. The committee will discuss action, if any, the Federation should undertake to support such campaigns.

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DRAFT STRATEGY 1996-97

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INTRODUCTION

As the Canadian Federation of Students approaches 15 years of fighting for accessible, publicly funded post-secondary education we have an opportunity to reflect on our past successes and to look forward to future challenges.

For 15 years the Federation has been at the forefront in exposing the myths of deficit hysteria and presenting real macro-economic alternatives to the cutting public investment.

On April 1, 1996, the Canada Health & Social Transfer came into being. As the effects of this legislation take hold, provincial governments have passed the cuts on to students by increasing tuition fees and other user fees. In addition, the tax system has greatly benefitted wealthy individuals and profitable corporations at the expense of the poor, working poor and the middle class. Thousands of wealthy Canadian pay little or not taxes and tens of thousands of corporations pay little or no taxes because of their right to defer taxes. A dangerous new trend is emerging in Canada: the polarization between rich and poor. We are faced with one of the biggest challenges to accessibility since the Second World War. If our universities and colleges are to be accessible to everyone, now more than ever we have the responsibility to speak out.

It is in this wider macro-economic context that the following campaign strategy was written. The issues the Federation will be targeting in its federal legislative strategy throughout 1996-97 will be the following:

1. Accessibility to Education Campaign • "15 years of fighting for access"

- a. Raise awareness among federal and provincial/territorial policy makers on the links between inaccessibility and high tuition fees;
- b. Educating the Canadian public on alternative funding mechanisms for post-secondary education other than user fees and private funding
- c. The freezing of tuition the fees in all provinces and territories;
- An end to federal cuts to post secondary education and increasing funding to post-secondary education;
- e. Expanding the "Special Opportunities Grants" by promoting a "Canada Student Grants Program";
- f. Insure that the Income Contingent Loan Scheme is eliminated as a policy option;

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- g. Securing changes to the Canada Student Loans Program to include: flexible repayment options, needs-assessment, better rules for an appeal process and an indexation formula such as a "Student Cost of Living Index":
- h. Implementation of a Post-Secondary Education Act (Campaign #2);
- i. Opposing degree-granting status to private corporations which sell post-secondary education;
- j. Securing student representation on the national granting councils -Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Medical Research Council.
- 2. The Creation of A Federal Post-Secondary Education Act
- 3. Tax Relief for Students

The tactics to achieve these goals would involve the following strategies:

The provincial/territorial components of the Federation will be strongly encouraged to implement the campaigns at their levels;

2. Research

Revisions and updates would be undertaken on existing research documentation and new research initiatives would be undertaken to provide philosophical and empirical support for the Federation campaigns.

3. Contact with Government

Individual members of the Federation will be encouraged to arrange face-to-face meetings with their Members of Parliament and with members of their respective legislatures, legislative assemblies or National Assembly (Québec).

4. Membership mobilisation

A pan-Canadian day of action will be organised in January 1994.

5. National awareness/Media strategy

The Federation's campaign strategy will include three aspects of membership and general public education:

- a. Membership-education through posters, flyers, and media work and a media/lobby kit for member-locals. general public education through post-cards and letter-writing strategies and national media work.
- b. awareness involves exposing members and the general public to alternatives such as those outlined in the Alternative Federal Budget;

c. A Pan-Canadian symposium on post-secondary education.

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The Federation will seek assistance from labour, social justice groups (such as those in the health and social assistance sectors) and constituency partners on campuses who share our principles and our commitment to accessibility to education.

First Component Accessibility to Education Campaign • "15 years of fighting for access"

CONTEXT

The Federation is committed to a long-term goal of universal access to high-quality post-secondary education and the elimination of all barriers including cost at entry. We are at the forefront of the pan-Canadian debate against tuition/user fees. This accessibility principle is the defining aspect of the Canadian Federation of Students and is enshrined in the Preamble to the Federation Constitution, in research documents such as *Strategy for Change* in our opposition to the Income Contingent Loan Repayment Plan and in the following policies: 'The Declaration of Student Rights', 'Accessibility', 'Funding Education', 'Social Class', 'Student Aid' and 'User/Tuition Fees'.

The Federation's long-term strategy of eliminating financial barriers must be met by a short-term strategy which addresses the growing trend in Canada towards increases in tuition fees and privatisation. Universities and colleges have introduced in recent years a plethora of new fees and have adopted new strategies to dramatically increase user fees: deregulation, the executive MBA programs at McGill, Western and Queen's, a compulsory computer purchase program at Acadia "HODO Graduate students, the increasing of "ancillary" fees and other non-tuition user fees such as library fines, graduation fees and application fees. An even more sinister development is the recent decision by the Alberta government to allow degreegranting status to the private post-secondary education corporation called "DeVry Institute." The government of Ontario has indicated that it will also consider allowing private universities and colleges.

The Federation must initiate an immediate campaign to end such outrageous challenges to accessibility.

CAMPAIGN GOALS

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- 1. Raise awareness among federal and provincial/territorial policy makers on the links between inaccessibility and high tuition fees;
- 2. Educating the Canadian public on alternative funding mechanisms (such as those defended in the **Alternative Federal Budget**) for post-secondary education other than user fees and private funding and continuing the awareness campaign for employment, progressive taxation and democratic monetary policy.

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	1. Fed	leral-Provincial/Territorial Congruency

At this General Meeting we have the opportunity to launch a cross-Canada campaign for accessibility like never before in our history. The Federation has a structure which allows us to implement a truly pan-canadian campaign against tuition/user fees and privatisation. But the success of this campaign can only be achieved if it is also implemented at the provincial level.

Following this meeting the provincial components will be organising their own provincial meetings. We need to secure a commitment that delegates to this national meeting will return to their provincial/territorial components and table motions to implement this pan-canadian campaign for accessibility.

2. Research

The Research aspect of the campaign would entail the following investigations:

1. Updating Strategy for Change with a section on tuition/user fees;

2. Undertaking research which establishes a correlation between inaccessibility and higher tuition/user fees, which includes a literature review establishing this fact;

3. Commissioning and/or participating in public opinion poll and/or survey research on the question of high tuition/user fees and accessibility;

4. An investigation outlining the steps that could be taken to convert the Canada Student Loans Program into a "Canada Student Grants Program".

One of the Federation's areas of expertise is in its analysis and compilation of information on tuition fees and its effect on access. The Federation's researchers will be required to maintain an up-to-date statistical package on all university userfees and a bibliography of publications and learned articles supporting the cost-atentry argument. This research will assist Federation members in our fight to oppose tuition fees.

3. Contact with Government

The third aspect of the campaign will involve contacting Members of Parliament, as well as coordinating provincial campaigns around this national campaign by contacting Members of Provincial Parliaments, Legislative Assemblies and the National Assembly (Québec).

4. Membership mobilisation

The fourth aspect of the campaign entails mobilising all members of the Federation. The Federation has had some notable successes in the past mobilising members, such as the pan-canadian days of action on November 16, 1994, January 25, 1995 and February 7, 1996. A date should be chosen in the early part of the Winter term for another pan-Canadian day of action.

5. National awareness/Media strategy

The fifth aspect of the campaign involves educating our members our partners and the general public on the links between accessibility and low tuition fees. The Federation has always been committed to a variety of mechanisms to educate the Canadian public on issues of the day, with a specific emphasis on tools such as posters. Since January 25, 1995 the Federation has chosen another mechanism: membership mobilisation. While membership mobilisation has had many successes it must be complemented by other strategies. For example, our opponents such as the Fraser Institute and the Business Council on National Issues have been much more effective in utilising the television medium and the "academic" setting to promote their views. As a way of reaching out to ordinary Canadians, the Federation needs to take advantage of such mechanisms as the Canadian Parliamentary Television Channel (CPAC) and the national media's obsession with commissions and inquiries.

Therefore the pan-Canadian campaign for accessibility must include:

a. A national media campaign

The national media campaign would entail nurchasing radio, television and

campaign in the following areas: Victoria, Vancouver, Regina, Winnipeg/Northern Ontario, Southern Ontario (Windsor, London) Metropolitan Toronto (including Guelph, Hamilton and Kitchener-Waterloo), Ottawa, Montreal, Halifax and St. John's. The Ottawa office would coordinate the media campaign with provincial offices to determine specific details.

b. A Pan-Canadian symposium on post-secondary education.

The symposium would take place in the fall of 1996. The symposium would bring together supporters of accessible post-secondary education to participate in panel discussions on issues such as fair taxation, progressive mechanisms for Federal debt-reduction, mechanisms to replace tuition/user fees and the creation of a Canada Student Grants Program. By inviting parliamentary secretaries and senior bureaucrats, as well as interested participants, the

molsymposium could have a significant impact on public policy.

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6. Coalition work

The sixth aspect of the campaign involves working with our education partners, (such as labour and social justice groups in the health and social assistance sectors) and constituency partners on campuses who share our principles and our commitment to accessibility to education.

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Second Component THE FEDERAL POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT

CONTEXT

The Federation is committed to a system of post-secondary education free from all user fees. But what would such a system look like? The answer is to look to the way health care is funded in Canada. By modelling federal funding of university and colleges on the way the federal government funds and regulates hospitals and clinics, the Canadian Federation of Students can present a credible and realizable public policy option.

The Second Campaign would therefore promote an Act that embodies the principles of the Canada Health Act, also recognising the unique historical experience of Québec:

GOALS:

1.

Pan-canadian standards and separate funding envelopes for post-secondary education, health and social assistance;

Convincing the Federal government that it still has a role to play in ensuring **₹** 2. Universality of access to post-secondary education

a. The act would outlaw user-fees of any kind in and de-regulated fees:

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WHAT THE ACT WOULD CONTAIN:

The act would create special programs to encourage non-traditional groups to enter the post-secondary system;

The act would expand/broaden the range of the "Special Opportunity C. Grants" system and increase funding to national granting councils (such as the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council) through the enactment of research and development targets as a percentage of Canadian Gross Domestic Product (the primary measure of economic activity referring to total volume of production in Canada).

2. Publicly funded post-secondary education

The act would regulate private universities and henceforth outlaw the establishment of private universities and colleges, in the same way that the Canada Health Act regulates hospitals;

b. The act would deny public funds such as those from the granting councils, to any private university or to a professor working at a private university.

3. Non-profit public administration

Like Canada's hospitals, the Act would establish Canada's universities as national public resources whose aim is not to generate revenue for Federal or provincial governments or private interests but to provide a service to all Canadians. This public-service philosophy is inconsistent with for-profit administration.

4. Portability

- The act would seek an arrangement from the provinces and territories to allow courses, credits, loans, bursaries and scholarships to be fully portable;
- b. The Act would establish a Canada Student Grants Program, or in its absence The Canada Students Loans Program would be amended to include the best features of all the provincial loans and would be a safety net for students who are denied grants or loans from provincial programs.

5. Ouébec

Like the Canada Health Act, and the Canada Pension Plan, in recognition of the historical significance of education in Québec, the Act would allow Québec to opt out with compensation, on the condition that the four principles are recognised and upheld.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. Federal-Provincial/Territorial Congruency

The provincial/territorial components will be encouraged to implement the campaign at their levels especially for jurisdictional reasons.

2. Research

- A Revised version of Strategy for Change will be released by October 1996;
- b. A draft of the Act will be created and presented to Members of Parliament members of provincial parliaments, legislative assemblies, and Québec's National Assembly.

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3. Contact with Government

face-to-face contact with MPs and provincial and territorial representatives will be organised.

4. Membership mobilisation

The Federal Post-Secondary Education Act will be included as a part of the January 1997 membership mobilising strategy.

5. National awareness/Media strategy

- a. The Membership will be educated through posters, flyers, national media work and a media/lobby kit for member-locals;
- b. The general public will be educated through post-cards and letter-writing strategies and national media work.

6. Coalition work

Our coalition partners will be educated on the issue and will be encouraged to defend the principles of the act.

Third Component TAX RELIEF FOR STUDENTS CAMPAIGN

CONTEXT

The Federation is committed to a tax system that is progressive and fair to the poor, the unemployed and the working-poor. The Federation's traditional strategy has been to campaign for a tax system that favours Canada's disadvantaged and not one that favours the wealthy and the powerful. This long-term strategy must be complemented with a short-term tax strategy that is easily achievable. The Federation should capitalise on the Federal government's recent embarrassments over the Goods and Services Tax (GST) and its unpopular fiscal agenda. With concerted lobbying, we can win a number of amendments to the Income Tax Act which will benefit students.

This campaign should not be the main focus of the year's events, since it only assists middle-class students who actually have the incomes to pay taxes. However the campaign could see some success with a basic face-to-face contact with MPs as well as letter-writing campaign or a post-card campaign.

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1. Amend allowable deductions from "Total income" to allow a greater deductible for grants and scholarships;

2. Amend allowable deductions from "taxable income" to move trade-union dues to the "non-refundable tax credit" category, as in Québec;

3. Increase items in "non-refundable tax credits" category:

a. include auxiliary fees and other compulsory fees with tuition fees ion this category, including student union dues in this category;

b. increase "education amount" and include all part-time students, not just hose who are physically or mentally challenged;

c. disallow students who study in the U.S. from claiming tuition fees (or allow students studying anywhere in the world to claim their fees).

4. Eliminate the GST on books

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CAMPAIGN GOALS - DETAILED:

1. Tax Deductions or TaxCredits - what's the progressive option?

Tax deductions reduce the income on which a person pays taxes. They are regressive and give a disproportionate benefit to the rich. Since wealthier tax-payers pay tax at the highest rate, deductions from their income also reduces their tax burden at the highest rate. For instance, a \$100 tax deduction reduces the tax burden by \$55 for a person in the 55 % tax bracket; for a person in the 28% tax bracket, the same \$100 deduction is worth only \$28.

Tax credits directly reduce the taxes which a person owes. They are progressive and more beneficial to low-income earners than deductions, since low income-earners pay a smaller portion of their income as tax. For instance, a 20 % tax credit on \$500 in tuition fees would reduce taxes by \$100; for a low-income earner who would otherwise owe \$1,000 in taxes, this would represent 10 % of the tax burden; for a wealthy person owing, for instance, \$5,000 in taxes, a \$100 credit would represent only a \$2 % decrease in the tax burden.

For these reasons, the Federation should be promoting changes which expand tax credits and decrease tax deductions.

2. Allowable deductions from "total income"

a. Allowable tax deduction for grants and scholarships

When students fill out their income-tax forms, they can claim a single \$500 deductible against any scholarship, fellowship, bursary or artist project grant that they have received. If a student has received an artists' project grant, you have a choice: you may subtract \$500.00 or your expenses, "whichever benefits you more". However the expenses you claim cannot be more than the grant.

However a graduated student, such as a post-doctoral fellow or a research associate or a professor who receives the same or similar scholarship can deduct any expenses against the scholarship, fellowship, or bursary because the income tax act allows deductions for self-employment. As a result, many researchers pay little or no income-tax on scholarships and grants they have received because they claim phone charges rent, food, books and supplies, computer purchases against these research grants. This is an unfair way of treating scholarship and grant income. So the Federation should adopt a strategy to amend the income tax act to either:

- i. allow students to deduct any expenses such as rent, books, journal, food, transportation, computer equipment (as is the current practice with researchers and the artists' project grant) or
- ii. increase the deductible that can be claimed against scholarship income. This deductible of \$500 has not been increased since 1972. According to the Consumer Price Index in 1993 dollars the \$500 deductible would be \$1,960.

3. Allowable deductions from "taxable income"

a. Student union fees

Under the income tax act annual "union, professional or like dues" are allowable deductions from total income (thus reducing "taxable" or "net" income), in the same way that RRSP and childcare expenses are deductible. In Quebec you may deduct the annual dues paid to a "professional association or recognised artistic association" however, these deductions apply only to compulsory dues paid to a body whose purpose is to maintain the recognised professional status of its members, such as an employees association, and includes amounts paid for mandatory professional liability insurance.

The justification for these allowable deductions is that since you cannot earn the employment income without paying union dues, therefore you should be allowed to deduct the dues.

As stated earlier, deductions from taxable income are more regressive tax measures than non-refundable tax-credits. It is for this reason that the Québec government last week changed its tax policy to move trade-union dues to the non-refundable tax-credit category. The Federation should support this move at the Federal level and press for amendments which would include student union dues (local, provincial and national) as a tax-credit. This is explained in the next section.

4. Non-refundable tax credits

a. Tuition fees

Currently students may deduct all their tuition fees as a "non-refundable tax credit". However this does not include other compulsory fees that universities are increasingly demanding such as course materials fees and other ancillary/auxiliary fees such as those

for health and athletics. Recognising the skyrocketing increases in these auxiliary/ancillary fees, the Federation should seek an amendment to allow all compulsory fees to be included as non-refundable tax-credits. Also the Federation should press for changes in the Income Tax Act which include student-union dues in this category of tax-credits.

Currently the law allows students to claim the tuition fees paid for courses paid to a university college or other educational institution in the U.S. that gives courses at a post-secondary school level, if one lived "near the border in Canada throughout the year and commuted to the school". Since the vast majority of the Canadian population lives on the border, this policy either discriminates against those living in Canada's north or it encourages Canadians to study in the United States. Either outcome is a detriment to post-secondary education in Canada. In accordance with the Federation's proposed Post-Secondary Education Act, the Federal Government should amend the income tax act to prevent students who go outside Canada from deducting their tuition fees. Or the government should allow every Canadian student, without exception to claim tuition fees from any post-secondary institution in the world.

b. "education amount"

Currently full-time students can claim an "education amount" of \$80 for each whole or part month that they were enrolled in a qualifying educational program. In most-cases one has to be enrolled as a full-time student. Only part-time students who exhibit "mental or physical impairment" can claim the education amount. In the last Federal budget Paul Martin increased the "education amount" that students can claim from \$80 to \$120. The rationale for preventing part-time students from participating in this tax-credit is to prevent those with full salaries from grabbing a tax write-off by, for example, taking an evening course. Recognising the legitimacy of this concern about abuse, the Federation should nevertheless resolve to amend the law to increase the education amount and to allow part-time students to participate with certain limitations.

5. Eliminate the GST on books

The Federation should revive the national campaign to restore the

IMPLEMENTATION

1. Federal-Provincial/Territorial Congruency

Since the tax changes refer to Federal Laws, provincial/territorial congruency with the campaign is not essential; however delegates who will be attending provincial/territorial meetings are encouraged to seek similar changes in provincial tax-laws;

2. Research

- a. Research will be undertaken to investigate what the \$500 scholarship deductible, (established in 1972), would be in 1996 dollars;
- b. Research will be undertaken to investigate why student-union dues are not allowable deductions from taxable income in the same way as trade-union dues;
- c. Research will be undertaken to investigate the loss of revenue as a result of tax deductions for students studying in the United States
- d. Research will be undertaken comparing, among other things, enrollment and income-levels between full-time and part-time students in order to establish a justification for allowing all part-time students the right to the "education amount" non-refundable tax credit;

3. Contact with Government

A simple face-to-face (lobby session) contact with Mps will be organised.

4. Membership mobilisation

This campaign will not be inluded in the Pan-Canadian day of action.

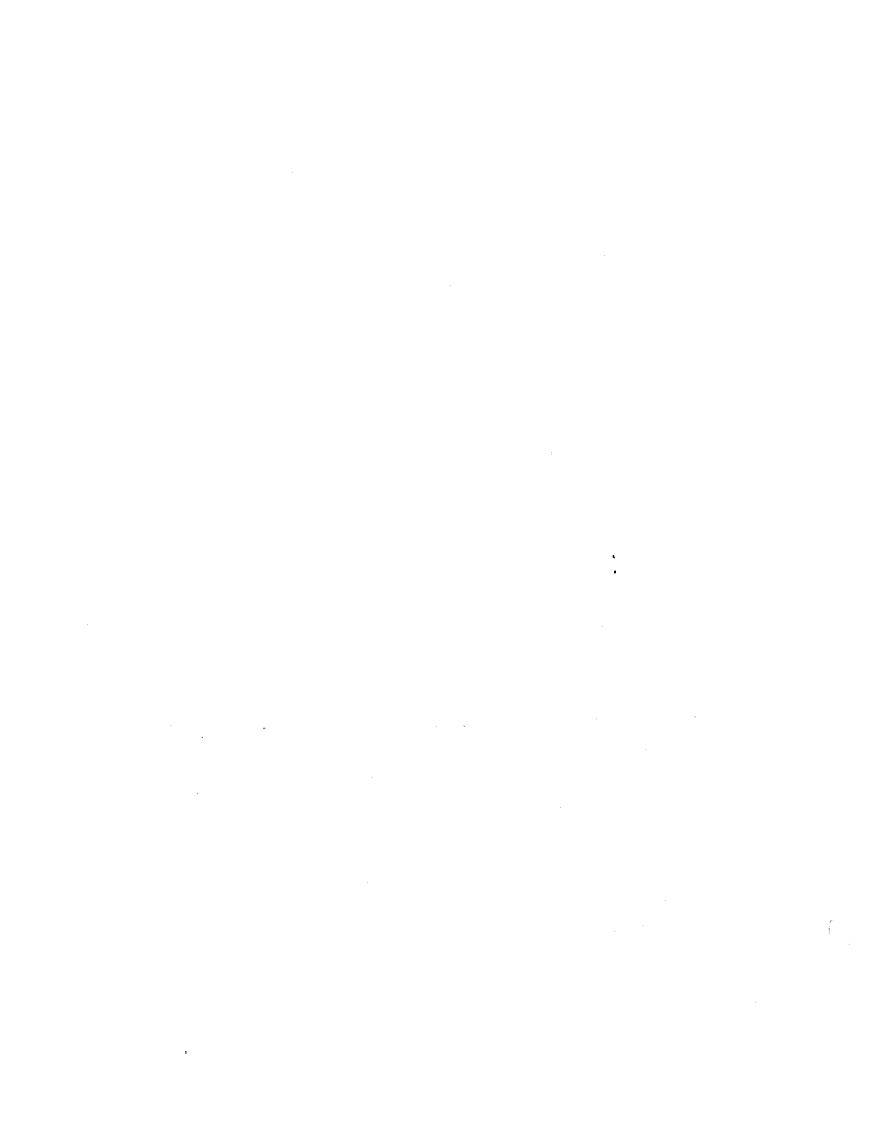
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- b. The general public will be educated through post-cards and letterwriting strategies and national media work.

6. Coalition work

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The campaign will entail maintaining the Federation's strong links with labour and social justice groups and constituency partners on campuses which share our principles and our commitment to accessibility to education.



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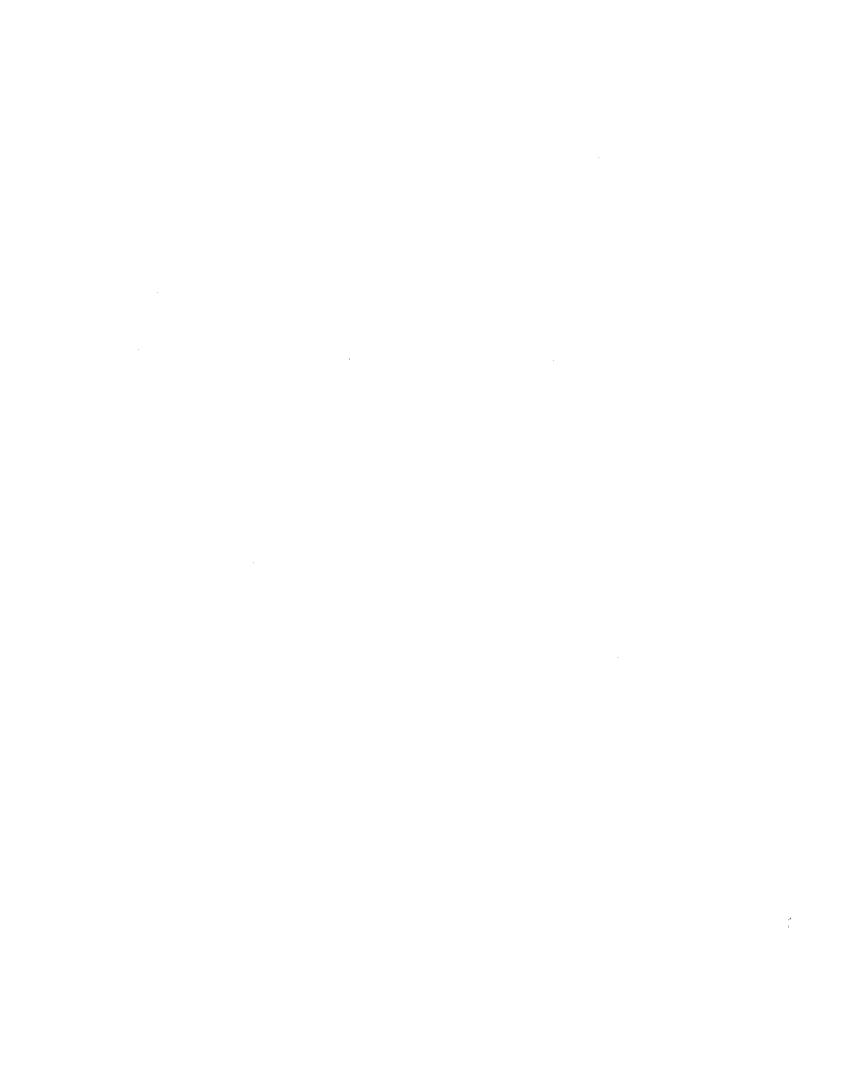
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Calendar of Events: Campaigns & Government Relations

Calendrier des activités: relations gouvernementales et campa gnes

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REPORT

Second National Consultation on Education Edmonton, Alberta - May 9-12, 1996

FEDERATION DELEGATES

Vicky Smallman Steve Wilson Incoming Ontario Chairperson Incoming NGC Chairperson

Guy Caron

Outgoing National Chairperson
Newfoundland National Executive Representative

Keith Clarke Penny Kerrigan

University of Victoria

Réal Déquier

Incoming National Deputy Chairperson

Karen McGillivray

Nova Scotia National Executive Representative

Denise Doherty-Delorme

Researcher

Shaun Brennan Mark Veerkamp University of Regina Camosun College

Jocelyn Charron

Government Relations Coordinator

DESCRIPTION OF CMEC

The Council of Ministers of Education, Canada is a network organization linking Provincial and Territorial Ministers of Education and their staff across Canada. While it doesn't have, at this time, any decision-making power, it does discuss common objectives and attempts to implement common protocols such as credit transferability.

For that purpose, they convened the First National Consultation on Education in 1994 in Montréal, bringing together education "partners" to help them set priorities and goals for all levels of the education sector. This Edmonton meeting was the second attempt to fulfill these objectives (and to improve the handicap of various Ministers).

OBJECTIVES OF THE FEDERATION

The overall theme of the conference being "Accountability in Education", the main objective of Federation representatives was to promote and find support for the idea of the Federal Higher Education Act as a tool for accountability, to fight the concept of "Performance Indicators" as criteria for institutional or program funding and to highlight the inadequacy of current funding levels and financial aid systems while maintaining our vigilance against the idea of Income-Contingent Loan Repayment Plans.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

William Thorsell, editor-in-chief of the Globe and Mail, kicked off (and pissed off) the conference with the usual rant about the lack of responsiveness of the education sector towards the ever changing needs of the private sector.

He began his speech by confessing his ignorance about the education system (by his own admission, he actually hasn't set foot in a school since 1963), but felt qualified because he asked his librarian to confirm his suspicions. Without prolonging the torture, it is enough to say that he promoted the usual Globe and Mail rhetoric about the need for corporate involvement in our schools. As a matter of fact, his speech was published in the following day's issue of "Canada's National Newspaper".

Janyne Hodder, Principal of Bishop's University, followed as the second keynote speaker. While not entirely conforming to Federation policies, her speech delivered an in-depth analysis of the current strengths and challenges of the education system. For instance, she underlined the importance of education for the sake of education as a sound value for Canadian society to maintain, as the intrinsic value of education in its contribution to the health of society than merely its function of training individuals to fill the needs of the marketplace.

Each of the five conference topics started with a panel of four to five guests (Vicky Smallman being one of the panelists for the second session), and following the panel discussion, we broke out in 15 working groups, six of which were devoted to post-secondary education.

WORKING GROUPS

As the working groups were unbalanced (one group had five Federation representatives while two of them didn't include any), our first task was to reassign the distribution of Federation representatives to ensure a balance.

We were impressed by the facility with which we were able to get the Federation point of view across the table and gather support for it, not only from our usual allies (Canadian Union of Public Employees, Canadian Association of University Teachers, National Union of Public and General Employees, Canadian Teachers Federation, Assembly of First Nations, National Educational Association for Disabled Students...), but, unexpectedly, also from organizations such as the Association of University and Colleges of Canada and the Association of Community Colleges of Canada, the Fédération étudiante universitaire du Quebec and the Fédération étudiante collégiale du Quebec, with whom we don't see eye-to-eye very often, as well as some ministerial staff.

The summaries of working groups discussions, which were presented on the last day, were entirely reflective of Federation policies.

Every day, at the conclusion of productive but long discussions, we met with representatives of the Canadian Association of University Teachers for a debriefing session and a strategy session for the following day. At the end of the conference, the Federation was one of the co-signatories of a press release that CAUT, CUPE, NUPGE, CLC, CTF, the FÉUQ and the FÉCQ also signed on the results of the conference, which were very positive, even if its conclusions were unlikely to be implemented.

CONCLUSION

The atmosphere and the results of the conference definitely showed how much credibility and visibility the Federation has gained in the past two years. The consistency and logic of the arguments presented by Federation representatives allowed for the conclusion of the reports to be fully reflective of Federation policies.

Other student organizations were unable to garner support from their working group partners, mainly because of their lack of well-defined policies and the resulting inconsistency in their presentation. However,

the FÉUQ and the FÉCQ were well prepared and defended their position in a manner that allowed them to gain respect for them and support for the concept of Pan-canadian principles as opposed to national standards. They were the main obstacle for the adoption of the concept of a Federal Higher Education Act and national standards, but they were able to explain it in a manner that makes them possible if not controlled by the Federal Government, but by the provincial ministers of Education themselves through the CMEC.

In the opinion of this delegation, there is a higher likelihood of tuition fees being abolished across the country than seeing the provinces (particularly Québec) and the Federal Government reopening the Constitution to transfer the regulatory control of post-secondary education at the Federal level. The goals and principles of a Higher Education Act (or Agreement) and national standards (or pancandian principles) are more likely to be accepted. It is to be noted that the Mouvement pour le droit à l'éducation, a Québec student organization we have been linking with recently, holds the same view than the FEUQ and the FECQ in regard to the jurisdiction of provinces over education at all levels.

It is also to be noted that we expect some ministers soon to be able to pass the entrance test for the PGA and the LPGA.

RECOMMENDATIONS ARISING FROM THE SECOND NATIONAL CONSULTATION ON EDUCATION

Recommendation 1

It is recommended that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports the consolidation of the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada, and calls for increased funding of the Council by provincial and territorial governments

Recommendation 2

It is recommended that the following:

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NOTICE OF MOTION TO AMEND POLICY

University of Regina Students' Union/Local 73

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

Higher Education Act

The Absence of any national standards for post-secondary education has made it much easier for provincial governments to raise tuition fees, cut their funding to institutions and eliminate whole programs. As well, the lack of any formalized federal involvement made it easy for the federal government to off-load its funding responsibilities onto the provinces.

The development of a federal Department of Higher Education and Training and the creation of a Higher Education Act similar in scope and function to the Canada Health Act would aid in establishing and maintaining a set of common national standards.

The Act should promote the following ideas:

1) Public Administration.

Post-secondary institutions should be governed on a not-for-profit basis and should be publicly administered. Public post-secondary institutions should be funded by tax dollars and public funds should not be used to support private institutions.

2) Portability.

All credits, certificates, diplomas and degrees acquired at a public institution should be recognized and transferable between all public institutions in the country. This process should not be done through the strict standardization of curriculum within the certificate, diploma and degree programs.

3) Comprehensive.

The public system should be as comprehensive as possible and provide students with a complete range of services including, but not limited to university education, community colleges, vocational training, professional training, adult education, and distance education.

4) Accessibility.

Post-secondary institutions should be free of all entrance barriers. All tuition fees and ancillary fees would be abolished. Student aid needed to maintain a guaranteed minimum level of income would be provided mostly through grants

Be replaced for consideration by:

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

Higher Education Agreement

The Absence of any national standards for post-secondary education has made it much easier for provincial governments to raise tuition fees, cut their funding to institutions and eliminate whole programs. As well, the lack of any formalized federal involvement made it easy for the federal government to off-load its funding responsibilities onto the provinces.

The creation of a higher education agreement implemented and enforced by the Council of Ministers of Educaton, Canada (CMEC), similar in scope and function to the Canada Health Act would aid in establishing and maintaining a set of common Pancanadian principles.

The Agreement should promote the following ideas:

1) Public Administration.

Post-secondary institutions should be governed on a not-for-profit basis and should be publicly administered. Public post-secondary institutions should be funded by tax dollars and public funds should not be used to support private institutions.

2) Portability.

All credits, certificates, diplomas and degrees acquired at a public institution should be recognized and transferable between all public institutions in the country. This process should not be done through the strict standardization of curriculum within the certificate, diploma and degree programs.

3) Comprehensiveness

The public system should be as comprehensive as possible and provide students with a complete range of services including, but not limited to university education, community colleges, vocational training, professional training, adult education, apprenticeship, and distance education.

Accessibility.

Post-secondary institutions should be free of all entrance barriers. All tuition fees and ancillary fees would be abolished. Student aid needed to maintain a guaranteed minimum level of income would be provided mostly through grants.

Recommendation 3

It is recommended that the following policy be amended

The Federation supports the establishment, by the federal government Council of Ministers of Education, Canada, of a standing National Pan-Canadian Advisory Council on Post-Secondary Education which would include representation from the Federation

Recommendation 4

It is recommended that the following policy be amended

The Federation strongly encourages the federal government Council of Ministers of Education, Canada to sign A Post-secondary Education Act Agreement that encompasses the principles outlined in the Federation Preamble and in the Federation's Declaration of Students' Rights.

Recommendation 5

It is recommended that the following policy be amended

The Federation encourages the federal government to establish a Minister of State for Higher Education and Research and Development.

Recommendation 6

It is recommended that the following directive be adopted

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REPORT

Budget Committee

Canadian Federation of Students and Canadian Federation of Students-Services 14th Semi-Annual General Meeting

Renfrew, Ontario May 12-17, 1996

COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

Caucus Representatives

Constituency Representatives

Aboriginal Mark King
Aboriginal Conrad Thompson
LGB Kevin Armbruster
Student Artists Stephen Targett
Students of Colour Michael Wiltshire
Students of Colour Chaminda Thotahewa
Women's Theresa Sabourin

Provincial Representatives

British Colombia Michael Gardnier
Newfoundland Loyola Carey
Ontario Stuart McKay
Ontario Wayne Poirier
Quebec Erin Runions
Saskatchewan Dave Beros

Resource

National Treasurer

Newfoundiand Representative
Nova Scotia Representative
Financial Co-ordinator

Cassandra Koenen
Keith Clarke
Karen McGillvary
Johanne Laurent

Observers

Patrick Crowley Travel CUTS Board
Greg Kaufman Local 14
Robert Keddy Travel CUTS Staff
Janet McGovern Travel CUTS Staff
Hung Van Nguyen

Tim Porter Local 1

Jason Stevens Ontario Component Treasurer

Ryerson SAC/Simon Fraser SS

Be it resolved that the National Treasurer further define the line item called "miscellaneous" for the November General Meeting budget committee.

Directive

BUD 02 University of Victoria SS/York YFS

BUD 01

Be it resolved that the 1996-97 draft budget, as presented by budget committee be adopted.

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REVENUE				
Membership Fees (1)	1,391,974.00	1,118,559.00	772,286.09	1,073,815.0
Program Revenue (2)	637,309.00	156,305.00	90,126.00	246,000.0
SIC Sales	119,955.00	500,000.00	104,546.00	500,000.0
Referral Fee	489,323.00	514,000.00	302,311.00	500,000.0
nterest	12,345.00	7,600.00	3,759.00	7,500.0
Directory	(3,471.00)		5,487.00	2,000.0
Advertising	28,215.00	24,935.00	(5,172.00)	25,000.0
Other	18,209.00	10,000.00		10,000.0
TOTAL REVENUE	2,693,859.00	2,331,399.00	1,273,343.09	2,364,315.0
EXPENSES				
Accounting	26,888.00	25,000.00	19,389.00	2,000.0
Advertising	61,760.00	15,091.00	1,112.00	5,000.0
Audit	43,107.00	63,700.00	35,865.00	40,000.0
Bad Debts	76,819.00	15,000.00	-	15,000.0
Campaigns (3)	31,734.00	69,000.00	17,276.00	60,000.0
Capital Expenditures (4)	28,546.00	22,000.00	11,149.00	20,000.0
Coalition Work	6,276.00	3,600,00	2,693.00	5,000.0
Communications (5)	7,584.00	5,950.00	1,079.00	5,500.0
Component Allocations (6)	169,514.00	166,033.00	104,859.00	221,259.4
Constituency Allocations	7,556.00	16,778.39	7,856.00	16,790.0
Donations .	1,650.00	1,500,00	500.00	1,500.0
Fieldworking (7)	52,502.00	67,860.00	28,276.00	39,550.0
General Meetings (8)	140,297.00	110,304.00	96,919.00	155,398.0
nternational Affairs (9)	4,034.00	3,800.00		1,000.0
nterest and Bank Charges	6,605.00	7,000.00	11,741.00	9,000.0
SIC Expenses (10)		310,740.00		310,740.0
Kevin Coleman Fund				2,000.0
_egal	14,106.00	30,000.00	26,202.00	20,000.0
Miscellaneous	33,192.00	5,600.00	34,964.00	5,000.0
National Exec Expenses (11)	71,181.00	84,309.00	44,289.00	80,600.0
National Exec Stipends (12)	75,000.00	105,000.00	58,845.00	102,421.0
Negotiations	564.00	•	•	
Office Expenses (13)	88,038.00	97,839.00	61,291.00	70,800.0
Printing (14)	83,408.00	65,324.00	64,362.00	72,300.0
Professional Development	106.00	500.00	419.00	1,000.0
Referenda	69,520.00	30,000.00	31,616.00	25,000.0
Rent and Utilities (15)	95,105.00	92,827.00	64,591.00	93,000.0
Staff Expenses (16)	98,511.00	34,440.00	18,503.00	21,000.0
Subscriptions	3,042.00	2,000.00	1,888.00	2,500.0
Franslation	11,480.00	8,500.00	2,647.00	5,000.0
Vages and Benefits (17)	971,534.00	590,800.00	358,030.00	694,316.0
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Contingency		23,313.99		3,00
TOTAL EXPENSES (net)	2,279,659.00	2,073,809.38	1,106,361.00	2,113,674.4
SHARE PURCHASE	343,000.00	257,000.00	151,155.50	250,000.0
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	30-Jun-95	Budget 95-96	Actual May 1996	Budget 1996-97
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Camosun College	27,885.00	28,200.00	16,856.23	28,717.00
Capilano College	37,699.20	26,200.00	14,010.12	26,680.00
Cariboo	-	•	-	- 11
City Centre	23,076.24	17,333.33	8,739.29	17,561.10
College of the Rockles		300.00	300.00	6,000.00
Douglas	-		-	-
Emily Carr	5,240.40	5,126.67	2,221.88	5,220.65
King Edward	27,411.12	28,800.00	20,573.53	29,328.00
Kwatlen	-		-	
Malaspina	22,814.04	32,298.67	28,995.35	29,580.00
North Island	7,382.76	7,200.00	5,791.20	7,332.00
Northwest	7,830.24	7,070.67	•	1
Selkirk	•	•	•	
Simon Fraser	92,458.08	124,000.00	97,387.75	126,273.32
University of Victoria	40,043.52	44,000.00	44,803.97	45,000.00
Augustana	•	6,000.00	•	6,000.00
University of Calgary Grads	-	•	•	•
University of Lethbridge	33,846.12	16,666.67	16,664.00	•
Mount Royal College	38,204.76	39,362.67	42,528.00	•
Regina	47,951.64	48,000.00	33,411.00	45,600.00
Brandon University	15,523.20	15,680.00	-	15,679.99
Saint-Boniface Universty	4,139.52	4,265.33		4,343.52
University of Winnipeg	41,646.00	42,066.67	42,906.00	40,906.00
Algoma University	-	4,284.00	-	4,500.00
Carleton Undergrads	67,593.24	60,000.00	63,423.81	47,423.00
Carleton Grads	4,197.60	10,194.67	-	10,195.00
Guelph Undergrads	41,586.60	52,152.00	38,000.00	63,009.99
Guelph Grads	9,563.40	16,746.67	-	16,746.66
Lakehead University	40,142.52	41,358.67	36,336.00	40,143.00
Laurentian Unversity	22,916.52	22,800.00	32,525.00	31,325.00
McMaster University	47,329.92	47,808.00	48,994.01	48,994.01
Nippising University	3,960.00	3,332.00	-	3,332.00
Ontario College of Art	-	5,304.00		5,304.00
Ottawa	59,818.44		•	
Queen's Grads	-	•		•
Ryerson University	46,044.24	43,868.00	_	43,868.00
St Paul	-	2,700.00	-	2,700.00
U of Toronto Grads	48,610.32	49,110.67	29,460.60	49,110.66
Trent University	12,842.28	23,256.00	23,028.00	22,093.00
University of Western Grads	8,577.36	6,480.00	-	6,480.00
Wilfred Laurier Grads	-	4,172.00	1,400.00	4,171.99
U of Windsor Grads	-	1,468.00	•	1,468.00

York University Undergrads	114,000.00	82,856.00	59,967.59	<u> </u>
York University Grads		21,000.00	11,873.27	21,385.00
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Concordia Grads	831.60	13,830.67		14,084.22
McGlii Grads	29,393.76	28,714.67	•	28,714.66
Mount Allison		 		
Saint-Louis Maillet	-	2,898.67	-	-
Shippagan University	2,857.80	3,162.67		-
St Thomas University	-			-
UNB Fredricton	40,413,12	-		-
UNB St. John	-		<u> </u>	
St. Andrews College	1,574.76	1,622.67		-
Acadia University	14,679.72	14,828.00		14,828.00
Dalhousie				
King's College	2,736.36	2,818.67	3,088.00	4,632.00
Mount Saint Vincent University	12,806.64	5,169.33		5,169.33
Nova Scotia Art and Design	1,556.28	3,450.67		3,450.66
Sainte-Anne University	2,984.52	1,472.00	-	1,472.00
Central Nfld Regional College		330.67		6,600.00
Marine	3,017.52	2,000.00	3,108.00	3,108.00
Memorial	21,684.96	40,800.00	29,537.92	58,200.00
Sir Wilfred Grenfeld	4,561.92	4,700.00	5,661.00	8,491.50
				
Holland College	2,181.96	2,133.33	-	2,133.00
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Associate Members				 -
Associate Members			· 	
Manitoba University Grads		1,400.00	-	1,400.00
UBC Grads				2,255.00
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Prospective Members		<u> </u>		
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Yukon College	<u> </u>	600.00	-	600,00
UBC Grads		1,800.00		-
Westviking College	-	750.67		751.00
Eastern College		825.33		825.00
TOTAL	1,156,709,40	1,138,029.38	777,764.85	1,112,274.59
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	Actual June 30, 1995	Revised Nov.	Actual Feb. 1996	Draft 1996-97
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Canadian Programming Service (CPS)	(24,723.00)	26,305.00	20,306.00	
INTERNET-NET	361.00	2,512,530,5		
Discount Program	55,838.00			-
National Student Health Network	571,959.00	100,000.00	72,241.00	216,000,00
Student Work Abroad Program (SWAP)	33,874.00	30,000.00	(2,421.00)	30,000.00
TOTAL	637,309.00	156,305.00	90,126.00	246,000.00
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Other Activity	31,734.00	9,000.00	4,233.00	20,000.00
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7-Feb-96		10,000.00	9,764.00	
Symposium				20,000.00
Media Strategy				20,000.00
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Computer Equipment		10,000.00		10,000.00
Office Furniture				5,000.00
Capital Expenditures		12,000.00	11,149.00	5,000.00
TOTAL	28,546.00	22,000.00	11,149.00	20,000.00
Capital Items are now depreciated	on a three-vear straid	tht line basis		
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Annual Report		1,250.00		2,500.00
Federation Update	<u> </u>	1,200.00		3,000.00
Student Advocate	7,584.00	4,000.00	·	
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Members Video		500.00	.,,-,-,-	
TOTAL	7,584.00	5,950.00	1,079.00	5,500.00
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British Columbia	64,538.00	50,891.00	39,030.00	56,015.47
Ontario	82,355.00	63,823.00	43,118.00	85,838.70
Newfoundland	-	10,000.00	8,000.00	26,550.00
National Graduate Council	22,621.00	36,819.00	14,711.00	35,555.29
Aboriginal Caucus		4,500.00		17,300.00
TOTAL	169,514.00	166,033.00	104,859.00	221,259.46

			 	
	Actual June 30, 1995	Revised Nov.	Actual Feb. 1996	Draft 1996-97
	Budget 1994-95	Budget 1995-96		
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National Executive				
TRAVEL			··	
National Executive Members	16,524.00	4,000.00	185.00	4,000.00
Fieldworkers	14,359.00	10,000.00	8,443.00	
ACCOMMODATION	<u></u>			
National Executive Members	•	1,000.00	379.00	1,000.00
Fieldworkers	2,935.00	2,000.00	1,443.00	
PER DIEM				
National Executive Members	4,022.00	1,500.00	518.00	1,500.00
Fieldworkers	4,968.00	3,500.00	1,865.00	
FIELDWORKER EXPENSES				
Telephone/Fax	3,837.00	2,670.00	1,868.00	
Internet-NET	2,984.00	500,00		
Meeting Fees	223.00	270.00		
Supplies	2,023.00	1,750.00	1,336.00	
Miscellaneous	627.00	670.00	239.00	
Aboriginal Membership Development		5,000.00		
ALBERTA CONTINGENCY	10,000.00	10,000.00	2,000.00	
NEWFOUNDLAND		25,000.00	10,000.00	to :
TOTAL	52,502.00	67,860.00	28,276.00	6,500.00
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Fieldworkers				8,000.00
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Fieldworkers				1,000.00
PER DIEM				1,000.00
Fieldworkers				1,000.00
FIELDWORKER EXPENSES				1,000.00
Telephone/Fax				2,500.00
Internet				2,500.00
Meeting Fees				
Supplies				200.00
Miscellaneous				1,000.00
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Fieldworkers				3,000.00
ACCOMMODATION	- — — — —			
Fieldworkers				700.00
PER DIEM	<u></u>			
Fieldworkers				750.00
FIELDWORKER EXPENSES				
Telephone/Fax		-		1,500.00
Internet				200.00
Meeting Fees				200.00
Supplies				1,000.00
Miscellaneous				100.00
<u> </u>				
Saskatchewan				

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	Budget 1994-95	Budget 1995-96		1
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Fieldworkers				1,500.00
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Fieldworkers				500,00
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Fieldwarkers				600,00
FIELDWORKER EXPENSES				
Telephone/Fax		<u> </u>		1,000.00
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Meeting Fees				200.00
Supplies				1,000.00
Miscellaneous				100.00
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TOTAL	<u> </u>		<u></u>	39,550.00
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DELEGATE FEE REVENUE				
Full Budget Members	(60,718.00)	(77,000.00)	(20,520.00)	(22,500.00
Small Budget Members	(2,698.00)	(10,000.00)	(4,769.00)	(4,500.00
Constituency Members	(5,530.00)	(19,000.00)	(10,881.00)	(9,500.00
Observers	(674.00)	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	(475.00)	(500.00
Total Revenue	(69,620.00)	(106,000.00)	(36,645.00)	(37,000.00
EXPENSES	\- <u>-</u> <u>-</u>	(122,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	,,
Small Budget Travel Subsidy	1,736.00	5,000.00		2,500.00
Accommodation	104,848.00	82,804.00	58,229.00	44,266.00
Meals	14,272.00	50,000.00	34,975.00	22,133.00
Disability Needs Fund	1,014.00	600,00		500,00
Childcare	5,276.00	4,000.00	2,302,00	2,250.00
Vehicle Leasing	6,064.00	1,500.00	300.00	1,500.00
Equipment Leasing	6,702.00	12,000.00	1,771.00	6,000.00
Additional Staff	19,068.00	8,000.00	8,530.00	6,750.00
Speakers	3,774.00	1,000.00	1,573.00	1,000.00
Translation				_
Simultaneous	28,376.00	35,200.00	9,189.00	15,000.00
Contract	5,926.00	3,600.00	7,796.00	2,500.00
Other	47.00	3,600.00		1,800.00
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	Actual June 30, 1995	Revised Nov.	Actual Feb. 1996	Draft 1996-97
	Budget 1994-95	Budget 1995-96	ACUAL F80. 1990	DIEK 1990-9/
Total Revenue	Dunder 1334-32	Dunder 1993-80	 	(22 222 22)
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Small Budget Travel Subsidy	<u> </u>	 	 	2,500.00
Accommodation	<u> </u>	 		44,266,00
Meals	 	 	 	22,133.00
Disability Needs Fund		<u> </u>		500.00
Childcare	<u> </u>			2,250.00
Vehicle Leasing	<u>., </u>			1,500,00
Equipment Leasing				6,000.00
Additional Staff			 	6,750.00
Speakers				1,000.00
Translation				-
Simultaneous		 		15,000.00
Contract	 		<u> </u>	2,500.00
Other				1,800.00
Materials	<u></u>		 	6,000.00
Miscellaneous				2,500.00
Total Expenses		 		114,699.00
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TOTAL				77,599.00
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IUS Membership Dues	1,500.00	1,000.00	<u> </u>	1,000.00
IUS Congress			-	
Travel	2,534.00	2,300.00	-	
Expenses		500.00		
TOTAL	4,034.00	3,800.00	•	1,000.00
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Expenses			· 	
Commission to Travel CUTS		180,000.00		180,000.00
Administration		130,740.00		130,740.00
TOTAL		310,740.00		310,740.00
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NATIONAL EXECUTIVE AND GEN	ERAL MEETINGS			
Travel	35,852.00	40,000.00	19,997.00	9E 000 00
Meeting Rooms	35,652.00	1,000.00	19,997.00	35,000.00
Accommodation	11,728.00	17,000.00	9,127.00	19 000 00
Per Diems	8,855.00	14,809.00	9,952.00	13,000.00
Childcare	818,00	2,500.00	758.00	2,500.00
Subtotal	57,943.00	75,309.00	40,048.00	68,500.00
OTHER		<u> </u>		
Meeting Fees	2,976.00	1,000.00	802.00	2,500.00
Travel Allowance	<u>-</u>	3,000.00		4,000.00
Telephone	5,339.00	2,000.00	2,836.00	4,000.00
Internet	4,923.00	1,000.00	603.00	600.00
Childcare	-	2,000.00		1,000.00
Subtotal	13,238.00	9,000.00	4,241.00	12,100.00

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National Education and Student Rights Committee

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COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

Caucus Representatives

Caucus of College and Institute Associations Caucus of Large Institute AssociationsIsobel Caucus of Small University Associations

National Graduate Caucus

Component Representatives

British Columbia Component Manitoba Component

Newfoundland & Labrador Component

Nova Scotia Component

Ontario Component

Quebec Component

Saskatchewan Component

Constituency Group Representatives

Aboriginal Students' Constituency Group

Student Artists Constituency Group
Students of Colour Constituency Group
Students with Disabilities Constituency Group
Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Constituency
Part-time & Mature Students' Constituency Group
Women's Constituency Group

National Executive Representatives

Alberta Component Representative Students of Colour Representative

National Chairperson

Saskatchewan Component Representative

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Researcher

Observers

Ontario Component Chair-Elect

Local 86

Andrea Mills

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Guy Caron

Pam Kapoor

Denise Doherty-Delorme

Vicki Smallman Angie Mercer

1. MOTIONS REFERRED FROM OPENING PLENARY

a. Death Penalty and State-Sanctioned Murder

95/11:134/

MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 07/Local 09

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation opposes the death penalty.

The Committee recommends adoption.

NOTICE-1

MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 7/Local 48

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation opposes all forms of state-sanctioned murder, defined as when the state uses death as a form of political, economic, social and cultural oppression.

b. Homophobia and Violence

95/11:137 NOTICE OF MOTION TO AMEND POLICY

Local 08/Local 71

Whereas homophobia within society is on the rise; and

Whereas homophobia fosters violence against Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals; and

Whereas this violence includes not only physical harm but deaths within non-heterosexual communities: and

Whereas this violence has been recognised as a hate motivated crime;

Be it resolved that the Federation adopt the following policy:

The Federation recognises that homophobia creates a climate which fosters violence against Lesbians, Gays and Bisexuals.

Be it further resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation recognises homophobic violence as a hate crime.

Be it further resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation recognizes March 13 as a "Day without Hate."

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendment:

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 08/Local 71

Be it resolved that the policy proposals in Motion-95/11:137 be amended to read as follows:

The Federation recognises that homophobia creates a climate which fosters homophobic violence.

The Federation recognises that the experience of homophobic violence is compounded and intensified in the case of People of Colour, People with Disabilities, Aboriginal People and other traditionally and historically marginalized people.

The Federation recognises homophobic violence as a hate crime.

The Federation recognises that a homophobic climate and homophobic violence create a hostile environment on campuses, which is a deterrent to accessible education.

The Federation recognises March 14 as a Day without Hate.

c. HIV and AIDS

95/11:138 NOTICE OF MOTION TO AMEND POLICY

Local 08/Local 33

Whereas there is a perception in society that HIV and AIDS are specific to the non-heterosexual community; and

Whereas this misconception leads to misinformation about the way in which HIV is transmitted; and

Whereas this leads to preventable increases in HIV infection within the heterosexual community; therefore

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation recognises HIV and AIDS as a disease which is not exclusive to any specific community.

The Federation recognizes that HIV infection is not dependent on sexual orientation or preference but on unsafe sexual and heath practices and any other unsafe activities.

The Committee recommends adoption.

d. Access to Reproductive Choice

95/11:248 NOTICE

NOTICE OF MOTION TO AMEND POLICY

Emily Carr Students' Union/University of Regina Students' Union

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports the right of women to free accessible abortion upon demand and opposes the implementation of user fees and other barriers to access for abortion.

The Committee recommends adoption.

e. State Censorship and Persecution

95/11:133 MOTION TO AMEND POLICY

Local 09/Local 07

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation opposes state censorship and persecution of artists who express their sexual identity, or political, moral and/or religious beliefs through their art.

The Committee recommends adoption.

f. Human Rights-Sierra Leone

95/11:250 MOTION TO AMEND POLICY

Local 09/Local 44

Whereas civil war and unabated human rights violations infringe on the rights of the peoples of Sierra Leone to obtain health, education, economic security and a peaceful existence;

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports the Canadian Government in ensuring that human rights in Sierra Leone are upheld, including the laying down of arms, the creation of a buffer zone and the negotiation of a peace accord.

Committee recommends the following:

MOTION TO REFER

Local 32/Local 07

Be it resolved that the principle motion be referred to the National Executive for further consideration; and

Be it further resolve that a recommendation on the motion be presented to the Fall 1996 national general meeting.

g. Aboriginal Student Issues

96/05:N08 DIRECTIVE

Local 35/Local 61

Be it resolved that research be undertaken as on the demographics of aboriginal students including, but not limited to, gender, age, family status and number of dependants.

The Committee recommends adoption.

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96/05:N09 DIRECTIVE

Local 35/Local 61

Be it resolved that research be undertaken on the accessibility of the Post-Secondary Student Support Program comparing funding levels and costs to the individual students.

The Committee recommends adoption.

96/05:N10 DIRECTIVE

Local 35/Local 61

Be it resolved that research be undertaken to determine if the Department of Indian and Northern Development's Indian Student Support Program and provincial funding envelopes for aboriginal education are meeting the needs of existing and developing aboriginal post-secondary programs.

The Committee recommends adoption.

96/05:N11

DIRECTIVE

Local 35/Local 61

Be it resolved that an assessment of the correlation between student services for aboriginal students and aboriginal student retention rates be undertaken.

The Committee recommends adoption.

h. Call for Research on Private Post-secondary Institutions

96/05:N18 DIRECTIVE

Local 61/Local 84

Whereas one of the growing threats to accessible post-secondary education is the proliferation of private post-secondary education institutions and the potential attractiveness to governments of privatising post-secondary education outright, or slowly by a long-term strategy of underfunding; therefore

Be it resolved that research be initiated for future policy development regarding private post-secondary education institutions; and

Be it further resolved that the research focus on numbers of institutions, rates of expansion/failure, tuition fees, rates of profit, amount of financial support from government, amount of policy support from government.

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendment:

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 61/Local 84

Be it resolved that the principle motion be amended to read as follows:

"Be it resolved that research be initiated for future policy development regarding private post-secondary education institutions; and

Be it further resolved that this research focus on but not be limited to: numbers of institutions, rates of expansion/failure, tuition fees, rates of profit, amount of financial support from government, amount of policy support from government."

96/05:N19

DIRECTIVE

Local 61/West Viking College Students' Association

Whereas the real opportunities for student financial aid is not limited to government programs; and

Whereas members expect to get information about private scholarships and foundations from local student union representatives; therefore

Be it resolved that research be undertaken to compile a resource guide regarding alternative sources of funding for post-secondary education, including but not limited to: national and provincial foundations and scholarships; and

Be it further resolved that the guide include all stipulations contingent on each source of funding,

The Committee recommends that the motion be defeated.

95/11:247

MOTION TO AMEND POLICY

Local 09/Local 73

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

Higher Education Act Agreement

The absence of any national standards for post-secondary education has made it much easier for provincial governments to raise tuition fees, cut their funding to institutions and eliminate whole programs. As well, the lack of any formalised federal involvement made it easy for the federal government to off-load its funding responsibilities onto the provinces.

The development of a federal Department of Higher Education and Training and the creation of a Higher Education Act similar in scope and function to the Canada Health Act would aid in establishing and maintaining a set of common national standards.

The Act should promote the following ideas:

1. Public Administration

Post-secondary institutions should be governed on a not-for-profit basis and should be publicly administered. Public post-secondary institutions should be funded by tax dollars and public funds should not be used to support private institutions.

2. Portability

All credits, certificates, diplomas and degrees acquired at a public institution should be recognized and transferable between all public institutions in the country. This process should not be done through the strict standardisation of curriculum within the certificate, diploma and degree programs. $\frac{1}{2}$

3. Comprehensive

The public system should be as comprehensive as possible and provide students with a complete range of services including, but not limited to university education, community colleges, vocational training, professional training, adult education, and distance education.

4. Accessibility

Post-secondary institutions should be free of all entrance barriers. All tuition fees and ancillary fees would be abolished. Student aid needed to maintain a guaranteed minimum level of income would be provided mostly through grants.

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendment:

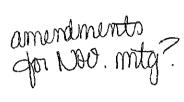
MOTION TO AMEND

West Viking College Students' Association/ Local 09

Be it resolved that the proposed policy amendment in Motion-95/11:247 be amended to read as follows:

Higher Education Act Agreement

The absence of any national standards for post-secondary education has made it much easier for provincial governments to raise tuition fees, cut their funding to institutions and



eliminate whole programs. As well, the lack of any formalized federal involvement made it easy for the federal government to off-load its funding responsibilities onto the provinces.

The creation of a higher education agreement implemented and enforced by the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada, similar in scope and function to the Canada Health Act would aid in establishing and maintaining a set of common pan-Canadian principles.

The Agreement must promote the following ideas:

1. Public Administration.

Post-secondary institutions must be governed on a not-for-profit basis and must be publicly administered. Public post-secondary institutions must be funded by tax dollars, which must not be used to support private institutions.

2. Portability

All credits must be transferable, and all certificates, diplomas and degrees acquired at a public institution must be recognized among all public institutions in the country. This process must not be done through the strict standardization of curriculum within the certificate, diploma and degree programs.

3. Comprehensiveness

The public system must be as comprehensive as possible and provide students with a complete range of services and programs including, but not limited to university education, community colleges, vocational training, professional training, adult education, apprenticeship and part-time education and distance education. A full range of inclusive curricula must be made available to reflect the diversity of the Canadian polulation.

4. Accessibility and universality

Post-secondary institutions must be free of all entrance barriers. All tuition fees and ancillary fees must be abolished. Student aid needed to maintain a guaranteed minimum level of income must be provided meetly through grants.

2. NEW BUSINESS

NOTICE-2 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 24/Local 09

Be it resolved the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports the assurance of child care and grant-based financial provisions within both the federal and provincial government legislation's student aid clause to ensure accessibility to education.

NOTICE-3

MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 08/West Viking College Students' Association

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted: The following policy be adopted:

The Federation opposes government entrance taxes on immigrants and refugees to Canada because of the racist and classist barrier such a fax creates.

NOTICE-4

MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 07/West Viking College Students' Association

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted: by the potition parties

The Federation opposes the fear mongering propaganda of the Reform Party and the racist myths that they perpetuate through the Canadian Media.

NOTICE-5 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 7/West Viking College Students' Association

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation opposes the concentration of media ownership by large corporations.

NOTICE-6 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 7/West Viking College Students' Association

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation opposes the creation of business links with countries with poor Human Rights and Social Justice records, while at the same time supporting movements for freedom and equality.

NOTICE-7 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 7/West Viking College Students' Association

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports human rights being respected globally.

NOTICE-8 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 7/West Viking College Students' Association

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports the principles of non-discrimination as stated in the Canadian Constitution.

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NOTICE-9 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

West Viking College Students' Association/ Local 09

Whereas it is increasingly obvious that the demands of modern employment are placing unprecedented levels of stress on individuals, families and communities; therefore

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

Federation support working conditions which provide adequate time for people to pursue activities apart from working in the labour market.

NOTICE-10 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

West Viking College Students' Association/ Local 09

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NOTICE-13 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

West Viking College Students' Association/ Local 09

Whereas the federal government has in the past abrogated its responsibility for job creation and left it to the private market sector who state that they are not responsible for producing profits; therefore

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports the creation, by the federal government, of a national employment strategy whose aim is to create full employment i the public, private, and not-for-profit sectors.

NOTICE-14 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

West Viking College Students' Association/ Local 09

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports a minimum corporate federal income tax of 3%.

96/05:NSR-1 DIRECTIVE

Local 07/Local 54

Be it resolved that the following materials be compiled and distributed to Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual student organisations:

- information kit for starting and maintaining queer collectives
- a directory of existing queer collectives, or other Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual student organisations.
- a list of companies which have demonstrated homophobic practices.

Be it further resolved that this outreach campaign be coordinated in conjunction with the Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Students' Co-commissioners.

96/05:NSR-2 DIRECTIVE

Local 54/Local 75

Be it resolved that research be undertaken regarding the demographic of students of colour in post-secondary education, including, but not be limited to, age, family and personal income, program of study, gender and first language; and

Be it further resolved that a progress report be submitted to the Fall 1996 national general meeting.

NOTICE-15 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 79/Local 24

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports the consolidation of the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada, and calls for increased funding of the Council by provincial and territorial governments.

NOTICE-16 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 79/Local 24

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports the establishment, by the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada, of a standing Pan-Canadian Advisory Council on Post-Secondary Education which would include representation from the Federation

NOTICE-17 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 79/Local 24

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation stongly encourages the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada to sign a Post-secondary Education Agreement that encompasses the principles outlined in the Federation Preamble and in the Federation's Declaration of Students' Rights.

NOTICE-18 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 79/Local 24

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation encourages the federal government to establish a Minister of State for Research and Development.

96/05:NSR-3 DIRECTIVE

Local 79/Local 24

Be it resolved that, in collaboration with members of the Coalition for Post-Secondary Education, the Council of Ministers of Education-Canada be lobbied to:

- establish common principles for higher education;
- reduce or eliminate student indebtedness;
- eradication of the Canada Health and Social Transfer;
- implement block federal funding for education; and
- establish an open, democratic, and transparent system of governance in order to ensure accountability at all levels and participation by all educational partners.

96/05:NSR-4 DIRECTIVE

Local 79/Local 24

Be it resolved that the Council of Ministers of Education Canada be lobbied to initiate an ongoing two-way dialogue with education partners.

NOTICE-19 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 79/Local 24

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports the establishment of institution-generated, transparent, and relevant program review mechanisms, and opposes the use of standardised "Quality Indicators" across post-secondary institutions for the purpose of reducing funding or accessibility.

96/05:NSR-5 DIRECTIVE

Local 79/Local 24

Be it resolved that member locals be encouraged to develop policies and directives on life-long learning, the relationship between the private sector and post-secondary education, the use of new technologie, and the role of post-secondary education in society.

96/05:NSR-6 DIRECTIVE

Local 48/Local 79

Be it resolved that the members locals be encouraged to develop a volunteer human rights liaison position of to report on and help further Federation policies relating; but not limited to, human rights, international issues and peace issues at member locals.

NOTICE-20 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 32/Local 08

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation supports state opposition to materials that provoke hate, violence, exploitation, and discrimination of individuals and or groups.

NOTICE-21 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

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Local 79/ Local 61

Be it resolves that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation opposes the society for Academic Freedom and Scholarship and its members because of its reactionary and oppresive views.

The Committee recommends the following:

MOTION TO REFER

Local 79/Local 24

Be it resolved that the motion be referred to the National Executive for further consideration;

Be it further resolved that information on the Society for Academic Freedom and Scholarship be gathered; and

Be it further resolved that a recommendation on the motion be presented by the National Executive to the Fall 1996 national general meeting.

NOTICE-22 MOTION TO ADOPT POLICY

Local 54 / Local 76

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

The Federation is opposed to brutality in both Canadian policing and military actions.

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COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

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Constituency Group Representatives

Aboriginal Students' Constituency Group
Students of Colour Constituency Group
Students with Disabilities Constituency Group
Part-time & Mature Students' Constituency Group
Women's Constituency Group

National Executive Representatives

Manitoba Component Representative National Deputy Chairperson

National Deputy Chairpe

Committee Staff
Graduate Caucus Coordinator
Health Plan Administrator

BC Fieldstaff Ontario Fieldstaff Steve Beasley

Glenn Beck & Katherine Tweedie

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Michael Gardiner & Joanne Heck

Dale Kirby

Lisa Morse & Jessica Squires Robert Greene & Chris Straka

Sarah Schmidt Dylan Gault

Penny Kerrigan & Bill Wagner Rob Mealey & Zaki Saleemi

Preston Parsons Joey Hansen Maura Parte

Réal Déquier Michael Mancinelli

Derrick Deans Todd Buttenham

Dave Kappele & Philip Link

Christine Bourque

1. MOTIONS REFERRED FROM OPENING PLENARY

Proposal Concerning the Studentsaver Programme

96/05:N17 DIRECTIVE

Malaspina Students' Union/Concordia Graduate Students' Union

Whereas Studentsaver listings are already collected by the Federation; and

Whereas the Federation produces the "ISIC World Travel Handbook" and the "Canada Student Travel Discount Guide" which contain ISIC discounts but not locally-obtained Studentsaver discounts; and

Whereas locally-obtained Studentsaver discounts often have more character and more small community locations than the nationally-obtained ISIC discounts; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation produce a national guidebook of Studentsaver discounts

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendment:

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 75/Local 23

Be it resolved that the principal motion be amended to read as follows:

Be it resolved that the option of reinstating production of a Studentsaver discounts guide be investigated; and

Be it further resolved that a solicitation for better national discounts (ie. more beneficial to members) be undertaken.

Proposal Concerning a Student-owned Credit Union

96/05:N20 DIRECTIVE

Local 61/Local 83

Whereas the current Canada Student Loan program funnels the interest on loans made to address students' needs to participating private banks; and

Whereas many students have to participate in this system but would rather have the government's interest payments go to something other than the profits of a private bank; and

Whereas the combined financial resources of students' unions in Canada, not to mention individual members themselves, must be a sizeable amount; therefore

Be it resolved that information on that which would be involved in forming a student-owned credit union be obtained.

The Committee recommends adoption.

Proposal for Skills Development Modules

96/05:N14 DIRECTIVE

Malaspina Students' Union/Concordia Graduate Students' Union

Whereas skills development for local leadership is an important function of national organisations such as trade unions; and

Whereas in the Federation, skills development weekends have been left to provincial components to organise, if they happen at all; and

Whereas other organisations are talking about doing skills development to address this unmet need: therefore

Be it resolved that the National Executive develop consistent skills development modules, with speaking notes and handouts, for topics including but not limited to:

- How Autonomous Student Unions Were (and Are) Organised;
- Post-Secondary Education Funding Formulas and Structures;
- Student Aid and Employment Programs;
- Skills Training Programs;
- Human Rights and Harassment;
- Analysing Budgets;
- Achievements of the Student Movement; and

Be it further resolved that these modules provide a historical context and a geographic context using national and province specific information; and

Be it further resolved that training be sought for workshop facilitators; and

Be it further resolved that a list of facilitators and their workshops be made available to provincial offices.

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendment:

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 35/Local 72

Be it resolved that the first clause in the principal motion be replaced with the following:

Be it resolved that consistent skills development modules, with speaking notes and handouts, be developed;

Be it further resolved that topics include but not be limited to:

- How Autonomous Student Unions Were (and Are) Organised;
- Post-Secondary Education Funding Formulas and Structures;
- Student Aid and Employment Programs;
- Skills Training Programs;
- Human Rights, Harassment and Systemic Discrimination;
- Analysing Budgets;
- Achievements of the Student Movement; and"

Proposal Concerning the Student Association Directory

96/05:N15 DIRECTIVE

Malaspina Students' Union/Concordia Graduate Students'

Whereas collecting, analysing and sharing local information is a good way to collectively raise the standards and levels of organisation at each member local; therefore

Be it resolved that the Federation directory's survey include categories for: services offered, membership fee structure, student union building ownership/occupancy arrangements, arrangements for student representation in institutional governance, local research available, recent campaign successes; and

Be it further resolved that the price of the Federation directory be twice as much as it is for members.

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendment:

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 9/Local 23

Be it resolved that the second clause in the principal motion be amended to read as follows

Be it further resolved that the price of the Federation directory be twice as much for non-member student associations as it is for members.

Proposal to Raise the Federation's Profile

96/05:N16 DIRECTIVE

Malaspina Students' Union/Concordia Graduate Students' Union

Whereas raising the profile of the Federation and demonstrating our strength in numbers helps the way in which Federation representatives are received by governments, coalition partners and the media, which in turn helps members in terms of progressive policy changes; therefore

Be it resolved that member locals be directed to put the Federation name and/or logo along with their "Local #" on any student card, service or information that they offer.

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendment:

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 35/ Local 24

Be it resolved that the word "directed" be replaced with the word "encouraged" in the principal motion.

Defining the Term of Office for the At-Large National Executive Members

96/05:N22 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Simon Fraser Student Society/Local 24

Be it resolved that Bylaw VI, Section 4, sub-section a) be amended to read as follows:

a) Term of Office for At-Large Members

- i. The term of office of the National Chairperson shall commence at the end of the closing plenary of the Semi-annual General Meeting immediately following the Annual National General Meeting at which she was elected, and shall expire at the end of the closing plenary of the following Semi-annual General Meeting.
- ii. The term of office of the National Deputy Chairperson shall commence at the end of the closing plenary of the Semi-annual General Meeting immediately following the Annual National General Meeting at which she was elected, and shall expire at the end of the closing plenary of the following Semi-annual General Meeting.
- iii. The term of office of the National Treasurer shall commence at the end of the closing plenary of the Semi-annual General Meeting immediately following the Annual National General Meeting at which she was elected, and shall expire at the end of the closing plenary of the following Semi-annual General Meeting.

The Committee recommends adoption.

At-Large National Executive Members' Job Descriptions

96/05:N36 MOTION TO AMEND THE STANDING RESOLUTIONS

Local 23/Local 54

Whereas Standing Resolution 22, Job Descriptions, was developed at a time when the Federation had less than two full-time at-large National Executive members; therefore

Be it resolved that Standing Resolution 22 be amended to read as follows:

Standing Resolution 22

DUTIES OF THE AT-LARGE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

A. Collective Duties of the At-large National Executive Members

The collective duties of the at-large National Executive members shall include, but shall in no way be limited to, the following;

1. National Office Collective Responsibilities

The at-large National Executive members shall:

- a. maintain regular office hours, not withstanding that they will be absent frequently from the National Office on Federation business;
- b. participate in meeting of the National Office collective; and
- assume a proportionate share of the collective work of the National Office.

2. Staff Relations

The at-large National Executive members shall:

- a. within the parameters established by convention, the collective agreement with the Federation's employees and the decisions of the Labour-Management Committee, manage the staff of the Federation on a day-to-day basis;
- b. select, from amongst themselves, one member to act as Staff Relations Officer for the Federation, subject to the ratification of the National Executive; and
- c. ensure that the work priorities of staff reflect priorities set by national general meetings and by the National Executive.

3. Communications

The at-large National Executive members shall:

- a. coordinate communications among National Executive members; and
- b. endeavour to keep all other National Executive members informed of external and internal issues arising nationally within the Federation.

4. Government Relations Work

The at-large National Executive members shall coordinate the day-to day government relations work of the Federation at the national level.

5. Coalition Work

The at-large National Executive members shall coordinate the day-to-day coalition work of the Federation at the national level.

6. International Relations

The at-large National Executive members shall:

- a. maintain regular contact with the head office of the International Union of Students;
- b. represent the Federation at world congresses of the International Union of Students; and
- c. communicate, as required, with the elected leaders of other national student organisations.

7. Membership Development and Outreach

The at-large National Executive members shall, from time-to-time as required:

- a. attend provincial component general meetings;
- b. represent the Federation at meetings and events of member local associations

- b. present a written report to the first National Executive meeting following each Travel CUTS Board meeting reporting on the deliberations of the Board meeting; and
- c. ensure, in general, that the interests of the Federation are maintained within Travel CUTS.

B. Individual Duties of the At-large National Executive Members

The individual duties of the at-large National Executive members shall include, but shall in no way be limited to, the following;

1. National Chairperson

a. Spokesperson

The National Chairperson shall serve as a spokesperson for the Federation.

b. National Executive Meetings

The National Chairperson shall present a brief written work summary to each National Executive Meeting accounting for her work since the previous National Executive meeting.

c. National General Meetings

The National Chairperson shall coordinate the work of a committee at national general meetings, including:

- i. assisting with drafting of the committee agenda;
- ii. assisting with the chairing of the meeting; and
- iii. assisting with the production of the committee's report.

d. Other Duties

The National Chairperson shall carry out other duties as assigned by the National Executive.

2. National Deputy Chairperson

a. Spokesperson

The National Deputy Chairperson shall serve as a spokesperson for the Federation.

b. National Executive Meetings

The National Deputy Chairperson shall present a brief written work summary to each National Executive Meeting accounting for her work since the previous National Executive meeting.

c. National General Meetings

The National Deputy Chairperson shall coordinate the work of a committee at national general meetings, including:

- i. assisting with drafting of the committee agenda;
- ii. assisting with the chairing of the meeting; and
- iii. assisting with the production of the committee's report.

d. Other Duties

The National Deputy Chairperson shall carry out other duties as assigned by the National Executive.

3. National Treasurer

a. National Executive Meetings

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The National Treasurer shall present a brief written work summary to each National Executive Meeting accounting for her work since the previous National Executive meeting.

b. National General Meetings

i. Budget Committee

The National Treasurer shall coordinate the work of the Budget Committee at each national general meeting, including:

- assisting with drafting of the committee agenda;
- assisting with the chairing of the meeting; and
- assisting with the production of the committee's report.

ii. Draft Budget

The National Treasurer shall present:

- a draft budget for the upcoming fiscal year to each Semiannual National General Meeting; and
- a draft revised budget for the current fiscal year to each Annual National General Meeting.

iii. Travel Pool

The National Treasurer shall ensure that the national general meeting travel pool is calculated no later than eight (8) weeks following each national general meeting.

c. Other Duties

The National Treasurer shall carry out other duties as assigned by the National Executive.

The Committee recommends adoption and is serving notice for the following Bylaw amendment:

NOTICE

MOTION TO AMEND THE BYLAWS

Local 47/ Local 79

Be it resolved that Bylaw V, Section 2, be amended to include:

i. assign work responsibilities, as established by Standing Resolution, to the at-large members of the National Executive, in the event that they are unable to reach agreement on the division of their collective responsibilities.

Be it further resolved that all subsequent sub-sections of Bylaw V, Section 2, be renumbered accordingly.

Modification to the Process for Amending the Bylaws

96/05:N35 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23/Local 54

Whereas Article 2-b of Bylaw XV, Amendment of the Constitution and Bylaws, states that:

b. A notice of proposed amendment that is received by the National Executive after the deadline set out in (a) above, or proposed at the general meeting, shall be given first approval at the closing national plenary of the general meeting and be circulated with due notices of Constitutional Amendments by the National Executive for final approval at the next general meeting. Such approval cannot be gained until such time as the proposed amendment is available in both official languages.

Whereas the process of "first approval" is a meaningless act given that:

- any proposed bylaw amendment which is granted first approval only takes affect if and when it is approved at the subsequent general meeting; and
- any proposed bylaw amendment which fails to receive first approval can be submitted for consideration at the next general meeting, by any single member association, immediately after it fails first approval.

Whereas it makes no sense to waste the limited time of the national general meeting on meaningless acts; and

Whereas it makes far more sense to have proposed bylaw amendments, developed at the general meeting, simply serviced notice to the next general meeting; therefore

Be it resolved that Bylaw XV, Article 2-b, be deleted.

The Committee recommends adoption.

Clarification on membership of Constituency Groups

96/05:N34 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23/Local 54

Whereas a constituency group is described in Article 1 of Bylaw 8 as being "comprised of individual delegates attending Federation national general meetings"; and

Whereas the reference in Article 2-a of Bylaw 8, to "a group of member local associations wishing to be established as a constituency group", is contradictory to the general description set out in Article 1; and

Whereas the reference in Article 6 Bylaw 8, to "each member local association belonging to a Federation constituency group", is also contradictory to the general description set out in Article 1; therefore

Be it resolved that Article 2-a of Bylaw 8, Constituency Groups, be amended to read:

a. a group of delegates, wishing to be established as a constituency group, shall apply in writing to the national plenary for recognition.

Be it further resolved that Article 6 of Bylaw 8, Constituency Groups, be amended to read:

Each delegate belonging to a constituency group shall have one vote in meetings of the constituency group.

The Committee recommends adoption.

Completion of Amalgamation Process

96/05:N39 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23/Local 79

Be it resolved that a Bylaw of the Canadian Federation of Students/Fédération canadienne des étudiantes et étudiants (herein called the Federation) be created to read that:

- The Federation be and is hereby authorised to make an application to the Ministry of Industry Canada for acceptance of the surrender of the charter of the Federation and the fixing of a date upon and from which the Federation shall be dissolved.
- For the purpose of enabling the Federation to surrender its charter, all debts, liabilities and obligations of the Federation be discharged and the property and assets of the Federation be transferred to the Canadian Federation of Students-Services.
- 3. The directors and officers are hereby authorised and directed to do, sign and execute all things, deeds and documents necessary for desirable for the due carrying out of the foregoing.

Be it further resolved that a Bylaw of the Canadian Federation of Students-Services (herein called the Corporation) be created to read:

- Subject to confirmation by Supplementary Letters Patent, the Name
 of the Corporation is hereby changed to change the name of the
 Corporation to Canadian Federation of Students/Fédération
 canadienne des étudiantes et étudiants.
- 2. The Corporation be and is hereby authorised to make application to the Minister of Industry Canada for Supplementary Letters Patent confirming this by-law insofar as it relates to changing the name of the Corporation to Canadian Federation of Students/Fédération canadienne des étudiantes et étudiants.
- 3. The directors and officers be and are hereby authorised and directed to do, sign and execute all things, deeds and documents necessary or desirable for the due carrying out of the foregoing.

The Committee recommends adoption.

Proposals Concerning Bilingualism within the Federation

95/11:275 MOTION TO AMEND POLICY

Local 77/Local 51

Be it resolved that the operational policy listed in the Policy Manual under Bilingualism be amended to read as follows:

The Federation shall ensure that all plenary sessions be conducted in equal parts French and English, and the speaker, the National Chairperson, shall alternate every hour.

The Committee unanimously recommends defeat.

96/05:N13 MOTION TO STANDING RESOLUTIONS

Local 79/Local 76

Be it resolved that the following Standing Resolution be adopted:

GENERAL MEETING BILINGUALISM FORUM

1. Forum

At each Semi-annual National General Meeting and at each Annual National General Meeting, the Bilingualism Forum shall be struck.

2. Voting at the Bilingualism Forum

Each member local shall have one vote on forum motions.

3. Bilingualism Forum Terms of Reference

The terms of reference for the forum shall be as follows:

- a) review the status and make recommendations as to possible improvements of bilingualism within the Federation.
- b) review and create issues and operational policy concerning bilingualism for the Federation.

4. Bilingualism Forum Chairperson

As their first order of business at a general meeting, the bilingualism forum shall elect a chairperson from within its membership, except as otherwise provided in the Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Resolutions of the Federation.

5. Submission of Report

The Bilingualism Forum will prepare and submit a written report containing its recommendations to the closing plenary for consideration.

6. Distribution and Presentation of Outstanding Reports

The Bilingualism Forum Report, if it is not presented in full at a general meeting due to lack of time, natural disaster or other event beyond human control, shall be:

- a) distributed to the member locals not less than four weeks prior to the next regularly scheduled National General Meeting.
- b) presented in the opening plenary of the next regularly scheduled National General Meeting prior to any new business.

7. Bilingualism in Forum Sessions

All forum sessions shall be conducted in equal parts French and English and the forum Chairperson shall alternate between each language every hour.

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendment:

96/05:N13 MOTION TO AMEND

Local 61/Local 23

Be it resolved that the following Standing Resolution be adopted:

GENERAL MEETING BILINGUALISM FORUM

1. Scheduling

At each Semi-annual National General Meeting and at each Annual National General Meeting, the Bilingualism Forum shall be struck.

2. Attendance

The Forum shall be open to all delegates at a national general meeting.

3. Voting at the Bilingualism Forum

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- b) presented in the opening plenary of the next regularly scheduled National General Meeting prior to any new business.

8. Bilingualism in Forum Sessions

All forum sessions shall be conducted in equal parts French and English and the forum Chairperson shall alternate between each language every hour.

Proposal Concerning the Bylaw on Suspension and Expulsion

96/05:N29 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23/ Local 54

Whereas the current structure and content of Article 5, Suspension and Expulsion of Members, of Bylaw I is, at the very least, confusing; therefore



Be it resolved that Article 5, Suspension and Expulsion of Members, of Bylaw I be amended to read:

A member local association may have its voting privileges suspended or may be expelled for violating its responsibilities as outlined in Bylaw I, Section 3. c), subject to the following procedure:

a. Process for Initiating the Procedure of Suspension or Expulsion

The process for suspending the voting privileges or expelling a member local association may be initiated by:

- i. resolution of the National Executive; or
- ii. a petition, submitted to the National Executive, signed by not less than one-third (1/3) of the voting member local associations and listing the reasons for the proposed suspension of voting privileges or expulsion.

b. Notice of the Suspension or Expulsion Procedure

Upon resolution of the National Executive or receipt of a petition by the National Executive, initiating the process for suspending or expelling a member local association, the National Executive will:

- i. place the matter on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled national general meeting for which no less than four (4) weeks notice can be given; and
- ii. inform, by registered mail, the member local association against which the suspension or expulsion procedure has been initiated no less than four (4) weeks prior to the national general meeting at which the matter of suspension or expulsion will be considered.

c. Required Majority

A two-thirds vote of a national general meeting shall be required in order to suspend the voting privileges or expel a member local association.

d. Appeal of Suspension or Expulsion

Any student association, which has had its voting privileges suspended or has been expelled, may appeal the decision to the next world congress of the International Union of Students.

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendments:

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 47/Local 35

Be it resolved that sub-section 'd' of the Bylaw proposal in the principal motion be replaced with:



d. Appeal of Suspension or Expulsion

Any local association, which has had its voting privileges suspended or has been expelled, may appeal the decision subject to the following procedure:

 A local association, which has had its voting privileges suspended or has been expelled, will have up to 60 days following the date of the vote to suspend or expel to submit a

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- letter to the National Executive stating its intention to appeal the decision;
- ii. Upon receipt of a letter as described in Subsection i, the National Executive will immediately schedule a special general meeting to strike the Appeals Committee;
- iii. At the special general meeting, the local association, which has had its voting privileges suspended or has been expelled, will name two other member local associations which will each select a representative to serve on the Appeals Committee;
- iv. In the event that the suspension or expulsion was initiated by the National Executive, the National Executive will select two of its

Proposals Concerning the Composition of the National Executive

96/05:N30 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23/Local 54

Be it resolved that Article I of Bylaw 5, National Executive, be amended to read:

1. Composition

The National Executive will be comprised of:

a. The following at-large positions elected by the national plenary:

- i. National Chairperson
- ii. National Deputy Chairperson
- iii. National Treasurer

b. The following representatives elected by their respective provincial components:

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- i. British Columbia Representative
- ii. Manitoba Representative
- iii. Newfoundland-Labrador Representative
- iv. Nova Scotia Representative
- v. Ontario Representative
- vi. Prince Edward Island Representative
- vii. Québec Representative
- viii. Saskatchewan Representative

c. The following representatives elected by constituency groups:

- i. Aboriginal Students' Representative
- ii. Students of Colour Commissioner
- iii. Women's Commissioner

d. National Graduate Caucus Representative

Be it further resolved that Article 9 be deleted; and

Be it further resolved that all subsequent Articles in Bylaw 5 be renumbered accordingly.

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendments

MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Simon Fraser Student Society/Malaspina Students' Union

Be it resolved that sub-section 'b' of the Bylaw amendment in the principal motion be amended to read:

b. The Following Representatives Elected by their Respective Provincial Components:

There shall be one provincial component representative from each province in which there is at least one full voting member.

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 08/Local 09

Be it resolved that the following be added to sub-section 'c' of the Bylaw amendment in the principal motion

iii. Students' with Disabilities Commissioner

Be it resolved that the remaining items in sub-section 'c' be renumbered accordingly.

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 35/Local 09

Be it resolved that the following be added to sub-section 'c' of the Bylaw amendment in the principal motion

iv. Francophone Commissioner

Be it resolved that the remaining items in sub-section 'c' be renumbered accordingly.

95/11:145 MOTION TO AMEND THE BYLAWS

Local 61/Local 72

Be it resolved that Bylaw V-1-b be amended as follows:

xvi. Students with Disabilities Representative

The Committee recommends that Motion-95/11:145 ruled redundant.

NOTICE

MOTION TO AMEND THE BYLAWS AND STANDING RESOLUTIONS Local 08/Local 09

Be it further resolved that the following Article be added to Bylaw V:

9. Duties and Powers of the Student's With Disabilities Representative

The duties of the Students with Disabilities Representative shall perform all duties and such powers as established by Standing Resolution.

Be it further resolved that all subsequent sections in Bylaw V be renumbered accordingly; and

Be it further resolved that Standing Resolution 9 be amended to read:

6. Meetings

Meetings of the Constituency Group may take place at any general of the Federation at which members of the Constituency Group are present.

7. Students with Disabilities Commissioner Procedure

The Students with Disabilities Commissioner will be elected from the members of the Constituency Group at a meeting of the Constituency Group during the Semi-Annual General Meeting of the Federation, and ratified by the Federation plenary, for a term of one year.

8. Duties and Responsibilities of the Students with Disabilities Commissioner

The duties and responsibilities of the Students with Disabilities Commissioner shall be to:

- a) act as a liaison between the Constituency Group and the National Executive;
- b) represent the interests of the Constituency Group on the National Executive:
- c) take direction from the constituency group during national general meetings;
- facilitate communication between Students with Disabilities members of the Federation and non-member associations;
- e) oversee and coordinate campaigns initiated by the Students with Disabilities Constituency group;
- f) send to local students with disabilities organizations and member associations brief semi-annual reports which could include information about campaigns, activities, and goals pertaining to the constituency and seeking information about campaigns which could include information about campaigns, activities, and goals pertaining to the constituency and seeking information which could facilitate the work of the Constituency Group within the Federation:
- g) facilitate Constituency Group meetings during national general meetings;
- h) carry out the duties as do other National Executive members as outlined in Bylaw V in the Federation Constitution and Bylaws

Transforming Aboriginal Students' Constituency Group to the Aboriginal Caucus 96/05:N01 MOTION TO AMEND STANDING RESOLUTION

Local 76/Central Newfoundland Regional College Students' Association Be it resolved that Standing Resolution #6, Aboriginal Students Constituency Group be amended to read as follows:

THE ABORIGINAL CAUCUS

The following bylaws shall govern the affairs of the Aboriginal Caucus of the Federation:

1. Name

The organisation shall be known as the Aboriginal Caucus hereinafter referred to as the Caucus.

2. Objectives

The objectives of the Caucus shall be:

- a) to support the statement of purpose of the Federation;
- b) to advocate the interests of all aboriginal students at the national and international levels;
- c) to provide a forum for discussion of issues of concern to aboriginal students; and
- d) to represent aboriginal students' interests and concerns within the Federation.

3. Membership

a) Regular Members

Regular members shall be all aboriginal student associations within member locals.

b) Rights of Members

Each member association shall:

- i. be entitled to one (1) vote within the Caucus;
- ii. be entitled to the protection and support of the Caucus, in accordance with the goals of the Caucus; and
- iii. be entitled to access Caucus research, information, materials and Federation staff.
- c) Responsibility of Members

Each member association shall:

- i. support the goals of the Caucus and will abide by the provisions of the Bylaws;
- ii. provide a delegate from its aboriginal student members for the purposes of voting in Caucus;
- iii. represent the interests and concerns of its member aboriginal students at Caucus general meetings; and
- iv. communicate information from the Caucus to its aboriginal student members.

4. General Meetings of the Caucus

a) Types of General Meetings

There shall be two types of general meetings:

- i. regular general meetings; and
- ii. special general meetings.
- b) Scheduling of Regular General Meetings

Regular general meetings of the Caucus shall be held each year during the Annual and Semi-annual General Meetings of the Federation.

c) Scheduling of Special General Meetings

Special general meetings of the Caucus shall be scheduled by the Executive by:

- i. majority vote; or
- ii. upon receipt of a petition signed by a majority of the member associations.
- d) Notice of General Meetings

Notice of a general meeting shall be deemed to have been given by the delivery to the member associations, no less than six (6) weeks prior to the meeting of:

- i. written notice stating the date, location and registration requirements of the meeting; and
- ii. the proposed agenda for the meeting.

e) Quorum for General Meetings

The quorum for general meetings shall be:

- i. ten representatives from member locals
- ii. at least one representative from each of the following regions:
 - Western Region, comprised of members from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and the Yukon;
 - Central Region, comprised of members from Ontario and Québec; and
 - Atlantic Region, comprised of members from New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland/Labrador.

f) Rules of Order for General Meetings

The most recent edition of Roberts' Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of all Caucus general meeting provisions.

5. Executive

The affairs of the Caucus shall be managed by the Executive.

a) Composition

The Executive shall be comprised of:

- i. Chairperson;
- ii. National Executive Representative; and
- iii. All Provincial Component aboriginal representatives
- b) Term of Office

The term of office for all at-large Executive members shall be one year, commencing upon the close of the Federation Semi-annual General Meeting following election and expiring at the succeeding Federation Semi-annual General Meeting.

6. Election and Removal of Executive Members

a) Election of the Chairperson

The Chairperson shall be elected at the annual general meeting of the Federation each year by the regular members of the Caucus;

b) Election of the National Executive Representative

The National Executive Representative shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Federation each year by the regular members of the Caucus.

- c) Eligibility
 - i. A nominee for the position of Chairperson must be an aboriginal student registered at an educational institution and an individual member of the Federation;
 - ii. A nominee for the position of National Executive
 Representative must be an aboriginal student registered at an

educational institution and an individual member of the Federation.

d) Voting

Voting in Executive elections will be conducted by secret ballot.

- e) Required Majorities
 - i. A nominee must receive a majority of the votes cast in order to be elected.
 - ii. In the event that no nominee receives a majority of the votes cast, additional votes will be taken until one of the nominees receives a majority or until the Caucus re-opens nominations.
 - iii. In the event that more than two nominees are running for a position, the nominee receiving the fewest votes shall be dropped from the succeeding ballot.
 - iv. In the event that only one nominee is seeking a particular position, member associations will vote either "yes" or "no" for the nominee,

f) Removal from Office

An Executive member may be removed from office by a twothirds vote at a Caucus general meeting.

7. Duties of the Executive

a) Collective Duties of the Executive

The Executive shall be responsible for:

- i. ensuring that all mandates of the Caucus are fulfilled:
- ii. administering or causing to be administered all funds of the Caucus:
- iii. maintaining the minutes of the Caucus;
- iv. maintaining an up-to-date membership list for the Caucus;
- v. maintaining the Caucus policy manual; and
- vi. producing a newsletter for distribution to Caucus members.
- b) Motions to Federation General Meetings

It is the duty of the Caucus executive to ensure that all motions to be referred to the Federation general meeting be initially approved by Caucus.

- Motions for Federation General Meetings shall be received by Caucus members at least ten (10) weeks prior to the commencement of the General Meeting.
- ii. A special general meeting may be organised by conference call. It is the responsibility of the executive to budget adequately for this eventuality.
- c) Individual Duties of the Chairperson

The Chairperson shall:

i. be the chief spokesperson of the Caucus and, as such, will articulate the policies of the Federation with respect to issues and matters of concern relating to aboriginal students:

- ii. be responsible for the lobbying activities of the Caucus on issues of primary concern to aboriginal students;
- iii. be available, within budgetary limitations, to visit member associations and non-member associations wishing to know more about the Caucus' and the Federation's policies and operations;
- iv. coordinate production of a report, outlining the work undertaken by the Executive and Caucus, for presentation to each Federation National General Meeting:
- v. assist aboriginal student delegates representing the Caucus on committees at Federation national general meetings and be available to present information to committees; and
- vi. attend, upon invitation, provincial caucuses at Federation National General Meetings.
- d) Individual Duties of the National Executive

The National Executive Representative shall:

- i. attend all meetings of the Federation's National Executive:
- ii. be responsible for the communication between the Federation's National Executive and the Caucus;
- ensure that the concerns and interests of the Caucus shall be represented at National Executive meetings of the Federation:
- iv. be responsible for the lobbying activities of the Caucus on issues of primary concern to aboriginal students with the Chairperson;
- v. be available, within budgetary limitations, to visit member associations and non-member associations wishing to know more about the Caucus and the Federation's policies; and
- vi. present a written report to each Caucus meeting detailing actions and decisions of the National Executive.

8. Finances

a) Fiscal Year

The Fiscal year of the Caucus shall end on June 30 each year.

- b) Budget
 - i. the budget of the Caucus shall be adopted yearly at the Federation Semi-annual General Meeting; and
 - ii. any changes in expenditures as set forth in the approved projected budget shall require the prior approval of the Executive and shall be presented for ratification to the next meeting of the Caucus.

9. Residual Authority

The Executive shall be empowered to address any issue not clearly defined in this constitution. Any such Executive action must be ratified by the next regularly scheduled Caucus meeting.

10. Override

Should any clause of these Bylaws contradict or conflict with the Bylaws of the Federation, the Bylaws of the Federation shall override these Bylaws.

The Committee unanimously recommends adoption with the following amendment:

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 44/Local 75

Be it resolved that Section 3 of the Standing Resolution Amendment proposed in the principal motion be amended to read:

3. Membership

a) Members

The members shall be all Federation member local student associations whose membership is comprised exclusively or in part of aboriginal students.

b) Rights of Members

Each member association shall be entitled to:

- i. one (1) vote within the Caucus;
- ii. the protection and support of the Caucus, in accordance with the goals of the Caucus; and
- iii. access Caucus research, information, materials and Federation staff.

c) Responsibility of Members

Each member association shall:

- i. support the goals of the Caucus and abide by the provisions of the Caucus Bylaws;
- ii. provide a delegate from its aboriginal student members for the purposes of voting in Caucus;
- iii. represent the interests and concerns of its member aboriginal students at Caucus general meetings; and
- iv. communicate information from the Caucus to its aboriginal student members.

Be it further resolved that Section 4-e of the Standing Resolution Amendment:

b) Quorum for General Meetings

The quorum for general meetings shall be five member local associations

Be it further resolved that all references to "Bylaws" be replaced with "Caucus Bylaws" in the proposed amended Standing Resolution; and

Be it further resolved that all references to "Executive" be replaced with "Caucus Executive" in the amended Standing Resolution 22.

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Proposal to Create a Standard Provincial Allocation

96/05:N24 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23/Local 54

Be it resolved that Article 2-a-iii of Bylaw I, Membership, be amended to read:

- iii. The fees shall include:
 - a minimum national fee of \$2.50 per semester, or \$5.00 per academic year, per individual member of the Federation, prorated as per the practice of the member local association with respect to the pro-rating of its own fee;
 - a minimum provincial component fee of \$.50 per semester, or \$1.00 per academic year, per individual member, pro-rated as per the practice of the member local association with respect to the pro-rating of its own fee; and
 - any additional membership fees levied by an applicable provincial component.

Be it resolved that Standing Resolutions #24 and #25 be repealed.

Be it further resolved that all subsequent Standing Resolutions be re-numbered accordingly.

The Committee recommends the following:

MOTION TO REFER

Local 23/Local 7

Be it resolved that the motion be referred to the National Executive for study.

National General Meetings—Distribution of Agendas

95/11:305 MOTION TO AMEND POLICY

Local 9/Local 64

Be it resolved that Operational Policy under the heading <u>PROCEDURES</u> be amended to read:

The National Executive shall ensure that the opening plenary and general meeting agendas be sent to member locals no later than two weeks prior to the first day of each national general meeting and that all National Executive Reports be presented in written form to the membership no later than the first day of each national general meeting. Written notification shall be in English and French, as determined by member local preference, and shall be presumed to include alternative media such as cassette and braille as requested by individual delegates.

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 35/Local 9

Be it resolved that the proposed operational policies in the principal motion be amended to read as follows.

Notice shall be sent to the member local associations, no less than six weeks prior to each national general meeting, informing them that they

may receive copies or the national general meeting agendas and the Report of the National Executive by alternative media such as, but not limited to, cassette and Braille should any of their delegates require them.

The agenda for each national general meeting and opening plenary agenda for each national general meeting shall be sent to the member locals associations no later than two weeks prior to the start of each national general meeting;

The report of National Executive shall be distributed to the member local associations no later than the first day of each national general meeting.

Proposal to Standardise the Prospective Membership Fees

96/05:N25 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23/54

Whereas Article 2-b-v of Bylaw I, Membership, states that:

v. The fee for prospective membership in the Federation shall be 5% of the regular Federation membership fee, unless the student association has an individual membership fee of less than \$10.00 per academic year, in which case the fee shall be 2% of the regular Federation membership fee.

Whereas the \$10.00 threshold is totally arbitrary given that there is no conceivable reason why a student association with an individual membership fee of \$10.50 per year should pay a prospective membership fee of \$.30 per individual member while a student association with an individual membership fee of \$9.50 per year should pay a prospective membership fee of only \$.12 per individual member: and

Whereas any student association with an annual membership fee of \$9.50, \$10.00 or even \$10.50 per year would likely be incapable of fulfilling the obligations of membership in the Federation anyway; therefore

Be it resolved that Article 2-b-v of Bylaw I, Membership, be amended to read:

v. The fee for prospective membership in the Federation shall be 5% of the regular Federation membership fee.

The Committee recommends adoption with the following amendment.

MOTION TO AMEND

Local 61/Local 47

Be it resolved that the proposed new Article 2-b-v of Bylaw I in the principal motion be amended to read:

v. The fee for prospective membership in the Federation shall be 5% of the regular Federation membership fee, **notwithstanding that the** fee may be waived by a majority vote of the plenary.

Quorum at National General Meetings

№ 96/05:N21 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 14/Local 83

Be it resolved that Bylaw II, Section 6. a) be amended to read as follows:

a) A quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of voting members shall consist of at least fifty percent (50%) of the total membership of Canadian Federation of Students. If at any time, fifty percent (50%) of full membership is not attained at any meeting, the meeting shall be declared non-quorate and all motions passed thereafter invalid.

The Committee unanimously recommends defeat.

Proposal Concerning the Rights of the Individual Members

96/05:N27 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23/Local 54

Be it resolved that Article 3-a-I of Bylaw I, Membership, be amended to read:

 The individual members of the Federation collectively belonging to a member local association will have sole authority to make decisions through referendum on all questions of membership in the Federation, subject to the other provisions of the Bylaw.

Be it further resolved that the following be added to Article 3-a:

ii. The individual members of the Federation collectively belonging to a member local association will have sole authority to initiate, by petition signed by not less than ten percent (10%) of the individual members and delivered to the National Executive, a de-federation referendum as described in Article 6 of the Bylaw.

Be it further resolved that all subsequent sections of Article 3-a be renumbered accordingly.

The Committee recommends the following:

MOTION TO REFER

Local 86/Local 75

Be it resolved that the motion be referred to the National Executive for study.

Proposal Concerning Misrepresentation of Federation Fees

96/05:N28 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23/Local 54

Be it resolved that the following be added to Article 3-c of Bylaw I, Membership:

iii. The voting member will not represent the membership fees collected on behalf of the Federation as an expense of the member in its budgets, its financial statements, its audits or any other documents of the voting member.

Be it further resolved that all subsequent sections of Article 3-c be renumbered accordingly.

The Committee recommends adoption without dissent

Elimination of References to Provincial Caucus Representatives

96/05:N31 MOTION TO AMEND BYLAWS

Local 23

Whereas Bylaw VII, Provincial Components, was formerly known as "Provincial Components and Caucuses", prior to being amended last year; and

Whereas there was a failure to remove several other references to "Provincial Caucuses" elsewhere in the Bylaws at the time Bylaw VII was amended; therefore Be it resolved that Article 6 of Bylaw 5, National Executive, be amended to read:

6. Duties and Powers of Provincial Component Representatives

The Provincial Component Representatives shall:

- a. communicate the views and perspectives of their respective provincial components at National Executive meetings;
- b. perform all duties as established by Standing Resolution.

Be it further resolved that Article 2-b of Bylaw 6, Election of the National Executive, be amended to read:

b. Timing of Elections for Provincial Component Representatives

- The election of Provincial Component Representatives shall be conducted at such times as set out in the bylaws of the applicable provincial components; or
- ii. In the event that a provincial component does not have a functioning set of bylaws, as determined by the National Executive, the election of the Provincial Component Representative shall be conducted at a meeting of the component member local associations convened by the National Executive at the Semi-annual General Meeting.

Be it further resolved that Article 3-b of Bylaw 6, Election of the National Executive, be amended to read:

b. Procedure for the Election of Provincial Component Representatives

- The procedure for the election of Provincial Component Representatives shall be as set out in the Bylaws of the applicable provincial components; or
- ii. In the event that a provincial component does not have a functioning set of bylaws, as determined by the National Executive, the procedure for election of the Provincial Component Representative shall be determined by the National Executive, not withstanding that the election will be conducted by secret ballot and a nominee must receive a majority of the votes cast in order to be elected.

Be it further resolved that Article 4-b of Bylaw 6, Election of the National Executive, be amended to read:

b. Term of Office for the Provincial Component Representatives

- Provincial Component Representatives shall hold office for a term as set out in the Bylaws of the applicable provincial components; or
- ii. In the event that a provincial component does not have a functioning set of bylaws, as determined by the National Executive, the Provincial Component Representative shall hold office from the adjournment of the Semi-annual General Meeting at which the Representative is elected until the adjournment of the following Semi-annual General Meeting.

Be it further resolved that Article 5-b of Bylaw 6, Election of the National Executive, be amended to read:

b. Removal of Provincial Component Representatives

- Provincial Component representatives may be removed from office as set out in the Bylaws of the applicable provincial components; or
- ii. In the event that a provincial component does not have a functioning set of bylaws, as determined by the National Executive, the Provincial Component Representative may be removed from office by a two-thirds vote:
 - at a meeting of the component member local associations convened by the National Executive at a national general meeting;
 - at a meeting of the component member local associations convened by the National Executive outside of a national general meeting; or
 - by a vote-by-mail conducted by the National Executive;

following receipt by the National Executive of a petition signed by not less than one-half of the member local associations, belonging to the component, requesting such a vote.

Be it further resolved that Article 7-b of Bylaw 6, Election of the National Executive, be amended to read:

b. Procedure for Filling a Vacancy in the Position of Provincial Component Representative

- i. The procedure for filling a vacancy in a position of Provincial Component Representative shall be as set out in the Bylaws of the applicable provincial component; or
- ii. In the event that a provincial component does not have a functioning set of bylaws, as determined by the National Executive, the procedure for filling a vacancy in the position of Provincial Component Representative shall be determined by the National Executive, not withstanding that the vote will be conducted by secret ballot, a nominee must receive a majority of the votes cast in order to be elected and that the vote shall be conducted:

- at a meeting of the component member local associations convened by the National Executive at a national general meeting
- at a meeting of the component member local associations convened by the National Executive outside of a national general meeting; or
- by a vote-by-mail conducted by the National Executive.

The Committee unanimously recommends adoption.

2. NEW BUSINESS

Health Plan Coverage for Students with Disabilities

96/05:OD-1 DIRECTIVE

Local 8/Local 23

Whereas there are Students with Disabilities who receive partial health care coverage; therefore

Be it resolved that the possibility of instituting partial health plan coverage for students with disabilities, who already have partial health care coverage through other plans, be investigated.

Proposing Concerning Travel CUTS

96/05:OD-2 DIRECTIVE

Local 47/Local 79

Be it resolved that the Federation representatives on the Travel CUTS board pursue the implementation of the following procedure with Travel CUTS: "All students purchasing travel through Travel CUTS shall be asked if they are members of the Canadian Federation of Students.

Review of Constituency Group Representation on the National Executive 96/05:OD-3 DIRECTIVE

Local 47/Local 24

Be it resolved that the composition and structure of the National Executive be examined; and

Be it further resolved that written submissions be sought from the member local associations, provincial components, caucuses and constituency group commissions

Be it further resolved that the procedure for the review process be disseminated to member local association, provincial components, caucuses and constituency group prior to the review process commencing.

Call for Campaign Ideas

96/05:OD-4 DIRECTIVE

Local 83/Local 35

Be it resolved that, along with notice of motions, a short description of committee responsibilities and short statement encouraging members to develop campaign ideas.

Translation at National General Meetings

96/05:OD-5 DIRECTIVE

Local 47/Local 61

Be it resolved that the feasibility of providing simultaneous translation in budget committee, as per existing policy, be investigated.

Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students Representative on the National Executive

NOTICE MOTION TO AMEND THE BYLAWS

Local 7/Local 9

Be it resolved that Article 1-b of Bylaw V, Composition, be amended to include:

xvi) Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner.

Be it further resolved that Bylaw V, National Executive, be amended to include:

12. Duties and Powers of the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner

The Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner shall perform all duties and such powers as established by Standing Resolution.

Be it further resolved that the following be added to Bylaw VI, Section 2:

e) Timing of Elections of the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner

The election for the Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Students' Commissioner shall be conducted at such times as established by Standing Resolution

Be it further resolved that the following be added to Bylaw VI, Section 3:

g) Procedure for the Election of the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner

The election for the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students'
Commissioner shall be conducted as established by Standing
Resolution.

Be it further resolved that the following be added to Bylaw VI, Section 4:

g) Term of Office for the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner

The Term of Office for the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner shall be conducted as established by Standing Resolution.

Be it further resolved that the following be added to Bylaw VI, Section 5:

f) Removal of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner

The Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner may be removed from office as established by Standing Resolution.

Be it further resolved that the following be added to Bylaw VI, Section 6:

. . . .

f) Vacancy in the Position of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students' Commissioner

A vacancy in the position of Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Student's Commissioner shall be filled in a manner established by Standing Resolution.

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The Duties of the Commissioner shall be:

- a) act as the spokesperson of the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students Constituency Group on National Issues;
- b) act as a liaison between the Constituency Group and the National Executive;
- c) represent the interests of the Constituency Group on the National Executive:
- d) take direction from the Constituency Group during national general meetings;
- e) facilitate communication between Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students members of the Federation and non-member associations:
- f) send to Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual student organisations and member associations brief semi-annual reports which could include information about campaigns, activities, and goals pertaining to the constituency and seek information which could facilitate work of the Constituency Group within the Federation;
- g) facilitate Constituency Group meetings during the national general meetings;
- h) carry out the duties as do other National Executive members as outlined in ByLaw V in the Federation Constitution and Bylaws.