

Election

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368 votes. Jacobson and Cook received 476 votes.

When contacted, Jacobson declined to comment on the election results.

Brooklyn and Nair said the large number of votes they received, roughly 200 more than they got in the primary, showed how many people stood behind their team. Both said they wanted to thank everyone who supported the pair's campaign.

"I'm so excited that so many people thought we'd do a good job," she said.

But the ASUO Executive-elects said that although they've won this battle, there's still much more left to do. They said they are counting on their mentors and alliances to help them prepare for the responsibilities they will have to take on as leaders of the ASUO.

Brooklyn added that in the next few weeks, the pair will begin mapping out next year's plans and hiring their staff, but they will also take a small break from all the election craziness.

"This election has taken over our lives for the last two months," she said. "We're students first, student leaders second."

For Brooklyn, who is also the ASUO multicultural advocate, this election brought a double-win as the MCC's ballot measure met with success.

The MCC measure had caused controversy and stopped the election March 6, after five senators filed a grievance against it.

MCC supporter Bola Majekobaje, who was one of the three students that presented the MCC's case be-

Election Results 2001

President/Vice President
Nilda Brooklyn and Joy Nair 844
Bret Jacobson and Matt Cook 476

Senate Seat #7 ADFC
Arlie Adkins 399
Kate Kranzush 380

Senate Seat #13 Journalism/AAA
Ben Lacy 104
Steven Lockfield 57

Senate Seat #15
Rebecca Cambreleng 94
Erin Pursell 92

OSPIRG Ballot Measure
Yes 808
No 752

MCC Ballot Measure
Yes 932
No 601

Building Fee Committee
Patrick Smith 383
Alex Schottle 251

fore the ASUO Constitution Court, said the measure's success was well-deserved.

"A lot of people worked really hard in assuring it would be on the ballot in the first place" she said. "I'm just really happy that all of our hard work paid off and that the student voice was heard loud and clear."

Andreas Georgiades, co-director of the International Student Association, said that although he was happy the measure passed, he was disappointed at how many people voted against it. While 932 students voted "yes" on the measure, 601 students voted "no."

"It's for the benefit of the whole University, not just minority groups," he said.



Adam Amato Emerald
Junior networking advocate for the Multicultural Center Abolade Majekobaje (front) and Kim Hutchinson, MCC board member, celebrate their resultant victory from the ASUO general election Wednesday. The ballot measure passed with 932 "Yes" votes.

OSPIRG came out with an even closer win, snagging 808 students' votes but being rejected by another 752.

Melissa Unger, state board chair of OSPIRG, said that although the results were not as high as she expected, she is excited for the organization's long-term success.

"I'm stoked dude... we won," she said. "We're going to continue to work for students on issues we care about and students care about."

Skye Tenney, a Jacobson and Cook supporter who also stood against both ballot measures, was not as excited about the election outcome.

"Thumbs down for everything. Boo," she said. "Thank God I'm not going to be here next year."

After a month of grievances and delays, some are just happy that the whole election process has finally come to an end. Randy Newnham, Elections Board office manager, said

he will not miss all of his responsibilities.

"I'm very happy that I won't be spending early mornings blowing up balloons and passing out suckers," he said.

Brooklyn and Nair said that although there were some struggles along the way, they are excited to finally begin working on all of their campaign objectives.

"This is just the beginning," Nair said.

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