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## Adams, McCaig capture top spots Lacey and Tam also successful in student union elections

BY GINA STACK

It's official. Chris Adams and his running mate, Bridgette McCaig, will be next year's Dalhousie Student Union president and vice-president.

Adams and McCaig ran a tight race against outgoing Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) vice-president academic/external Chris Lydon and Shirreff Hall president Rose Mengual.

On the first ballot, Adams and McCaig narrowly defeated Lydon and Mengual. Daniel Lee and Cheryl Stewart came third.

No team was able to secure a 50 per cent plus one majority, so the vote went to a second ballot. Lee and Stewart were struck from the ballots on which they were the first selection and the number two choices on those ballots were tabulated. Adams and McCaig took the second ballot, defeating Lydon and Mengual.

"I'm pretty happy," Adams said after the results were announced.

"I've got a lot of work to do the next couple of weeks, and then a year of making sure everything works properly here and fulfilling our campaign promises."

His running mate echoed his sentiments.

"I feel pretty happy because I think that we're going to have a really great year next year," McCaig said.

"I'd like to apologize to all those people we sent e-mail out to, we didn't mean to annoy them, we were just trying to save paper."

Outgoing DSU president Brad MacKay said that he was also pleased with the results.

"I think the results are good," MacKay said.

"I think there were three strong teams that were running for it and I certainly think that the team that's won is a good team and will do a good job next

year. I have a lot of faith in them."

Lydon congratulated his opponents.

"I have to say I think I was really overall extremely proud with how the whole campaign went and I don't just mean ours, I mean generally it was very clean," Lydon said.

"I think that between us and Sassy (Adams) they did great and the chips fall where they may and either way I'm pleased."

Adams and McCaig's campaign platform included creating a student university budget and anti-calendar, promoting student awareness and "sprucing up the Union Market."

Kevin Lacey ran a successful campaign, easily capturing the title of vice-president academic/external.

"I feel really good, it always feels good to have so many people support me," Lacey said.

"I think that this time students

voted for a change and I think it's our obligation to deliver on that and to deliver new things for the student union."

Lacey's platform included setting aside money for bursaries when tuition is raised and lobbying the government.

The tightest race was for vice-president community affairs and communications. Terence Tam and Andrea Smith duked it out with Tam capturing a narrow victory.

"I'd like to thank everyone who voted and supported me, and I hope I have a chance to thank you everybody personally," Tam said.

Tam's platform included cam-

pus-wide communication and making the DSU more visible.

Jeff McNeil-Myers and Adel Iskandar took the two Senate representative positions, and Alix Dostal and Hugh Pierce are the new Board of Governors (BOG) reps. All four positions were decided by yes/no votes.

This year's results were available much earlier than last year due to a new computer tabulating system developed by outgoing BOG representative Curtis Cartmill.

Voter turnout was also high this year, reaching about 20 per cent.

## Out with the old...

BY GINA STACK

As students trudge through the slush and ice, stressed by upcoming papers and exams, the effectiveness of this year's Dalhousie Student Union executive is the furthest thing from their minds.

But as they return home to frolic in the summer sun, tensions will pass and many students will take the time to reflect on the 1996-97 school year at Dalhousie.

How will students remember the Dalhousie Student Union (DSU) executive from this year?

Most likely not at all.

The DSU, this year, created an executive review committee to carry out a review of the DSU executive.

The committee was run by Bridgette McCaig and Jessica Michael. In their report, McCaig and Michael stated that they "encountered many obstacles and barriers" in carrying out the survey.

Perhaps the greatest barrier was the students. McCaig and Michael circulated 125 surveys to students and printed the survey in the Gazette. A total of 14 surveys

were returned.

McCaig and Michael said that there was a "poor response level," but that they felt that they had "completed our obligations to the DSU to the best of our ability."

The students who completed the survey stated that the blue lights system was the most visible thing the DSU did on campus this year. Other answers included the book tax campaign, donating funds to the new Arts and Social Sciences Building (ASSB) and three "I don't knows".

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## And the winners are...



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	Total	Howe	Sher.	LSC	Killam	Forr.	Dalplex	Tupper	SUB	DUNN	Weldon	SBA	A&A	Kellogg	SSW	Rover1	Rover2
<b>President / Executive Vice-President</b>																	
Adams/McCaig	930	85	86	69	136	37	45	87	165	24	28	67	81	-	0	8	12
Lee/Stewart	301	81	36	29	36	3	4	10	32	21	4	10	30	-	0	0	5
Lydon/Mengual	766	45	147	68	84	5	24	26	156	59	24	48	68	-	1	1	10
<b>Vice-President Community Affairs and Communications</b>																	
Faber	190	33	6	22	34	6	8	13	21	11	4	11	17	-	0	0	4
Lilly	241	64	45	13	34	6	3	12	17	13	4	6	21	-	0	0	3
Smith	671	66	71	48	87	14	39	27	135	43	19	50	62	-	0	2	8
Tam	702	36	105	77	92	13	20	42	144	35	24	37	65	-	0	4	8
Tattersal	192	13	40	8	16	7	7	14	32	9	5	16	17	-	1	1	6
<b>Vice-President Academic / External</b>																	
Clark	443	44	52	33	75	6	18	29	65	25	13	19	54	-	0	0	10
Lacey	685	36	126	50	93	13	21	26	148	41	18	47	58	-	0	2	6
Moore	457	54	55	44	47	13	18	31	67	32	16	31	41	-	1	3	4
Thiele	335	76	33	29	36	7	13	14	50	14	8	18	27	-	0	2	8
<b>Board of Governors (Yes/No)</b>																	
Dostal	1574/308	167/32	246/17	130/27	191/58	37/5	57/10	93/11	262/60	91/15	38/14	87/25	148/27	-	1/0	5/2	21/5
Pierce	1464/386	165/35	221/39	115/37	178/63	39/4	56/12	84/17	242/73	78/24	32/19	94/20	134/36	-	0/1	5/2	21/4
<b>Senate (Yes/No)</b>																	
Iskandar	1375/449	153/40	216/43	107/41	163/77	34/8	47/18	82/19	242/76	65/37	34/14	78/29	130/39	-	0/0	3/3	21/5
McKeil-Myers	1547/299	164/33	243/15	119/32	199/47	41/2	57/11	91/9	253/68	86/16	34/14	94/18	139/29	-	1/0	5/1	21/4