## Student Union Society 2014 By-Election Report

Prepared for ratification on October 28, 2014

Joe Johnson (Chief Electoral Officer)



### **RESULTS**

Total counted voters:

**>** 183

#### **Elected Candidates:**

➤ Aboriginal Representative (Morris Prosser) 85.5 per cent affirmative

#### Incidents and Items to Report

- At the conclusion of the nomination period, three candidates had put their name forward for consideration:
  - o (2) Aboriginal Rep
  - o (1) Faculty of Access & Open Studies Rep

Upon a qualification review, based on Section 1 of the Election Rules policy, only one candidate stood as eligible, Morris Prosser for Aboriginal Rep.

- An information session was held for the single candidate. However, the All-Candidates Meeting was cancelled. This was due to a scheduling conflict. To compensate for the lack of a meeting, Prosser's candidate statement was placed in accompaniment with the ballot question.
- The ballot question for Aboriginal Rep, as posed through myUFV, to students in good standing with the Student Union Society:

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*Morris Prosser
Yes
No
No Opinion
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Polling began at 12:01am, October 20<sup>th</sup> and concluded at 11:59pm, October 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### Recommendations

In future elections:

- Have the Chief Electoral Officer and Electoral Committee in place well before the election period.
- Develop policy to clearly regulate candidate promotion through social media.
- Have campus media as hosts of All-Candidates Meetings.
- During the voting period, with context to the myUFV voting area, accompany each candidate's name with their statement or a link to their statement.

I have found this by-election to be free and fair. It is for this reason that I recommend, to the current Student Union Society Board, these results be ratified.

## Vote Tallies

# Representatives

Aboriginal Morris Prosser

> Yes 115 No Opinion 47 No 21

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