



Flinders University Student Council Meeting
Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 13th November 2017.
Alere Function Room, Student Hub Level 2, Flinders University Student
Association.
18:30

Present: Jordon O'Reilly (Student President), Christopher Norman (General Secretary), Hilary Wigg (Welfare Officer), Katt Hatzi (Postgraduate Students Officer), Vieshnavee Pandiyan (International Students Officer), Grace Hensel (Women's Officer), Natasha Malone (Mature Age Officer), Ashley Sutherland (Social Activities Officer), Kate Gallagher (Disabilities Officer), Amy Hueppauff (General Council Member), Laurence Lagoon-Williamson (General Council Member), Amy Tschirn (Minutes).

Meeting Opened: 18:41

0.0 Matter for Decision

Procedural motion: to suspend standing orders

Moved: Christopher Norman

Seconded: Yaritji Green

0.1 Acknowledgement of Country at FUSA Student Council meetings – Yaritji Green

Motion:

Acknowledgement of country is an important part of starting any meeting that is upon Kurna land – the opening of the student council meeting and the acknowledgement of country should be done by the Indigenous Officer – someone who is recognised and acknowledged as such as a true member of the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community.

Yaritji Green: There is a Welcome to Country and an Acknowledgement of Country: someone of Kurna descent traditionally does a Welcome to Country, while those who are not of Kurna descent would be Acknowledging Country. On Flinders Student Council, the Student President has traditionally performed this. It is an



important part of acknowledging Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islanders on campus, that an indigenous person performs this. Australia has a history where these people have been disadvantaged and their voices are often still not heard. Having an Indigenous person do the welcome to country highlights importance of the Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islanders having a voice on Student Council. In the absence of the Indigenous Officer, the Welcome to Country should be done by someone who they deem worthy.

Jordon O'Reilly: More of a procedural thing – this will require a change to Standing Orders in regards to the meeting procedure. I'm happy for you to do it this time, and will look to move a change to the Standing Orders.

Moved: Yaritji Green

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Kate Gallagher

1. Acknowledgement of Country

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

2. Apologies

Hamish Richardson (Education Officer), Jacinta Robinson (Environment Officer), Khyle Milne (Queer Officer), Sean Cullen-Macaskill (General Council Member), Meaghan King (General Council Member), Sean Lamonby (General Council Member), Chris O'Grady (Manager, Student Engagement).

3. Welcome Guests

Sean Henschke (Queer Officer elect), (International Officer elect), Jesse Stevens (General Council Member elect) welcomed by Student President Jordon O'Reilly.

4. Accept Minutes from Previous Meeting

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

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Christopher Norman



5. Accept reports from the previous month

Jordon O'Reilly: Who am I missing reports from?

Christopher Norman: I haven't circulated yours (O'Reilly), as it was late.

Jordon O'Reilly: I sent it around. I will chase up those of you who have not submitted theirs.

Motion: That the submitted reports be accepted and the missing reports be deferred to the next Executive Meeting.

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly

Seconded: Natasha Malone

All in favour.

Motion carried.

6. Ratification of Executive Decisions

Motion: FUSA Student Council ratifies the decisions made by the Executive since the last full council meeting.

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly

Seconded: Hilary Wigg

All in favour.

Motion carried.

7. Matters for Decision

7.0 Congratulations and farewell to 2017 Student Council – Jordon O'Reilly

Jordon O'Reilly: I would just like to congratulate and farewell the 2017 Student Council as is the last meeting for the year. Congratulations all on nice, fun year, especially to those of you who have served multiple years, especially to Amy (Hueppauff), I don't remember a year that Amy wasn't on Student Council. Congratulations to all, farewell and good luck to those continuing, and congratulations to new people in the room who will take the helm on the 1st December.

Christopher Norman: It's been great working with everyone, it's been a good, productive year, good working with Jordon (O'Reilly), good luck to everyone who is continuing or starting anew next year.



Motion: to congratulate and farewell the 2017 Student Council.

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly

Seconded: Christopher Norman

All in favour.

Motion carried.

7.0 Matters for Decision

Christopher Norman: I would like to star 7.4, 7.5.

Laurence Lagoon-Williamson: May I remove 7.3 as it was passed through executive already?

Jordon O'Reilly: Okay, withdrawal of 7.3.

Christopher Norman: I would also like to add two club affiliations.

Jordon O'Reilly: Addition of 7.24, 7.25. What clubs are they?

Christopher Norman: Flinders University Student Exchange Club and the Intellectual Property, Innovation, & Technology Society

Jordon O'Reilly: I would like to star 7.6.

Procedural Motion: To move the matters to be moved en bloc to the end of matters for decision.

Moved: Christopher Norman

Seconded: Amy Hueppauff

All in favour.

Motion carried.

7.0 Matters for Decision:

7.4 Opposition to Police Powers in Adelaide CBD – Laurence Lagoon-Williamson

Motion: FUSA says no to the new police powers in Adelaide's city centre which are being used to target Aboriginal people, the homeless and monitor and restrict freedom of movement.

Laurence Lagoon-Williamson: New draconian police powers in Adelaide that between 6pm-am between hindley to middle of light square police have power to search anyone that they want, use metal detectors and drug sniffer dogs, if you fail to move on, which may be impossible if you don't have somewhere to move



to, fined \$2500 if you banned to reenter otherwise 1250, encroachment on civil liberties, disproportionately effect poor people and indigenous Australians.

Christopher Norman: Good motion, wanted to add to the end of the motion that FUSA student council directs the student president to write to the relevant minister condemning this egregious act by the state government.

Kate: I fully support this motion and the suggested amendment, it's an awful thing so maybe we should be making a statement more than this, maybe a petition to send as well?

Laurence: Good idea.

Jordon O'Reilly: I am not opposed to the message of the original motion, I would like it to be noted that I will be dissenting due to the amendment put forward by Christopher Norman.

Amended motion: FUSA says no to the new police powers in Adelaide's city centre which are being used to target Aboriginal people, the homeless and monitor and restrict freedom of movement. FUSA student council directs the Student President to write to the relevant minister condemning this egregious act by the state government.

Moved: Laurence Lagoon-Williamson
Pandiyani

Seconded: Vieshnavee

For: 11, Against: 1, Abstention: 0

Motion carried.

7.5 Celebrate the Success of the "Yes Campaign" – Laurence Lagoon-Williamson

Motion: FUSA commends the NUS LGBTI department for their activist approach to the marriage equality campaign, particularly their role in on and off campus protests including the two central demonstrations in Adelaide, and commends the protest based approach as a model for future student campaigns.

Laurence Lagoon-Williamson: I think it's been an excellent campaign, we've had some of the biggest LGBTI protest in Adelaide history. There's been an excellent effort by different activist groups, polls indicate that the yes campaign will win.

Kate Gallagher: I would like to speak on it.



Jordon O'Reilly: The motion requires a seconder before you can speak to it.

Christopher Norman: You can have up to 60 seconds per person speaking before a seconder is required.

Kate Gallagher: I think it's a good motion but we don't know the results yet. I would just wondering if we wanted to defer it to the next executive meeting after Wednesday. It was a good campaign but don't want to celebrate without the results.

Ashley Sutherland: I think that we should celebrate anyway regardless of results - people put a lot of effort in.

Kate Gallagher: As a member of the community that this issue effects, I don't like the idea of celebrating something we don't know the outcome of yet. I think that we should be deferring it. It could be a very bad time for the queer community in the coming days.

Laurence Lagoon-Williamson: All the polls indicate it will be a victory, but I don't have a problem with that, I'm happy to defer it.

Moved: Laurence Lagoon-Williamson **Seconded:** Vieshnavee Pandiyan

Procedural motion: That this motion be deferred to the next Executive Meeting after Wednesday (15/11/17).

Moved: Christopher Norman **Seconded:** Amy Hueppauff
All in favour.

Motion carried.

7.6 Transfer of NAIDOC budget money moved to the Indigenous Officer's Budget line.

Motion:

Student Council to approve the use of the remainder NAIDOC Festival Budget \$1880.00 to be transferred over to the Indigenous Officer's budget line for the Indigenous Officer to use before the close of this year.

Yaritji Green: Had a chat with Fay about how much money I have left, said that I have more money left that what I had expected due to the fact that FUSA already had the rights to play the movie so that was \$650 that I had budgeted and approved for that didn't need to be done. Then there was a panel that didn't



happen so just payment for the speakers plus casuals involved, some extra money I had spare for emergencies for that week (NAIDOC). Moving that money to the Indigenous Officer's budget so that I can use the money for indigenous purposes this year and next.

Jordon O'Reilly: I'm not opposed to it. Alfie (Alfred Lowe) did it last year, great way to make sure we get some spending in that area. My concern is with the inconsistency in moving this motion and blocking Viesh's (Vieshnavee Pandiyan) motions in previous Student Council meetings with the Multicultural Festival (MCF) budget line to the International Officer's budget line.

Yaritji Green: So what's the difference between this motion where I'm actually spending it on the Indigenous students, if you look at the following motions its all for Indigenous students and events, its not money that's used for only me.

Jordon O'Reilly: I don't have an issue with the way you're spending the money, just the inconsistency.

Yaritji Green: But that's the difference.

Jordon O'Reilly: I'm just looking at it from a government perspective because it's a bit of a double standard.

Christopher Norman: The decision that we came to last meeting was not that the MCF budget couldn't be used for initiatives; it was that the MCF budget couldn't be used for conferences, and that's the distinction.

Moved: Yaritji Green

Seconded: Hilary Wigg

For: 11, Against: 0, Abstention: 1

Motion carried.

7.17 Collation of Office bearer budgets for expenditure – Jordon O'Reilly

Preamble: As there is little time to spare in relation to spending most of FUSA's money before the new budget rolls over, I'm following precedent of last year that the remaining Office bearer, General Council budgets will all be merged for the executive to spend. This means after this meeting any remaining money will become the executive's to use.

Motion: That preceding the student council meeting, all OB and GC budget lines will become under the power and directive of the executive to spend.



Jordon O'Reilly: As most of you are aware we are trying to spend as much money as possible, at the end of the meeting all the money that hasn't been committed to be spent, letting the executive have your budget line to finish off spending the rest of your budget. For example, any motions that get passed today we won't spend that, just what is left over after that commitment. Any questions?

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly
All in favour.

Seconded: Christopher Norman

Motion carried.

7.18 FUSA Merch – Jordon O'Reilly

Preamble: I'm seeking to purchase more merchandise for sale from the SSAF budget lines. The plan will be to buy upwards of \$30 thousand dollars' worth of Shirts, jumpers, hats and other clothing and neat bits and pieces to sell for profit. The profits will go to the Student Council Bank Account. Previously we have had issue with SSAF funding being tied funding unable to keep the profits, however since discussions between myself, Ashley Sutherland and the PVC(SL). Michele informed me that once tied funds have been spent any return are consider untied.

Motion: That 30k be spent from the Coms & Media budget, Student engagement budget on retails merchandise. With all profits coming to the Student Council Bank Account.

Jordon O'Reilly: Just to give more background, in previous years we tried to spend SSAF money to make money. Chris O'Grady has been staunchly against this and has blocked it at every point, however stance is not the stance that basically every other uni in the country takes. It a meeting that myself and Ashley Sutherland and I had with Michele Fleming last week she wanted to know why FUSA hadn't touched its \$70K profit from this year alone on events and initiatives due to making money from things like O'week and the FUSA Ball. I also know from Michele that this number is lower than in previous years. Michele's view is that the second a SSAF dollar is spent, whatever return is made is untied funds and eligible for use on things that aren't held in the SSAF budget. We continue our venture our venture into retail items and things like that so that next year's council has a bit more cash that isn't tied up to do other



things. Hopeful that next year's council can expand and can potentially looking a bit for the campus store in the future.

Christopher Norman: can we recoup that \$70K?

Jordon O'Reilly: I haven't asked yet. I was going to ask that of Chris O'Grady tonight however he's sick. Will ask Wednesday.

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly
All in favour.

Seconded: Christopher Norman

Motion carried.

7.19 FUSA Flags – Laurence Lacoon-Williamson

Preamble:

As a serious organisation which is concerned about fighting for the rights of students and showing solidarity with workers and the oppressed, FUSA should invest in some flags with our logo on it to have at protests and other events. It is a good way of making ourselves visible and encouraging students from Flinders to be involved in the events that we organise and support. Many other unions and progressive political groups have their own flags and, although banners are also excellent, flags are much more portable and easy to carry around at a demonstration.

Motion:

FUSA student council will spend \$110 on one double-sided flag (dimensions 1200x600mm) from the *Flag Factory* to promote our organisation at protests, demonstrations and other events from the general council member budget. FUSA will spend \$5.50 on one extendable 2m windssock stainless steel flag pole.

Laurence Lacoon-Williamson: Seeing a lot of the rallies and seeing the union flags at them have been good, I think that in terms of increasing visibility to students and various progressive organisations it would be good to have some FUSA flags. It will be \$110 but it's quite big and high quality to come out of my budget as of which I have currently not spent anything.

Jordon O'Reilly: Can I make one amendment that you don't buy one flag, you buy, say, five? Just that seeing one flag looks kind of silly.



Laurence Lagoon-Williamson: I would be amenable to that. I'm okay with three maybe? But then we need more poles also.

Jordon O'Reilly: How about we just move \$500 towards flags?

Amended motion: FUSA student council will spend \$500 on one double-sided flag (dimensions 1200x600mm) from the *Flag Factory* to promote our organisation at protests, demonstrations and other events from the general council member budget.

Moved: Laurence Lagoon-Williamson
All in favour.

Seconded: Hilary Wigg

Motion Carried.

7.20 Badge Maker

Preamble: FUSA should have a functional badge maker for use by Student Council members and campus activists to promote progressive causes on campus. It is an excellent way for our members to promote their campaigns to students.

Motion: FUSA will spend \$209 on a 58mm DIY pinback badge maker/press cutting machine** from the general council member budget line.

Laurence: I know that we have a badge maker but it doesn't work and is beyond repairable. Would be good to have for particular campaigns that office bearers are running and good for others students that want to run other campaigns also.

Christopher Norman: The one issue is that the quote can't come from eBay.

Amy Hueppauff: Just wanted to make sure that for events prioritised for office bearers so they can have access when they need.

Jordon O'Reilly: Can I suggest that we defer cost to the next executive meeting?

Moved: Laurence Lagoon-Williamson
Norman

Seconded: Christopher

Procedural motion: That agenda item 7.20 be deferred to the next executive meeting to organise the cost.



Moved: Jordon O'Reilly

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Grace Hensel

7.21 Megaphone

Preamble:

I would like to purchase a megaphone for FUSA student council from my General Council member initiatives budget. It will be very useful for activist events on and off campus where FUSA student council members are involved and a great way for our activists to be heard at demonstrations in the coming years. The 25 watt handheld megaphone with siren will cost \$69.95 from Jaycar Electronics, has an effective distance of 600m and has a battery life of 6 hours.

Motion: FUSA student council spend \$69.95 from the General Council member budget for a megaphone for activist events.

Laurence Lagoon-Williamson: Good for activist events on or off campus e.g. NDA in the CBD. Will be \$69.95.

Amy Hueppauff: Same thing as previous motion applying to this one – prioritised for office bearers.

Moved: Laurence Lagoon-Williamson

Norman

All in favour

Motion carried.

Seconded: Christopher

7.22 Solidarity with Oaky North coal miners – Laurence Lagoon-Williamson

Preamble: Glencore's collective agreement with its Oaky North coal miners expired two and a half years ago. The workers, represented by the CFMEU, have been bargaining for a new deal since then. But the company has come to the table pushing a raft of attacks, including stripping the agreement of clauses about union representation rights, rostering and safety. It is also demanding that workers accept a wage cut and pay more for accommodation. The Oaky North coal miners have rejected the company's terms. In May they started a series of week-long stoppages. Glencore responded in July by locking them out. Since



then, every Tuesday at 12pm, the miners receive an email with an instruction not to return to work. A picket line has been maintained continuously outside the mine, which is now being operated by contractors. The miners are determined to stick out this dispute and win – but they need solidarity from other trade unions and student unions around the country and are calling for donations to their families for the holiday period.

Motion: FUSA student council will take a solidarity photo to inspire the workers and their families to continue their struggle against Glencore and post it on the Student Council Facebook page with the donation link.

Moved: Laurence Lagoon-Williamson **Seconded:** Vieshnavee Pandiyan
All in favour

Motion carried.

7.23 Conference travel costs - Vieshnavee Pandiyan

Vieshnavee Pandiyan: I want to spend the rest of my incentives budget to claim for my conferences. For the CISA conference in July, because it's Canberra it exceeded the \$1,000 for accommodation, so that's \$480, and to claim \$500 for the Communities in Control conference. I attended another conference in July with Tash (Natasha Malone), and Jacinta (Robinson) said that I could claim that from her travel allowance.

Jordon O'Reilly: Chris (Christopher Norman), how much does Veish (Vieshnavee Pandiyan) have left in her budget?

Christopher Norman: \$384.56 in travel budget and \$1763.06 in the initiatives budget

Vieshnavee Pandiyan: So I don't need to claim from Jacinta's budget then so can I claim the three amounts from my budget?

Jordon O'Reilly: You can claim from your travel budget without approval from this group, however your initiatives budget would need approval.

Procedural Motion: That 7.23 to be discussed at the end of the matters for decision.

All in favour.



7.24 Flinders University Student Exchange Club – Christopher Norman

Motion: That Student Council approve the Flinders University Student Exchange Club as a Financially Affiliated Club.

Christopher Norman: The Flinders Uni Student Exchange club have met all the requirements for a financially affiliated club, we happen to have the president right here who can tell us about the club.

Jesse Stevens: The main group will be exchange students that are here as well as returning exchange students, as well as students who have applied to go on an exchange, have a bunch of social events to make exchange students have a better time while they're at flinders

Jordon O'Reilly: and they meet the requirements for affiliation Chris?
(Christopher Norman)

Christopher Norman: Yes.

Jordon O'Reilly: Cool. Just a reminder not to spend your money on any alcohol.

Moved: Christopher Norman
All in favour.

Seconded: Katt Hatzi

Motion carried.

7.25 Intellectual Property, Innovation, & Technology Society – Christopher Norman

Motion: That Student Council approve the Flinders University Intellectual Property, Innovation, & Technology Society as a Non-Financially Affiliated Club.

Christopher Norman: Meet all the requirements as well; Katt (Hatzi) knows more about them.

Katt Hatzi: I bumped into the president, basically students who come out of innovation and enterprise topics plan on collaborating with different start ups around Adelaide and the other unis.

Jordon O'Reilly: Are they applying for financial or non-financial affiliation?

Christopher Norman: I think it's non-financial.



Jordon O'Reilly: I just have concerns over them having financial affiliation, that's all, and using that to fund their start-ups, and I know Chris O'Grady would too if he were in the room.

Christopher Norman: I don't think they're trying to fund start-ups.

Katt Hatzi: I think it's more of a community building and networking thing.

Moved: Christopher Norman

Seconded Vieshnavee Pandiyan

All in favour

Motion carried.

7.23 Conference travel costs - Vieshnavee Pandiyan

Vieshnavee Pandiyan: I will claim from the rest of my travel budget which is \$384, and then \$1396 from the incentives budget.

Motion: That \$1396 be moved from International Students Officer's initiatives budget to the travel budget.

Lost quorum 7:27pm

Meeting resumed 7:40

Moved: Vieshnavee Pandiyan

Seconded: Natasha Malone

All in favour.

Motion Carried.

7.0 Matters left un-starred to moved en bloc:

7.1 Solidarity with Refugees on Manus – Laurence Lagoon Williamson

Motion: TBA

7.2 Opposition to imperialism in Asia – Laurence Lagoon Williamson



Motion: FUSA calls on the Australian government and the Federal opposition to end the US-Alliance and stop supporting imperialist incursion into East Asia, threatening North Korea and escalating the possibility of a catastrophic nuclear war. FUSA affirms its opposition to imperialism in all its forms.

7.7 Indigenous Badges 2017 – Yaritji Green

Motion:

Student council to approve \$156.95 from the Indigenous Officer's budget to be spent on badge supplies before the close of the 2017 Indigenous officer's term.

7.8 Indigenous Diaries 2018– Yaritji Green

Motion:

Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$354.48 (inclusive of shipping) for the IAD Press' 2018 ANGKITJA hardcover Diary for use of as prizes, and welcome packs for the First Nations' Collective Committee.

7.9 First Nations Collective Students: Papua New Guinean Students End of Year Dinner – Yaritji Green

Motion: Student Council to approve the sum of \$260.00 for the Papua New Guinean Students to use for their end of year dinner to come from the Indigenous Officer's budget.

7.10 Co-op Vouchers for First Nation Students – Yaritji Green

Motion: Student council to approve the spending of \$500.00 from the Indigenous Officer's budget on buying ten \$50.00 vouchers from the Flinders University Co-op store.

7.11 Small Indigenous Notepads and Water Bottles from Utopia Australia – Yaritji Green

Motion: Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's



Budget, the sum of \$426.20 for the include Utopia Australia contemporary Aboriginal Designs small note pads and water bottles from various artists for use of as prizes, and welcome packs for the First Nations' Collective Committee.

7.12 Indigenous Flag Stickers “Australian Made” – Yaritji Green

Motion: Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$60.28 for the Indigenous Flag Sticker “Australian Made” for use of as prizes for the First Nations Collective, and welcome packs for the First Nations' Collective Committee.

7.13 Indigenous Flag Tote Bags – Yaritji Green

Motion: Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$224.04 for the Indigenous Flag Tote Bags for use as prizes for the First Nations Collective.

7.14 AIATSIS Aboriginal Australian Maps – Yaritji Green

Motion: Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$256.90 for 20 AIATSIS Aboriginal Australian Maps for use of as give-aways for 2018 Indigenous Officer events as well as to use as prizes for the First Nations Collective.

7.15 Indigenous Bush Tucker Foods – Yaritji Green

Motion: Student Council to approve spending from the Indigenous Officer's Budget, the sum of \$594.15, plus from the Flexi-Fund, the sum of \$1.20 – to cover the full cost of \$595.35 for the Indigenous Bush Tucker Foods for use of Indigenous Officer events and as prizes for the First Nations Collective, and welcome packs for the First Nations' Collective Committee.

7.16 Feminist Reading Nook – Meaghan King



Motion: That Student Council approves \$500 from my General Councillor budget to fund the purchase of a bookshelf and books to create a reading nook within the women's space.

Motion: I move that matters left un-starred be moved en bloc.

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Christopher Norman

8.0 Matters for Discussion:

Jordon O'Reilly: Admin will email student council members in the coming week about the upcoming annual report. Also, current members who won't be continuing in exact role next year, Kate Walsh will be emailing you about your handover report by the end of the week/Monday next week (before induction).

9.0 Matters for Noting

9.1 Election Report – Chris O'Grady

10.0 In Camera Items

Procedural motion: Move the meeting to In Camera.

Moved: Jordon O'Reilly

All in favour.

Seconded: Amy Hueppauff

Procedural motion: Present Student Council elect may remain in the room.

Moved: Christopher Norman

All in favour.

Motion carried.

Seconded: Jordon O'Reilly

Meeting Closed: 8:00