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Results of U-PASS Referendum Released

The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union has released the results of the referendum vote to decide the future of the U-PASS service for University of Saskatchewan undergraduates.

The U-PASS service provides City transit passes to U of S undergraduate students for use during the academic year (beginning of September until the end of April). The referendum vote was held online from November 5-6, and asked voters the following question:

“Are you in favor of a Universal Bus Pass (U-Pass) for all undergraduate students at a cost of \$69.50 (with a yearly CPI Adjustment) per student per term covering the months of September to December (Term 1) and January to April (Term 2) each year?”

The results of the vote were as follows:

Number of votes cast: 7,805
Turnout (percentage of eligible students voting): 44.2%
Yes: 6,253 (80.12%)
No: 1,552 (19.88%)

In response to the result, USSU President Josie Steeves issued the following statement:

“We applaud those students who participated in the voting process, and we are pleased with their final decision to support U-PASS. U-PASS is a service that offers students convenience for transportation, and also has tremendous benefits in reducing traffic and harmful carbon emissions in the City.”

As a result of the affirmative vote, U-PASS will now be a permanent service for undergraduate students at the University of Saskatchewan.

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