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Mark Bibbs, at center, celebrates with supporters



Bill Hildebolt reacts to the announcement of the runoff election

Hildebolt, Bibbs to go to SBP runoff

By WILL SPEARS and JASON KELLY

Assistant University Editors

Bill Hildebolt and Mark Bibbs will compete in a runoff for the office of student body president Feb. 27 after coming out on top in the initial round of voting Tuesday.

According to unofficial results Tuesday night, Hildebolt received 1,436

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votes, 32 percent of ballots cast, and Bibbs 1,053 votes, 24 percent, in an election in which less than 5,000 votes were cast for the office. The runoff is necessary because none of the candidates received a majority of the votes cast.

Candidate John Lomax received the

third-highest total with 1,022 votes, or 23 percent. Jonathan Martin came in with 618 votes, 14 percent, and Mike Strickland gathered 311 votes. Strickland received 7 percent of the vote, the minimum required for partial reimbursement of campaign expenditures.

Hildebolt said his ideas had separated him from the other candidates. "I think it all came down to our ideas and

the fact that we ran our campaign differently from the other candidates. We talked about things voters could comprehend and get their hands on."

The election results came as a pleasant surprise, Hildebolt said. "We're really excited. We didn't expect it. I thought we were maybe second or maybe third going into tonight. We were just trying to get in the runoff."

Bibbs said he was humbled by the support from the student body. "I would like to praise my opponents for all of their hard work throughout the campaign."

Bibbs said he owed his success to his campaign staff. "I'd like to say thank you to all of my wonderful campaign workers and supporters — we've got one more week, so let's turn up the heat

and move towards victory next Tuesday."

Lomax said he was unsure of his future in student government. "I'm going to go home and think it over. It's too early to tell what I will do now. I hope a candidate in the race will contact me, but right now I just don't know."

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Frye re-elected to CAA position

By STEPHANIE JOHNSTON

Staff Writer

Lisa Frye defeated Demp Bradford in the race for Carolina Athletic Association (CAA) president, according to unofficial results late Tuesday night.

Frye received 3,140 votes, 74 percent of ballots cast. Bradford received 1,109 votes, 26 percent of the total vote.

Frye said that she was thrilled to be re-elected and that she had already started planning for her next term.

"I'm excited because I've already started thinking about the things I've learned and how I can build on that," she said.

Frye said the first thing she planned to do was to select a new cabinet and staff.

"We have to choose our staff really quickly because we have to have it by spring break because we have to start planning homecoming. Out of a staff of 11, only four of the cabinet people will be returning."

Bradford said he hoped to work with CAA in the future and would consider running again next year.

"If I don't see any improvements on things then yes, I'll run (next year). Hopefully my experience and good intentions would help me."

Frye said she hoped to implement several of Bradford's suggestions, including working out a deal with Marriott to show ESPN in Carolina



Lisa Frye

Court in downstairs Lenoir Hall on certain nights and increasing support for non-revenue sports.

"Whether Demp wants us to pursue it (ESPN in Carolina Court), or he wants to pursue it through us would be fine. The key to increasing support for non-revenue sports is working Carolina Fever with the (University marching) band."

Bradford said the main problems he had during the campaign were posters being torn down and lack of support from The Daily Tar Heel.

Lanning, Thompson DTH picks

By KENNY MONTEITH

Staff Writer

The team of Jessica Lanning and Kelly Thompson defeated the team of Mary Jo Dunnington and William Taggart in the race for Daily Tar Heel (DTH) co-editors with 2,150 votes, 51.2 percent of the vote, according to unofficial election results late Tuesday night.

Dunnington and Taggart received 2,053 votes, or 48.8 percent.

"It feels really good to know our ideas were taken seriously by the DTH and by students," Thompson said. "We just want a chance to implement them and include as much student opinion and input as possible."

Lanning said their first paper would be published on Monday. She said they would conduct interviews for desk editors and ombudsman positions and begin to put staff members into place over the next few days, depending on how quickly writers sign up.

Thompson said, "The first thing (we would like to do) is to sit down and figure out how we want to structure the staff." They plan to talk to as many people as possible who have had input in the DTH either this year or last year, she said.

Lanning said they would try to find what the strengths and weaknesses of the paper are. "We're going to start working on those right away," she said.

Lanning and Thompson said they planned to change other capacities of the paper. They will eliminate the positions of managing and business editors. They will also separate the arts and



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Kelly Thompson and Jessica Lanning

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All referendums successful at polls

By MYRON B. PITTS

Staff Writer

All three referendums on Tuesday's ballot were approved by considerable margins in the campuswide elections.

They were a proposal to increase student fees by 35 cents per semester in support of SAFE Escort, a proposal for the gradual repayment of student fees

by The Daily Tar Heel and another 50-cent increase per semester in fees for the purpose of creating a need-based scholarship fund for students.

A referendum concerning student opinion on the installation of cable was excluded from the ballot due to a last-minute decision by Residence Hall Association President Liz Jackson.

The DTH proposal garnered 76.5 percent of the vote, yielding a popular vote ratio of 3,046 to 934. The scholarship referendum was approved by 73.5 percent — 2,971 to 1,071 — and the SAFE Escort referendum passed by the widest margin, raking in 78.9 percent of the vote — 3,241 to 868.

Mindy Friedman, the Student Congress representative who initiated the SAFE Escort referendum, was pleased that students were concerned but surprised by the margin of approval.

"I'm really excited because this was a giant step toward making this campus a safer place to be."

"I was confident at first (about passage of the proposal), but when the DTH decided not to endorse it (in

Monday's board opinion), I started getting worried."

Ed Davis, editor of the Phoenix and a member of the DTH Board of Directors, was pleased with the students' choice on the DTH returning fees.

"It's something we've worked for on the board of directors for a long time, and I'm glad that the student money will be freed up for other student groups, and I'm glad it started the DTH on the road to true editorial freedom, free from political bias."

Kevin Schwartz, DTH general manager, said that the affirmative vote was what he expected and that students understood the importance of the proposal.

Student Body President Brien Lewis commended students for their interest in the financial aid issue shown by their support of the scholarship referendum.

"I'm ecstatic that a lot of students see it as an important issue and that they're willing to dig into their own pockets. I think that will send a really good signal that financial aid is a crucial subject and it's a topic that is hot on our minds."

UNC cuts spending, hiring

By TERESA M. JEFFERSON

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The University has issued a hiring freeze and a moratorium on spending state funds because of a \$3.4 million cut in second- and third-quarter state appropriations, Ben Tuchi, vice-chancellor for business and finance, said Tuesday afternoon.

University personnel layoffs may be a "vague possibility" if fourth-quarter allotments are lower than expected, Tuchi said. "Our expectations now are that we will not go to layoffs if fourth-quarter allotments do not materialize in the way in which we expect it."

"The cuts are in anticipation that we will not get relief in the fourth quarter, and it's in retrospect that we have reviewing the efforts of the first spending reduction and concluding that it was not giving us the results that would let us refrain from carrying big numbers over into the following year," Tuchi said.

The frozen vacancies in 194 state-funded jobs, which before were only temporary, are expected to save the University more than \$4 million for the fiscal year, which ends in June, Tuchi said.

The policy also prohibits all overtime pay for employees except when health and safety are endangered, he said.

Approximately two-thirds of frozen jobs are State Personnel Act (SPA) positions, ranging from administrators to housekeeping, Tuchi said. The other one-third of the jobs will include positions exempt from the State Personnel Act (EPA) such as faculty members and research and library employees.

The University requested almost \$16 million in non-personnel state funds for the third quarter but, because of relief costs for Hurricane Hugo and a general revenue loss, received only \$13.2 million after cuts in funding to state agencies for the third quarter, which began Jan. 1.

A reduction in fourth-quarter allotments to state agencies in the last fiscal year forced the University to carry over \$792,000 in unpaid bills from fiscal 1988.

Supply and equipment purchases will also be severely limited, Tuchi said. "I am suggesting that the size of the problem is so large that the amount of relief we would need to allow us to buy more supplies and services is substantial and therefore the likelihood of getting past that to provide relief in hiring and equipment is unlikely."

"The spending termination is just that. If there is extremely severe or very substantial need, then they must approach their department heads to appeal their case." The likelihood of getting exceptions will be minimal, Tuchi said.

"Anything is fair game if we reach where we have a reduction in fourth-

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Because election results for Student Congress candidates, residence area governor candidates and president of the Graduate and Professional Student Federation were not available at press time, the DTH will print those results Thursday.

I admit disappointment but not defeat. — John Patrick