

CHSR issue put to the people

Last Wednesday we found out exactly what the students felt about the prospect of the campus radio station going off campus.

The results showed that the majority of voting students preferred to have CHSR-FM going off campus. 904 voters indicated that they wanted the FM station, while 219 voted against the proposed expansion. The total voter turnout was 1138. This number represents 21.4 percent of the

student population. A much greater percentage of students expressed an opinion regarding the FM issue, than the past SRC election. 77.4 percent of the students that voted, were for the move off campus and 19.2 percent were against it. A rather small number of the ballots were spoiled. There were only 15 ballots spoiled, which represents 1.4 percent.

CHSR did their best to reach as many people as

possible, and did so by mailing out letters to approximately 3/4 of the student population. This letter encouraged all to go out and vote YES. CHSR stated that a strong yes vote would be very beneficial when it came time to apply to the CRTC. Their strategy seems to have worked.

Much controversy has developed over the past couple of weeks concerning the FM issue. CHSR has started broadcasting to its

listening audiences so that it can have a better understanding of the issues.

Most people that are involved with the FM issue are quite glad that the decision has been left to the students. Doug Varty, Station Manager, said that he was glad that they won. He also stated that he wanted to thank all of the people who showed up to vote. In wrapping up he hoped to be on the air with CHSR-FM by 1980.



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A sample of the turnout for the CHSR-FM Referendum. More than 1,000 voters turned out to voice their opinion. Final result, 904 for, 219 against.