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CJSR open to everyone

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"We're really viewed as a community news source, and so we recruit [from] the community," Power said, adding that instead of reporting on the daily news, CJSR focuses more on social issues and investigative reporting.

"We have more time to actually go in-depth and look at different issues affecting the community," she added.

"Powermann", host of Kamikaze Comedy, added that CJSR is unique in that it is accessible to anyone interested in radio.

"To be involved with commercial radio, you have to go to school for a few years; they won't just hire a guy off the street," Powermann explained.

"This is like the university for radio; it's really hands-on," he added.

Mick Sleeper, host of the Soul Shakedown Party, has been with CJSR for 15 years, and noted that the FunDrive allows individuals the opportunity to support the concept of community radio.

"To me, the real issue is that more and more radio stations are being owned by fewer and fewer big companies, which means that the new music you hear is all being homogenized, and so CJSR really stands aside and apart from that. Nobody is telling you what to play."

Scholarship to expire in '09

CASA and CFS butt heads on best way to continue national student grants

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"From our perspective, why bother renewing a foundation that has had, and continues to have, a number of accountability and functional problems when there's already systems that exist within the Canada Student Loans Program," she explained. "It would probably function more efficiently through mechanisms that already exist at the provincial and federal levels."

However, Zach Churchill, CASA national director, disagrees with CFS' assertion that the CMSF is unaccountable and failing students. He explained that the scholarship accounts for roughly 30 per cent of all non-repayable grants to students each year in Canada and that it stays accountable through federal auditing processes, which have consistently shown that the organization operates with students' best interests in mind.

"Having it in a foundation model like this is really affective," Churchill said. "Compared to the CSLP—which dishes out about 40 per cent of their budget, which all comes from tax payers—Millennium has an overhead of about four per cent, according to the Auditor General."

"They dish out 96 per cent of the funds that they get—it's really efficient. So looking at a model like Millennium, the foundation model, it's really effective and is the best use

of taxpayers' dollars."

CASA recently launched a campaign called Grants Reloaded, which is lobbying the federal government to invest an additional endowment of at least \$2.5 billion to the CMSF in 2009.

"It's about taking this program that's been so successful, and has helped so many students and so many families, and making it better."

ZACH CHURCHILL
CASA NATIONAL DIRECTOR

The U of A Students' Union—which is a founding member of both CFS and CASA, but has no current affiliation with either—has gone on the record supporting the renewal of CMSF. As SU Vice-President (External) Steven Dollansky explained, the program gave over \$9 million to students at the U of A this year alone.

"If that funding goes away, there will be hundreds of students who will not be able to attend our school for financial reasons," he said.

"It's confusing that CFS doesn't recognize the importance of

Millennium and the need for its renewal."

The CMSF's website states that since its creation in 1998, it has distributed \$2.2 billion in bursaries and scholarships to students across the country under the mandate of increasing access to postsecondary education. Since 2000, CMSF has distributed \$350 million annually, with 95 per cent of those funds given out based on need and five per cent based on merit.

Churchill believes that the benefits provided by the Scholarship can't be ignored, and that the federal government should reinvest in the strategy.

"It's about taking this program that's been so successful, and has helped so many students and so many families, and making it better," he explained. "[The federal government] can put more money into this organization and ensure it reaches more students."

However, Aziz and the CFS stand strongly against the continuation of the program, and would rather see the federal government invest in a state-run granting system.

"It's not worth it to gamble with the fact that there has been so many problems with the foundation since its inception," she said. "It was an experiment [...]. Let's move on and create a system that we know is going to be affective and can ensure is accountable."

STREETERS

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As you may be aware, municipal elections are taking place today across Alberta (except in Lloydminster, where they vote on Saskatchewan's schedule).

Are you planning on voting?



Danielle Rose
Arts I



Sonya Odsen
ENCS II



Marcelle Verster
Phys Ed/Ed. IV



Nathan Lynch
Mining Engineering II

"Yes, I'm planning on it. I just looked at the candidates' platforms and decided which one I agreed with. I found some-one for mayor."

"I am. I look at who my parents are voting for because my opinions are pretty much the same as theirs. I've got the apathy, but with voting."

"No. I don't know what it's about." [Is this the first you've heard of it?] "Yes. [I've seen signs] here and there but nothing that's really grabbed my attention."

"No. Frankly, I just don't care. If I were to vote, I would vote for my cousin's boyfriend. He's running, but he's not really on the ballot, so you just have to fill his name in. His name's Stu Chell, and he's running in St Albert." [Does he know he's running?] "Yeah. He was just to lazy to do all the things you have to do to run, so he just started a Facebook group, and that took off."

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