FLINDERS UNIVERSITY STUDENT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5th FEBRUARY 2014

FUSA Hub Meeting Room

Present: Grace Hill, Roxanna Henshaw, Will Menzies, Tim Mitchell, Lauren Brice, Yadollah Bahrami, James Vigus, Rosalie Dow, Ira Herbold, Tut Tut, Ella Keegan-Treloar, Michael Bezuidenhout, Justin Shaw, Caleb Pattinson, Chris O’Grady, Nicholas Smith (Minutes).

Meeting opened at 6:24pm

AGENDA MATTERS

1. Open and Welcome

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

Jaka Yusuf, Haidarr Jones, Stef Rozitis.

3. Welcome Guests

Stephanie Walker

4. Accept Minutes from previous Student Council Meeting

I Motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting.

Motioned: Grace Seconded: Roxy
Motion Carried

5. Reports

I Motion to accept all received reports on block.

Motioned: Grace Seconded: Roxy
Motion Carried

6. Matters for Decision
6.1 Office Bearer Funding

I Motion that Student Council divide this amount into $2000 for each Office Bearer, excluding the President and General Secretary.

Motioned: Grace Seconded: Roxy
Motion Carried

6.2 Education Cuts

I Motion that Student Council:

1. Condemns cuts to education specifically:
   a. The $2.3 billion in education cuts proposed in 2013
   b. The Abbott Government’s slated privatisation of HECS, removal of commonwealth supported places, defunding of student unions, and reducing funding to higher education.

2. Supports the upcoming NDA, with all elected council members pledging to attend where practicable.

Motioned: Grace Seconded: James
Motion Failed
Tut Tut voted against

I Motion that the motion be amended to: Student Council:

1. Condemns cuts to education, specifically:
   a. The $2.3 billion in education cuts proposed in 2013
   b. The Abbott Government’s slated privatisation of HECS, removal of commonwealth supported places, defunding of Student Unions, and reducing funding to higher education.

2. Supports the upcoming NDA and implement on campus campaigns to inform students about cuts.

Motioned: Roxy Seconded: Tim
Motion Carried

I Motion that the amended motion be endorsed by Student Council.

Motioned: Roxy Seconded: Tim
Motion Carried

6.3 Bulk Billed GP

I Motion that Student Council condemns Terry Barnes proposed $5 fee on bulk billed GP visits. We recognise this as the latest incoming neoliberal attack by the Liberal Abbot Government, undermining the concept of public accessible health care, mostly affecting students, working class, and poorer people. Student Council calls for more funding to the health care sector and the
expansion of Bulk Billing services, and endorses the rally called. All elected Office Bearers for 2014 will pledge to attend the rally on the 25th.

Motioned: Grace  Seconded: Ira
Motion Failed

I Motion that the motion be amended to: I Motion that Student Council condemns Terry Barnes proposed $5 fee on bulk billed GP visits. We believe this undermines the concept of public accessible health care, mostly affecting students, people of lower socioeconomic backgrounds, especially indigenous Australians. Student Council calls for more funding to the health care sector and the expansion of Bulk Billing Services.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: Tim
Motion Carried

I Motion that the amended motion be endorsed by Student Council.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: Tim
Motion Carried

6.4 FUSA NAB Bank Account Signatories

I Motion that Student Council endorse the following:
As of January 1st, 2014, the new signatories will be:
Chris O’Grady (Manager, Student Engagement) or Shaun Hobby (Office Coordinator) and Grace Hill (Student President) or Roxanna Henshaw (General Secretary)

Motioned: Grace  Seconded: Tim
Motion Carried

6.5 Allocation of Student Council Representatives to Flinders One Student Consolation Groups (SCG’s)

I Motion that Student Council appoint Rosalie and Michael to the Campus Engagement SCG, Will and Justin to the Food and Beverage SCG and Tim and Ella to the Sports and Fitness SCG.

Council stops at 7.05pm

Council Resumes at 7.36pm

Motioned: Grace  Seconded: Roxy
Motion Carried

6.6 Mental Health Day 2014

6.6.1 President
I Motion that Student Council allocate $1,500 to a Mental Health Day/Week event to be held of campus.

Motioned: Grace  Seconded:
Motion Withdrawn

6.6.2 Manager of Student Engagement

I Motion that Student Council approve $2,000 from the events budget of $100,000 is contributed to Mental Health Day 2014.

Motioned: Chris  Seconded: Justin
Motion Carried

6.7 Market Day

I Motion that Student Council approve that FUSA staff and the Social Activities Officer move forward with the planning of a ‘market day’; the regularity to be decided by FUSA staff based on resources available and that a budget of $36,547 is reserved for this event across the year until a more detailed and concrete budget and plan is created.

Motioned: Chris  Seconded: Roxy
Motion Carried

6.8 Equal Opportunity and Diversity Committee

I Motion that Student Council nominate two FUSA representatives on the equal opportunity and diversity committee.

Motioned: Chris  Seconded:
Motion Postponed

6.9 Honorariums for Student Council 2013

I Motion that we approve the following people’s honorariums:

- Paul Harrison for November and December 2013
- Leon Cermak for November and December 2013
- Dominiek Neall for November and December 2013
- Adriana Allman for November and December 2013
- Abdul Alajian for November and December 2013
- Lauren Brice for November and December 2013; and
- Ordinary Council Members:
- Nadira, Will, and Tim for November and December 2013
- Roxy for November 2013

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: Tim
Motion Carried
6.10 KPI Document

I Motion that the honorarium KPI document be moved into regulation in the following form:

1. Required Hours Per Week
   - General Secretary: 10 hours per week (1 position)
   - Office Bearers: 3 hours per week (10 positions)
   - Ordinary Council: 2 hours per week (6 positions)

2. Key Performance Indicators
   1. The following KPIs apply to all Office Bearers and Ordinary Council Members.
      i. Attend meetings and provide a report on their actions; and
      ii. Attend committee work as required, such as the executive committee; and
      iii. Complete other actions as assigned to them by council
   2. The following KPIs apply to all Office Bearers and the General Secretary.
      i. Submit an Office Bearer report outlining relevant portfolio activities each month.
   3. The Council may take into consideration extenuating circumstances and any other relevant considerations when determining whether KPI requirements have been fulfilled.
   4. On-Going Performance Review

The executive will meet monthly to review the ongoing performance of each Council Member and will consider whether each Council Member has completed the required KPIs. Each Council Member will be asked no less than three days before the commencement of the executive meeting to provide a short summary of the work completed in the previous month. This document may be an OB report, or any other relevant form.

The Executive will come to a decision as to whether the KPIs have been met or not based upon the summary provided by the Council Member and any other relevant materials.

For all Council Members that have been approved by the Executive, this will go to the Council for ratification in a manner in which the Council sees fit. If Council does not vote in favour, it will go to discussion.

Any Office Bearer that the Executive do not approve will be notified and given the chance to provide additional documentation reflecting their work, and that Office Bearer’s report will go to Council for discussion.

If they work over the expected hours they will receive nothing extra but their hours may be considered the next month.

Motioned: Grace        Seconded: James
Motion Carried
6.11 Executive Committee Recommendations (2013)

I Motion that Student Council ratifies the decision of the Executive Committee in accordance with Clause 12.3 of the constitution.

Motioned: Grace  Seconded: Roxy
Motion Carried

6.12 Clubs and Societies

I Motion that the Flinders University Social Work Society be financially affiliated.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: James
Motion Carried

6.13 Compulsory Council Induction for new members

I Motion that all Student Council members elected in a by-election must attend an induction, no later than two academic weeks, where practical, after their election, with either the President or General Secretary. They should also be provided with any documents, information, items or any other such materials that Student Council, as elected at the end of the previous year, were provided at their induction.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: James
Motion Carried

6.14 Interpretation of a leave of absence

I Motion that an apology, tabled in an agenda or not and accepted at a Student Council meeting or not, no longer be considered a leave of absence.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: Ira
Motion Carried

6.15 Liason for Empire Times

I Motion that Roxy be appointed FUSA’s Liason Officer with Empire Times.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: Justin
Motion Carried

6.16 Members of the Executive

I Motion that Will and Ella be appointed by electoral vote by the Council Members of the Executive Committee.
Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: James
Motion Carried

6.17 Raising Students’ awareness about H&C Facilities

I Motion that Student Councils adopts the recommendations on raising student’s awareness about health and counselling services at Flinders.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: 
Motion Lapsed

6.18 Raising Students’ awareness about FUSA Events

I Motion that Student Council investigates publicising upcoming Flinders University Student Association events.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: Grace
Motion Carried

6.19-6.22 Regulation Changes

I Motion that the proposed changes to the Standing orders are accepted by Student Council.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: 
Motion Lapsed
I Motion that the proposed changes to the election regulations are accepted by Student Council.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: 
Motion Lapsed
I Motion that the proposed changes to the standing committees of Student Council regulations are accepted by Student Council.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: 
Motion Lapsed
I Motion that the proposed changes to the Clubs and Society regulations are accepted by Student Council.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: 
Motion Lapsed

6.23 Student Council Roles and Duties

I Motion that the Office Bearer roles and duties regulations and the Ordinary Council member roles and duties regulations be combined into a single set of regulations called “Student Council Members Roles and Duties”.
Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: Grace  
Motion Carried

6.24 Empire Times Website

I Motion that the Student Council endorse the use of a separate domain for their independent student publication (empiretimes.com.au) and that the website be afforded the same rights and responsibilities as the print publication.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: Grace  
Motion Carried

6.25 Club Certificates

I Motion that the Student Council provisionally approves expenditure on paper to produce certificates of appreciation for affiliated club and society executive members. The approval is provisional on sending through pricing to Student Council with at least 24 hours notice.

Motioned: Roxy  Seconded: Grace  
Motion Carried

6.26 Funding for O’Day for grown-ups event

I Motion that the Student Council approves $200 for the Postgraduate Officer to use for O’Day for grown-ups event on Thursday, March 6.

Motioned: James  Seconded:  
Motion Lapsed

I Motion that the motion be amended to: I Motion that the Student Council approves $500 for the Postgraduate Officer to use for O’Day for grown-ups event on Thursday, March 6.

Motioned: James  Seconded: Grace  
Motion Carried

I Motion that the amended motion be endorsed by Student Council.

Motioned: James  Seconded: Roxy  
Motion Carried

6.27 FlindersOne EFTPOS

I Motion that FUSA recommends that FlindersOne removes minimum spending amounts off their EFTPOS services.

Motioned: Tim  Seconded: James  
Motion Carried
6.28 Laundry Services for University Hall Students

I Motion that FUSA recommends this be changed and that Hall residents be able to use the washing machines for free.

Motioned: Ira  Seconded: Justin
Motion Carried

7. Matters for Noting

8. Matters for Discussion

8.1 Event Calendar for Semester 1 2014

- Roxy: calendars were left over last year, media officer would prefer to have an online calendar.
- Chris: allows for changing of event dates.

8.2 Possibility of a FUSA Food Bank initiative

- Ira: way of expanding emergency assist staff
  Food bank can source food cheaper than students can access with the current food vouchers

8.3 Student Welfare Breakfasts

- Ira: expanding the welfare breakfasts to ensure all students from all faculties have equal access.

Meeting Closed 9.16pm.