FUSA Student Council Meeting Meeting Agenda

November 4, 2014 FUSA Meeting Room 6pm

- 1. Welcome and Meeting Open
- 2. Apologies: Justin Shaw
- 3. Welcome Guests:
- 4. Approval of minutes from last meeting
- 5. Reports
 - 5.1 Student President's Report None received
 - 5.2 General Secretary's Report
 - 5.3 Education Officer's Report None received
 - 5.4 Environment Officer's Report
 - 5.5 Queer Officer's Report
 - 5.6 Women's Officer's Report None received
 - 5.7 International Officer's Report
 - 5.8 Welfare Officer's Report None received
 - 5.9 Social Activities Officer's Report
 - 5.10 Accessibility Officer's Report
 - 5.11 Post-Graduate Officer's Report
 - 5.12 Indigenous Officer's Report
 - 5.13 MSE's Report

6. Matters for Decision

- 6.1 DVD Rental Service Chris O'Grady
- 6.2 DVD Rentals Service Environment Officer
- 6.3 Endorsement of Flinders University's joint hosting of Fairly Educated 2015
 - Environment Officer

- 6.4 Endorsement of Flinders University's hosting of Students of Sustainability

 Conference 2015 Environment Officer
- 6.5 Executive Minute Taker Environment Officer
- 6.6 Exams and mental health Environment Officer
- 6.7 Pride March Queer Officer
- 6.8 International Support Service unit Accessibility Officer
- 6.9 Flinders University divestment from fossil fuels International Officer
- 6.10. Executive Committee Recommendations 6.10.1 Honorariums

7. Matters for Discussion:

7.1 FUSA Income Stream - Chris O'Grady

8. Matters for Noting

8.1 FUSA Student Elections – Chris O'Grady

5.2 General Secretary's Report October 2014

Handover

I've been working with Jonathan and Chris regarding the end of the year handover and have been preparing notes for the new General Secretary.

Regulations

I've been reviewing the Clubs and Societies Regulations and the Student Council Member Roles and Duties.

Coming Next Year

Get excited about the Clubs and Societies Handbook and the Clubs and Societies Manual.

Flinders University Student Association NAB bank account 2014

Statement of Cash at Bank		
Jan	nuary	
Opening Bank Balance		
1/1/14		1,385.62
Receipts		
DVD Rentals	21.00	
Employment Listings	10.00	31.00
Closing Bank Balance		
31/1/14		1,416.62

February		
Opening Bank Balance		
1/2/14		1,416.62
Receipts		
DVD Rentals	35.00	
Employment Listings	20.00	55.00
Closing Bank Balance		
31/2/14		1,471.62

March

Opening Bank Balance 1/3/14	1,471.62
Receipts DVD Rentals	39.00
Closing Bank Balance 31/3/14	1,510.62

April		
Opening Bank Balance		
1/4/14		1,510.62
Receipts		
Paypal transfer for pubcrawl sales		
16/04/2014	3,253.58	
Cash from pubcrawl sales	3,580.00	
DVD Rentals	20.00	
Cash Gain	10.00	6,863.58
Expenditure		
A1 Apparel Pubcrawl Shirts		(4,500.00)
Closing Bank Balance		
30/04/14		\$3,874.20

May	
Opening Bank Balance 1/5/14	16,588.55
Closing Bank Balance 31/5/14	16,588.55

	June	
Opening Bank Balance 1/6/14		16,588.55
Receipts Cash	545.8	16,588.55
Cash Gain	545.8	
Closing Bank Balance		
30/6/14		17,134.35

	July	
Opening Bank Balance		
1/7/14		17,134.35
Receipts		16,588.55
Cash	430.36	
Cash Gain	430.36	
Expenditure		
Internet Transfer	85	17,134.35
Internet Transfer	1071	
Internet Transfer	360	
Total Expenditure	1516	
Closing Bank Balance		
31/7/14		16,048.71

	August	
Opening Bank Balance		
1/8/14		16,048.71
Receipts		16,588.55
Cash	1387	
Cash	364	
Cash	3397.88	
Cash Gain	5148.88	17,134.35
Expenditure		
Internet Transfer	5000	
Internet Transfer	2985.98	
Internet Transfer	171.16	
Internet Transfer	6115	
Internet Transfer	15.5	
Total Expenditure	14287.64	
Closing Bank Balance		
31/8/14		6,909.95

	September	
Opening Bank Balance 1/9/14		6,909.95
Receipts		
Paypal	4,500	
Cash Gain	4,500	
Debits		

FBSSA Ball	585	
Total	585	
		10,824.95
Closing Bank Balance		
31/9/14		10,824.95

	October	
Opening Bank Balance		
1/10/14		10,824.95
Receipts		
Paypal	7673.86	
Deposit	1,821	
Cash Gain		9,494.86
Closing Bank Balance		
31/10/14		20,319.81

5.4 Environment Officer's report November 2014

Student Elections

As an experienced student council guy, I wrote a lengthy comment on the FUSA facebook page about the elections, including descriptions of the factions. I believe that this contributed to a better student understanding of who the students could vote for and what the different factions stood for. Although I also campaigned for Activate during elections, I tried to be unbiased in my assessment.

Sustainafair

This month I organized and ran Sustainafair, FUSA's annual sustainability clubs event. The event included live music, free healthy food giveaways, and stalls. The highlights of the day included delicious drinks from OCF, a shop-stall from Flinders Fair Trade showcasing a variety of Fairtrade goods, and melodica and beatboxing from Will Parry. Unfortunately, around two thirds of clubs that registered failed to show up on the day. This is disappointing, although given the late stage in the semester it is likely that many students had pressing deadlines that required immediate attention. Nonetheless, those students that did stop by had good conversations with the clubs present.

Thanks to Adam, Steph, and the other FUSA staff and casuals who helped with the preparation, bookings, promo, setup and packup. I would also like to thank General Council member Caleb for his help with the setup on the day.

Clubs meetings

I attended a number of meetings for clubs and societies, including FEAG, Flinders Fair Trade, and VGen.

Lake negotiations

While walking past the lake during the storm, I saw a sword in a stone. Sensing an opportunity to recycle, I removed the sword. Immediately after, a woman emerged from the lake, informing me that I was now the king of Camelot. Upon sensing her aversion to republicanism and her fondness for ruling a population without a mandate from the people, I recommended that seek a position in the Liberal cabinet. She was then struck by lightning and eaten by baby ducks so I went home.

Fairly Educated

Students from the University of Adelaide and Flinders Fair Trade have put in an application for our universities to host Fairly Educated conference for 2015. SA has never hosted this national conference, and doing so would be a great opportunity to showcase FUSA, Flinders and SA to Fair Trade advocates from around Australia and the world. This is a great opportunity for Flinders, and there's a motion coming up this meeting, but I would like to highlight that I will be on the steering committee for this conference, should Flinders be successful. I'm 99% sure we will.

5.5 Queer Officer Report October

FUQS meeting 1
Emails etc 2
Support to students 1
Queer Lunches 4
Research into safer spaces policy formation 3
Pride march banner research and business card design 2

5.7 International student's officer October report,

Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences morning tea at

I attended a morning tea organised by FUPS (Flinders University Postgraduate Society) and supported by Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences which gave me the opportunity to meet other students and talked about the assistance they can get from FUSA. We also talked about the new students Hub at the University. It was held on Monday 27^{th} of October.

Meeting with the Head of Health, Counselling and Disability Services

I had a meeting with Mr. Andrew Wood (Head Health, Counselling and Disability Services) and discuss about the International students Health cover;

The University has recently signed an agreement with Bupa (health cover provider) to be our preferred OSHC provider. This means that all new students enrolling from now will sign up for a Bupa OSHC policy.

-One advantage is no pregnancy waiting period Current students who are with Allianz will remain with Allianz.

- -Bupa is offering to run 6 free seminars for international students next year, on various health themes that are important for international students.
- -We are seeking advice from students in what students would find interesting. We have idea on a few themes such as healthy food, stress management and sleep, sexual health and so on

Meeting with Acting Dean of Flinders Living

I had a meeting with Dr Paul Tosch (Acting Dean of Flinders Living) and discussed about the potential issues around the Off-campus accommodations provided by Flinders living. We discussed about the waiting period for a 2 Bedroom flat which is too long at the moment (more than three years) and few more things. I think there are some issues around this matter. Dr Touch has promised to follow it up.

Meeting with Mr. Chris O' Grady and Mr Adam Rau

I had a meeting with Mr .Chris O' Grady and Mr Adam Rau regarding the multicultural festival. Following our discussion we decided to postpone this event to March next year. We are still following up this event.

Response to Emails.

I have replied to several emails about different issues associated with International students, several emails from CISA.

Multicultural festival proposed plan,

I have spent a few hours on preparing a proposal for the multicultural festival. Mr. Rau and I would like to have few meetings regarding organizing this event for the next year. Mrs Suckley, advised me that some rooms have access to the net-work which provide by private company and students charge based on their usage, not university WiFi. She also

mentioned that there is a negotiation going on which university provide a free WiFi to DJ village. She also has promised to allocate a room in the Community Centre equipped with two PC for Skype and OOVOO and other social activities.

5.9 Social Activities Officer

Social Activities Officer Report - October

10.10	Planning Ball Decorations	2 hrs	
16.10	Buying Ball Decorations	5 hrs	
17.10	Setting up ball	4 hrs	
22.10	Writing Ball Debrief	riting Ball Debrief 1 hrs	
23.10	Debrief with Chris, Adam 2 hrs		
	and Steph about the ball.		
	Reading/replying/sending	1 hrs	
	various emails		
Total Hours		15 hrs	

FUSA Ball 2014 Debrief

Lead up to the ball:

Facebook event

I felt that there was a lack of communication in the lead up to the ball, preventing me from having as much say as I should have as a student. A major issue that has been prevalent throughout my time as Social Activities Officer is not having access to the FUSA facebook page to create events or being made a host of the events on facebook. This resulted in the facebook event being created later than intended, despite the intended day for it to be made being made clear to the media officer and clubs and events officer weeks in advance and several requests being made for it to be put up. As I was not a host of the event I did not receive direct notifications when students asked questions about the ball in it. The clubs and events officer neglected to reply to most of the queries which resulted in me having to do it from my personal facebook, which doesn't look as professional, and some of the students having to wait 2 weeks before hearing an answer as I was not frequently checking the page, having assumed the event host would have addressed any concerns. Several people posted the same question, again making the event look very unprofessional.

Tickets

As the only student giving input on the event I feel I should have been shown the tickets before they went to the printer. The ticket lacked information such as the ending time of the event and where in the festival centre it was. We had budgeted \$500 to have the tickets printed professionally, however, they were printed in the FUSA office without my knowledge and weren't cut straight, providing an unprofessional end product. The organization of the ticket printing was lacking, I had several students asking me when they were available for pick up and when I emailed the clubs and events officer asking this I was told he would ring the company and find out, I was never told however that tickets would be printed from the office.

Communication

As the event should have been a student run event for students I was very disappointed to be left out of most of the organization. Despite asking on more than one occasion to

be copied into all of the emails between the clubs and events officer and the festival centre I wasn't. At one point I emailed the clubs and events officer asking how many tables were going to be in the room so I would know how many centrepieces to buy, I didn't hear from him so rang the festival centre instead where I was informed he had actually called up to get this information but never forwarded it on to me. I was also told I would be regularly updated on ticket sales during the one week they were being sold on the plaza, however, I was given one update throughout the entire week. I wasn't even told the number of tickets we sold until I emailed asking for it. On a similar note, I had asked for the FUSA ball ticket store to be a banner on the homepage of the fusa website, however, this wasn't done until weeks after I asked and after I mentioned it several times.

On the night:

Photographer

Looking through the photos of the ball after the event I saw that there were photos of people posing as they left the venue with armfuls of decorations and people throwing the decorative 'snow' in the air. Some of those decorations were provided by Visage (the A.V. company who themed the room) and can cost up to \$500 to replace so it was very disappointing seeing someone who is being paid by FUSA encouraging activities that will cost FUSA money and leave a bad reputation for FUSA behind.

Festival Centre Staff

The staff were extremely rude and clearly unhappy to be working the ball. The staff working at the bar would rarely ask what drink you were after, only stare at you until you spoke to them. Often they didn't tell you what food they were serving until you asked them, this is not only a customer service issue but also for anyone with allergies/dietary requirements.

Far in advance I had been told nothing could be stuck on the walls, when setting up the ball, Lindon, from Visage, assisted me with the photo backdrop. I had asked him to hang it for me and he suggested we stuck it to the wall, after I said no he assured me it would be okay (he works at the festival centre often) I told him that if he wanted to do that it would be on him and not me if anything were to happen. After the event when I was taking the backdrop down I had a member of the festival centre staff run up to me and tell me that nothing was allowed to be stuck to the walls, I had to tell him repeatedly that Lindon had approved it and it wasn't me and that nothing had been damaged before he stopped speaking rudely to me and left.

Student eviction

An incident that I personally did not see occur on the night, was two people throwing bottles in the room. Understandably these students were told to leave the venue, not so understandably the three people who had been near them laughing were also told to leave. I was told that the people laughing were kicked out because the laughter could have been encouraging the disruptive behavior, however, those attendees didn't do anything wrong and did not deserve to be forced out of the event. One of the people involved has now written on the facebook event that they want their money back and they think that what happened was unfair. This is a bad image for FUSA and now those people and their friends are very unlikely to come to or support any future FUSA events.

Event time

The facebook page and tickets only said the start time of the event, not the end time, which led many people to assume the event went until midnight. This was confirmed when, on the facebook page, someone asked what time they would have to leave and the FUSA account replied with midnight. On the night, however, food stopped being served at around 9.30pm and drinks and music ended at 11pm along with the lights being turned on. Though people didn't have to leave the venue immediately, the event was effectively over which upset many who attended and people were asked to leave before 12, despite what had been said by FUSA on the facebook page.

Positives

The venue looked good, most attendees seemed to be having a lot of fun before they were told to leave at 11. Though we didn't sell as many tickets as last year the venue still looked fairly full.

5.10 Accessibility Officer's Report

October 2014

- 1. Student Council monthly meeting
- I. Due to waiting for election result and unable to fill qorum in the following week, the council meeting was postpone to October 21^{st,} 2014. Ability officer addressed and issue where a student with disability (psycosocial disability) felt harassed by other students action during campaign activities.
- 2. Student with disabilities complain miss-use of adaptive technology room
- II. In response to several emails regarding the adaptive technology room being use as gaming and group chat by other student with disabilities, Ability officer encourage disability counselor Paula William to send a warning email to all student with disabilities regarding the usage of the room involving student or people without disabilities. It is now agreed that beside student with disabilities as user of the room, students with disabilities are allowed to bring 1 tutor, or volunteer/assistant to support their work. The adaptive technology room is now declared as non social area.
- 3. Loop bus accessibility
- III. Ability officer had a small meeting with 2 other students with physical disability in regards of accessibility feature in loop bus. Student request wheelchair straps on board the bus, audible and text announcer for destination and wider landing space on each stops.
- 4. Advocating student with dyslectic
- IV. Ability officer responsed to request of advocacy from student with dyslectic. Ability officer support him to communicate with ISSU and disability counselors regarding his reasonable accommodation support, which is tutoring and editor for his assignments. The student is entitled of those services as part of his scholarship program. The case still on going at this moment.
 - 5. Meeting a student with psycosocial disability
- V. Ability officer received an email from a student with anxiety disorder who felt harassed by other student during campaign session. Ability officer responsed to her by offering a meeting to clarified the issue. The meeting was scheduled on Friday, October 24th, 2014. Unfortunately it was canceld by her due to her health condition. The case is still on going.

5.11 Postgraduate Officer October Report.

Anti-Muslim Racism

During October I have continued to work closely with students impacted by the ongoing anti-Muslim racism. Many of Flinders Muslim community are post-graduate students. My activity has involved a series of meeting with individual students as well as with representatives from the Islamic Society of students at Flinders and Adelaide University. I have also had extensive contact with the Flinders Indonesian student society and attended an event organized by members of that society at Flinders to speak out against anti-Muslim racism.

In co-junction with the above groups I helped organise a forum that was well attended by many Flinders students, including many non-Muslims. The forum had a range of speakers including representatives from Flinders clubs impacted by recent racism. Leading human rights lawyer, Claire O'Connor SC also spoke to give a legal perspective. In the lead up to the meeting, I had a private meeting with Claire to discuss the situation at Flinders in regards to the impact of the racism on Muslim students at Flinders and any legal responsibilities of Flinders University in regards to the safety of Muslim students at Flinders and in the wider Adelaide community.

National Day of Action.

For the NDA (OCT 16th), I helped collect 100s of signatures of students for an open letter to the incoming Flinders VC, Colin Sterling asking him to oppose fee deregulation and increases, as well as keeping the medical service free even if a Medicare co-payment is introduced by the federal government. During the NDA over a number of hours, I spoke to many students include a large number of postgraduate students about the current situation of the higher education reforms the current government is trying to pass through the Federal Parliament.

The good news is it looks increasingly likely the government will not be able to pass through these unfair to student measures. This will be a real victory for the national campaign led by the National Union of Students (NUS) and locally at Flinders by FUSA. Well done to everyone involved, you should be proud of your actions this year, in particular our President Grace Hill. The defeat of the government reforms (attacks) to higher education will also mean postgraduate students will not face fees for their research degrees.

5.12 Indigenous Officer's Report

FUSA Council Meeting Tuesday 4th November, 2014

Indigenous Officer's Report

October/November 2014

Thanks to those who decided to let me to part of FUSA as the Indigenous Student Officer.

Made contact with FUSA Wednesday 29th October. Met with Grace Hill, James Vigus, Steph Walker, Shaun Hobby, Jonathon Louth and others to get aquainted and do introductions. Spoke with Grace about what my role entails and Shaun assisted me with applying for security access to FUSA with my card.

I also met with and had ISO related discussions with Latoya who will take over the role in 2015 after successfully campaigning for the role. It is planned that I will collaborate closely with her and other FISA members during my time with FUSA to make the handover as smooth as possible.

Latoya expressed that time is pressing for deadlines for funding to be spent. At this stage it is priority for me to have access funding details intended for Indigenous events and the like.

Latoya and I discussed spending monies on FISA T-shirts and anything else that monies allow depending on funding available before end of semester. Grace mentioned there are two lots of funding available so I would like to get this organised as soon as possible as time is running out.

I also met with Ali Baker from Yunggorendi on Wednesday and asked her if there were any events that I could be involved in as the FUSA ISO to which she reported that Yunggorendi are holding an information day on campus for Indigenous secondary students in years 8, 9 and 10 from the southern suburbs schools in November, 2014. There will be around 80-100 students attending the event hosted by Yunggorendi. Latoya and I will collaborate in introducing ourselves and giving a speech about the role as ISO on campus as a support network and to inform them of the services available to them. Ali with keep me updated in regard to this.

Manager Student Engagement - Update - NOVEMBER 2014

FUSA Staff

Administrative Assistant

Stacy Basset has accepted the above position in a continuing capacity, which is wonderful.

Office Coordinator

Di Wright, who has been seconded to the School Medicine for the last year (substantive position – Office Coordinator) has recently accepted a continuing position in the school. I would like to extend our congratulations to Di. As a consequence of this, the Office Coordinator position will be advertised shortly as a continuing position.

2015 FUSA/Office of Student Engagement Budget

I am hoping that in the next week, I will be able to begin a period of student consultation regarding the entire 2015 Draft SSAF Budget (including that if FUSA/OSE). This feedback will then be discussed at the SSAF Budget Advisory Committee and a final proposal will be submitted to the VC for approval.

The non-SSAF component has to be approved by the DVC(A) and VC and will occur in December.

Movement of FUSA, Empire Times and Equity Spaces

During the Hub build, it is likely that FUSA will move to Level 4 Engineering but this is still to be confirmed. It is increasingly looking as if the move period will be in late December/early January. I will keep Student Council posted on this.

The Queer Space and Women's Room will have no location over the Uni break but will move into space under McHugh's before moving into their permanent homes in the new Student Hub. There was a meeting last week with the Queer and Women's Officer and both were happy with the plans for 2015.

FUSA Student Elections

I would like to congratulate all candidates that won a position on next years Student Council, the Empire Times Editorial Team and NUS Conference Delegates. I would also like to thank all candidates who participated in the elections.

The Student Representation and Development Officer is reviewing the Election regulations after they proved to be quite inadequate during the last election. Please get

in touch with Jonathon if you would like to be a part of an informal group to ensure that these regulations are updated appropriately.

Flinders One Student Consultation Groups

In consultation with the General Manager and Chair of Flinders One, a decision has been made to cease these groups. Notwithstanding the fact that student attendance was poor, we believe there are better mechanisms that we can create for students to give their input into on-campus food and beverage, sport and fitness and campus life. Over the coming months, I will be working with FUSA Student Reps, FUSA staff and University senior executive on a new more effective consultation mechanism.

Matters for Decision 6.1 DVD Rental Service

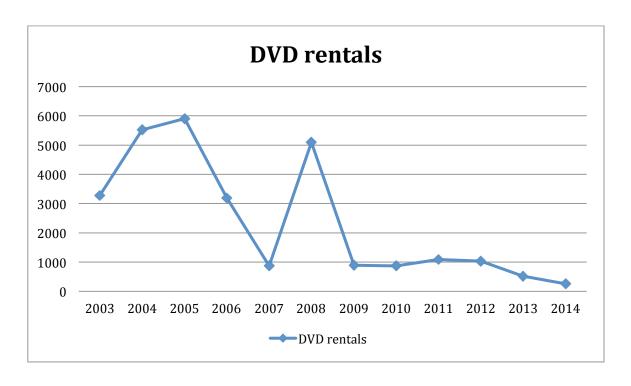
FUSA inherited the DVD rental service from Flinders One in 2012. Since then, DVD rental has halved each year and income from the service has also decreased. Please see below facts and attached spreadsheet on income.

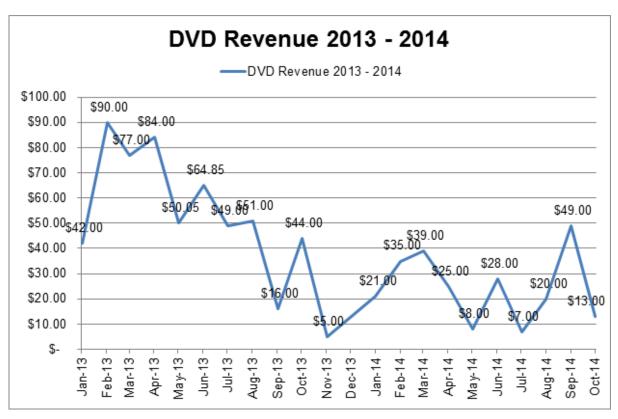
Given that FUSA will be moving in November/December, it is now timely that Student Council consider the future of the service. It is costly to keep the service running (the need to keep buying new and relevant DVD's) for a service in 2014 at least has only served 33 unique FUSA members. Income is also minimal.

Facts:

- FUSA owns approximately 1,200 DVDs.
- Flinders University has hired DVDs and CDs since 1996. CDs were discontinued in 2008.
- DVD Rentals began in 2003.
- DVD Rentals were significantly reduced in 2006/2007 due to structural changes and not market changes.

Year	DVD rentals	Unique Members
2003	3281	114
2004	5520	127
2005	5906	104
2006	3194	80
2007	865	39
2008	5097	294
2009	891	42
2010	873	67
2011	1092	77
2012	1033	61
2013	522	34
2014	257	33





The options going forward include the following:

- Continuation of DVD rentals in the new hub.
- Abandonment of DVD rentals.
- Self-managed DVD Kiosk.
- Hired and externally managed DVD Kiosk.

If Student Council were to decide to abandon the service, the DVD's could be sold for students and monies raised (could be approx. \$2,000) go back to students in the form of text book grants or the like.

This was discussed last week and Student Council indicated that the preference was to abandon the service in light of the above but a final decision has been deferred to this meeting as some members would like to have a plan for the DVD's before this is agreed to. Given FUSA's move in the coming weeks, I would like to make a definitive decision on this whilst SC considers what to do with the DVD's

Motion: The FUSA DVD Service will cease this year and will not continue in 2015.

6.2 DVD rentals - Environment Officer

Only 33 unique students accessed FUSA's DVD rental service last year, and it delivers little value to the population of Flinders students as a whole. DVD rentals are not covering costs, and have been on a downward trend in recent years. In order to remain relevant to "the kids/whippersnappers" and to remain more financially viable than Blockbuster Video (a historical corporation famed for rentals of both Betamax and VHS "talkies", as well as Atari game rentals), FUSA should cease its DVD rentals.

I move a motion that:

- 1. FUSA ceases DVD rentals immediately.
- 2. FUSA opens up the DVDs to clubs to purchase the dvds at \$5 per dvd for the remainder of 2014.
- 3. After Jan 1st 2014, FUSA donate the remaining DVDS to the library.
- 4. Should the library decline to accept any DVDs, these should be donated to Goodwill.

6.3 Endorsement of Flinders University's joint hosting of Fairly Educated 2015 – Environment Officer

Fairly Educated is a not for profit initiative that aims to unite university Fair Trade movements across the globe. Fairly Educated is a platform for tertiary Fair Trade campaigns all around the world to share their resources and experiences in order to further the Fair trade movement. Previous conferences have been held in Sydney, Melbourne, Tasmania and Brisbane, but never in Adelaide.

An SA Fairly Educated 2015 steering committee have applied for this conference to be hosted by South Australian students from Flinders and Adelaide University.

This is a great opportunity to showcase Flinders and FUSA to the rest of Australia and to the world. It also provides a great opportunity to promote social justice principles to staff and students, and to push for improvements to University Fair Trade policy, in accordance with Flinders' Future Focus strategic plan. Hosting the conference will also be a great learning opportunity for the 1000 Flinders students who have signed a petition calling on Flinders University to become Fair Trade Accredited. Organising the

conference will also provide valuable real-world learning opportunities for those involved.

The organisation of this conference will fall to a steering committee comprised of Flinders Fair Trade Society and Flinders VGen members, Adelaide University Fair Trade advocates, Fairly Educated convenors, and South Australian Fair Trade Network (SAFT) members, among others. These groups have already started planning. While this conference is not FUSA's responsibility, and FUSA is not authorised to direct the actions of the organisers, the conference will touch on the portfolio of the Environment Officer for 2015.

I move a motion that

- 1. Student Council approve the SA bid for the 2015 Fairly Educated Conference.
- 2. Student Council call on Flinders University to support the conference and the students and staff involved in hosting it in any way possible, such as through making grounds available at no charge, and other logistical needs.
- 3. The total amount remaining 2014 Environment Officer's budget at December 1 2014 be held aside for 2015 and made available to the organizers of the 2015 Fairly Educated Conference.
 - a. Should SA not be selected as hosts of the 2015 Fairly Educated conference, this motion will cease to operate.
 - b. These funds must be spent on the organization and hosting of the conference only, and not for any other purpose.
 - c. For FUSA to cover the cost of an expense, documentary evidence of all must be provided to FUSA in the normal manner.
 - d. Should both this motion and the Students of Sustainability motion be approved, organisers both conferences will be entitled to exactly 50% of the available funds each as laid out in this motion. Should only this motion pass, organisers of the Fairly Educated conference will be entitled to 100% of available funds as laid out in this motion.
 - e. All remaining funds not spent two weeks after the completion of the conference(s) should revert to the 2015 FUSA events budget.

6.4 Endorsement of Flinders University's hosting of Students of Sustainability Conference 2015 – Environment Officer

Students of Sustainability is an annual conference bringing together activists, speakers, educators and artists from around Australia for a week of celebration, solidarity, delicious food, networking and camping. SoS is based at a different university campus each year. In 2015, SOS will be held at Flinders University, Adelaide.

This organisation of this conference will fall to Flinders Environment Action Group (FEAG) and South Australian Student Environment Network (SASEN). These groups have already started planning. While this conference is not FUSA's responsibility, and FUSA is not authorised to direct the actions of the organisers, the conference will touch on the portfolio of the Environment Officer for 2015.

This is a great opportunity to showcase Flinders and FUSA to the rest of Australia and to the world. It also provides a great opportunity to promote sustainability principles to

staff and students, in accordance with Flinders' Future Focus strategic plan. Organising the conference will also provide valuable real-world learning opportunities for those involved.

I move a motion that

- 1. Student Council congratulate FEAG and SASEN for being selected to host the 2015 Students of Sustainability conference.
- 2. Student Council call on Flinders University to support the conference and the students and staff involved in hosting it in any way possible, such as through making grounds available at no charge, and other logistical needs.
- 3. The amount remaining 2014 Environment Officer's budget at December 1 2014 be held aside for 2015 and made available to the organizers of the 2015 Fairly Educated Conference.
 - a. Should SA not be selected as hosts of the 2015 Fairly Educated conference, this motion will cease to operate.
 - b. All funds must be spent on the organization and hosting of the conference, and not for any other purpose.
 - c. Documentary evidence of all expenditures must be provided to FUSA for
 - d. Should both this motion and the Fairly Educated motion be approved, organizers both conferences will be entitled to exactly 50% of the available funds each as laid out in this motion. Should only this motion pass, organisers of Students of Sustainability conference will be entitled to 100% of available funds as laid out in this motion.
 - e. All remaining funds not spent two weeks after the completion of the conference(s) shall revert to the 2015 FUSA events budget.

6.5 Executive minute taker - Environment Officer

Student Council Executive should have a minute taker. This is for clarity and accuracy of records, and the transparency of Student Council Executive meetings, as well as to ensure that all executive members are able to fully participate in the meeting without the burden of taking notes.

Motion: I move a motion that Student Council executive meetings have a separate minute taker. This minute taker is to be either a paid member of FUSA or Flinders staff, or another person paid at the same rate as the Student Council minute taker. The minute taker is not to be a member of the Student Council Executive.

6.6 Exams and mental health - Environment Officer

This end of semester is a tough time for students.

I move a motion that FUSA promote Flinders Health and Counseling, Lifeline and Beyond Blue on its Facebook page over the next month.

6.7 Pride March - Queer Officer

Feast Festival and Pride March are important events for the South Australian Queer Community. Pride March is an opportunity for all members of the queer community to demonstrate pride in their identities, and for many, to make a political stand against our current culture, which is riddled with homophobia and heteronormativity. Feast Festival is a celebration of a wide range of gender expression and sexual identities. The festival runs for two weeks, with events ranging from drag shows to food and wine evenings to queer movie screenings. It culminates in a community event called 'Picnic in the Park'. In an effort to encourage young queer people to attend this, and to demonstrate FUSA's support of Flinders University queer students, I believe it is worthwhile to sponsor some tickets.

Motion: I move that student council approve funds for Flinders University Queer Society involvement in Pride March and Feast Festival 2015.

- \$100 for the production of a banner to be carried in the pride march. The banner will be white with the new Queer Society's logo on it.
- \$50 for business cards with information about the FUQS to be handed out during Pride march and other Feast event.
- \$250 to provide 25 tickets to Picnic in the Park at Feast festival, for Flinders University students who identify as queer or allies.

6.8 International Support Service unit - Accessibility Officer

Motion: I Motion that International Support Service Unit (ISSU) review their cooperation with Phil Hoffman Travel Agent, due to many complains from international students who received unreasonable travelling routes by the travel agent.

6.9 Flinders University divestment from fossil fuels – International Officer Building on the momentum of ANU's bold move to announce its divestment from the fossil fuel industry, and the wave of public support this action has received, I'd like to ask the Student Council to put forward a motion for a similar action at Flinders University.

This is in the interests of the university as well as wider society for the following reasons:

- 1. With the current lobbying power of the fossil fuel industry, the only way to facilitate a fast enough transition from a carbon economy to a sustainable one is to make the latter undeniably more financially attractive. The government's current policies fall well short of achieving this, and so our hope lies with the open market. It will take a swing in investment from large institutions such as the universities, to trigger a snowball effect of divestment from oil and gas and investment into renewable technologies.
- 2. It is inappropriate and contradictory for learning institutions such as universities, which are responsible for inspiring technological and social progress, to support an industry which is on path to cause catastrophic environmental damage, leading to unprecedented economic, political and social problems the world over.

3. With current trends with regard to public attitudes, advancements in technology, and the corporate and political climates, it is only a matter of time until the fossil fuels bubble bursts. Meanwhile, it is well known that Australia is on the back end of its resources boom. It therefore makes financial sense for Flinders to shift investment now, from an industry in decline to one of the world's fastest growing ones, and at the same time enhance its public image.

Motion I motion that Student Council supports and approves Flinders University divestment from fossil fuels.

6.10. Executive Committee Recommendations 6.10.1 Honorariums

6.9.2 Honorariums

Motion: I motion that we approve the following honorariums:

Matters for Discussion:

7.1 FUSA INCOME STREAMS - Chris O'Grady

The Student President and myself meet regularly with Shane McGregor who is the Senior Vice President of Flinders University. We have discussed the subject of FUSA being able to create a passive income stream as an alternative to SSAF funds. These funds could be used for activities such as 'in person' elections and other activities that may not necessarily be included under the SSAF allowed expenditure listing.

I would like Student Council to have an initial discussion and consider how, why and what with regards to an income stream for FUSA.

8. Matters for Noting:

8.1 FUSA Student Elections - Chris O'Grady

The Student Representation and Development Officer is reviewing the Election regulations after they proved to be quite inadequate during the last election. Please get in touch with Jonathon if you would like to be a part of an informal group to ensure that these regulations are updated appropriately.