

Total Votes 2,543

10% = 2,925



Official Results	University of Colorado Student Union
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UCSU Representative-at-Large

<i>Name</i>	<i>Elected?</i>	<i>Votes</i>
Rita Cohen	Yes	740
Travis Fawcett	Yes	827
Jarvis Fuller	Yes	802
Valeria Morales	Yes	743
Jessie Ulibarri	Yes	921
Steve Fenberg	No	700
Jeannette Henriquez	No	694
Nicholas Kant	No	587
Richard Muniz	No	622
David Rhone	No	475
Christopher Turner	No	604

Official Results	Arts & Sciences Student Government
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ASSG Board Member

<i>Name</i>	<i>Elected?</i>	<i>Votes</i>
Latarsha Bell	Yes	734
Bianca Gallegos	Yes	748
Jen Gassner	Yes	717
Laura "Pinky"	Yes	28
Reinsch (Write In)	Yes	699
Danette Rodriguez	Yes	699
Colin Finch (Write In)	No	20
Adrienne Martinez (Write In)	No	21

Referenda Results

Must have 10% of Student Body Vote "Yes" for passage.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Passed?</i>	<i>Yes votes</i>	<i>No votes</i>
Solar Power	No	1938	538

United States Student
Association (USSA)

No

1619

805

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USCU ELECTIONS

Low turnout dooms referenda

USSA, SOLAR MEASURES FAIL

By ERIN WIGGINS
Colorado Daily Staff Writer

The turnout for University of Colorado Student Union (UCSU) elections wasn't high enough to pass two referenda on the ballot, a common CU student voting problem.

Two weeks ago students had the chance to vote on increasing solar power and solar panels on campus in exchange for a \$2.80 per student per semester fee and membership in the United States Students Association (USSA) for \$.85 per student per semester.

Both measures had more votes in favor than opposed according to preliminary results, but failed because they did not garner the required 10 percent of affirmative votes from CU's nearly 30,000 students to officially pass.



Students at CU lined up to vote in the general election on Nov. 2, but few turned out at the UCSU Polls. [JACK WATSON/COLORADO DAILY]

For solar power 1,938 voted yes, and for USSA 1,619 voted yes. Each measure needed 2,925 yes votes to pass.

According to UCSU Public Relations Director Jessica Bralish, the phenomenon isn't uncommon for fall elections.

"In the fall we usually have lower voter turnout, ... maybe because the executives are not running in the fall, there's less attention," she said Tuesday. "This year was actually higher than most (fall elections)."

She said either referendum can return in the spring, but added that UCSU is not con-

sidering changing the student-body voting requirement anytime soon.

"There's not any talk of it right now, but if Legislative Council wanted to, they could change the election code," she said.

UCSU Legislative Council can also take bills into its own hands. Council passed a \$15 per student per semester increase in fees on Oct. 28 for recreation, down from its original \$21 per student per semester proposal earlier in the semester. The fee will start in fall 2006 or whenever the project is 50 percent completed and will renovate fields such as Farrand and Kitteredge, among others.

The measure also failed in campus-wide vote last spring despite more votes in favor because not enough people voted.

UCSU FALL ELECTION PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Representative-at-large winners

Jessie Ulibarri	921 votes
Travis Fawcett	827 votes
Jarvis Fuller	802 votes
Valeria Morales	743 votes
Rita Cohen	740 votes

Arts and Sciences Representative winners

Bianca Gallegos	748 votes
Latarsha Bell	734 votes
Jen Gassner	717 votes
Danette Rodriguez	699 votes
Laura Reinsch (write-in)	28 votes

Referenda results

(must have 10 percent of student "yes" votes to pass)

	passed?	Votes yes	Votes no
Solar power	No	1938	538
USSA membership	No	1619	805