

Memorandum of Agreement
made between ~~the Board of~~ ^{representatives of the Board of} use.
Regents of M.U.N. and representatives
of the C.S.U. and the Student Body.

Whereby it is agreed as follows:

1. There shall be a referendum held upon the campus, administered by M.U.N.F.A., wherein the student body shall decide the question of compulsory collection and remission of C.S.U. dues as a condition of student status in the University.

The referendum shall be held before the end of February 1973.

2. In the meantime, the University will collect an amount equivalent to Student Union dues, from each student, at the appropriate time or times and will remit the same to the C.S.U.
3. If the decision of the student body is in favour of compulsory collection of dues, it shall not thereby compel membership of the students in the Union. However, collection of an amount equivalent to student union dues shall be a condition of student status in the University.

4. The Committee of Students, signatory to this memorandum undertakes to recommend and urge the vacating forthwith of that portion of the University premises presently occupied by students.

5. The Committee of Regents, signatory to this memorandum, undertakes that there will be no reprisals taken against any person or persons directly or indirectly involved in the current dispute, and will request of the Senate that it sympathetically consider and adjust any academic difficulties on the part of those students who were directly involved in the occupation of university premises during the past ten days.

6. The two Committees undertake to urge upon their respective bodies the acceptance and ratification of the terms of this memorandum at the earliest date.

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Witnessed by:

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Dated at St John's
the 24th day of
November, A.D. 1972.

MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND

SUPPLEMENTARY MEMORANDUM ON POINTS OF DETAIL

Certain points were agreed orally between the representatives of the Board of Regents and representatives of the Council of the Students' Union and the Student Body at the meeting held on November 24, 1972.

Certain other points, of detail only, which were nonetheless important, were referred for decision to a joint meeting of the university administration and the students' representatives.

The following memorandum puts both sets of points on record:

1. The Referendum shall be kept simple, and deal with one question only, i.e. whether the Students' Union dues shall be voluntary or compulsory.

Whatever the result, the Board has agreed to collect the dues and remit them to the Union. A simple majority of those voting shall decide.

2. If the vote is in favour of voluntary collection, all students will be given the opportunity by the Comptroller's Office to opt in or opt out.
3. If the vote is in favour of compulsory collection, those students who have real objections to belonging to the Students' Union will not have to do so. But, because as students at the University

they cannot avoid receiving the benefits of the Union, - athletic, social, etc. - they will still have to pay an amount equivalent to S.U. dues, which will be remitted by the Comptroller's Office to the Students' Union.

4. To ensure that there are no legal, financial or other repercussions or reprisals against anyone directly or indirectly involved - whether faculty, staff, students or others - it was agreed between the representatives of the Board of Regents and the representatives of the Council of the Students' Union and the Student Body that a non-academic Appeals Committee should be set up.
5. The composition of this Committee has now been agreed between the administration and the students' representatives:
 1. A neutral chairman, to be selected by the Committee itself. This chairman may be a member of the Board of Regents, other than the ex officio members, or he may be an outside person. He shall have no vote, save in the event of a tie.
 2. An undergraduate student, appointed by the Council of the Students' Union.
 3. A graduate student, appointed by the Council of the Graduate Students' Union.
 4. A representative of the Senate, who shall not be a member of the Senate, either ex officio or otherwise, to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Committees.
 5. A representative of the MUN Faculty Association, appointed by the Association.

6. This Committee will hear and decide any appeals by any person or persons who believe themselves to have been the victims of any legal, financial or other repercussions as a result of the disturbances at the University between November 13th and November 25th, 1972. The decisions of the Committee will be binding, and there will be no further appeal.
7. Appeals on matters over which the University has no jurisdiction will not be entertained.
8. With regard to allegations of academic repercussions or reprisals, machinery for appeal already exists, namely the Undergraduate and Graduate Studies Committees. These Committees may, or may not, be appropriate for dealing with this unique problem. The Senate may therefore deem it desirable to establish a special committee to report to the Senate itself. If a decision of the Senate in such a case is seriously disputed, it is for the Senate itself to authorise an appeal to the Appeals Committee or to any other body which the Senate may deem appropriate.
9. The Board of Regents has undertaken to recommend strongly that the Senate consider sympathetically and ~~to~~ adjust any academic S. T. difficulties on the part of those students who were directly involved in the occupation of the University premises between November 13th and November 25th, 1972.

It is for the Senate, and for the Senate alone, to decide whether and how this can be done.

It is for the Senate, including its student senators, to decide how the 'students directly involved' may be properly identified, before the commencement of the current end-of-semester examinations.

10. The recommendation of the Board of Regents to the Senate, set out in paragraph 9 above, applies only to the examinations at the end of the current semester.
11. The representatives of the Council of the Students' Union and the Student Body have decided, as a voluntary action and under no pressure from the Board of Regents, to draw up a new constitution for the Students' Union, so that its governing machinery will in future be representative of all aspects of student life - including student societies, whether academic, literary, athletic or social, and also the students in residence on the campus.
12. The representatives of the Council of the Students' Union and the Student Body have also decided voluntarily to carry out a full review of their financial affairs, and thereafter to institute proper financial controls. The question of technical and possible financial assistance was raised by the representatives of the Board of Regents. In view of the Board's decisions in respect of student dues, this offer was declined by the student representatives as unnecessary.
13. The representatives of the Board of Regents reaffirmed the statement of the Chairman of the Board that the Board has no desire

to interfere in the affairs of the students. They also reaffirmed his statement that the students need, in their own interests, a strong, representative and efficient organisation, to speak for the whole student body.

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November 30, 1972.