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Springs Runoff To Face Hacc Hall In

Jeff Hall



By Brad Rich

Jeff Hall finished second to Larry Springs in last week's voting receiving 289 votes to Springs' 369. He attributed his own strong finish to a lot of hard work and getting out among the people.

But Hall's feelings go beyond just his own performance in the election. In an interview last Monday, he said, "I was glad to see the large amount of turnout in the election. I would have liked to have seen one poll around the dorms, preferably in the cafeteria, but overall I was impressed with the number of people that turned out."

Hall was fairly satisfied with the election results. "I was glad to be in the runoff," he said, "But obviously I would like to have won without a runoff."

He felt that his campaigning — talking to individual students and organizations, handing out flyers and putting up numerous posters — was effective. "But," he said, "I would have liked to have spent more time out among the people...I was away from campus all day Friday participating in a "Salesman for a Day" program at Eastern Airlines through the business department. Being gone Friday definitely hurt me. I found people who would have voted for me who forgot to vote."

Hall and Jack Summerlin, who finished third in the voting and didn't qualify for the runoff, had been away once before during the campaign, spending a week in

New York City at the Model United Nations.

"I think being away hurt Jack and myself," Hall said, "just like Larry and I both being at the NCSL (North Carolina Student Legislature) meeting will hurt the turnout for the runoff...but Larry was wise to take advantage of us being away."

Hall said he felt the presidential campaign was a good one. "I think having so many ideas and issues brought out will benefit whoever wins," he said. There was a lot of ideas brought out by other candidates I would have liked to use. For instance, Lew (Massey), who helped me in my campaign, thought of suggestion boxes. But Larry had already been using that in his campaigning, so I couldn't very well bring it out."

While Hall is gone, his campaigning will be done by a cache of friends who have supported him all along. "In addition," he said, "several legislators who were non-supportive of my actions may be helping me...People who feel that they need someone with experience in there or maybe another fiasco will occur."

Win or lose, however, Hall feels comfortable about his relationship with his opponent and would like to work with him. "I met Larry through NCSL," he said, "and in the short time I've known him I've gotten a lot of respect for him. He's an extrovert — I like him. We get along well...we campaigned beside each other sit beside each other in class. He'd be an asset to the student body."

Larry Springs



By Les Bowen

Larry Springs, a 24 year old junior political science major who virtually came from nowhere to blitz two better known candidates in last week's student body presidential election, is wary of "taking anything for granted" heading into Monday's runoff against second place finisher Jeff Hall.

The situation is this: Springs got 369 votes the first time, while Hall got 289, Jack Summerlin 231, Bryan Burns 55 and Gary Davis 45. Since no single candidate received as much as 50 percent of the vote, Hall and Springs were tabbed for a runoff Monday, April 10.

On the surface, Springs would appear to have the runoff locked up; he was the leading votegetter in the first election, and most of Summerlin's support is expected to swing to him. But Springs points out that less than 1,000 students out of the 8,000 or so that were eligible to vote in the first election actually voted; a substantial turnout increase in the runoff could turn things around for Hall. Also, Springs, who worked comfortably and well in the "underdog" role in the first election, says

he must fight complacency among supporters, the "Aw, I won't bother to vote, since he's got it won, anyway" attitude.

"Really, I don't want to be taking anything for granted," Springs said. "I use that (finishing first in the first election) as a motivation to work even harder."

Springs said his objectives were "to make sure that all the dorm students know that I'm in the runoff and to vigorously pursue their vote again...and also to pursue the commuter and foreign students' votes."

Springs' success in the first election was at least partially attributable to his hard work standing outside the polls, talking to students who walked by. In that atmosphere Springs was able to talk candidly and earnestly yet with casual humor to hundreds of people each day.

He says he plans to continue working in that manner Monday. Hall also spent a lot of time at the polls in the first election employing a facile, smooth style that lacked Springs' humor, but seemed effective nonetheless.

Springs acknowledged that his personality was an asset in campaigning but said he didn't think that was the only

reason he did well. "There were some other things too; some people came up to me and said they voted for me because of what

they read in the newspaper, when the Journal interviewed all the candidates (Springs was endorsed by the Carolina Journal in the March 28 issue).

Amendments To Be Voted On

By Nancy Davis

Along with runoffs and Student Superior Court justices, the student body will be able to vote for or against the proposed constitutional amendments.

Student Legislature passed the amendments and according to the constitution, the student body must pass the proposed changes before it can be approved by Chancellor D.W. Colvard. Below are some of the changes that will be voted on.

Article I of the constitution will be revised in accordance with the present authority and overall composition of the Student Activity Fees Commission.

Article I. Student Activity Fees Commission

Section 1. Authority. The Student Activity Fees Commission shall have responsibility for all student activity fees and, therefore, will require accounting for the use of activity fee expenditures from all three divisions of the Student Association. The Commission shall have the specific authority to:

1. Make percentage allocations of student activity fees to the divisions of the Student Association. These allocations must be completed by July 1 for the academic year next following.

2. Hold budgetary

hearings and establish procedures for the conduct of such hearings in connection with allocation of fees.

3. Require periodic financial statements from the student divisions and/or organizations receiving student activity fees in such form as the Student Activity Fees Commission may reasonably require.

4. Investigate and hold hearings regarding unwarranted or unauthorized expenditures of student activity fees.

5. Freeze any student activity fees allocated to a division or a student organization under the procedures and circumstances

as the Commission shall establish.

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Voting Machines For Runoff

By Brad Rich

Acting Elections and Publicity Chairperson Tom Chumley said last Thursday he had talked with the Mecklenburg Board of Elections Chief Bill Culp, and UNCC would probably have voting booths for the major spring election runoffs.

"He told me," Chumley said, "that if I got him the correct wording of the constitutional referendum and the list of candidates by Monday the 9th, we could have two voting machines on the 10th."

Originally, runoff elections were scheduled for April 11, but the voting machines were already scheduled for use

that day.

The one day change in the runoffs means Chumley will have to go before the Student Legislature and ask for permission for the date change. "You can bet I'll be doing a lot of lobbying between now and then," Chumley said.

Chumley said the reason voting machines were not used during the March 29, 30 and 31 election was that the count Elections Board was not given enough notice. "There wasn't enough time," Chumley said. "They would have had to reprogram the machine, and it was just too complicated."

Who won, who lost, and who's in a runoff?

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