

Emerald poll: Students say 'no' to 6,11, 'yes' to Straub, Weaver, Archie Weinstein recall

The student voting bloc hasn't been the most predictable over the years, although some would speculate it's been all too predictable in never showing up in the polls.

A majority of University students contacted by the Emerald Oct. 29, 30 and 31 said they would be voting Tuesday. Results show that students would reject Measures 6 and 11; reject Measures 8 and 7; elect Bob Straub as governor; Jim Weaver as their U.S. representative; re-elect Mark Hatfield as the U.S. senator; and recall County Commissioner Archie Weinstein.

Although neither of the two property tax relief measures would pass, according to the results, Measure 11 would come close. Forty-four percent said they would vote "yes" on Measure 11 — which would cut property taxes by 50 percent. Thirty percent said they opposed Measure 11, and 26 percent were uncertain.

Measure 6 — a clone of the California's Proposition 13 that would cut property taxes to 1.5 percent — did not fare so well. Twelve percent of the students said they plan on voting yes on Measure 6, while 56 percent said they'd vote no and 32 percent were unsure of how they'd vote.

A majority of students who had an opinion on both measures (did not mark unsure on either) voted no on 6 and yes on 11. Three percent favored both measures; 12 percent favored Measure 6 and opposed 11; 54 percent said they'd vote against 6 and in favor of 11, and 31 percent opposed both measures.

Both Measure 8, which would bring back the death penalty in Oregon, and Measure 7, which prohibits the use of state funds for abortion, were defeated.

Sixty-eight percent of stu-

dents polled said they planned to vote no on Measure 8, while 21 percent OK'd it and 11 percent weren't sure. Measure 7 went down by a larger percentage with 71 percent saying they opposed it; 18 percent favored it and 11 percent were unsure.

Gov. Bob Straub was the favorite in the governor's race with 57 percent saying they would cast their ballot for the Democrat Tuesday. Twenty-five percent said they would vote for Republican Vic Atiyeh; and 18 percent were unsure.

Veteran U.S. Sen. Mark Hatfield received a majority of yes votes with 65 percent saying they'd vote for him and 10 percent saying they'd choose Democratic opponent Vern Cook. Twenty-five percent were unsure.

U.S. Rep. Jim Weaver received 60 percent of the students' support with Republican opponent Jerry Lausmann gathering 14 percent. Twenty-six percent remained undecided.

Fifty-three percent of the students said they favored the measure to recall County Commissioner Archie Weinstein. Twelve percent said they would vote no on the recall measure and 35 percent were undecided.

Approximately one-fourth of the students contacted said they did not plan to vote in Tuesday's election. Only 8 percent of those who said they were not planning to vote were registered voters — the other 92 percent were not registered in Oregon.

The breakdown of results according to class ranking can be seen at the adjoining table.

Students contacted by Emerald poll workers were selected randomly from the student directory. Only students who had paid their fees by the second week of classes were considered.

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Poll results

All numbers listed are percentages

	Total	Fresh.	Soph.	Junior	Senior	Grad.	Other
How do you plan to vote on Measure 6, which would freeze property taxes at 1.5 percent of their 1975 value?							
Yes	12	9	14	16	19	4	0
No	56	58	57	66	60	88	100
Not sure	32	33	29	18	21	8	0
How will you vote on Ballot Measure 11, which would reduce home property taxes by 50 percent?							
Yes	44	40	36	42	39	57	60
No	30	26	30	32	32	25	40
Not sure	26	34	34	26	29	18	0
How will you vote on Measure 8, which will reinstate the death penalty in Oregon?							
Yes	21	28	23	18	29	15	10
No	68	58	59	74	55	71	70
Not sure	11	14	18	8	16	14	20
How will you vote on Measure 7, which would prohibit state funding for abortion?							
Yes	18	28	18	16	21	12	10
No	71	49	73	73	69	81	90
Not sure	11	23	9	11	10	7	0
Bob Straub and Victor Atiyeh are running for governor. Whom will you vote for?							
Straub	57	47	50	58	49	70	90
Atiyeh	25	44	27	24	26	12	10
Not sure	18	9	23	18	25	18	0
Mark Hatfield and Vern Cook are running for Oregon Senator. Whom will you vote for?							
Hatfield	65	79	50	58	64	68	70
Cook	10	5	27	24	9	14	10
Not sure	25	16	23	18	27	18	20
Jerry Lausmann and Jim Weaver are running for Oregon Representative. Whom will you vote for?							
Lausmann	14	14	20	18	14	7	30
Weaver	60	40	46	66	64	74	70
Not sure	26	46	34	16	22	19	0
How will you vote on the measure to recall County Commissioner Archie Weinstein?							
Yes	53	33	41	63	55	66	50
No	12	12	16	11	9	14	10
Not sure	35	55	43	26	36	20	40

state representative races

District 42

Nancie Fadeley: Democrat

Rep. Nancie Fadeley emphasizes cutting government spending, the displaced homemaker program, and energy conservation when asked about her plans for the upcoming session.

Fadeley, an Oregon representative since 1970, is running against Republican Dick Kline, for re-election to her District 42 post.

Although Fadeley acknowledges it's the Legislature's upcoming responsibility to find "responsible ways for Oregon to meet the tremendous unrest among taxpayers about government," she is firmly opposed to Measure 6. Measure 6 would limit property taxes to 1.5 percent above their 1975 assessed value. She isn't sure about Measure 11.

Fadeley is a strong believer in

education, but says that with the projected cuts in government funding the Legislature will probably be looking at ways to cut back higher education's expenses.

"Oregon taxpayers pay more per taxpayer per capita than anywhere," she says. She believes the education budget can be trimmed without affecting the quality of education in Oregon.

On energy issues, Fadeley stresses conservation. "We've got to expand conservation," she says. "We have to look at energy in an environmental context."

She is enthusiastic about the displaced homemakers program, a program which helps women who are no longer homemakers into the job market.

"They have to realize there's some skills to channel first," she says. "They do have skills. They just have to realize it."

On other issues Fadeley is opposed to cutting off state funding for abortions (Measure 7). "Parenthood does not automatically bring physical or moral abilities to care for a child," she says, adding the passage of the measure would result in hurting children.

She calls Ballot Measure 10 "vicious." Measure 10 would abolish the Land Conservation and Development Commission as a policy making board.

"He who can carry the costs of lawsuits will determine what will happen in Oregon's growth," she says, warning people of Measure 10's effects. "It's bad news for Oregon and good news for lawyers."

Dick Kline: Republican

Big government, the Equal Rights Amendment and state-funded abortions are some of the key issues to the race for Oregon's 42 State Representative District, says Dick Kline, that district's Republican challenger.

Kline, owner of a small glass shop in Springfield, says if elected he will work for programs that provide incentive for individual achievement. People can rely on their own efforts rather than letting the government control their lives, he says.

Kline also supports programs to establish a drug abuse "hotline" statewide, shorter Welfare payment periods and increased help for retired Oregonians.

State government should not be involved in abortions, Kline says, because it is a family problem that could be resolved through other means.

By eliminating state tax dollars for abortion poor women would not be denied an abortion, Kline says. They would find other ways to finance a necessary abortion, he explains.

Although proponents of state-funded abortions say the money is necessary to continue abortions for poor women, Kline disagrees.

"Money is not a deterrent to abortion. If you want to make a million dollars in this country you can."

Kline says he will vote to rescind Oregon's ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment if elected. That amendment does not provide the answer to the problem, he says.

"You cannot legislate laws of morality and equality," Kline explains. "We don't need laws to get ahead, we need to work to get ahead."