# Student Council Agenda

# Tuesday 5th February 2013 4pm

- 1. Welcome & Meeting Open
- 2. Apologies: None Received
- 3. Welcome Guests
- 4. Accept Minutes From Previous Meeting
- 5. In-Camera Discussion
- 6. Report
  - 6.1. President's Report
  - 6.2. General Secretary's Report
  - 6.3. Education Officer's Report
  - 6.4. Women's Officer's Report
  - 6.5. Queer Officer's Report *currently vacant*
  - 6.6. Post Graduate Officer's Report
  - 6.7. Environment Officer's Report
  - 6.8. International Officer's Report
  - 6.9. Indigenous Officer's Reports
  - 6.10. Welfare Officer's Report
  - 6.11. Other Reports

#### 7. Matters Carried Forward

- 7.1. Student Editors
  - 7.1.1. Open Dialogue
  - 7.1.2. In Camera Discussion
- 7.2. Executive Committee Recommendations to be Accepted
  - 7.2.1. Honorarium, In Camera Discussion
  - 7.2.2. Tele/Video Conferencing
  - 7.2.3. Executive Committee Requirements
  - 7.2.4. UK LGBT Conference
  - 7.2.5. Ed-Con

9.6. Club's Fair Day & Breakfast

9.7. NUS Table at O-Week

- 7.3. Pub Crawl **Paul Harrison** 7.4. Mental Health Day/Week **Dale Colbeck** 7.5. PA System **Brodie McGee** 7.6. PokitPal **Brodie McGee** 8. Matters for Decision 8.1. Flinders Equal Opportunities Committee Leon Cermak 9. Matters for Discussion 9.1. National Day of Action Leon Cermak 9.2. O-Week Debrief 9.3. Quiz Night Debrief 9.4. Storage Space for Student Council **Christopher Sellwood** 9.5. FUSA Ball + Future Events
  - Lauren Brice / Brodie McGee Paul Harrison/Dale Colbeck Brodie McGee

- 10. Any Other Business
- 11. Meeting Closed

# **4** Previous Minutes

# Meeting: Tuesday 19th February 4pm

- Present: Abdullah Alajlan, Adriana Allman, Jayson Bailey, Lauren Brice, Leon Cermak, Paul Harrison, Jake Lane, Hannah MacLeod, Brodie McGee, Dominiek Neall, Chris O'Grady, Christopher Sellwood, Kingsley Whittenbury.
- **Observers:** Nory Black
- Apologies: Dale Colbeck, Jacinta Haseldine
- Not Present: Hannah MacLeod
- 1. Open & Welcome Meeting Opened: 4:04pm
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Accept minutes from previous meeting

Motion to accept the minutes from the previous Student Council meeting Tuesday 5 February 2013 amended to include Jayson Bailey as present.

Moved: Dominiek Neall Seconded: Abdullah Alajlan

#### **Motion Carried**

#### 4. Welcome Guests- Flinders Living President, Nory Black

The Flinders Living President, Nory, attended the Student Council meeting to discuss her role, the structure of the hall and the village and how a working relationship with FUSA can be established.

An idea was raised by the Student Council of the possibility of having SSAF funded emergency beds for homeless students studying at Flinders University.

#### 5. In Camera Discussion

- 6. Reports
  - 6.1. Education Officer
  - 6.2. Post-Graduate Officer

#### Motion to accept the tabled reports

Moved: Brodie McGee

Seconded: Paul Harrison

### **Motion Carried**

#### 7. Matters Carried Forward

**7.1.** Working Party Reports 7.1.1. Quiz Night

Some donated gifts have been received to be given out as prizes at the FUSA quiz night.

Further, some questions have been received to be used on the night and many specific question rounds have been decided.

Flinders One have agreed to supply staff to work the bar for the night and will keep the venue open until 12pm.

7.1.2. Pub Crawl

The decision has been made to have 3 separate groups .The venues have been finalised and confirmed

7.1.3. O-Week

7.1.3.1. Need volunteers for Comedy Night & Fair Day

Training for the use of the Fairy Floss machine is to occur on 21/02/2013 to be used at Clubs Day.

Student Council discussed the need for members to volunteer to help during the Comedy Night at O'Week.

7.1.4. Co-Op

No Update

7.1.5. Mental Health Day

No Update

#### 7.2. Honorarium

Student Council Executive will meet next week to discuss KPIs and whether members have met them to date. This decision will be considered at the next Student Council meeting.

#### 7.3. CISA Cost

It was noted that Student Council was informed previously that the cost to affiliate with CISA is \$200. It was raised that this amount is incorrect and that the correct affiliation fee is \$250.

#### 8. Matters for Discussion

Motion to move Smoking Ban Recommendations from Matters from Decision to Matters for Discussion

Moved: Kingsley Whittenbury Seconded: N/A

No seconder received – Motion Lapses.

8.1. Flinders One Opening Hours

Student Council has asked to extend opening hours of Coopers Bar in order to increase student life and student culture on campus.

Student Council discussed which three nights should have extended opening hours.

The Student Council decided to extend opening hours on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

#### 8.2. O-Week

FUSA will be running the Silent Disco. It has been arranged that the Red Bull DJ will run 2 channels on the headphones and that Student Council may run a third channel.

#### 8.3. Quality Student Survey

The Student President suggested that the Student Council should establish a whole survey of all services and features of the university including student life.

An incentive for completing the survey would be included in order to increase the number of completed surveys.

It was also discussed whether or not the survey should be in one form or multiple forms. The concern was raised that if the survey is only presented in one physical form that not all demographics may be reached.

It was also suggested that the Student Council may be able to tie in the survey with the University Surveys or NUS surveys.

#### 8.4. Large Scale Student Survey for Food/Bev

A large scale student survey into the Food and Beverages offered on campus will be conducted. The Manager, Student Engagement suggested that Student Council may be able to have input into the survey.

The survey may be done by an external organisation.

#### 8.5. Empire Times Editor Honorarium

Currently the editors of Empire Times receive an honorarium of \$200 per issue. It was given by the Student Council that the expectation was to have 10 editions spread monthly editions during the university year.

Student Council discussed the possibility of setting KPIs in order to ensure that issues are released on time to help ensure the success of Empire Times. Student Council wishes to meet with the editors of Empire Times to discuss the delay in the release of Empire Times.

#### 8.6. Mental Health Training

The University is holding mental health training for staff to educate staff around dealing with mental health issues

The Manager, Student Engagement stated that there is a possibility for the training to also be undertaken with Student Council.

All Student Council members expressed that they would like to undergo the training.

#### 9. Matters for Decision

**9.1.** Clubs & Societies' Regulations- Amendments

The Student Council discussed the proposed amendments to the Clubs & Societies Regulations.

Two changes to the amendments were received:

That the definition of asset be changed to the definition used in the Statement of Accounting Concepts 4 as established by the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

14.1 - that the word digital be changed to intangible.

Motion to accept the proposed amendments to the Clubs and Societies Regulations with the further amendments suggested during student council and that spelling, numbering and formatting is corrected.

Moved: Brodie McGee Seconded: Leon Cermak

Motion Carried (Absent from vote: Kingsley Whittenbury)

9.2. Flinders One Working Party

It has been suggested that there should be increased student input into Flinders One. A working group of students should be established in order to provide this input.

Student Council would like to receive evidence relating to the justification of price rises on campus, ensuring they relate only to CPI increases.

#### 9.3. Semester One Meeting Dates

The meeting dates, times and frequency for the next month needs to be set by student council.

The Student Council agreed that the meetings should continue fortnightly on Tuesday nights at 6:00pm from the 19th of March.

#### 9.4. EO Committee Nominations

The Equal Opportunity Committee at Flinders University has two spots which may be filled by Student Council members. Student council proposed that those spots be filled by nomination and vote by Student Council.

I motion that the Women's, Queer and International Officers receive preference for postions on the Equal Opportunities Committee and the Student Council elect those positions upon self nomination.

Moved: Brodie McGee Seconded: Jake Lane

**Motion Carried** 

#### 9.5. SSAF Response, University Wide

The Manager, Student Engagement, received an email from Robert Horton informing him that the Commonwealth Government has asked for feedback on the SSAF from the University. This feedback may also include feedback from the Student Council. I motion that the Education Officer makes a recommendation on SSAF for the Student Council based on recommendations by Student Council members to be brought before the Student Council executive.

Moved: Leon Cermak

Seconded: Paul Harrison

Motion Carried.

9.6. First Year Sub Committee

I motion that the Student Council accepts the proposed amendments to the standing committee regulations establishing the 1st year sub-committee					
Moved: Paul Harrison	Seconded Kingsley Whittenbury				
Motion carried.					

#### 9.7. Smoking Ban Recommendations

The question was raised by the Post-Graduate officer as to why FUSA is not moving towards a full campus smoking ban.

The General Secretary addressed the fact that there are many student safety concerns with requiring students to leave campus. In particular, it was noted that there is no surveillance in the immediate vicinity around the Bedford Park and Sturt campuses.

I motion that the Flinders University Student Association accepts the Smoking Ban Recommendations as proposed							
Moved: Paul Harrison	Seconded: Christopher Sellwood						
Motion Carried							

#### 9.8. Club Grants Process

The Student Council discussed the clubs grant process.

The suggest processes as agreed by Student Council is: A small cash grant for clubs Reimbursement for evidenced purchases by clubs Payments of quotes given to the Student Association by clubs

#### 9.9. Flinders One: O-Week Contribution

FUSA received a request for payment to Flinders One of \$2,500 because FUSA does not own a Sound System.

I motion that FUSA contributes \$1,500 instead of \$2,500 on the proviso that it is<br/>specifically stated that the money is for the Comedy Act and not the sound system.Moved: Brodie McGeeSeconded: Christopher SellwoodMotion Carried

In the process of establishing a FUSA discount card / App, FUSA has contacted and investigated a number of options.

These investigation focused mainly around Edge, Ambassador's Card, Pokitpal and ISD

Student Council discussed the options and the consensus was that Pokitpal was the most relevant discount provider for university students.

 I motion that the Student Council adopts Pokitpal as its discount service provider

 Moved: Paul Harrison
 Seconded: Brodie McGee

 Motion Carried

#### 10. Any Other Business

**10.1.** Admin for 5/3/2012

The Student Council requires an admin for 5/3/2012

10.2. DeCafe closed

The Postgraduate officer brought it to the attention of Student Council that DeCafe was closed during high heat meaning both staff and students had no cool place to rest or purchase cool drinks on the Sturt Campus.

10.3. Nominations for International Sub-committee

I motion that the nominations for International Sub-committee be accepted					
Moved: Brodie McGee	Seconded: Leon Cermak				
Motion Carried					

#### 11. Meeting Close

Meeting Closed: 9:40pm

# 5.1 President's Report

# Brodie McGee, 5/3/2013

# **Academic Senate**

The first meeting of Academic Senate has met and several course changes have occurred- nothing that dramatically impacts on students at all. The Senate's Meeting Minutes are publicly available for those interested.

# **All-Student Public Forum**

This is being conducted on the 7<sup>th</sup> March 4pm in Humanities. We will require S.C. volunteers for this, and unfortunately it was planned at the same time as University Council- I will try to leave early. The main questions being asked are around what students would like to see on campus, the hypothetical being asked:

"If you had \$100k to spend on bringing and maintaining student culture at Bedford Park, what would you do with it?"

# **Bank Fees**

A student has come into FUSA and asked that the Student Council investigate the \$2.00/\$1.50 charge that is incurred when using the ATMs on campus if you are not a NAB customer.

I have spoken with the staff members in NAB and they have assured me it is the institute (bank) that charges that fee, not the company where the ATM resides.

Chris is continuing the investigation by looking into whether or not NAB holds an exclusive contract of ATMs. If they do not, we may be able to place additional ATMs on campus to provide a choice. If they do, we may need to fight the bank as an institution.

# PGSS

I recently attended a national Special General Meeting of CAPA(Council of Australian Postgraduate Associations), where the agenda item was to disaffiliate PGSS (Post Graduate Student Society, Flinders) and affiliate FUSA.

Joe Provenzano is claiming to CAPA that PGSS is still in existence and that he remains the President of the Society. This may be the case, however FUSA has seen no evidence of this and Joe has not approached FUSA to work together in representing students.

The current understanding of FUSA is that we are the peak representatives of all student groups on campus. The University and the Student Body mimic this understanding.

CAPA heard the for and against disaffiliation of PGSS and took it to a vote. The vote was lost on the grounds that too many people abstained.

I have since written to CAPA and expressed my disappointment, and also written to Joe to request he meet with the FUSA Council and work out who is the actual representative body on campus. It is not ok that two separate groups are claiming to be the legitimate representatives. Please see letters attached.

# **Key Dates**

March 6<sup>th</sup>- Clubs Day & Welfare Breakfast March 7<sup>th</sup>- All Student Forum April 12<sup>th</sup> – Pub Crawl May 1<sup>st</sup>- Mental Health Day July 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>- Queer Collaborations July 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>- Education Conference October 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> FUSA Elections

#### Letter to CAPA re PGSS

Hi Meghan

I am writing to you in my capacity as the Student President on campus at Flinders University. In this role I am the peak representative of students at our University and am in very close contact with all the other representative bodies that make up our student representatives. I would like you to please forward this email to the members of CAPA so that they can get a true representation of the situation on campus at Flinders University.

At the top of the representation here there is FUSA, the Flinders University Student Association. FUSA has been recently established and sprung from the previous Student Council that has existed on campus since VSU in 2006. Prior to VSU there were several associations that banded together under the Flinders University Student Union. One of these was PGSS, which was also affiliated to CAPA. Our campus now also has several Student Representative Networks, Sub-Committee's sitting below each Office bearer of FUSA and a few other representative networks.

As a student at Flinders University now for 4 years, and a member of the Student Council for 3, I can assure you that PGSS has had no active presence on campus at Flinders University for at least this amount of time. There have been no elections and there has been no active representation at all. Joe had been the Post Graduate Officer of the Flinders University Student Council for several years, elected un-opposed. The entire reason the Student Council has a post graduate officer position is because PGSS was disbanded on campus many years ago.

Similarly, in 2012 the Student Council unanimously voted to remove Joe from his position based on his performance. I understand through hearsay that he had a medical condition that impacted his performance, however the Student Council at the time was not provided with such documentation. In addition, if Joe was unable to complete his role as President I would assume that other members of PGSS would move in to fill his role, however due to the fact that there have been no elections for many years, Joe seems to be the sole Office Bearer of PGSS. Joe also only attended 1 meeting of the Student Council in a 12 month period during 2012 (and a similar number in 2011), at which time he claimed that because Post Graduate students made up a third of the university population, they should receive a third of our funding. When it was explained that this is not how funding is calculated here (or anywhere else) Joe became angry and left, and did not return to another meeting.

I wish to express my sincere disappointment of the recent Special Council Meeting of CAPA, where the result was to not disaffiliate PGSS.

It is absolutely understandable that CAPA is in no position to mediate the internal campus dispute between the Flinders University Student Association, and Joe (PGSS), however the outcome that was reached only serves to prolong a battle that FUSA considers to be pointless, and seems to be at a stale mate based on the fact that PGSS will not face up to the fact that they have been disbanded due to unconstitutional behaviour and lack of student representation.

It was discussed at the meeting that PGSS has not wound up, and that it has only become inactive, based on the fact that it has not fulfilled the constitutional requirements of winding up, based on the PGSS Constitution. I have searched high and low for some time now for a copy of the PGSS Constitution, and am unable to find one. I would very much like to know how the members of the SGM knew what the winding up procedure of PGSS are, without a copy of the constitution. Similarly,

while it may be true that the winding up procedures have not been followed, it is also true that all other aspects of the constitution have not been followed either. There have been no elections, no general meetings, no annual general meetings: nothing.

With this in mind, I strongly urge CAPA to realise that Joe is an illegitimate President of an illegitimate affiliate. If elections are not run, the President does not simply continue on. If there is no activity from an association for several years, they cannot simply resume ad-hoc and expect everyone else to suddenly revert to viewing them as their reprentatives. The problem has sprung from the fact that PGSS does not actually exist anymore, and so no one remains a member to challenge Joe's autocratic assumption of his role. PGSS is unconstitutional, unfunded and not recognised by any Post Graduate students. This has been proven time and time again by complaints received by FUSA stating that people are fed up with Joe and his constant claims that PGSS still exists, but also by the fact that FUSA has an active Officer and Sub-Committee filled with Post Graduate students. If the Post Grad students on campus recognised PGSS, they would not be joining the FUSA Post Graduate committee.

Similarly, the question was on the table at the SGM whether or not PGSS should be disaffiliated because of the new formed FUSA, however the question should have been whether or not PGSS should remain affiliated despite the breaches of their own constitution, and CAPA's own rule stating that an affiliate who does not pay for more than 2 years is disaffiliated. Neither of these questions were answered at the SGM, and remain unanswered.

I accept that whether FUSA becomes affiliated is an entirely different debate, and that both can be affiliated at the same time, despite internal politics. That considered, I am writing this email entirely on the argument that I, as the University's Student President, strongly disagree with the CAPA decision to allow PGSS to remain affiliated. It is poor practice, and only enables Joe to continue pretending PGSS exists, which, as I have stated, it has not for a very long time. In addition, it places the FUSA Post Graduate Officer (Kingsley) and the active sub-committee of post-graduate students at a loss as to why the peak representative body for students like themselves is failing to realise and accept them as the active group of representatives on campus.

After CAPAs decision to leave PGSS as an affiliate, I truly worry that the Post Graduates are not truly being represented on a national level here at Flinders University. PGSS has done nothing to represent their constituents, and while FUSA has the Office Bearer, the Post Graduate Committee and the funding to be the representative, CAPAs decision only distorts the process for students on campus here. Joe is claiming that PGSS is the true representative body, however without any one else in PGSS, no money and no backing from the University, students are being left in the dark as to their rights. CAPA must move towards disaffiliating PGSS.

While I understand that it may be too little too late, I ask that CAPA investigate the legitimacy of PGSS and Joe as its President, and if found to be in breach of their own constitution I ask that CAPA disaffiliate them until they have cleaned up their act and started to represent students again. They are not recognised by any students as a representative body, and have been in breach of their own constitution for several years, so much so that the University, its staff and students do not recognise them anymore.

Thank you for your time.

#### Brodie McGee

#### Hi Joe

After the recent activities by FUSA, CAPA and yourself, I would appreciate it if we could talk about the future of Post Graduate representation on campus here at Flinders University. While I understand that you are still strongly under the belief that PGSS remains the peak representative of Post Graduate students, you must appreciate that after such a long stint of PGSS being inactive and lacking actual representation, both the Student population and University at large no longer consider this to be the case.

This can be seen by the fact that the University has funded a paid Post Graduate Officer on the Student Council, governing the Flinders University Student Association, and by the fact that the Post Graduate Committee has more than a dozen active members, and FUSA has several dozen Post Graduate members, even after only a few months of operation.

While I know it is absolute short notice, you are invited along to the Student Council meeting being held at 6pm in the Flinders One Board Room tomorrow, Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March. I know that the student council, especially the current Post Graduate Officer, would be interested in your views on PGSS vs FUSA.

I strongly urge you to try to make tomorrow night's meeting, I understand that you may not be able to at such short notice. Alternatively, you could come to a meeting in the near future, or meeting during the day at some point. CAPA dis/affiliation aside, I strongly feel that we must sort out who is the official post graduate representatives on campus.

Along the same vein, can you please immediately forward me a copy of the PGSS constitution. I have been asked many times about portions of it, and there seems to be no copy that does not predate 2007, at which time PGSS was not an independent association but was an arm of the Student Union, and so at which time was officially wound up when the Student Union at Flinders was wound up. This will also provide me with a better clarification of the aims and purposes of PGSS. Being that the Constitution is meant to be a public document, I assume this should not be an issue.

Please let me know if you can make tomorrow's meetings, and if not when a better time would be for you.

**Brodie McGee** 

# 5.2 General Secretary's Report

# Paul Harrison, 5/3/2013

# **Clubs and Societies**

I have contacted and have been contacted by a number of clubs and societies around campus regarding changes to the Clubs and Societies Regulations. In particular I have been helping many Clubs and Societies make changes to their constitution to bring them in line with new regulations and FUSA affiliation.

This will continue over the next few months as clubs begin to re-affiliate with FUSA.

I received no complaints from clubs and societies about stall allocations or any O'Week festivities. All of the clubs and societies who booked a stall at O'Week were present at O'Week.

I have further received comments from a number of clubs and societies that this O'Week was extremely successful in recruitment of new members and fostering interest in their clubs.

Account	ltem	+ -	Running Total
FUSA NAB	Opening Balance		\$0.48
	January DVD Trade	\$42	\$42.48
	February DVD Trade	\$12	\$54.48
	Feb Quiz Night Tickets	\$195	\$249.48
	Flinders One Transmission of Business	\$949.09	\$1,198.57
	Paypal Deposit	\$0.68	\$1,199.25
TOTAL			\$1,199.25

# 5.3 Education Officer's Report

# Leon Cermak, 5/3/2013

### **National Day of Action**

I have been in talks with Adam Slobodain, who is the Ed Officer at Adelaide Uni, and Clare Keyes-Liley, who is the NUS National Education Officer, about plans for the National Day of Action. They will both be sending though materials such as posters, banners and pamphlets that relate to the central theme for 2013 which is 'our education is not for profit'.

I will have more information on the NDA in the coming days, but it is scheduled for the 27<sup>th</sup> of March and there will be a march on parliament house likely starting at Adelaide Uni.

#### **O-Week**

I have spent most of my time at O-Week this week, as have many others on SC. I had productive talks with many students, particularly informing them of the educational advocacy services that FUSA offer. Clubs day next week will provide another good opportunity to promote FUSA and the Education Officer portfolio.

#### NTEU

Since the last SC meeting I have had an informal meeting with John Pezy from the NTEU. He is keen to have the NTEU support FUSA on campaigns in which both entities have a shared interest. Currently these include Academic Senate representation, UC representation, and NDA action.

The NTEU will be going renegotiating workplace agreements for their members over the coming months and will talk to us about FUSA possibly supporting their application for better working conditions. This would be a great opportunity for FUSA to strengthen our relationship with the NTEU.

#### **SSAF Response**

I have been working with NUS to arrange the FUSA SSAF response. I will bring along a physical copy during the SC meeting once it has been received by Exec.

### **Education Sub-Committee**

Over the next month I will be working to ensure that the Education Subcommittee will be up and running with close to the 20 member threshold. I will email all SC members with an invitation to the committee, and will prepare a signup form for Clubs Day. Aside from that I would suggest that we send out a joint email to the student population inviting them to join all of our sub-committees. Let me know if you have any other suggestions.

# 5.4 Women's Officer's Report

# Dominiek Neall, 5/3/2013

### Write like a Woman Night (Update)

Night has been re-scheduled for the 11<sup>th</sup> of April at The Wheatsheaf Hotel. Facebook event is up – great on-line response so far – I expect this response will rise once on-campus posters have been distributed. Posters will be unveiled at the next meeting. Still waiting for a response on whether we will have a UNICEF represent for the night – updates as they come.

### International Women's Day (Update)

Stall is running on Wednesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of March. There will be a walking time-line. I'm hoping to have the time-line completed early this week. If anyone's free I would love some help setting everything up the morning of, we'll probably set up around 9-9:30am. If anyone would like to help by blowing up some balloons or cutting up purple ribbons on the day – it would be greatly appreciated.

# Flinders University Women's Room (Update)

Met with Islan from Buildings and Properties on Tuesday, and was shown around the new Women's Room. This space is slightly smaller than our old room but not by very much. New room will be completely refurbished – kitchen equipment to be updated as well as furniture. Islan is putting together a budget and colour scheme for the room – updates to come.

# **Self Defence Classes**

Sam Greer, our retired Queer officer, came up with the idea to have a joint self-defence afternoon session – bringing together the Flinders University Women's Collective, the Queer society and any other Flinders University students that would like to participate in learning some self-defence street smart tactics. We've contacted Adelaide Street Defence Clinic, they seemed interested in running a session for us, but they haven't gotten back to us with a date or any inclination of their availability – so we may be looking at another self-defence clinic provider.

# 5.6 Post Graduate Officer's Report

# Kingsley Whittenbury, 5/3/2013

# Post graduate sub-committee

Three post-graduate students have approached me during O Week and are interested in joining the PG sub-committee.

Further recruitment of sub-committee members is planned through the FUSA membership and FUSA online notices.

I expect the sub-committee to be completed by mid-March.

# **Collaboration with University of Adelaide Student Association**

A meeting has been arranged on March 17 with Lewis Webb, Post-Grad student officer at U of A, to share ideas about engagement with PG students and their particular issues.

# **Student Services and Amenities Fee**

For PG students this fee will be *lower* than for undergraduates as a result of the lower enrolment load of most Honours and Masters courses.

The fee will be lower for off-campus and rural Flinders students than those on campus at Bedford Park, who have greater access to clubs and services.

I do not therefore expect there to be significant hardship for post-graduate students arising from the SSAF, although further inquiries will be made of economically vulnerable groups.

My impression from talking with students during O Week has been that very few yet understand how the SSAF and FUSA are linked, so there may need to be further publicity around this.

# Adriana Allman, 5/3/2013

Have been liaising via email and attending meetings and meeting people. Environment subcommittee is growing and will be organising a first meeting as a meet and greet and to get an idea of what people may want to do in 2013.

### **Conflict Free Initiative on campus**

I sent Alisha an email asking for more details regarding the initiative and what she envisions FUSA does to support it, as well as to ask if there are any costs associated with the switch to more ethical products. She stated that conflict brands are not necessarily more expensive than others, but they may not be the cheapest. If FUSA was to agree, she just wants a letter of support. She wants to start up a portfolio of all the letters of support so that she can show that a large body of students on campus know and care about the cause, and also a letter of support given to the procurement officer on campus. Thus also showing our support on the FUSA website would be beneficial.

### **FEAG meeting**

Attended first FEAG meeting which was very productive. Discussed the Sustainability Leadership Networking Initiative and they seemed keen, and worked on ways to help get more recruits for environmental groups on campus during O-Week. Also they were in discussions on whether to affiliate with FUSA- I talked about reasons why they should, and they are thinking and still in talks about it.

# **Skill Share at Aldinga Beach on March**

There is an environmental skill share I have been informed I should attend to build networks and skills. However the cost will be around \$100 for the 3 days and held late March.

# **Flinders Enviro Website**

Spoke to Flik and she has been working on the site and looks pretty good. She also liked my ideas I had provided for her and has incorporated them into the site.

# **O-Week**

Spent a bit of time with FEAG and other enviro people and helping them out at their stalls and spoke to people about a fair trade initiative they want to get happening on campus. Am waiting for details from them but they were excited there is an enviro officer who can help them. Also spoke to the lady from Bush for Life and the work that will be commencing on the Grey Box Eucalypt area on campus, and will be attending their workshops in April.

# FEAG thank you get together

The team were planning on holding a thank you dinner for all the core volunteers for 2012, and to make it an opening to 2013 however were short on a location to hold it. I offered to hold it at my house for mid-March, and this will also give me the opportunity to build a stronger rapport with them and for their own groups.

# Abdullah Alajlan, 5/3/2013

# ISSU orientation day and morning tea

In order to promote FUSA's role for international students, I'll participate in ISSU orientation day on 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 2013. Also I'll attend ISSU's morning tea during the first semester "starts on 6<sup>th</sup> of March".

# International students' sub-committee

An email has sent to all current international students inviting them to join international subcommittee. And I received 25 responses so far. After letting all of them know what is the role of the sub-committee and how often we will meet, I received 19 confirmations. A list of all international student sub-committee confirmed members circled last meeting and the updated one will be circle this meeting. The first international sub-committee meeting will be on 5<sup>th</sup> of March at 3.00pm and Student Council president will attend.

# **Flinders living**

I'll arrange an appointment with Flinders living to meet international students there and discuss what kind of ideas they have in regards to events, clubs and activities on campus.

# **Council of International Students Australia 'CISA'**

The re-affiliation application has been sent to CISA's secretary and contacted CISA's vice-president to meet her during her visit to South Australia.

Also CISA will run a workshop for international students about their rights and responsibilities at universities and work. This workshop may take place by the end of March and the proposed venue is Adelaide Uni. CISA's vice-president also will have a meeting with all international students representatives in South Australia and the proposed venue is Flinders University main campus.

# Meeting with international officers from Adelaide Uni and UniSA

I had four meeting so far with international students officers from UniSA and Adelaide University and we discussed events that can run collaboratively. The Adelaide Uni international officer has proposed that three universities can run the debating competition with condition that each team has to have at lest one international student. The idea is still under discussion and I'll inform the council members when we come up with clearer idea.

# Meeting with manager of Intensive English Language Institute 'IELI'

I emailed IELI manager to arrange a meeting with student there because all of them are international students and, as an international officer, need to contact them especially those who about to start at uni.

# 'Photo outside my country' competition ad in ET

The competition ad has been approved and will be published in the upcoming Empire Times magazine.

# Paul Harrison, 5/3/2013

All venues for the pub-crawl have been finalised and confirmed for the 12<sup>th</sup> of April 2013.

Sales for pub-crawl shirts have begun and are \$20 for FUSA members and \$25 for non-members. Shirt sales close 15<sup>th</sup> of March so it is imperative that the Student Council begins advertising and sales around campus.

	Black	Green	Blue
8pm	PJ O'briens	Austral	The Elephant
9pm	The London Tavern	Swish	Mansions
10pm	Mansions	The London Tavern	Swish
11pm	Swish	Mansions	The London Tavern

Furthermore, the venues have agreed to the following drink specials:

**Elephant**Coopers West End, Tooheys, 5 Seeds, Guiness \$6 Base spirits: Vodka, Bourbon, Scotch \$5

PJ O'briens \$5 Imperial Pints, Base Spirits, Red and White Wine

Austral \$10 Teds + 5 Seeds

London Tavern \$5 Base Spirits, \$5 Skittles, \$6 Jagers, \$6 Alize

Mansions \$5.50 Base Spirits, \$5 Beers, \$5 Cocktails

Swish 9-11pm only 2 for 1 Base Spirits.

We have decided to purchase the pub-crawl t-shirts from A1 Apparel who have asked us to finalise orders by March 15<sup>th</sup>.

The sizing of the t-shirts is as follows:

Mens Sizing (cm)	S	N	1		XL	2XL	3XI	Ĺ	4XL	5XL
Width	46	51	15	66	51	66	71		76	81
Length	71	74	74 70		79	81	84		86	89
Ladies Sizing (cm)		S	S	Μ	[ L	XL	2X L			
Width	4	1	46	51	56	61	66			
Length	6	0	64	66	69	71	74			

# Leon Cermak & Brodie McGee, 5/3/2013

# **Reasoning:**

Being that the Indigenous Officer is also an equity portfolio on the Student Council, it is fair and reasonable to add it to the list for consideration by the Equal Opportunity Committee, in addition to the Queer Officer, Women's Officer and International Officer.

# Motion:

That the Indigenous Officer is included as a priority candidate for the Flinders Equal Opportunity Committee, alongside the current priority candidates which are the Queer Officer, the Women's Officer, and the International Officer.

Moved by Leon Cermak, Education Officer Seconded by Brodie McGee, President

# 8.2 O-Week Debrief

# Paul Harrison, 5/3/2013

### **Preparations:**

As well as attending the training on the fairy-floss machine, myself and a couple of other student council members and volunteers helped pack FUSA bags in the lead-up to O'week and clubs fair day.

# **FUSA stall**

Every day of O'Week FUSA managed to sign up a couple of hundred members to the Student Association indicating that O'Week was a great success.

# **Clubs and Societies**

I received no complaints from clubs and societies about stall allocations or any O'Week festivities. All of the clubs and societies who booked a stall at O'Week were present at O'Week.

I have further received comments from a number of clubs and societies that this O'Week was extremely successful in recruitment of new members and fostering interest in their clubs.

# **Silent Disco**

The Silent Disco encountered a number of problems throughout O'Week. On the first day, the location of the Silent Disco resulted in low attendance.

On the second day, in order to overcome issues of the first day, the Silent Disco was moved into the centre of the plaza. The Silent Disco was more successful than the first day, however, the heat of the day and exposure limited numbers. Furthermore, the Silent Disco had to be stopped early as a result of the headphones no longer working in the heat.

All of the problems could be averted if the silent disco was held in a fully covered tent in a more exposed area of the Plaza.