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(Way to go Tammy!)

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Hasselfeldt elected CYSF President

By JEFF SHINDER and JAMES FLAGAL

Tammy Hasselfeldt, with a solid victory, has been elected President of the Council of the York Student Federation (CYSF) for 1988-89.

Hasselfeldt, who amassed 426 votes, easily outpolled her closest rival, Nick Nitsis, who received 303 votes. Third place went to Andy McRae with 269 votes, with Bernie Polster (116), Adrian Shaikh (52), and John Lefebvre (23) completing the field of candidates. 59 ballots were spoiled.

Hasselfeldt, understandably, was overjoyed with her victory. "It's fantastic," she said. "It turned out to be a tough race with Andy, Nick and I, especially with Excalibur supporting both me and Andy. The close race makes this win even more satisfying. I'm just thrilled," Hasselfeldt added.

The election was also marked by a strong showing from second-place candidate Nick Nitsis. Nitsis could not be reached for comment, but fourth-place rival Bernie Polster attempted to analyze Nitsis's performance. "He had a good poster campaign and a lot of clubs supporting him," said Polster, "but he (also) made a lot of unrealistic promises that maybe created some misconceptions in the community," Polster added.

As for his own performance, Polster noted that "I was the underdog this year, and I plan to be back next year." McCrae, Shaikh, and Lefebvre were also unavailable for comment at press time.

Voter turnout up

The election turnout totalled (unofficially) 1307 voters which, according to chief returning officer Debbie Lace, "was a substantial number compared to previous years." It was difficult to determine the exact percentage of eligible voters participating, as this year marked the first time a number of colleges, newly made members of CYSF, were involved in the elections.

CYSFELECTIONS

President	tial Results
Hasselfeldt	427
Nitsis	303
McRae	269
Polster	116
Shaikh	52
Lefebvre	23
	t Centre hike
Yes	876
No	400
Direc	t Levy
Yes	797
No	450

The first newly structured threemember executive was also voted in last night. This year's CYSF speaker David Gilinsky pulled in a convincing victory for Vice-Pres ident, Finance, with 625 votes as compared to his only rival Aldo Baiocci's 483. Gilinsky, who was also elected as one of 10 arts senators (also with the top number of votes, 548) promises to continue the kind of commitment which he demonstrated during his campaign. "My work has only begun tonight," he said, "and I plan to work for the next 52 weeks as hard as I worked the last two weeks—in both positions."

For the position of VP, Internal Relations, this year's chairperson of the student senate caucus Paul Dutka also won a solid victory with 631 votes as compared to Marco Alla's 429. Joe Zammit, who showed a strong performance at the polls in winning the position of VP, External Relations, was elated with the victory.

"I plan to keep in touch with the needs of both the resident and commuter students," said Zammit, "and I want to establish an OSAP clinic and better TTC service for next year."

This year's finance Director Julie Marchant also beat out the other Board of Governor's candidates to win quite easily with 512 votes. "It's about time that students had a united voice on BOG, and I plan to work with Marg (Evans, elected to the two-term position last year) to create that kind of effective voice."

Student Centre levy hiked

The Student Centre levy hike passed with a strong majority, but 400 voters did turn out to oppose the increase. The levy, which was passed at a \$7.00 per course rate before rising costs affected the project will be raised to \$9.00 to address the shortage. According to Mourad Mourakin, a member of the Student Centre Commitee, the opposition the levy hike met was probably because students "felt that this hike came too soon after last year's referendum. But we plan to look at the results and we are assuring students that we will spend the money in their best interests."

Direct levy passed

The CYSF's referendum to obtain a direct levy also did not receive as much support as council had anticipated. President Drew McCreadie said that he was looking for 80% support, and according to Mardikan, the results showed the electorate might not have known enough about the issue. "Students probably thought the change from a grant to a levy system would mean more money coming out of their pockets when that was not the case at all," he said. "We should have done a better job getting across the importance of this move," Mardikan added.

CRO Debbie Lace noted thelarge amount of spoiled ballots this year but was at a loss to explain them. She did point out, however, that only certain contests experienced a large number of spoiled ballots.



The look of a winner: CYSF President-elect Tammy Hasselefeldt brimmed with enthusiasm as she accepted congritulations from her friends for her victory. Hasselfeldt assumed the presidency with a comfortable election victory Wednesday night. Complete (unofficial) results below.

Beaver Foods reject contract

By JAMES FLAGAL

In a surprising turn of events, Beaver Foods, caterers in both complexes one and two, has decided not to accept a five-year contract with York University.

Beaver Foods, which has been on campus since May for a one-year trial period, was approved by the University Food and Beverage Committee (UFBSC) for a five-year contract in late January. "I was very surprised about the development," said Norm Crandles, Director of Housing and Food Services who was notified about Beaver's decision last Friday.

Crandles pointed out that Beaver's refusal to accept the contract will change the entire timetable the Department had in place. Renovations scheduled for this year in both complexes will not be carried out, said Crandles, and the credit card system which was supposed to be introduced in September will have to be put on hold. Crandles noted that the future of this system, which will restrict residence students to eating in only complexes one and two, will depend on what terms exist in the contract with the new caterer.

According to Crandles, Beaver left because recent budgetary projections compiled by the company determined that they would lose a substantial amount of money if they were to honour the agreement. First, said Crandles, the company said that labour shortages in Toronto had forced Beaver to increase wages in order to attract and retain employees.

Beaver extended its hours of operation in complex two and it also the termination of their contract on

required more personnel than it previously budgeted for the summer months in order to meet customer demand. According to Crandles, the caterer also said that students demanded a wide range of food, costing Beaver a lot more to produce than previously anticipated. Beaver was also forced to incur higher capital expenses this year than they expected, and just two weeks ago the company was forced to readjust their previous renovation projections from \$700 thousand to \$1.1 million

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Another expense which Beaver did not anticipate, said Crandles, was the high amount of theft taking place in the cafeterias. Crandles said that after conducting an independent study, Beaver determined that they were experiencing a level of theft equal to at least 4% of their total revenue. "Any caterer serving York University cannot make a lot of money," said Crandles, "and I think it's important that the University understand that."

After a meeting on Monday, the UFBSC formed a sub-committee to go through the process of selecting a new caterer. The seven-person committee, consisting of two students, faculty, and administrative representatives will put out a call for tenders immediately, said Crandles. Also, the UFBSC instructed Crandles to get in touch with the other nine companies which submitted a proposal last year to see if they are interested in entering the new competition.

Crandles said that if necessary, Beaver has consentd to staying past April 30, but he hopes to have a caterer chosen within two weeks.

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