Kaine’s lead solid over Allen in region

From staff reports

Democrat Timothy M. Kaine has a solid lead over Republican George Allen in the greater Charlottesville region, according to poll results released Tuesday by the University of Virginia’s Center for Survey Research.

In a matchup between the two former governors running for U.S. Senate, Kaine leads Allen by a margin of 59.3 percent to 40.7 percent among voters with a preferred candidate in the city of Charlottesville and five Central Virginia counties.

Of the 900 registered voters surveyed, 15.6 percent were undecided or favored neither candidate.

UVA’s Center for Survey Research polled 1,096 adult residents of Albemarle, Greene, Nelson, Fluvanna and Louisa counties and the city of Charlottesville in its inaugural Jefferson Area Community Survey, which included the question on the Senate race. The biannual telephone survey completed its first run on Jan. 29.

Kaine won majority support in the city of Charlottesville and Albemarle, Fluvanna and Nelson counties. Allen earned majority support in Greene and Louisa counties.