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SU looks to increase food options

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food service provider on campus.

"There are as many as 30 independent food service operators, and we'd like to make sure that, through the appropriate channels, all of those people have access to the results and tailor their offerings," Dawson said.

"We'll be able to say 'Listen, this is what our students want on campus.'"

EAMONN GAMBLE
SU VP (OPERATIONS & FINANCE)

In terms of the SU, Gamble is confident that the survey results will be useful in a number of ways.

"We're going through food court tenant renegotiations in June. It'll be really helpful for us to be able to point to some concrete student surveys when we're talking to these food applicants."

Gamble added that he sees the potential for the information to aid the SU in lobbying the U of A for increased food diversity in their food service operations on campus.

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Student engagement needed—Turner

ELECTION • CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

"The bigger issue we're seeing here is that we need to somehow engage students and not only inform them that the elections are going on, but get them interested in the election," Turner added.

Janz surmised that the lack of any referendum or plebiscite—another election first in recent memory—likely caused more students than usual to lose interest in taking the time to cast their ballot. Despite last year's elections being used as the benchmark for this year's measurement, 2007 was also the first year that polls broke the 7000-ballot mark. Janz suggested that the previous results might have been a statistical anomaly, elevated far above the ten-year average of 5930 by the hotly contested Coke and U-Pass debates.

"A lot of students told me that last year, they were drawn to the election debates because of the Coca-Cola and U-Pass referendums, but this year, we just had debates about people and platforms—which are very interesting, and I commend the candidates for running—but it just doesn't have the same draw," Janz said, summing up Turner's sentiments.

As far as future remedies for low SU voter turnout, Janz raised the possibility of exploring an online voting process so that students restricted by prior commitments are able to cast their votes from home. As Janz explained, many other Canadian postsecondary institutions already have online voting systems.

"A lot of our peer schools across the



FILE PHOTO: TARA STIEGLITZ

TURN(ER) IT UP The CRO announces the results at the 'Plant on Thursday night.

country have online voting," he said. "We're one of the last that doesn't, and I think it's time we look into why that is."

However, Turner said that getting more students out to vote may be as simple as hammering home the importance of participating in the process to students.

"Constituents will only vote if they feel their vote is relevant and counts for something," Turner said. "We need to make sure that we get the issues out there, that people understand what they're voting for, that people are making informed decisions, and are getting results from those decisions."

STREETERS

Compiled and photographed by Steve Smith and Ryan Heise

As you may be aware, the University, the Students' Union, and Aramark have partnered to create a campus-wide food services survey.

What's your favourite place to eat on campus, and why?



Kevin Kuchmak
Business III



Melissa Lowry
Science IV



Jessica Knowler
Arts II



Mackenzie Whitney
Arts I

"My favourite place to eat is Marco's because it's fast food that's so good at the same time, if that makes sense." [Ever try the Wildcat?] "No, I'm not that hardcore."

"The Jacket Potato Man because it's cheap." [And because its mascot is a root vegetable wearing clothes?] "Exactly."

"Java Jive. Oh, no, no, what's that place in HUB? Beez? Beez because they actually have something healthy that doesn't come in a package."

"Subway because you get to actually make your own sub."

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