

FLINDERS UNIVERSITY STUDENT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 2nd JULY 2013

Board Room

Present: Brodie McGee (Teleconference), Paul Harrison, Jayson Bailey, Jake Lane, Nedira Zainal, Will Menzies, Roxanna Henshaw, Christopher Sellwood, Adriana Allman, Dominiek Neall, Leon Cermak, Tim Mitchell, Tut Tut.

In Attendance: Chris O'Grady

Meeting opened at 6:19pm

AGENDA MATTERS

1. Open and Welcome

Opened the meeting and acknowledged that the Student Council meeting was taking place on Kurna land and thanked the elders past and present for the use of this land.

2. Apologies

Abdullah Alajlan, Matthew Cwihun, Kingsley Whittenbury
Lauren Brice (Leave of Absence granted).
Jordan Box (No apology).

3. Welcome guests

None.

4. Accept minutes from previous meeting

Motion to accept minutes from last meeting following correction of names and the addition of surnames to matters for decision.

Motioned: Jake Lane Seconded: Leon Cermak

All in favour, motion carried.

5. In Camera Discussion

None.

6.0 Reports

Starring of items

6.12.1 Starred – Brodie McGee

6.6 Starred – Christopher Sellwood

6.10 starred – Leon Cermak

7.0 Matters for Discussion

Starring

7.1.2 starred – cultural budget allocations

7.1.4 – 1 starred student council honorariums

- 7.5.2.3 General Secretary
- 7.6 Eftpos
- 7.8 Compliance with Dietary Requirements – Welfare Officer
- 7.9 Club Affiliations – General Secretary
- 7.2 Standing Orders – General Secretary
- 7.3 Regulations for duties of Office Bearers, & Student Council Members with a Portfolio – Welfare Officer
- 7.7 Standardised Email Signature – Welfare Officer
- 7.4 Membership Regulations – Welfare Officer

Passage of unstarred items

Moved: Paul Harrison Seconded: Roxanna Henshaw
All in favour, motion carried.

6.6 Women’s Officer’s Report

Starred for vote to accept upon arrival of Women’s Officer

6.10 Education Officer’s Report

Education Officer indicated that the report would be received by the Council soon.

6.12.1 NSLF Conference

President did not submit report. Christopher Sellwood only submitted a report as he believed it was within the requirements of attending the conference.

Concerns were raised by the President, which were echoed by other members of the Council, over the religious tolerance of the report language.

Will Menzies suggested that it was not the place of FUSA to endorse any particular faith position.

The President suggested that the report is appropriate as long as not a FUSA-endorsed report.

Motion to not accept the report with the endorsement of the Student Council

Moved: Brodie McGee Seconded: Jake Lane
All in favour, motion carried.

7.0 Matters for decision

7.1.2 Culture Budget Allocations

From General Secretary: Totals are not final figures for expenditure. Where possible, expenditure should be limited to the requirements.

Proposal that the Manager of Student Engagement and Student President have prioritised projects in accordance with the Facebook poll, but also with viable projects, qualitative data received via feedback processes and the scope of the University and FUSA, and has come up with the following list and budget allocation.

Events and Parties \$37,000

- \$10 000 towards the Paint Party on Monday 29th July
- \$5 000 towards the 80's party on Friday 2nd August
- \$10 000 towards the Student Ball on October 18th
- \$5 000 towards Semester 2 Refresher week in general
- \$5 000 towards the Hall's Toga Party
- \$2 000 towards an Art Festival (launch Street Art on campus)

Event Equipment \$17,5000

- \$10 000 towards purchase of lighting equipment
- \$7 5000 towards purchase of outdoor/indoor cinema equipment

Amenities \$11,500

- \$4 000 towards microwaves & benches
- \$500 towards toasters
- \$2 000 towards tables and chairs
- \$3 000 towards sink installations
- \$2 000 towards Straw bale Gazebo

Art Areas \$3,500

- \$3 5000 creation of a Street Art & Space

Shop Front \$5,000

- \$5 000 towards shopfront in Shop 1

Student Media, \$15,000

- \$15 000 towards Radio Station, including speakers.

Recommendation: The Executive Committee recommends that the Student Council endorse and approve the above proposed budget, as outlined in 3.4 of the Executive Agenda (28/06/2013) for the spending of the Vice Chancellor's culture budget.

Jake – outlines for monetary values. Is there scope for revision of allocations? Clarification of additional funds available for Refresher Week.

Motion to accept matter with budget allocations (provided by General Secretary) included

Moved: Paul Harrison Seconded: Leon Cermak

All in favour, motion carried

7.1.4 Student Council Honorariums

Brodie McGee – last meeting review of process was indicated. Proposal process would assume all honorariums to be approved in advance. In the future, honorariums would be declined following an investigation of time recording documentation and provision of justification of time allocated to Association activities.

Motion to approve revised process for approval of honorariums

Moved: Paul Harrison Seconded: Leon Cermak

All in favour, motion carried

7.2 Standing Orders – General Secretary

Amendment to change clause 11.10 sentence to “The motion has the effect of denying the speaker’s right to speak further on the tabled item.”

Under clause 2.1, the Chair may expel any person from the meeting, including Student Council members, for behaviour disruptive to the conduct of business.

Jake Lane proposed clarification over procedures for removal of disruptive persons from meetings.

Brodie McGee proposed to revise the procedures for the calling of meetings.

Motion that the Student Council accepts the outlined Standing Orders as a regulation of the Student Council.

Motion: Paul Harrison Seconded: Leon Cermak

All in favour, motion carried

6:53pm Christopher Sellwood left the meeting room.

6:55pm Christopher Sellwood returned to the meeting room.

7.3 Regulations for duties of Office Bearers, & Student Council Members with a Portfolio – Welfare Officer.

General Secretary proposed an amendment to clause 2k to read as follows:

‘General Secretary to act as President when President is an apology’

Jake Lane proposed an amendment to clause 6h to read as follows:

‘Liaise with all active queer groups on campus’

Motion that the Student Council accepts the regulations as amended

Motion: Christopher Sellwood Seconded: Paul Harrison

All in favour, motion carried

7.4 Membership Regulations - Welfare Officer.

Leon Cermak proposed amendment of clause 3.5 to read as follows:

‘Members must adhere to the functions and purpose of the Associations as outlined in the Constitution.’

Motion that the Student Council accepts the regulations as amended

Motion: Christopher Sellwood Seconded: Paul Harrison

All in favour, motion carried

7.5.2 -3 Election Regulations - clause 12.3

The General Secretary proposed that clause 12.3 of the Election Regulations be amended to read as follows:

'The Returning Officer shall, on request of a student, inform that student of the number of votes cast for each candidate in the election.'

This amendment was met with a counter-proposal from Tut Tut, who proposed that clause 12.3 be amended to include the following additional provision:

The Returning Officer shall also make the results public by fully publishing the election results on the FUSA website.

The Student Council believed that an adequate level of transparency was achieved through the adoption of the change proposed by the General Secretary.

Jake Lane suggested that publishing the results of elections on the FUSA website would fail to preserve the dignity of unsuccessful candidates.

The Student President suggested that publishing of results may also prove to be a disincentive to voting if voter turnout figures are low.

Chris O'Grady tabled the results of research into elections procedures sourced from other institutions.

The General Secretary proposed that the process for obtaining the results of elections is currently sufficient and that publishing would unnecessarily increase the complexity of the FUSA website.

Motion that the Student Council accept clause 12.3 of the Election Regulations as amended by the General Secretary

Motion: Paul Harrison Seconded: Tim Mitchell

Motion carried, 2 against, 0 abstained.

7.6 EFTPOS at FlindersOne outlets

The President informed the Council that EFTPOS facilities are now in place at McHugh's

An amendment was proposed to amend the motion to read as follows:

'FlindersOne continue to install EFTPOS facilities at all of their Point of Sales terminals'

Motion that the item is approved as amended

Motioned: Christopher Sellwood Seconded: Leon Cermak

All in favour, motion carried.

7.7 Standardised Email Signature - Welfare Officer

An amendment was proposed to also require the adoption of a standardised email signature for FUSA staff members by July 30th.

Motion that the item is approved as amended

Motioned: Christopher Sellwood Seconded: Brodie McGee

All in favour, motion carried.

7.8 - Compliance with Dietary Requirements - Welfare Officer

The motion was amended to reflect the emerging need for a register of dietary requirements to be kept and that a FUSA administrative staff member organise the catering of future Student Council meetings in consultation with a member of Student Council.

Motion that the item is approved as amended

Motioned: Christopher Sellwood Seconded: Adriana Allman

All in favour, motion carried.

7.9 Club Affiliations - General Secretary

It was highlighted that the type of affiliation sought be included with future club affiliation items

Motion that the affiliation status of the following clubs and societies be approved:

- **Golden Key International Honour Society**
- **Flinders University Secular Society**

Motioned: Paul Harrison Seconded: Tim Mitchell

All in favour, motion carried.

8.0 Matters for Discussion

8.1 Re-Assessing Availabilities for Meetings - Student President

Deadline to respond to the doodle poll to be set to Friday July 5th.

General Secretary to send reminder email to Council members to fill out both the doodle poll and forward and specific dietary requirements.

8.2 Mental Health First Aid- Welfare Officer

Student President recommended that FUSA volunteers be canvassed for their availability to attend the July 27-28 training sessions.

8.3 Postgraduate Students and Mental Distress

Student President refreshed the meeting on the steps that FUSA is taking to improve services for students.

Christopher Sellwood indicated that there is an existing need to improve the availability and amenity of student respite areas.

Leon Cermak highlighted the need to continue to communicate the availability of FUSA services to the university community.

8.4 Changes to Honorarium Process

Council has resolved to revisit changes to the honorarium process at a future meeting.

8.5 Free Trade Apparel Provider

The Student President announced that he has been approached with a proposal to secure services from free trade certified apparel provider, 3fish.

8.6 FUSA Mobile Application

The Student President confirmed that content for the app is in development and a launch is planned for mid-late August.

8.7 Council Member Polo Shirts

Student Council members who have not already done so are reminded to forward their shirt size to Di Wright for ordering of their Council polo shirts.

8.8 Payment Summaries (Group Certificates)

Christopher Sellwood sought clarification on the date that payment summaries would be available. The relevant documents will be available within the following two to three weeks.

8.9 Flash Mob Recruitment

The need to expand recruitment activities for the FUSA flash mob as it is a significant marketing activity for the FUSA Ball.

8.10 Student ID Card - Access Provisions

Card numbers to be forwarded to Chris O'Grady for any necessary access requirements to be updated.

Meeting closed at 8:15pm.