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FDC's Adeke voted Makerere guild boss



New Makerere University guild president Anna Adeke. PHOTO BY RACHEL MABALA

IN SUMMARY

She says she will also ensure that students' results are pinned up on the notice boards in time to allow campusers make informed decisions.

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The new Makerere University guild president-elect, Ms Anna Adeke, has said her win in the recently concluded elections is a reflection of the change in gender perceptions in the country.

Ms Adeke (FDC), who was the only female candidate in the race of eight, amassed more than 60 per cent of the total votes cast at the 30 polling stations in the university. The first female guild president in half a decade collected 6,609 votes while her closest rival - NRM's Boniface Okot - gathered 2,718 votes. Democratic Party's Martin Segawa came third with 1,313 votes

The others were Musa Byamaka (Ind) with 105 votes, Ronald Wandera (CP) with 59 votes, Martin Twinamasiko 24 votes, Kokas Okello (UPC) got 15 votes while Isaac Ssekkonge (Ind) got 13, votes followed the leading pack in that order. "My win is a reflection of the changing gender attitudes in the country. I think women are starting to gain from what they have been fighting for and it is good men are recognising this," she said yesterday. "It is going to be challenging but at the end of it all, students should expect to win."

Critical assignment

She added that her first assignment would be to convince the university to reverse the 60 per cent tuition policy, as well as ensure that the students' results are pinned up on the notice boards within a month of a new semester.

"If one does not know their results, it becomes difficult for them to plan ahead because they would not know whether they got retakes in the previous semesters and they do not know their progress, I would like that to be changed," Ms Adeke said amid a jubilating crowd that had gathered to congratulate her.

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