

Flinders University Student Council

Minutes of the Meeting Held on Meeting Tuesday 11th February 2014

Location: FUSA meeting room.

Opened: 6:00pm

Present: Caleb Pattinson, Ella Keegan-Treloar, Grace Hill, Ira Herbold, James Vigus, Justin Shaw, Roxanna Henshaw, Stef Rozitis, Tim Mitchell, Will Menzies, Paul Harrison (Minutes) Michael Bezuidenhout (6:03pm), Yadollah Bahrami (6:04pm), Rosalie Grace Dow (6:33pm)

Apologies: Hairdarr Jones, Chris O'Grady, Tut Tut

1. Welcome and Meeting Open

It was acknowledged that the Student Council meeting was taking place on the land of the Kuarna people.

2. Apologies

There was no dissent in the apologies.

3. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Changes to minutes

Date of meeting was listed as Wednesday 5th of February, should be amended to read Tuesday 4th of February.

Item 6.2 (Education Cuts): The initial motion is listed as failed. The initial motion did not fail, instead the motion was amended.

Motion: I motion to accept the minutes.

Moved: Grace Hill

Seconded: Roxanna Henshaw

All in favour

Motion Carried

4. Reports

Motion: I motion that we accept the reports.

Motioned: Grace Hill

Seconded: Roxanna Henshaw

All in favour

Motion Carried

Michael Bezuidenhout has entered the room at 6:03pm.

Yadollah Bahrami has entered the room at 6:04pm.

5. Matters for Decision

5.1. Equal Opportunity and Diversity Committee – General Secretary

The Student President called for nominations from the floor. Two nominations were received:

- Stef Rozitis (Women's Officer)
- Yadollah Bahrami (International Officer)

Student President amended the motion to specify Women's Officer and International Officer as the FUSA representatives

Motion: I motion that Student Council nominate Women's Officer & International Officer as the two FUSA representatives on the Equal Opportunity & Diversity Committee

Moved: Grace Hill

Seconded: Roxanna Henshaw

All in Favour

Motion Carried

5.2. Standing Orders – General Secretary

Michael Bezuidenhout raised issues with 15.1 requiring a two-thirds majority to suspend standing orders.

The Manager, Student Engagement submitted a proposal to change the meeting time limit from 5 hours to 3.5 hours. By a show of hands there was some opposition to the proposal.

Council discussed their beliefs regarding the limit changed.

Michael Bezuidenhout stated that he was happy with limiting it to three hours as long as it is easy to extend the meeting by suspending Standing Orders.

The General Secretary agreed to amend the hour limit to 3.5 hours.

Motion: I motion that the proposed changes to the Standing Orders are accepted by Student Council.

Moved: Roxanna Henshaw

Seconded: Ira Herbold

For: 11

Against: 1

Motion Carried

5.3. Election Regulations – General Secretary

Michael Bezuidenhout raised that non-award students at Flinders University were unable to vote in Student Elections. He questioned whether or not SC would like to ensure that they are counted in voting.

Proposal to change student definition to read: “‘Student’ means any enrolled student of the University, whether that person is enrolled as a full time, part time, non-award or external student;”

Michael Bezuidenhout also stated that the SC may want to amend eligibility the requirements of a Women's Officer from ‘women’ to a ‘women identifying student’.

The amendment was accepted.

Motion: I motion that the proposed changes to the Election Regulations are accepted by Student Council.

Moved: Roxanna Henshaw

Seconded: Justin Shaw

For: 11

Against: 0

Abstention: 1

Motion Carried

5.4. Standing Committees of Student Council Regulations – General Secretary

Moved straight to a vote.

Motion: I motion that the proposed changes to the Standing Committees of Student Council Regulations are accepted by Student Council.

Moved: Roxanna Henshaw

Seconded: Grace Hill

All in favour

Motion Carried

5.5. Clubs and Societies Regulations – General Secretary

Moved straight to a vote.

Motion: I motion that the proposed changes to the Clubs and Society Regulations are accepted by Student Council.

Moved: Roxanna Henshaw

Seconded: Grace Hill

All in favour

Motion Carried

5.6. FUSA Shirts – Student President

Two options were submitted to the SC meeting for the design of the FUSA shirt for 2014. One shirt is white and one is orange.

By a show of hands, Orange shirts were the more popular choice.

Michael Bezuidenhout raised that the shirts should be printed on the front and back to increase exposure.

Motion: I motion that student council approves the purchase of one shirt for each student council member, to be worn at FUSA events or events with a FUSA presence.

Moved: Grace Hill

Seconded: Will Menzies

All in favour

Motion Carried

5.7. Leaves of Absence – Student President

The Student President mentioned that there were a number of absences at the first meeting as a result of student council members not receiving emails. As this was due to no fault of their own, it would be unfair for their absence to count against them.

Motion: I motion that a leave of absence retrospectively be granted to all student council members who have missed this SC meeting or the previous meeting due to inability to access their Office Bearer emails.

Moved: Grace Hill

Seconded: Roxanna Henshaw

All in Favour

Motion Carried

Motion: I motion that a leave of absence be granted to all student council members who have missed this SC meeting or the previous meeting due to being interstate or overseas.

Moved: Grace Hill

Seconded: Roxanna Henshaw

All in Favour

Motion Carried

5.8. Student Assist loans for parking permits – Welfare Officer

Ira noted that many students cannot afford the lump sum for parking permits at the start of the year. Student assist have suggested that they could establish a permit repayment scheme at \$10 per week.

Motion: I motion that Student Council adopt a position of support for this program as a way of beginning to relieve some of the financial tension placed upon students by the cost of parking at the university.

Moved: Ira

Seconded: Grace Hill

All in Favour

Motion Carried

5.9. Casual Budget – Student President

The General Secretary notes that she is bringing forth the motion submitted by Chris O'Grady on his behalf due to his absence regarding the Casual Budget

Motion: I motion that Student Council approve the proposed Casual Pool Budget, allowing for the Manager, Student Engagement to make minor modifications during the year, to allow for changes in focus or operations and in the case of unforeseen circumstances.

Moved: Roxanna Henshaw

Seconded: Tim Mitchell

All in Favour

Motion Carried

5.10. Pub Crawl – Social Activities Officer

The Social Activities Officer has suggested that work should begin on organising the first FUSA pubcrawl of 2014

SC approves the SA to begin working on the pubcrawl.

Motion: I motion that student council approve that the social activities officer moves ahead with planning the pub crawl for semester 1, to be held on Friday the 11th of April.

Moved: Lauren Brice

Seconded: Stef Rozitis

All in favour

Motion Carried

5.11. Honorariums – Student President

Women's officer raised issues with honorariums being tied to the submission of a report. Some student council members agreed with the Women's Officer.

Motion: I motion that student council approve the following honorariums:

- **General Secretary**
- **Education Officer**
- **Environment Officer**
- **Welfare Officer**
- **Post-Graduate Officer**

Moved: Grace Hill

Seconded: Roxanna Henshaw

For: 12

Against: 0

Abstentions: 1

Motion Carried

6. Matters for Discussion

6.1. Annual General Meeting

The AGM last year, held in SWOT VAC was not successful

The Student President wants to know when SC would prefer to hold the AGM. The Student President stated that it should be held within Semester 1.

The date should be discussed and considered so that preparations for the AGM can begin.

Michael Bezuidenhout stated that it may be more sensible to have the AGM around the same time as SC elections - second semester.

Education Officer raised issues with the fact that there are many issues with the current Constitution and that there has not yet been an AGM. As a result, first semester would be beneficial.

6.2. O'Week Schedule

SC needs to determine their availability to manage the FUSA stall during O'Week. Student President presented Student Council with a document to fill in their availability for O'Week.

6.3. Anti-bullying campaign

Anne Hayes has brought it to the Student President that she is organising an anti-bullying campaign. The Student President shared some of the advertising materials for SC to view.

The Post-Graduate Officer suggested that it would be good to include the FUSA logo on the materials for the campaign to show FUSA's support.

Action Point: Grace Hill will continue following up with Anne Hayes and bring the item back to Student Council.

6.4. Events for Calendar

The General Secretary requested that Student Council members should submit a number of events to be incorporated into a FUSA events calendar for Semester 1. The General Secretary requested that Student Council members consider this in the near future.

Meeting Closed: 6:55pm