

Concordia By-election

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Statement of Votes

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Reporting on the Concordia By-Election

Following each election, the Chief Electoral Officer publishes a Statement of Votes as per section 175 of *The Elections Act*. This report must be published within six months of the election and must include the results for each voting station.

The Honourable Member for Concordia, Mr. Gary Doer, resigned his seat on October 21, 2009.

Pursuant to Order in Council number 33/2010, the Chief Electoral Officer issued the writ of election to the Concordia Returning Officer, Elenore Koop, on January 29, 2010.

Nominations were set to close on February 16, 2010 and the by-election was directed to take place on March 2, 2010.

The boundary of the electoral division was the same as in the 2007 provincial general election as established in 1999 under *The Electoral Divisions Act* based on the Report of the 1998 Electoral Divisions Boundaries Commission. A map showing the electoral division and voting areas is included in this report.

Voter Registration

A total of 11,262 eligible voters were registered in Concordia. Just over 94% of these voters were placed on the voters list during enumeration, held from January 30 to February 12. During revision, 482 additional voters were registered, or just over 4% of the total voters. The balance of 349 voters or just over 1% were sworn on to the list during advance or on voting day. An eligible voter must take the required oath and produce the required identification to swear on to the voters list. The following table details voter registration in Concordia.

METHOD OF REGISTRATION	NUMBER OF VOTERS	PERCENTAGE
Enumeration	10,633	94.41%
Revision*	482	4.28%
Sworn on	147	1.31%
Total	11,262	100.00%

^{*}Net amount of all additions and deletions at revision

Nominations

Nominations for the by-election closed at 1:00 p.m. on February 16 with four candidates being nominated. The following table shows the nominated candidates and the registered political party which endorsed each of the candidates.

CANDIDATE	POLITICAL PARTY
Biebrich, Brian	PC Manitoba
Heppner, Judi	Liberal / Libéral
Wiebe, Matt	NDP / NPD
Young, Ellen	Green Party of Manitoba / Parti Vert du Manitoba

Registered Parties

At the time of the by-election, there were five registered political parties in the province.

POLITICAL PARTY	DATE OF REGISTRATION
Communist Party of Canada - Manitoba	April 30, 1999
Green Party of Manitoba	August 17, 1999
Manitoba Liberal Party	December 12, 1980
New Democratic Party of Manitoba	November 17, 1980
The Progressive Conservative Party of Manitoba	November 25, 1980

Voting

Several changes to voting, introduced via Bill 37, were in effect for the by-election. There was an additional day of advance voting (Saturday, February 20) and voting on election day started at 7 a.m. (one hour earlier than in the previous general election). Just over 100 voters took advantage of this opportunity to vote earlier in the morning.

In addition to regular voting on election day, Manitoba voters are able to vote at advance locations, through homebound and absentee voting opportunities and at institutional voting stations.

Absentee Voting

Any qualified voter who will be away from their electoral division during advance voting and on election day may take advantage of absentee voting in the returning office prior to the opening of advance voting. During the Concordia by-election 6 voters (0.17% of the total votes) utilized absentee voting.

Advance Voting

Advance voting stations are established to allow voting before election day. During the by-election advance voting was held from Saturday, February 20 to Saturday, February 27, 2010 at two locations within the division. There were also two additional locations, both open for two days each. Those utilizing advance voting in Concordia increased to 512 ballots cast from 361 cast during the general election in 2007. This was an increase of 140% from the 2007 election. Of the total ballots cast 14.56% were cast during the week of advance voting.

Homebound Voting

As in all elections, homebound voting was available for voters who were unable to go to the voting location because of a disability. This method of voting is also available to the caregivers of these voters. The number of people utilizing this voting opportunity was 31 (0.88 % of the total votes cast).

Voting in Institutions

The Elections Act allows for institutional or moving voting stations for health care facilities and correctional institutions. An institutional moving voting station went to Concordia Hospital and Concordia Place while a second institutional moving station served Bethania Personal Care Home and BethaniaHaus.

Since June of 1995 *The Elections Act* provides for people to have their name and other personal information either obscured or omitted from the voters list in order to protect the voter's personal security. During the Concordia by-election there were no personal security voters.

Voter turnout for Concordia was 31.23%. The following table shows the total number of voters and the methods by which they voted.

VOTING OPPORTUNITY	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE
Absentee	6	0.17%
Advance	512	14.56%
Homebound	31	0.88%
Election Day	2,968	84.39%
Total	3,517	100.00%

Of the ballots cast, there were 9 rejected and 2 declined.

Summary of Votes Received

The following chart indicates the name, political party endorsation, the number of votes received and the percentage of the total valid ballots cast for each of the candidates.

CANDIDATES	PARTY	VOTES RECEIVED	PERCENTAGE OF VOTES CAST
Wiebe, Matt	NDP / NPD	2,065	58.7%
Biebrich, Brian	PC Manitoba	694	19.7%
Heppner, Judi	Liberal / Libéral	613	17.4%
Young, Ellen	Green Party of Manitoba / Parti Vert du Manitoba	134	3.8%

Summary of Results

The following chart provides a summary of the results. The member elected in Concordia was NDP candidate Matt Wiebe.

Member Elected	Registered Voters	Votes Cast	Turnout	Green Party of Manitoba / Parti Vert du Manitoba	Liberal / Libéral	NDP / NPD	PC Manitoba	Rejected	Declined	Plurality
WIEBE, Matt	11,262	3,517	31.23%	134	613	2065	694	9	2	1,371

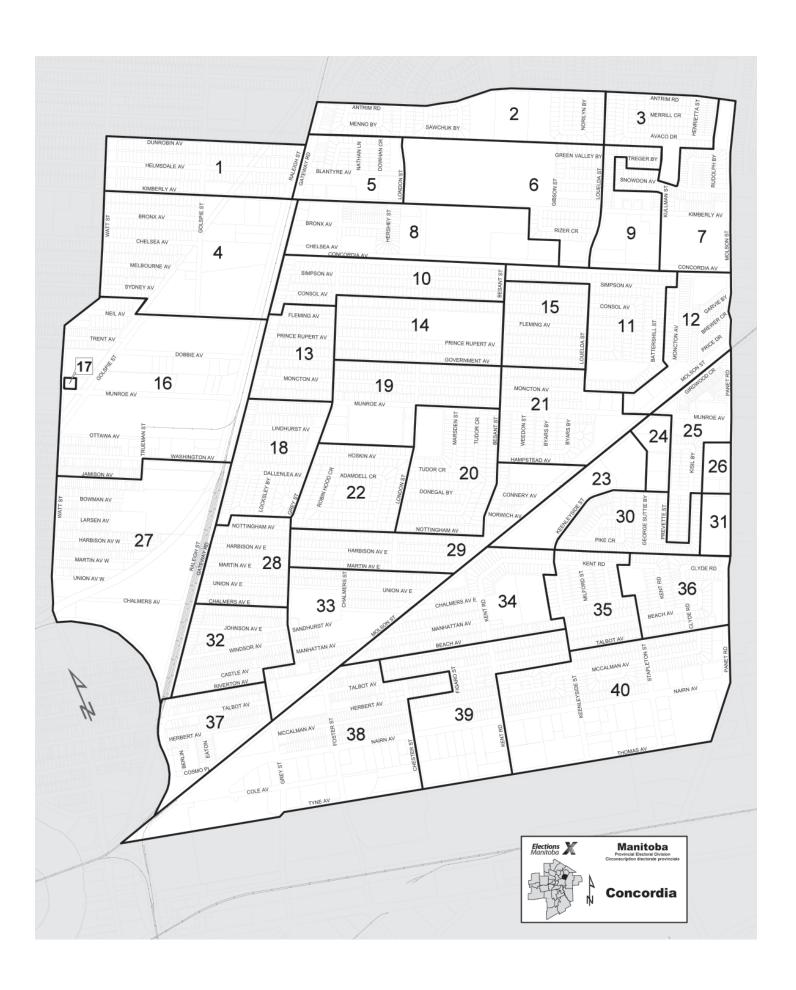
Standing of Parties

The results of this by-election did not change the standings of the parties in the Legislative Assembly. The standings for the five registered political parties remain as they were following the 39th Provincial General Election held on May 22, 2007.

Total	57
Green Party of Manitoba	0
Communist Party of Canada - Manitoba	0
Manitoba Liberal Party	2
The Progressive Conservative Party of Manitoba	19
New Democratic Party of Manitoba	36

Voting Area Map & Station-by-Station Results

*Written descriptions of voting area boundaries are included in a supplement to this report which is available upon request from Elections Manitoba.



Voting Area/Voting Place	Biebrich, Brian (PC Manitoba)	Heppner, Judi (Liberal / Libéral)	Wiebe, Matthew (NDP / NPD)	Young, Ellen (Green Party of Manitoba/ Parti Vert du Manitoba)	Rejected	Declined	Registered Voters
1 - Kildonan East Collegiate	22	14	56	1	0	0	266
2 - Kildonan East Collegiate	21	32	55	5	0	0	281
3 - Kildonan East Collegiate	14	11	46	0	0	0	237
4 - Kildonan East Collegiate	15	12	46	9	0	0	301
5 - Kildonan East Collegiate	22	10	58	0	0	0	283
6 - Kildonan East Collegiate	17	4	47	3	0	0	269
7 - Kildonan East Collegiate	16	19	46	0	0	0	298
8 - Kildonan East Collegiate	8	5	42	4	0	0	294
9 - Kildonan East Collegiate	5	23	33	4	0	0	316
10 - Kildonan East Collegiate	25	13	47	4	1	0	297
11 - Kildonan East Collegiate	40	5	52	5	0	0	331
12 - Hampstead School	9	16	36	3	0	0	361
13 - Morse Place Community Centre	8	12	40	4	0	0	256
14 - Morse Place Community Centre	12	14	53	2	0	0	297
15 - Kildonan East Collegiate	20	15	54	3	0	0	262
16 - Chalmers Community Centre	11	4	14	3	0	0	206
17 - Kildonan Horizons	6	20	47	4	0	0	112
18 - Morse Place Community Centre	14	21	67	1	0	1	310
19 - Morse Place Community Centre	19	8	50	7	2	0	273
20 - Hampstead School	19	28	76	2	1	0	323
21 - Hampstead School	45	24	68	9	1	0	347
22 - Morse Place Community Centre	22	12	63	2	0	0	288
23 - Hampstead School	1	13	24	6	0	0	198
24 - East Elmwood Community Club	8	5	15	2	0	0	239
25 - East Elmwood Community Club	5	11	26	2	0	0	267
26 - East Elmwood Community Club	3	5	9	0	1	0	153
27 - Chalmers Community Centre	10	11	23	2	0	0	312
28 - Chalmers Community Centre	9	1	27	2	0	0	300
29 - Hampstead School	17	9	55	2	0	0	317
30 - East Elmwood Community Club	14	13	49	3	0	0	204
31 - East Elmwood Community Club	6	7	15	1	0	0	177
32 - Chalmers Community Centre	13	19	42	1	0	0	329
33 - Morse Place Community Centre	10	6	26	3	0	0	268
34 - East Elmwood Community Club	21	13	28	1	0	0	259
35 - East Elmwood Community Club	19	11	37	6	0	0	268
36 - East Elmwood Community Club	10	7	33	3	0	0	277
37 - Red River Valley Jr. Academy	12	12	29	1	0	0	313
38 - Red River Valley Jr. Academy	12	10	61	4	0	0	275
39 - East Elmwood Community Club	6	17	33	2	1	1	246
40 - East Elmwood Community Club	19	12	52	3	0	0	305

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IMVS-1 - Bethania Personal Care Home and BethaniaHaus	21	10	18	1	1	0	207
IMVS-2 - Concordia Hospital/ Concordia Place	2	3	13	2	0	0	140
Adv-1 - Returning Office	32	28	107	4	0	0	0
Adv-2 - Morse Place Community Club	33	52	154	2	1	0	0
Adv-3 - The Church of God	10	1	33	3	0	0	0
Adv-4 - East Elmwood Community Club	5	8	39	0	0	0	0
Absentee	2	0	4	0	0	0	0
Homebound	4	7	17	3	0	0	0
Totals	694	613	2,065	134	9	2	11,262