

14 February 1975

RESULTS OF CONSTITUTIONAL REFERENDUM

The proposed constitutional amendments were approved.

Approve amendments:	292
Oppose amendments:	44
Spoiled ballots:	10
Total number voting:	346

More than the required two-thirds of those voting approved the amendments.

Those voting in favour constituted more than one-third of the total membership.

Signed:

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MID-WEEK SPECIAL REPORT

1. THE VOTE: The Date

Many of you have asked me personally why the Representation vote is being held after the term. The Labour Relations Board directed that it be held before April 17th. CUASA's first choice of a date was Friday the 11th. Dr. Ross Love, speaking for the University, pointed out to us that - because of the Silent Period required by the Act 72 hours before the vote - no propaganda involving a re-opening of the issues could be disturbed. For this reason, CUASA agreed to the alternate date of Monday, April 14th rather than the later dates proposed by Dr. Tove.

- Dr. Love and I have formally agreed to Monday, April 14th as the polling day and the Labour Relations Board has agreed to this date.

2. The Vote: why

In a memorandum received by all eligible voters (and others) on April 8, The Reasons Dr. Love stated that CUASA had opposed a vote at the Board hearings. SINCE THIS IS FACTUALLY INCORRECT, we immediately requested that Dr. Love set the record straight, which he has done in another memo also dated April 8th which Dr. Love ordered distributed to those who received his initial memo. All of the individuals who were present at the Board hearings will realize the difficulty experienced by someone who was absent in understanding the details of what transpired. The Ontario Labour Relations Act permits automatic certification without a representation vote when an Association or union provides proof of membership from more than 65% of the bargaining unit. Since CUASA presented authenticated membership cards for 80.3% we asked that the Board follow its usual practice and decide whether or not a vote was necessary. This the Board has done and I am sure we are all happy to demonstrate once more that a majority of Carleton Academics support this venture initiated almost 6 months ago.

FULL DETAILS CONCERNING POLLING STATIONS, TIMES AND ELIGIBLE VOTERS WILL BE POSTED BY THE LABOUR RELATIONS BOARD IN THE NEXT 24 HOURS. Any individuals requiring further information should contact the CUASA Office (6387) which will open full hours for the rest of the week.