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NEWS BULLETIN
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McGEER GETS "D" ON MINISTERIAL RESPONSIBILITY TESTS

Representatives of AUCE Local 2 and support groups including students and the Teaching Support Staff Union are leafleting Education Minister Pat McGeer's office this morning at 9:30. The demonstrators are protesting the SOCREd policy of educational cutbacks which produces confrontations like the present strike.

BIG TALK

Mediation goes big today when Mr. Leonidas, Head of Mediation Services in the province, and Doug Cameron, the Associate Deputy Minister of Labour join Jack Waterston, present mediator for the AUCE/SFU (read Board of Governors) dispute. Waterston set up meetings with the University for this morning and with AUCE beginning at 1:30.

... BUT THE FED WANTS ACTION

Following a meeting with AUCE 2 representatives on Wednesday, Dave McIntyre of the B.C. Fed issued a press release calling for high level third-party intervention in the SFU dispute, and stating that escalated picket action will include increasing representation from Fed members. Fed and AUCE reps are meeting today at 4:00 p.m. to further discuss allied picketing.

WHAT'S THIS MESS?

Two AUCE members will be speaking with Bill King, NDP labour critic, about the feasibility of an Industrial Inquiry at SFU. An Inquiry could look at the multitude of grievances, the infamous campus labour relations, the conflicts of interest permeating the Board of Governors, etc., etc.

BOG - "THIS IS WAR"

Reva Clavier, staff rep (elected on a union platform) on the BOG, reported to the AUCE membership meeting that certain Board members have declared, "this is war and we've got to sit them (AUCE) out until they weaken." When asked if the Board realizes that many highly qualified, once SFU-career-oriented workers have quit SFU because of the deplorable labour relations on campus, Clavier said the BOG doesn't care. Their strategy seems to be an empty victory with no survivors. AUCE's struggle is to reclaim the campus for those who work and study there from those who impose their off-campus business interests on the university community.

THE MONEY ROLL

Latest donations:

- . Fraser Valley Faculty Assoc., \$1000
- . Agriculture Union, Local 44, \$100
- . Letter Carrier's Union of Canada, Local 12, \$50
- . CUPE 798, \$50

AT THE MEETING

... It was announced that the two-day conference to be held at the Holiday Inn (April 6-7) on "Pornography", sponsored by the Dept. of Philosophy and Continuing Studies, has been postponed, presumably because of the possibility of allied picketing at the hotel.

...Members participated in a wide-ranging debate during the latter half of the meeting, with no motions allowed on the floor, discussing the strike and possible strategies and options.

...The membership passed a motion to loan \$2,100 to the SFU day care workers with the proviso that this be allocated in turn by them as loans. Geoff Holman speaking to the motion said that the loan was made possible by the receipt of \$5,000 in excess of what AUCE had expected from the March levy.

BULLETIN BOARD

The AUCE rally is set to go at 12:00 noon Saturday. Arrangements for music are still in progress, but speakers so far include Lloyd Ingram, representing the Vancouver District Labour Council, Joan Glover, Vice-President of the Burnaby Division of the B.C. Teacher's Federation, and Nancy Whigs, AUCE Provincial President. AUCE 2 will be represented, and student supporters, TSSU, faculty and the B.C. Fed will also be approached to provide speakers. Advance leafleting is being carried out around the city, on campuses including SFU, UBC, BCIT and Capilano College, and amongst trade unions.

There will be a membership meeting Friday, April 6 at 6.00 p.m. in the BCGEU Hall at 4911 Canada Way.