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Elections Department

TO: Members of the Student Representative Assembly

FROM: Brenda Lin, Chief Returning Officer & Dalia Zubashev, Deputy Returning Officer

SUBJECT: SRA November By-Elections

DATE: Dec 4th 2023

Hello members of the Assembly,

We are excited to present our report on the results of the SRA November By-elections. As per Bylaw 7 - Elections 2.1.5, the elections department is required to relay to the SRA the results of each electoral period, including recommendations of the Elections Committee.

We are pleased to say that the SRA by-elections ran successfully without any major issues.

Should you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to reach out.

Best,

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Results

Engineering: Omolade George

SRA Engineering Caucus

Restricted to **ENGINEERING**

Option	Votes
Benita Okosagah	102 (70.3%)
Sam Kuriakose	23 (15.9%)
Sammy Abbas	20 (13.8%)

VOTER SUMMARY

Total	177
Abstain	32 (18.1%)

Science: Benita Okosagah

SRA Science Caucus

Restricted to **SCIENCE**

Option	Votes
Omolade George	101 (44.7%)
Dhara Parsania	49 (21.7%)
Alizah Ali	38 (16.8%)
Bodhi Mah	21 (9.3%)
Adam Monfaredi	17 (7.5%)

VOTER SUMMARY

Total	251
Abstain	25 (10.0%)

Nominations Submitted and Candidates

Position	# of Nominations
Engineering	3
Science	5
TOTAL	5

Given the short nominations period, we used targeted promotions and emailing towards the specific caucuses that had seats open. Using the undergraduate emailing lists, we sent out individualized emails to each specific faculty to disseminate how many seats were open and the appropriate deadlines and dates. We also reached out to members of their respective societies to help spread the word. Additionally, by ordering a Digital + Print package from the Underground, we circulated posters around campus, and social media posts on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter.

We were unable to fill up all spots on the SRA, as there is still 1 Nursing seat open. We are content with the level of interest generated.

Updates

N/A

Challenges

N/A

Success

No Voting/Email Issues

Next Steps

Appeals Process Complete

The appeals process for this election has been completed as no candidates chose to appeal their violations and fines from the first elections committee fines night meeting. Due to this, the election results are official, and our election is complete.

Candidate Reimbursement

Our department will contact the accounting office to begin reimbursing all candidates their original deposit minus any fines accrued during the election.