The UMS-KAL (Universiti Malaysia Sabah-International Campus) polls proceeded smoothly with 1,751 students casting their ballots to elect their representatives to the Students Council (MPP). After announcing the results of the election, UMS-KAL Director Assoc. Prof. Ismail Ali called on the newly-elected leaders to work closely with the campus management for the benefit of the student body.

“This is in line with the Vice Chancellor of UMS, Prof. Dr Mohd Harun Abdullah’s priority in the students’ welfare by improving school facilities, and infrastructures as well as physical development.” The student representatives and management must resolve any issues arising through consultation and negotiation, he added.

Meanwhile, third year School of Business and International Finance student, Al Mughni Shah Jabran Aida Ros, topped the poll with 970 votes, followed by second year student, Mohd Najib Rubin, who collected 898 votes. They were made treasurer and vice president, respectively.

Making it to the Council from the faculty were Marshela Foh, Haziq Hafizuddin Tamsir, Vanessa Apinus Idris, Mohd Asyraf Zulkifli, Prem Nam Byar Vasudevan, Swindran Rajendran, Keliana Jaflan and Md Aznil Ashikin Suhaili. The latter two were appointed students services exco, and leadership and training exco.

Representing the School of Informatic Science were Lim Yao Li, Yong Yoong Shin and Muhd Mateen Mohd Sabri. Unlike campus polls in the peninsula which are sometimes raucous, the UMS-KAL election was conducted without battle lines being drawn. However, 29 spoilt votes were reported.