#### FLINDERS UNIVERSITY STUDENT ASSOCIATION

## Student Council Agenda Meeting: 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018



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# 1. Acknowledgement of Country

- 2. Apologies
  - Jesse Stevens
  - Nicholas Loh
- 3. Name and pronoun round
- 5. Executive Decisions

See Appendix 1, Appendix 2 and Appendix 3

## Motion:

Student Council ratifies the decisions made by the Executive since the last council meeting.

# 6. Reports

See Appendix 4

Motion: Student Council accepts the report of the previous month.

# 7. Matters for Decision

# 7.1 Thank You, Next. – Katt Hatzi

# Preamble:

The 2018 Student Council had a rollercoaster year with great successes in new projects, and significant issues we campaigned against. Reaching out to students with events like NAIDOC Week, Multicultural Festival and PrideFest were incredible ways to celebrate the diversity of our university community, which balanced campaigns like Anti-Racism, Bury the Bill and Cute the Restructure Not the Job run to defend the rights of all students at university. Initiatives like establishing mental health first aid for club executives and the creation of academic associations will continue to deliver improvements for our community and campus culture beyond the end of the 2018 term. Integral to all of this have been the dedicated staff - those who have moved on and those who remain - that have moved mountains to support council in our endeavours, entertained our ambitious ideas, and



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helped us pull off the impossible. I am sure the 2019 council will build on the momentum of this year's projects, and represent the student body with tenacity, empathy and determination.

## Motion:

Student Council thanks the outgoing Student Council members of 2018 for their passionate representation of the student body, and looks forward to continuing upon the campaigns and momentum built by the previous council.

Student Council acknowledges the incredible work of the FUSA staff over this period and thanks them for their tireless efforts that often go without recognition.

# 7.2 Executive Committee – Josh Rayner

## Preamble:

As per the Constitution:

12.1. The Executive Committee is a committee of the Student Council, exercising delegated powers from the Student Council under Clause 10.3.

12.2. The Executive Committee: (a) may transact the business of the Association, on behalf of the Student Council, on urgent matters that the President and General Secretary consider cannot be held over until the next regular meeting of the Student Council; (b) may exercise such other powers as may from time to time be delegated to it by the Student Council; and (c) must provide the Student Council with reports of its activities at each meeting of the Student Council.

12.3. Decisions of the Executive Committee must be ratified at the next regular meeting of the Student Council and shall have the same effect as decisions of the Student Council, provided that such decisions are made in accordance with this Constitution and the Regulations.

12.4. The voting members of the Executive Committee are: (a) the President (Chair); (b) the General Secretary; (c) the Education Officer; and (d) Two (2) voting member of the Student Council elected by the Student Council.

# Motion

Student Council appoint \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to be voting members of the Executive Committee.

# 7.3 Empire Times Liaison – Josh Rayner

## Preamble:

As per the Empire Times Regulations:



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'Empire Times Liaison Officer' means a member of Student Council who is appointed by Student Council to this role to provide a communication link between the Empire Times Editorial Team and Student Council.

## Motion:

Student Council appoint \_\_\_\_\_\_ to be the Empire Times Liaison Officer

# 7.4 Student Council Bank Account – Josh Rayner

## Preamble:

With a changeover in Student Council members as of December 1st, new signatories will need to be added to, and current signatories removed, from the FUSA Student Council bank account at People's Choice Credit Union.

## Motion:

Student Council endorses that, as of December 1st, 2018, the new signatories for the Flinders University Student Association People's Choice Business and Community Account will be as follows: Katerina Hatzipanagiotis (Student President) and Josh Rayner (General Secretary), with Ashley Sutherland to be removed from the signatories list.

Student Council directs the outgoing signatories and incoming signatories to complete the handover of the FUSA Bank Account by December 10th, 2018.

# 7.5 Club Pool Funding Sub-Committee – Josh Rayner

## Preamble:

The Club Pool Funding Sub-Committee approves funding requests from Financially Affiliated Clubs, which generally occurs four times per year and takes around four hours per meeting (Two hours for proposals, two hours for the meeting itself). The Sub-Committee consists of the Clubs Officer (Adam Rau), the General Secretary (Josh Rayner), two elected members of Student Council and one club representative to be elected by the Clubs and Societies Sub-Committee.

## Motion:

Student Council appoint \_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to sit on the Club Pool Funding Sub-Committee.

# 7.6 First Year Collective – Josh Rayner

## Preamble:

As per the Standing Committee Regulations:

8. First Year Collective



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8.1. The First Year Collective shall provide advice to the Student Council on all issues pertaining to students who identify as first-year students.

8.2. The members of the First Year Collective are:

(a) the General Secretary or Student Council nominee elected by Student Council (chair);

(i) if at close of nominations, no Council Member has been nominated, the position of chair will default to the General Secretary

## Motion:

Student Council appoint Gemma Lyons to be the Chair of the First Year Collective

# 7.7 FUSA Email Server – Christopher Norman

## Preamble:

The FUSA email service is insecure and under constant surveillance from the University. Instances have occurred in the past where the University has identified what they consider to be an objectionable email sent by the then Student President (which was marked confidential) to the rest of Student Council and deleted it.

When students email people at FUSA they expect that what they send is kept confidential. When Student Council requires confidential communication, they should not have to worry that their emails are being spied on by the University.

A private email service can be set up to be used by FUSA that is outside the administration of the University. This can be setup to still use the Microsoft Outlook System so that there is a smooth transition to the new system and easy integration with existing IT protocol.

## Motion:

Student Council approves up to \$1000 for the initial setup of a private email service. This private email will be the main point of contact for Student Council.

The General Secretary will be responsible for any administration of the emails (resetting passwords at the end/ start of the Student Council term or if forgotten)

Student Council approves up to \$500 for the upkeep of this email service as an ongoing cost including (if required) the purchase and upkeep of a new domain to ensure that no person employed by the University has administrative rights over the email service.

Student Council acknowledges the upmost importance of confidentiality and that no individual should ever have their FUSA email account accessed by anyone else without their consent.



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## 7.8 Cut the Restructure, Not the Jobs! – Jesse Stevens

## Preamble:

Earlier this year, the previous student council began the Cut the Restructure, Not the Jobs! Campaign supporting the NTEU/staff and opposing the academic restructure proposed by university management. It is important that the new student council continues this campaign as there is still uncertainty about the outcomes of the restructure but significant potential for adverse consequences for students and staff.

Continuing the campaign includes but is not limited to: the petition, distributing resources, and hosting events.

### Motion:

FUSA Student Council will continue the Cut the Restructure, not the Jobs! Campaign initiated by the previous Student Council.

# 7.9 Charge Me Up! – Nicole Cutufia

### Preamble:

FUSA Student President has already raised the idea of having a series of laptop charges available for students who require them on campus. In addition to donated charges, Student Council could purchase a few universal charges in order to have this service available by the start of 2019. The Targus 90 Watt Multiple Laptop Charger can be purchased from Officeworks for \$89 and is compatible with most laptops.

### Motion:

Student Council purchase ten chargers from the pooled amount left over from 2018 FUSA Student Council budget for a total of \$890.

Student Council will investigate the best system to loan the charges that is the easiest and most accessible for students.

# 7.10 Accessible Allergen List – Nicole Cutufia

### Preamble:

Students who are new to campus or are newly navigating food allergies and dietary requirements relating to health, often struggle to understand where accessible food options are on campus. This can be especially stressful and challenging when students must decide between potentially not eating or risking a meal with damaging allergens.

### Motion:



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Student Council acknowledge the importance of allergen and ingredient information for food products on campus.

FUSA Disabilities Officer will collate this information to be published on the FUSA Website, shared on the FUSA Facebook page, and as printed media to make food choices easier for students with diagnosed allergies on campus.

# 7.11 Braille Resources – Nicole Cutufia

## Preamble:

Discussions with students in the Flinders University Students with Disabilities Association (FUSDA) raised the issue of there being a lack of resources for vision impaired students. I was also asked to raise the issue of the university creating a few accessible apps and working with Guide Dogs Australia to create a braille map of each campus.

## Motion:

Student Council endorses the creation of an accessible map (digitally or braille) for students with vision impairments.

# 7.12 Pronouns for All! – Jesy Murphy

# Preamble:

For many people pronouns mean nothing, to them it's a word that is sometimes used to identify them, but for others it means everything. Pronouns are so simple, yet sometimes it's hard to put across what your preferred pronoun is. Right now, even though pronouns are used in everyday life, it is still difficult and sometimes uncomfortable to tell someone what your pronouns are. When pronouns are shown in an email or through other media it reduces the stigma and difficulty of telling someone your pronouns and it just becomes normal. This motion aims to break down that difficulty and make asking for or telling someone your pronouns normal.

# Motion:

Student Council members will include their preferred pronouns in their email signature which will then be included on the FUSA website.

Student Council encourages all staff at Flinders University to include preferred pronouns in their email signature.

# 7.13 Don't Take the Shine of Southern Adelaide – Sean Henschke

# Preamble:



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There has been an array of cuts by the South Australian Liberal Government to services that affect LGBTIQ people and the broader community. This includes these dangerous and harmful cuts to Shine SA, resulting in the closure of two health clinics in Davoren Park and Noarlunga as well as cuts to HIV counselling services in the Adelaide CBD. Shine SA performs an invaluable service to the community, providing vital sexual health services including clinical services, counselling, sexual health education, early intervention and health promotion. This affects all students on campus as it's removing a vital service in the Southern Adelaide region off the map, this will have devastating effects on the health of South Australians removing vital support and will likely lead to further health issues.

## Motion:

Student Council condemns the cuts to Shine SA & will work with Health and counselling to accommodate for the closure of local services and supports the developing campaigns towards reversing these cuts.

# 7.14 SOGICE is an Issue for Australia – Sean Henschke

## Preamble:

Sexual orientation and gender Identity change efforts (SOGICE) is a harmful practice that attempts to change people's sexuality. The Human rights law centre report title Preventing Harm and Promoting Justice stated at least 10 organisations in Australia and New Zealand currently advertise the provision of gay "conversion" practices as well as estimating that 10% of LGBTIQ+ Australians are still exposed to conversion therapy. The Queer Society this year ran petition drives at an array of events as well as a BBQ on campus and worked with Universal Pictures to provide a Free screening of Boy Erased to inform and educate the community of this Harmful Practice. In September the Prime Minister Scott Morrison deflected the significance of this practice and the harm it does to LGBTIQ+ Australians when asked on the issue he said "I've never been involved in anything like that, I've never supported anything like that, it's just not an issue for me and I'm not planning to get engaged in the issue,"

## Motion:

Student Council endorses the Queer Society No Cure for Love campaign

Student Council will affirm the SOCE survivors statement (http://socesurvivors.com.au/)

Student council supports the Amnesty International Petition with the aims of;

- preventing SOGICE by raising awareness of its practice and that it is harmful and ineffective
- calling for an inquiry into the extent, prevalence and harm of SOGICE
- regulating mental health professionals, counsellors, and school programs, to prohibit SOGICE
- supporting LGBTIQ+ and mental health organisations to boost awareness and support survivors.



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Student council recognises conversion therapy as an important issue and believe it is an issue as well for the Prime Minister Scott Morrison.

# 7.15 Events Budget – Chris O'Grady

## Preamble:

Below is the 2019 Events Budget. It is based on the broad budget set by Student Council in 2018.

<u>Event</u>	Estimate Budget	
Relax Event	\$	40,000.00
Welfare Brunches	\$	22,000.00
Live Music	\$	13,000.00
Multicultural Week	\$	10,000.00
NAIDOC	\$	10,000.00
PrideFest	\$	5,000.00
FUSA Ball	\$	15,000.00
Anti-Racism Campaign	\$	5,000.00
MISC / AGM	\$	2,000.00
TOTAL	\$122,000.00	

## Motion:

Student Council approve the 2019 Event Budget and allow for minor alterations as deemed appropriate by the Social Activities Officer and the Events and Projects Officer.

# 7.16 FUSA Opposes Racist Speaking Tour – Angus Clarke

### Preamble:

The February two "icons" of the global far-right movement, Milo Yiannopoulos and Tommy Robinson, are touring Australia, with an Adelaide sow on the evening of February 3rd.

These people are open white supremacists, sexists and bigots. If people who fund their ideas detestable let them come here with opposition, we are just allowing them to normalise their views.

On the other hand, a protest is a chance to make anti-racists and the oppressed feel more confident.

This is important. Flinders has recently had anti-migrant stickers and "it's ok to be white" posters appear on campus. This shows that there is a far-right operating on campus that is growing in confidence.

## Motion:





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FUSA affirms its opposition to racism and fascism, and will share the following event online: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/278119979485587</u>.

# 8. Matters for Discussion

# 8.1 Planning Day and Next Meeting – Katt Hatzi

Last year's Student Council Planning Day was a fantastic opportunity to collaborate and plan for the year ahead and it would be worth our while organising a day in January like last year. It may also be worth pushing back our January Student Council meeting till after this planning day so that platforms for early semester one can be passed to get the balling rolling for 2019.

# 8.2 Meetings, Expectations, Deadlines and Channels for Communication in 2019 – Josh Rayner

It would be worth deciding upon a standardised time for Student Council Meetings following our January meeting (i.e. meetings held first Monday of the month in 2019). It would also be best to decide as a group on deadlines to submit motions and apologies etc. to the General Secretary, and then for the General Secretary to circulate the agenda before Student Council meetings. We should also decide upon the easiest and most accessible channels of communication and perhaps start a closed Facebook group for Student Council members like the previous Student Council.



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### **EXECUTIVE MOTIONS – SEPTEMBER 2018**

#### NUS Support for the SA Abortion Action Coalition

[CARRIED] Moved: Ashley Sutherland

#### Preamble:

A friend of mine, Dani Halliday, has written to me to ask whether or not FUSA would like to be a signatory on the SA Abortion Action Coalition's Statement of Support for the repeal campaign.

As this is something that affects students at Flinders, I feel that we should obviously agree to add our organisation to this. It is of note that Flinders University Women's Studies academic Barbra Baird is also a Co-convenor of SAAAC.

Dani has also written to Kate Crossin, the NUS Women's Officer.

Below is an excerpt from SAAC on the Statement of Support:

#### Statement of Support for repeal campaign

We call on all South Australians to support the repeal of abortion from SA criminal law.

The current law, written in 1969, is no longer fit for purpose. It acts as a barrier to the provision of best care, and women living in rural and remote areas are particularly disadvantaged. Best quality abortion care is enabled when abortion is a woman's decision, is affordable for all women, and is accessible regardless of a woman's location. Abortion should be regulated like any other health service.

#### Motion

FUSA Student Council Executive agree to endorse the SAAAC Statement of Support for the repeal of abortion from South Australian Criminal Law.

#### Papua New Guinean Independence Day

[CARRIED] Moved: Yaritji Green

Preamble:



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Papua New Guinean students wish to celebrate their Independence day on the 16th September. They wish to share some food and then hold an AGM to establish the Pacific Islands Student Association. Please see attached documents re the program for the day and the price list of the items wish to be bought online today (13th September) from Woolworths - to be picked up this Friday - 14th September so that the food can be prepared for 16th September, this coming Sunday.

#### Motion

Executive approve the spending of \$264 for the Papua New Guinean Independence day celebrations. The money is to come from the Indigenous officer (\$132) and General Secretary's budgets (\$132).

### SSAF Advisory Committee

## [CARRIED] Moved: Ashley Sutherland

Motion:

Executive endorse Tom Ford, Bachelor of Medical Science (Vision Science) and Master of Optometry, as a member of the SSAF Budget Advisory Committee.

### **NUS Affiliation**

[CARRIED] Moved: Katt Hatzi

### Preamble:

As NUS affiliation is due soon I would like to confirm that FUSA Student Council commit to pay the previously agreed \$16,000 affiliation fee from the Student Council bank account.

### Motion:

Executive confirm that FUSA Student Council will commit to pay the previously agreed \$16,000 affiliation fee to the National Union of Students from the Student Council bank account.

#### **International Students Xmas Party**

[FAILED] Moved: Ashley Sutherland



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#### Preamble:

Many international students cannot afford to go home for Christmas. Christmas happens during the summer holidays leaving many international students lonely. Christmas is a time to spend with family and friends. Staff members within the University have expressed interest in a Christmas party and are keen to make this a successful event. Appendix as circulated to council at previous meeting.

Here is the amended budget as provided by the ISO:

\$100 – cutlery \$100- Cups \$800- food \$300- water games \$150- Christmas tree \$100- Takeaway boxes \$300 -Drinks \$250 - Face paint \$250 – Decorations \$200 – build your own ginger bread house or person \$300 thank you gifts for volunteers <u>The total comes to 2,850 dollars.</u>

#### Motion:

Student Council executive approve the event proposal as outlined in Appendix 9 with the amended, detailed budget as written above. Student Council Executive approve the spending of 2,850 AUD from the FlexiFund as outlined in this amended budget.

#### **Executive notes that:**

- advice on the status of remaining Multicultural Festival budget (which would be the first and most appropriate funds to use) have not yet been advised
- up-to-date details on the state of the FUSA budget have not yet been provided
- there are notes in the appendix that suggest that figures be inflated beyond what is necessary for the sake of having more money approved
- the provided budget was seen as excessive
- it was deferred to the mover to revise the budget, with the assistance of the events team



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## **EXECUTIVE MOTIONS – OCTOBER 2018**

#### FUSA needs a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)

[CARRIED] Moved: Yaritji Green

#### Preamble:

Currently FUSA do not employ any Indigenous people nor any people of colour to work at its office within the HUB on level 1 at Flinders University. During 2018, there have been two hiring opportunities but neither person employed was Indigenous nor a Person of Colour. If Indigenous people or People of colour are hired, it is only on a temporary capacity as a casual for an event such as working at a BBQ.

#### Motion:

Student council move that FUSA management under the leadership of Chris O'Grady implement a Reconciliation Action Plan with the aim to diversify FUSA staff to be inclusive of Indigenous people and by extension to be inclusive of People of colour within its workplace hiring practise.

The RAP framework can be found at: <a href="https://www.reconciliation.org.au/reconciliation-action-plans/">https://www.reconciliation.org.au/reconciliation-action-plans/</a>

#### **Coffee vouchers for NUS Survey**

[CARRIED] Moved: Katt Hatzi

#### Preamble:

As we'll be doing some stalls over the next 2 weeks to promote the NUS values survey, it would be great to have some coffee vouchers as incentives for students to participate.

#### Motion:

Executive approve, from the General Secretary's budget:

- \$200 for 50 vouchers (medium coffee) from Three Little Pods for Tonsley
- \$450 for 100 vouchers (large coffee) from UpCo for Main Campus
- \$230 for 50 vouchers (medium coffee) from Flinders Pantry & Kitchen for Sturt



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#### Cut the Restructure, Not the Jobs campaign

[CARRIED] Moved: Josh Rayner

#### Preamble:

Please find attached press release and screenshot of Megaphone.org petition:

https://www.megaphone.org.au/petitions/cut-the-restructure-not-the-jobs

#### Motion:

Student council endorse the circulated press release, and to be shared to FUSA Education Collective and Student Council facebook pages.

All student council members should sign the petition, attend stalls (dates, times, places to be shared in student council fb group) over the coming fortnight where possible to promote petition.

To continue ongoing support of NTEU initiatives in response to the restructure proposal.



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#### **Executive Motions – November 2018**

#### Additional Spending #1 – Katt Hatzi [CARRIED]

#### Preamble:

Hansha Manimendra, the incoming Postgraduate Students Officer, has expressed interest in attending the CAPA ACM with me in December however as she has not begun on council yet she is unable to access any funds.

#### Motion:

Executive approve up to \$1000 for the incoming Postgraduate Students Officer to attend the CAPA ACM.

#### Additional Spending #2 – Katt Hatzi [CARRIED]

#### Preamble:

The Queer Society is a great example of how making and distributing badges can help strengthen a group, and create recognition of a group and issues it addresses. I think it would be fantastic to grow the activity by having the equipment ready for office bearers to use next year with collective events.

The two sizes we have (working) machines for are 25mm and 35mm. From Badge-a-Minit (the regular supplier FUSA uses) 1000x 25mm components cost \$379.95, and 1000x 35mm components cost \$380.40.

#### Motion:

Executive approve \$760.35 to be spent for badge components to be purchased for use by next year's office bearers.

#### Unnamed Motion – Katt Hatzi [CARRIED]

#### Preamble:

A fond experience for many who remember (and an exciting idea for those who don't) is having multiplayer video games on the superscreen. The hope is that, by reviving this activity to play on a regular basis and headed by student council, we can show students that we have a fun side, engage them in some healthy competition, and use it as a new platform to engage people in Collective activities.

To establish a kit for a Nintendo Switch, we would require: a console bundle (\$549), additional controllers (\$109), controller charging station (\$19) and a couple extra cooperative games (rocket league \$47, fifa \$79, mario kart \$69, mario party \$69).



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#### Motion:

Executive approves \$941 to be spent to purchase a Nintendo Switch with games and accessories as detailed above, for use by Student Council to engage students in public spaces and at Collective events.

## NUS NatCon – Katt Hatzi [CARRIED]

#### Preamble:

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## Motion:

Executive approves an additional \$100 in travel for NUS delegates, to be spent from surplus in the natcon budget line.

Executive approves accredited registration and \$350 travel for any incoming and outgoing council members to attend conference and preceeding activities, to be spent from the remainder of the natcon budget line and from the pooled student council funds.

## Conference Travel – Katt Hatzi [CARRIED]

Preamble:

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### Motion:

Executive approve up to \$800 each for the Queer Officer and Welfare Officer to travel to the Better Together conference at UTS in Sydney, covering flights, accommodation and conference registration.

## Manager Student Engagement – Update – December 2018

#### **Staff Movements**

- Ally Drew will begin working 0.8 in the New Year to cover the 0.4 left from Sue Myatt's departure.
- Steph Walker will remain in her role with Student Experience until the end of the year. Tim, Erik and Jess will continue in their roles until then.
- I am intending to advertise as soon as possible for the vacant Student Representation Support Officer position and the soon to be vacant Events Assistant position.

#### 2019 FUSA SSAF Budget

Last week, I was informed of the outcome of the 2019 Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF) Budget process. The total requests across the University received for SSAF funding were significantly greater than the amount available to be allocated and it was not possible to accommodate all requests or fully fund all those which were successful.

The approved allocations for the Flinders University Student Association (FUSA) / Office of Student Engagement (OSE) are as follows:

Student Engagement - **\$1,310,000** Student Advocacy & Welfare - **\$400,000** Communication & Media - **\$235,000** Clubs and Societies (non-sporting) - **\$177,000** Student Council - **\$77,000** 

In total, \$65,000 was not approved. I will send through an updated budget to SC shortly.

**Student Assist Activity Report** – Prepared by the Student Finance and Advocacy Officer, Student Assist

### Casework

This report has been prepared in time for the next Student Council meeting and reflects advocacy work from 1<sup>st</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November.

Student Assist opened 48 new student cases in November (down from 59 in October). Most students (38; 79%) were using Student Assist's services for the first time.

Each case opened in Student Assist's case management system involves one or more 'issues', which fall into the broad categories of 'Academic', 'Financial' or 'Welfare'. Any given case will have at least one issue attached to it. In complex cases, a student may have a number of interconnected issues adding a multifactorial dimension to their situations and often requiring multi-pronged approaches for satisfactory outcomes.

Student Assist managed 64 new issues in November (down from 71 last month). The majority (64%) were Academic issues, followed by Financial issues (31%). Welfare matters (defined in this instance as those encompassing "Equal Opportunity",

"Personal", "Employment" and "Accommodation" concerns) represented 4% of the total issues.

A closer investigation of the Academic issues in November shows that enquiries relating to "Reviews of Final Grades" were the most common issue (17%), followed by requests for assistance with "Complaints" (12%).

In relation to Financial issues, 11% of the casework related to the provision of "Financial Counselling", followed by "Emergency Financial Assistance" (9%).

To illustrate the provision of financial assistance by Student Assist, the Student Finance and Advocacy Officer has been supporting an international student this month with a grievance against the Commonwealth Bank regarding unauthorised access to their account. Support has included information, guidance and advice on how to lodge a complaint with AFCA and negotiating on behalf of the student.

Another student has benefitted from the service by receiving support in the process of lodging an application for a Wyatt Benevolent Fund small grant to assist with the payment of rental and water bill arrears as a result of personal difficulties.

The second instalment of the SWOTVAC campaign this year has been equally well received by students. In semester two, the campaign has run for 3 weeks, from the 22<sup>nd</sup> October to the 9<sup>th</sup> November, providing over 750 lunches, in addition to snacks and drinks.

In addition to casework, 28 students (27 in October) contacted Student Assist via the general email address to seek advice this month. Queries relating to academic issues represented 71% of the general email contacts. Queries regarding requests for remarks, and reviews of the final grade, represented 30% and 15%, respectively, of the overall academic enquiries.

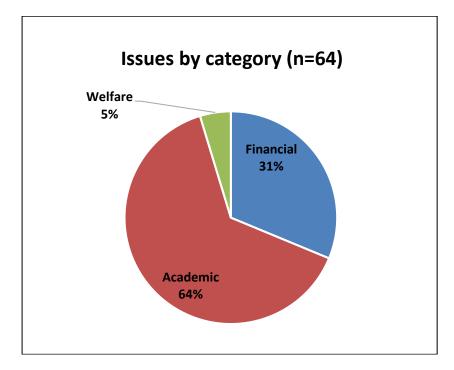
N.B. (1): Ongoing cases opened in previous months are not counted in the above figures.

Graphs summarising caseload are shown below.

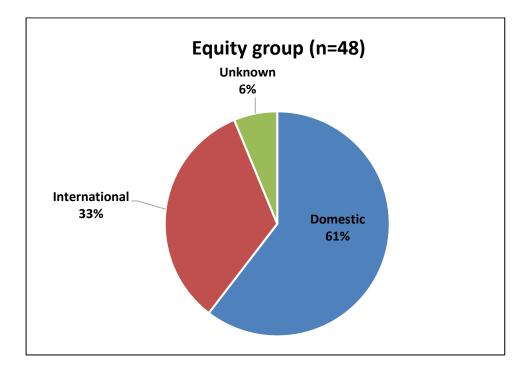
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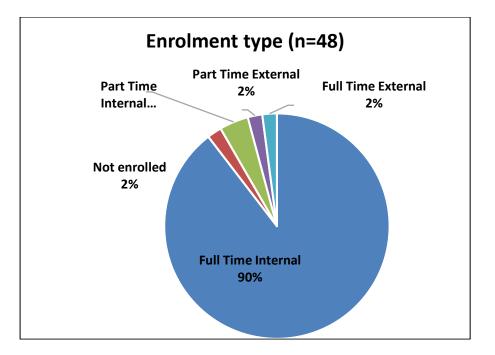
- Provision of feedback to Student Administration Services on the newly developed Students Complaints webpage and online forms for students to lodge complaints, reviews and appeals
- Meeting with the Post-Graduate Student Association to discuss trends and potential projects in 2019
- Regular catch-up with Health, Counselling and Disability's Senior Counsellor
- Regular catch-up with Manager, International Student Services
- Attended first day of Student Council induction presentations and associated networking activities
- Preliminary discussions with incoming President and Education Director of the Flinders Business Students Association in relation to potential collaborations in 2019
- SFAO attended Accidental Counselling session presented by Senior Counsellor and the 2018 SAFCA Conference in Adelaide, including two PD sessions – Suicide Awareness and Telephone Support and Learn to Write and get results.

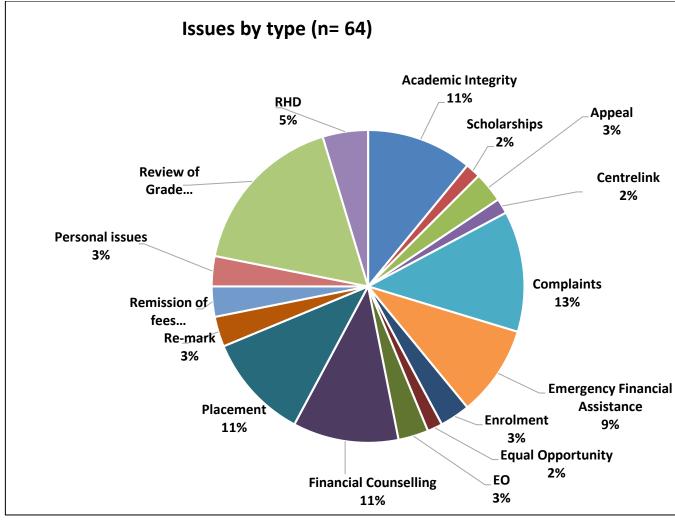
- We are currently working with the Media team redeveloping the existing financial counselling marketing collateral
- Further adjustments to the processing of student loans have been finalised with Student Finance, the aim being that approved loans are disbursed to students without delay

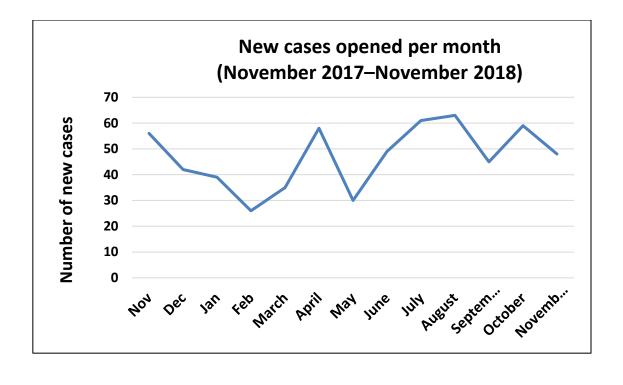


# Casework snapshot









**Student Representation Report** – Prepared by the Student Representation and Development Officer

A big welcome to the new Student Council. I hope this year ahead for you is a wonderful experience and that you feel supported to succeed. The big focus of mine this month has been on the **Topic Rep Pilot**, **Student Council Induction and academic representation structures**.

As I mentioned in my previous report, the Semester 2 Topic Rep Pilots in the Colleges of **Science and Engineering**, **Business**, **Government & Law and Nursing Health Sciences** is coming to an end. After collecting feedback from all relevant stakeholders, I sent out the Evaluation surveys. These surveys went to Topic Coordinators, Topic Reps and all students in the College of Science and Engineering. I have had a good response from all participants but will be sending a final reminder for the survey in early December. The evaluation will be very important, and I will be writing a report with recommendations from the data collected.

We had our two-day intensive **Student Council Induction** on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> November for the incoming Student Council. It was wonderful to meet all of you, to learn about who you are and about your skills, experience, motivations and goals for your upcoming terms. I'm looking forward to working with everyone this year to have a productive and powerful year.

As part of the Induction we held the Student Council Meet & Greet Executive Drinks again this year. We were very happy to see that our Vice Chancellor Professor Colin Stirling come to the event. Both Professor Stirling and the incoming Student President Katt Hatzi gave powerful speeches to kick of the evening. It was fantastic to see students and staff coming together to connect through conversation.

I have been in discussions with the Deans (Education) in Colleges in relation to academic representative structures. Things are moving forward in the College of HASS and M&PH. I will keep the Student Council updated and if anyone has any questions please don't hesitate to come and speak with me.

If anyone would like to discuss any of the above or anything related to student representation and the Student Council please get in touch with: Michelle Tatyzo - 8201 3620 michelle.tatyzo@flinders.edu.au

#### Media Report - Prepared by the Media Officer

#### Usual work:

- Newsletters (fortnightly not as frequently during leave)
- Facebook (roughly 99+ comments/likes/PMs a day not as frequent during leave) (don't forget if you want something to go out via FUSA fb you can always PM the account)
- Flinders Live on a Sunday design, rollout and promo
- Design work for Student Assist
- Empire Times support and training
- Induction with new ET editors
- SC Induction presentations introduction to FUSA Media and Social Media guide
- Finalisng O'Week and O'Fiesta design
- Clubs and Associations Handbook complete

#### Diary

Currently in customs

#### We have been working on

- Festival work/O'Week (Working with O'Directors, Events and 5/4on conceptual design)
- Budgets (Projected budget for 2018 complete)
- Rural Student Handbook (Designing concepts and researching content for KV)
- Flinders Live on a Sunday marketing and push for sales
- Annual Reports
- Website audit
- 2019 SC Induction guides, presentations etc.

#### Clubs Report - Prepared by the Clubs & Events Officer

#### **Club Handover Guide**

Updated Handover materials have been made available for use by Clubs & Associations over the end of year break to assist with the transition between outgoing and incoming executives and prepare for the new year. Materials are available via fusa.edu.au/manageclub.

#### **O'Week Stall Registration**

O'Week stall registrations have opened for Clubs & Associations, via the booking form available at fusa.edu.au/manageclub. Applications are due no later than the 11<sup>th</sup> of January 2019.

#### **Clubs & Associations Handbook**

The Clubs & Associations Handbook has now been released. This handbook is to assist Club/Association Executive & Committee members to understand their responsibilities and how to access FUSA services. Copies are available at the FUSA Front Desk, or can be read online at fusa.edu.au/manageclub

### Events Report - Prepared by the Events & Projects Officer

With the end of the Semester coming up, the Events Team has been focused on finishing up and delivering our Flinders Live event, as well as planning and preparing for O'Week and O'Fiesta in 2019.

## November Events

Flinders Live took place on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November from midday until 7pm and featured performances from Client Liaison, Mallrat, Maribelle, Adrian Eagle, Champion the Boy and Jess Day. Despite ticket sales not being where we wanted in the week prior, after exams finished student sales increases substantially. On the day of the event there was a total of 741 people through the door. Overall the event received excellent feedback from guests, and helped to continue to enhance Flinders profile as a great venue for live music.

## **November Planning**

The Events Team at this time of the year are primarily focused on planning O'Week and O'Fiesta. We have been working closely with 5/4 Entertainment to secure the 2019 O'Fiesta Line up. We are currently negotiating contracts for 5 artists for the event, and these should be announced by mid-December.

We are also finalising the rest of the O'Week social program with the O'Week Student Directors. The directors have worked closely with our team, as well as the media team, to create a fun and exciting social program for 2019. We are also working closely with a range of other stakeholders around the University including Colleges, the Student Experience team, OCME and many other professional services to ensure a whole of University approach to Orientation so student gets the best possible experience at Flinders!

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss an event idea please feel free to pop by my office, email me at <u>caleb.osborne@flinders.edu.au</u> or call me on 8201 7813.