STUDENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting Number 3/12
Board Room
23rd April 2012
5.35pm

Present: Hannah MacLeod (Student President), Luke Marshall, James Findlay, Dale Colbeck, Justin Stone, Brodie McGee, Jesse Clark, Rose Pullen, Cristel Chambers, Rebekah Huppatz, Joe Provenzano,

Apologies: Nathan Higginson, Ajsa Bajraktarevic, Milo Kuga, Aydan Simmons,

In Attendance: Di Wright, Andrew Nairn

AGENDA MATTERS

1. Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country

The SP opened the meeting and acknowledged that the Student Council meeting was taking place on Kaurna land and thanked the elders past and present for the use of this land.

2. Apologies

The SP notified the Student Council of the apologies received as listed above.

3. Housekeeping

a. Student President acknowledged Di Wright as secretary.

General Manager’s Report

The General Manager, Andrew Nairn addressed the Student Council.

GM advised that the University Council accepted the split of Flinders One and the establishment of the Student Association. As soon as the rules are lodged, they will take effect. The board will be significantly changed.

SSAF – GM met with Robert Houghton. 10% Food & Beverage discount is a high priority, may come into effect for the 1st May.

Clubs – GM is redrafting the constitutions for clubs. There has been a bit of confusion in regards to unincorporated and incorporated. Incorporated clubs constitution doesn’t look after students, there is a need to make it more student friendly. Clubs who are incorporated are not always being audited. Clubs & Societies will come under the Student Association.
4. Office Bearer Reports

a. Presidents Report

Nus Officer Bearers
Thursday 26th April, the NUS President, Education Officer and Women’s Officer will be visiting Flinders.

University Council
Dale, Bek, Shannon and Hannah attended the University council meeting where the split of Flinders One and the establishment of the Student Association were passed.

Student Association
SP is meeting with the Interim Manager, Robert Houghton in regarding the set up and structure of the Student Association.

Motion to accept Report: Brodie Moved, James Seconded.

b. Activites Officer

Pub Crawl
The title of the Pub Crawl is ‘Sybeeria’. The date will be Friday 3rd August, will promote the start up of the new Student Association.

Motion to accept Report: Brodie, James Seconded.

c. Queer Officer

QC is coming up, Student Council welcome to attend. The fee will be waived for Student Council members but you will need to complete a registration form. This can be found on QC2012.org. Dinners for delegates has become a problem, need a freezer to store 1000 meals.

Quiz night to be held May 18th.

Motion to accept Report: James Moved, Luke Seconded.

d. Post Graduate Officer

CAPA representatives elected at the ACM 2011. More details can be found at www.capa.edu.au. PGO attended the National ACM held at Sydney University. Conference went well, information can be found on the CAPA site. PGO has met with representatives of other Universities.

Affiliation with Darwin University and Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education is the process with CAPA.

Motion to accept Report: Brodie, James Seconded.
5. Matters for Discussion

Student Association

Need to work out structure. SP has met with Robert Houghton, he would like Student council ideas on the structure.

Membership – because of the SSAF legislation students can not automatically be a member of the Student Association. The University does not want a membership fee to be charged. An option for membership is Students who engage in any service eg Advocacy, they will then become a member. They will have an option out clause of the forms. Events such as the Pub Crawl is another activity where Student Assoc can get members, with an option out clause.

Membership – general membership for most, look at platinum membership at a later date eg $5 fee

To become a member means to represent students and receive first hand information, run campaigns.

Can apply to businesses that Adelaide University use for student discounts.

Structure – relatively same operation as now. The executive will run the different sections within the student association such as Clubs & Societies, Media etc.

Proposal for Office Bearers are

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There will not be an Environment officer or Recreation Officer. Welfare officer will take on the environment, health, wellbeing and could setup sub-committees.

Cristel opposed the idea of not having an Environ officer. She feels if the welfare officer is not interested in the environment then it won’t be pushed.

Vice President- everyone agreed that this position will be elected at the first meeting for the year. One of the office bearers can be elected to take on the role.

By-Laws – nothing at this stage in the by-laws to ensure attendance of all office bearers to student council meetings. Need 24hr notice for non-attendance. Need office bearers to be more accountable.

No provisions for when someone steps aside, thoughts are that maybe general members step up to take over. Open up the position by election by the other office bearers. Then open the general member positions to the public students.

Womens officer – open to those who identify as a woman rather than being a woman as this will take into account transgender.

Budget- need to spend the whole budget before 1st July, approach SP for money.
7. Meeting Close

The meeting officially closed at 7.15pm

Minuted by : Di Wright
Vetted by : Hannah MacLeod