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## Green ticket wins tight election

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The Senate executive committee race ended in a close election. The Green ticket won the race over the Sugioka ticket by six votes.

604 students voted on Tuesday, Feb. 23. Of them, 49.6 percent voted for the Green ticket, while 48.6 percent voted for the Sugioka ticket. Overall, fifty-three percent of the eligible student population voted.

"We are so happy," explained secretary-elect Teri Freeman an hour after the results were reported. "We're sad for the other ticket," she said, adding that "losing by six votes is difficult."

"We want to thank the Guilford community," said Freeman. "We also want to thank Alison Fitzgerald" for the help she provided in formulating the platform and helping in the beginning of the campaign, explained president-elect Green.

"We have the highest regards for the Sugioka ticket," said Green. "We want them to work with us next year and we respect them highly," he continued.

"The Sugioka ticket ran a tough and very fair campaign. There was nothing negative," said Green. "I'm glad it was a clean campaign. The members of the other ticket are all great people and we wish them the best of luck," said Brian Sugioka.

"It concerns me that so few people showed up at the forum to hear about solutions to the issues. It makes me wonder upon what basis people were voting," said Sugioka.

Brian Burton commented about his ticket's loss, "We worked our best, and we really wanted to work for the people."

Both Sugioka and Burton expressed gratitude for the students who did support them during the campaign. "It really meant a lot that people did care what our solutions to the issues were," said Burton.

Michael Pruden, former presidential candidate, said, "In retrospect, my perspective on the outcome of the Community Senate election is one of healthy indifference. I am disturbed by the low voter turnout and how very insignificant the six-vote margin of victory was."

Green explained their ticket's first objective for the next academic year: "We're going to have an open forum for faculty and students to brainstorm and see what they, the members of the Guilford community, think we need to do."

Freeman explained her concern about the organization of Senate. She said, "Organization is a must." The ticket plans to examine the current organizational structure of Senate and see what changes can be made to make Senate more effective.

Green, Freeman, and Borne all addressed the large numbers of people they met while campaigning. Green said, "Hopefully we can capitalize on that."

Green reflected on his ticket's platform, which stressed stronger communication among all parts of the community, greater student input in residential life, clear environmental policies, increased communication with security and improvement of the structure of Senate.

"We plan to stick to as much of our platform as possible; those weren't just empty promises we made," said Green.

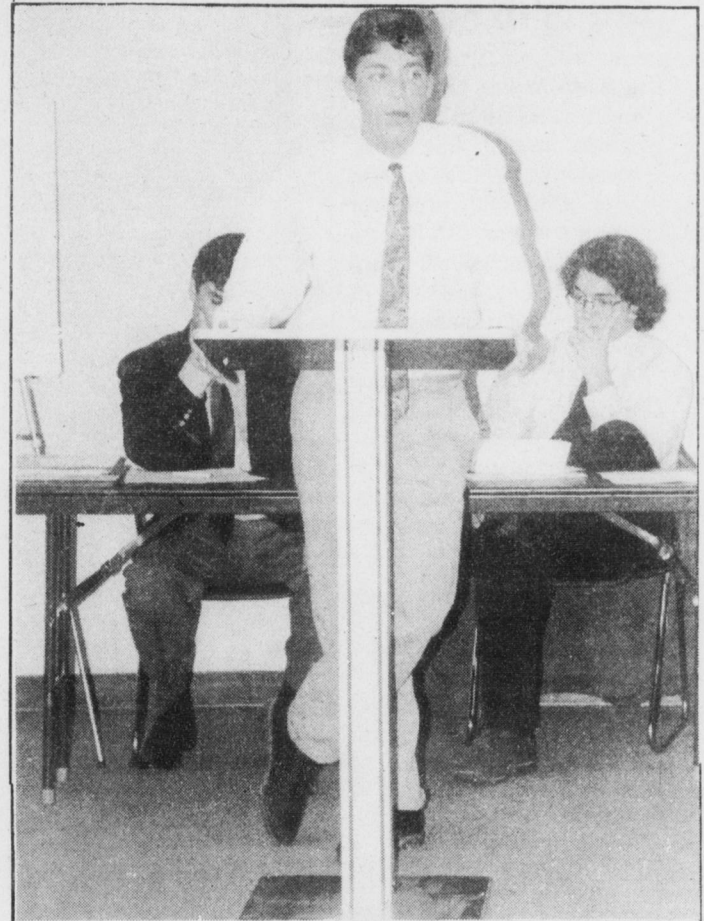


Photo by Ben Cadbury

James Green's ticket discussed their platform at the Senate forum on Feb. 21.

## Union execs voted in Guilford students face indecent exposure charges for photo shoot

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The new Union ticket was voted in on Feb. 23, the day of Union and Senate elections.

Tim Randle, Union president-elect, presented his platform at the Union forum on Sunday, Feb. 21. "We want to get the community more involved in next year's decisions, and continue with plans

started this year and previous years," said Randle.

The other members of the Union ticket are Wendy McReynolds, vice-president; Susan Little, treasurer; and Andy Swanson, secretary.

According to Swanson, one of his main objectives is to, "provide communication with the Guilford community through good publicity and e-mail services."

Scott Thornhill, current Union president, discussed next year's Union executive council: "I think they're very energetic; I think they have some ideas that can carry Union that next step farther."

"Tim doesn't have a lot of Union experience, but he's goal-oriented and does have a vision of what Union should be in the future," Thornhill commented about his successor.

Some of Randle's vision includes coordination of campus-wide events, continuing improvements in working relationships with Senate and the administration, and getting other organizations to work with Union on special events.

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Two Guilford College students are facing six months in prison and a \$500 fine if they are convicted of indecent exposure charges.

Nellie Appelby and Eliesha Grant were conducting a public nude photo session during rush hour beside Interstate 40 last Wednesday, Feb. 17th, causing a three-mile traffic jam in both directions.

An off-duty police sergeant, Ramon Bell, was driving home with his wife when they hit the heavy congestion. They pulled over to see what the problem was.

To their surprise they saw a woman wearing nothing but a blue ski cap lying across the hood of a car, and another woman taking pictures.

"My wife said, 'Good Lord,

she doesn't have any clothes on,'" Bell said. "I said, 'I noticed that, honey.'"

When the police arrived, Appelby and Grant were cited for impeding traffic.

The women say that they told police that the pictures were for a photography class. Grant had been nude a while before while Appelby took pictures of her.

On Thursday Appelby and Grant admitted that they did it for themselves. "We had a really good time," Appelby said. "I thought people would think we were strange, but I didn't think they'd get uptight about it."

"[The police] were laughing so hard, but they were trying to be serious," Grant said. "I guess it was better than their usual traffic violation."

Provost Dan Poteet said that he did not feel that this was a college matter, but that the school would look into it.

Later the two were served crimi-

nal summons, and are now scheduled for a March 9 court date. If convicted, the women face a six-month prison sentence and a \$500 fine.

This incident has gained national "exposure." Appelby and Grant have been contacted by the syndicated television show "Inside Edition."

Bell said that the women were told that they would probably be charged with indecent exposure. He also said that they were not charged at the scene, because the officers involved were not sure if the state's indecent exposure law was applicable.

"Aside from the humorous side of it," Bell said, "the potential for having a serious accident was definitely there."

Grant said that the charges were "ridiculous." "It's not like we made people look," she said. "We were on the side."

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