

Student Council Meeting Minutes Meeting: **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2016** 

# Flinders University Student Council Meeting Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2016.

Function Space, Level 2 of the Student Hub, Flinders University Student Association.

17:35pm

**Present:** Caleb Pattinson (Student President), Jordon O'Reilly (Education Officer), Jason Byrne (Welfare Officer), Alfred Lowe (Indigenous Students Officer), Ali Roush (Environment Officer), Christine Bennetts (Post Graduate Students Officer), Amy Hueppauff (Accessibility Officer), Sarah Polanco (Social Activities Officer), Sean Lamonby, Hamish Richardson, Grace Hill, Christopher Norman, Joshua Sunman, Hilary Wigg (General Council Members), Chris O'Grady (Manager, Student Engagement), Anthea Stanton (Minutes)

Prashanth Magandram (International Student Officer) entered 18:05pm

Meeting Opened: 17:35

# **Meeting Agenda:**

# 1. Welcome and Meeting Open

It was acknowledged that the Student Council meeting was taken place on the land of the Kaurna people.

## 2. Apologies

Simone Jowett (General Secretary), Angela Tomarelli (Women's Officer), and Nardy Zanos-Jardine is an apology for this meeting.

## 3. Welcome Guests

Peter Munford (NUS Small and Regional Officer) Simone Corletto, Eleanor Danenberg & Liam McNally (Empire Times Editors)

# 4. Accept Minutes from previous meeting

**Motion:** Student Council accepts the minutes of the previous meeting.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Jason Byrne

All in favour.

Motion carried.

# 5. Reports



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Jordon O'Reilly: In the Executive Meeting held previously, the decision was made to delay the honorarium of those Student Council Members who did not complete their reports by the deadline, until the next Executive Meeting. The Council Members affected include Angela Tomarelli (Women's Officer), Christopher Norman (General Council Member), Amy Hueppauff (Accessibility Officer). A warning has been given to Prashanth Magandram (International Student Officer).

**Chris O'Grady:** Stated that these Council members will receive their honorarium, they are paid fortnightly regardless. He informed Council that within the regulations there is a process of withholding a Council Member's honorarium for a period of time.

**Christopher Norman:** Proposed an amendment to the motion: Due to the chaotic nature surrounding the submission of reports to the General Secretary an oral report should be accepted, thus Student Council Member's honorarium will not be withheld.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Spoke against the amended motion, stating that all other members, other than those highlighted, submitted reports before the meeting. The reports are a requirement of our positions and to amend the motion would affect our request to increase the honorariums.

**Grace Hill:** Disagreed with the characterization of Student Council being the employees of FUSA. Student Council is accountable to the student body. No students read the reports, it is not a matter of accountability. Grace suggested that if Student Council wanted to be accountable to students they should leave the office and speak to them.

**Alfred Lowe:** The way in which Student Council Members can submitted their reports is extremely lenient. There is no excuse.

**Hamish Richardson:** The measure of the report is to determine whether or not a Student Council members has completed their hours effectively. Therefore verbal reports within meetings should be accepted, if their commitment to the role was expressed clearly.

**Amended Motion:** Due to the chaotic nature surrounding the submission of reports to the General Secretary an oral report should be accepted, thus Student Council Member's honorarium will not be withheld.



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Moved: Christopher Norman Seconded: Sarah Polanco

For: 7
Against: 6
Abstentions: 0
Motion Carried

# **Amy Hueppauff:**

- Had a meeting with Claire Pollock, discussed the creation of an Accessibility space in the Hub.
- Meeting with Paula Williams seeking support for an Accessibility space.
- Spoke with Building and Properties in regards to the accessibility issue with the lifts.
- Attending the Planning Day
- · Working on an Accessibility map of the campus
- Attended the FUSA Pubcrawl

**Motion:** Student Council accept the verbal report of Amy Hueppauff, thus her honorarium will not be withheld.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Amy Hueppauff

All in favour.

Motion carried.

## **Christopher Norman:**

- Attended Meeting with Accessibility Officer and the DVC(S) in regards to a Disability space
- Participated in the NUS National Day of Action at Flinders University
- Attended the NUS National Day of Action at Rundle Mall
- Attended the EAN meeting to plan the May 11 NUS National Day of Action
- Participated in the FUSA Enrol to Vote stall
- Attended the FUSA SC Planning day
- Attended the FUSA AGM
- Attended the FUSA Pub Crawl
- Informed students about current and planned student council initiatives
- Helped the Social Activities Officer with the Pub Crawl Stall

**Motion:** Student Council accept the verbal report of Christopher Norman, thus his honorarium will not be withheld.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Christine Bennetts

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All in favour.

Motion carried.

**Motion:** The International Students Officers and Women's Officer verbal report is to be laid on the table until their arrival of this meeting.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Jason Byrne

All in favour.

Motion carried.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Asked the Social Activities Officer to reflect on her report, explaining how campaigning in the FUSA By-Election was logged as part of the Social Activities workload?

**Sarah Polanco:** Responded stating she was simply informing council of her activity during the month of April, not claiming that the campaigning was for the students or a part of her hours.

**Motion:** Motion to accept reports submitted on time en bloc.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Amy Hueppauff

All in favour.

Motion Carried.

## 6. Matters for Decision

**Procedural Motion:** Add the following matter for decision to the agenda:

6.13 Enrol to Vote Stall - Christopher Norman

**Moved: Caleb Pattinson** 

All in favour.

Motion carried.

## 6.0. Motions left un-starred to be moved en bloc:

## 6.1: Use of Hub - Caleb Pattinson

The new Student Plaza and Hub came at a huge financial cost to the students of Flinders not only with the fees they are required to pay for their education but also with the University's use of SSAF funding on the Hub. This space should ultimately be in as much student control as possible. We have already seen the upstairs



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function space outsourced to an external company to manage – and a bureaucratic process in place for students to host events. Ultimately every event taking place in the student Hub should be for students, often run by students.

The Student Council condemn Flinders University for using vital Student Services and Amenities' fees on their pet building project.

The Student Council reaffirms its position that the primary purpose of the Hub is for student activity.

# 6.2: Club Election Training – Jason Byrne

## Preamble:

Josh and I recently attended the Flinders Education Student Association - FESA AGM where Josh acted as RO for their internal election. The election was conducted poorly with several candidates & voters having to be declared ineligible. On top of this the ballot papers which were used in the election were substandard and difficult to understand.

## Motion:

Student Council directs the General Secretary to work with the Clubs & Societies Officer to investigate the option of conducting training for School Association, Club & Society Executives in meeting procedure and election conduct.

Student Council directs the General Secretary to liaise with the C&S Officer to design a standardised ballot paper to be made available to all clubs/associations/societies for use in internal elections.

Moved: Jason Byrne Seconded: Josh Sunman

# 6.3: Education Placements Campaign – Jordon O'Reilly

## Preamble:

Students within the school of education are not being accepted into placements because the school of education does not have enough placements. This has a negative effect on students because it delays their opportunity to become teachers, meaning a loss of potential income. This also means student have to go after the school for a remuneration of fees so they aren't charged for a topic they did not do.

#### **Motion:**

Student Council endorse the Education Placement Campaign. The media team

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will assist the Education officer with making some promo and marketing of the campaign.

# 6.4: Log of Claims - Jordon O'Reilly

#### Preamble:

At the planning day much discussion was had around the workload and expectations of council, how a limited honorarium also restricts this activity. As such I am moving to trial a system of collecting quantitative evidence (a "log of claims") for the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students). A template will be provided in which councillors can collate their hours and workload of each day, for a period of a month. Descriptions of each activity you undertook and the time taken to complete the task. This data will be used to justify increase in honorariums to the University and a regulation change to increase the expected workload of some Student Councillors these will best be attached with your reports. An Example has been provided as an appendix.

## Motion:

To give the Executive the power to create a "log of claims" as a way to open discussion with the university to create a log of claims. Student Council also gives access to the information to the education officer to use for the placeholder topic proposal. As a reminder this is optional however the more data the more evidence can be made.

# 6.5: IDAHOT - Nardy Zanos-Jardine

#### Motion:

\$700 budget for IDAHOT (International day against homophobia and transphobia) as planning is still underway an exact budget hasn't been made, so \$700 is an unlikely maximum.

# 6.8: Multicultural Festival Proposal – Prash Mangadram

Motion: Student Council approves the given proposal for the FUSA Multicultural Festival.

# 6.10: Krispy Kreme Pre-Exam Meetup

## Motion:

Requests \$200 from the International Student budget to hold meet up before the exams for international students in week 10.

Seconded: Amy Hueppauff

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Moved: Caleb Pattinson
All in favour.
Motion carried.

Motions left un-starred:

# 6.6: ET Panel Appointment – Josh Sunman

**Josh Sunman:** As an ET Editor is to graduate mid-year it is necessary to fill the vacancy by appointment. As such, it is necessary to appoint two student council members to sit on the appointment panel. It is foreseeable that this process will require two full days of time commitment in June.

Hamish Richardson: Nominated Sarah Polanco

Sarah Polanco: Accepted

Amy Hueppauff: Seconded

Jason Byrne: Nominated Caleb Pattinson

Caleb Pattinson: Accepted

Alfred Lowe: Seconded

**Motion:** That Council appoint Social Activities Officer Sarah Polanco and Student President of Student Council to sit on the Empire Times appointment Committee.

Moved: Josh Sunman Seconded: Caleb Pattinson

All in favour.

Motion carried.

# 6.7: CISA 2016 Affiliation – Prash Mangadram

**Prashanth Magandram:** Highlighted that there is no South Australian on the board. FUSA's affiliation and Prashanth attendance during Council of International Students Australia (CISA) 2015 is important.

**Caleb Pattinson:** Asked to amend the motion to read:

**Amended Motion:** Student Council approve that Flinders University are affiliated with Council of International Students Australia (CISA) providing up to \$1000 for the membership fee from the Student Council Events budget line.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Prashanth Magandram

All in favour.

Seconded: Sean Lamonby

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## Motion carried.

# 6.9: CISA Conference - Prash Mangadram

**Caleb Pattinson:** Clarified that the \$400 was from the International Students Officer Barer budget line.

**Prashanth Magandram:** Confirmed that the \$400 will be spent from the Officer Barer budget line.

Chris O'Grady: We may have a separate budget line for FUSA's affiliation to CISA.

**Motion:** The Student Council approves the International Officer will get to attend the CISA conference in July using the conference money plus \$400 from the International Students Officer Barer budget line.

Moved: Prashanth Magandram
All in favour.
Motion carried

# 6.11: Biology School Association

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Wished to provide the Biology School Association with \$150 from Education Officer Barer budget line to support their first AGM.

**Christine Bennetts:** School Associations receive \$3000 a year. Will the \$150 you supply be taken from their budget of \$3000 once established?

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Stated he offered the \$150 not intending to be reimbursed, was amendable if Council requested it.

**Motion:** The Biology School Association will receive \$150 from Education Officer budget line to support their first AGM.

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly Seconded: Caleb Pattinson
All in favour.

Motion carried

## 6.12 Club Affiliations

6.12. A Flinders Veggie Patch (Financial) Description: A club to grow vegetables on campus

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6.12. C Flinders Sociology Student Association (upgrading to Financial Affiliation).

Motion: Student Council approve 6.12 A and 6.12 C moved en bloc.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Amy Hueppauff

All in favour.

Motion carried

# 6.12. B Flinders University Labor Students (Non-finical) – Amy Hueppauff

**Amy Hueppauff:** In her concern of the establishment of Flinders University Labor Students non-finical affiliation referred to Section 9. Clubs Names and Objectives of the Clubs & Society Regulations

- 9.1. A club must not have a name which is not easily distinguishable from another club.
- 9.2. Clubs with similar objectives to an existing club may be refused affiliation.

Amy emphasised that the Flinders University Labor Club is already established

Jason Byrne: Stated he spoke to Adam Rau about the similarity of the names. Adam expressed satisfaction with the name *Flinders University Labor Students*. Jason highlighted that this argument was made three years ago by Labor Left, as Labor Right held the power of the Flinders University Labor Club. The power has since changed hands and as their ideologies differ Jason created the *Flinders University Labor Students*.

**Hamish Richardson:** Asked if the *Flinders University Labor Students* would be amendable to changing their name?

**Jason Byrne:** As Adam stated the *Flinders University Labor Students* is satisfactorily different.

Ali Rousch: Why not one group be called Labor Left and the other Labor Right?

**Amy Hueppauff:** That would require an AGM for Flinders University Labor Club.

**Sarah Polanco:** Requested documentation of Jason's conversation with Adam.

**Jason Byrne:** Stated it was a verbal conversation.

**Caleb Pattinson:** Asked if Jason amendable to a provisional affiliation move:



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**Amended Motion:** *Flinders University Labor Students* will receive non-finical affiliation on the advice of the Clubs and Events Officer, Adam Rau.

Moved: Jason Byrne Seconded: Caleb Pattinson

For: 9
Against: 0
Abstentions: 5
Motion carried

# 6.12. D Yeast Indian Trading Company (Financial) - Grace Hill

**Grace Hill:** The Yeast Indian Trading Company is inappropriate considering the colonial history of The East India Company, however Grace did not want to force the name change, just inform the Yeast Indian Trading Company Executive.

**Motion:** Student Council financial affiliate 6.12. D Yeast Indian Trading Company once the comments of Council have been expressed to the Club's Executive.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Jason Byrne

All in favour.

Motion carried

## 6.13 Enrol to Vote Stall - Christopher Norman

**Christopher Norman:** Asked Student Council to approve the spending of up to \$1500 from the Student Council Event budget to hold and advertise an Enrol to Vote stall to be held over three days.

**Caleb Pattinson:** Suggested that the BBQ's be held on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> of May

**Motion:** The Student Council approve the spending of up to \$1500 from the Student Council Event budget to hold and advertise an Enrol to Vote stall to be held over 3 days. The stall would run for 2 hours on each of the three days and be accompanied by a BBQ. The BBQ will budget for 200 students per day and 6 hours of work for casual employees to operate the BBQ. The stall will run from May 9<sup>th</sup> to May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Moved: Christopher Norman

All in favour.

Motion carried

Seconded: Amy Hueppauff

Amy Hueppauff

# 5. Prashanth Magandram Report:

· Met with ISS, at least three times

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- Met with President of CISA, who visited from Melbourne
- Met with UNISA International Students Officer about a joint event across the three universities.
- Krispy Kreme Meet Up with International Students of Flinders University
- Met with Student Assist, discussed the concerns of International Students

**Motion:** Student Council accept the verbal report of Prashanth Magandram, thus his honorarium will not be withheld.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Jason Byrne

All in favour.

Motion carried.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Proposed the motion that the Women's Officer honorarium would be withheld until the next Executive meeting.

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly Seconded: Alfred Lowe

All in favour. **Motion carried.** 

## 7. Matters for Discussion

# 7.1 Meeting attendance and Proxies – Caleb Pattinson

Following no feedback from Council, would like to discuss item proposed in an email circulated 18<sup>th</sup> of April to council.

Would love Council to give some feedback on how SC is represented across a range of meetings and committees through the University. I know there are committees and groups that we could have representation at if people are willing to give up their time – how do council want to move forward on this? Is there a system we can develop so that we always have a representative? Is attending committee meetings of the University important to you? Are there committees or groups you don't think we are represented on? Would love feedback through email but if forced to will table this as a discussion at next SC. Please have a think and get back to me.

**Christine Bennetts:** Is concerned of the work load and extra responsibility the amount of work that is required to be on a panel that does not reflect on the honorarium we receive.

## 7.2 National Day of Action (NDA) - Grace Hill







**Grace Hill:** Asked for clarification around the Education Officer's support of the NDA on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May. Grace inquired whether anyone on Council could allocated time to increase awareness, poster and approach students about the rally.

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Stated when the National Union decide to respect small and regional campuses then he will support the NDA.

**Hamish Richardson:** Suggested meeting at the entrance of Hub at the following times: 12pm-2pm Wednesday, Thursday 12pm-2pm, Friday 10am-2pm.

**Amy Hueppauff**: Raised a separate motion in which she would organise a BBQ for the NDA.

**Christine Bennetts:** Suggested that the she should not conflate the NDA BBQ with the Enrol to Vote BBQ Christopher Norman is organising on the same day.

**Amy Hueppauff**: Asked for \$1000 from the Education Officer's budget to promote the NDA.

**Caleb Pattinson:** Stated that it was vague proposal and inquired what the money would be spent on.

**Amy Hueppauff**: Did not intend to spend the whole of \$1000 however she thought the event would include a BBQ, a banner, paint brushes, etc

**Jordon O'Reilly:** Required an itemized list of what his budget would be spent on, he supported the paint supplies, however not another BBQ as Chris would be hosting the Enroll to Vote BBQ on the same day. He suggested this be deferred to the Executive once a proposal has been produced. He preferred if someone else on Council ran the event.

**Motion:** Student Council will take \$350 of the Education Officer budget for the NDA event on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May. The event will be orchestrated by Amy Hueppauff.

Moved: Caleb Pattinson Seconded: Jordon O'Reilly

For: 11 Against: 0 Abstentions: 3 Motion carried.

# 7.3 FUSA Pubcrawl - Amy Hueppauff

**Amy Hueppauff:** Student Council Members have been rumoured to joke about drink driving. Amy reminded Student Council that last year a motion was passed about Council Members engaging in safe drinking habits as they are representative body.

## 8. Matters for Noting



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