

FLINDERS UNIVERSITY STUDENT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 6TH JUNE 2013

Board Room

Present: Brodie McGee, Paul Harrison, Abdullah Alajlan, Jayson Bailey, Kingsley Whittenbury, Jake Lane, Nadira Zainal, Lauren Brice, Jordan Box, William Menzies, Roxanna Henshaw, Christopher Sellwood, Adriana Allman, Dominiek Neall, Leon Cermak (via teleconference).

Also Chris O' Grady and Dianne Wright of the Office for Student Engagement.

Open: 6.15pm

AGENDA MATTERS

1. Open and Welcome

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

2. Apologies

None

3. Welcome guests

Steph Walker.

4. Accept minutes from previous meeting

Motion to accept minutes from last meeting.

Moved: Jake Seconded: Abdul
14 in favour, 1 abstain.

5. In Camera Discussion

6. Reports

Motion the reports 6.2 - 6.11 be moved on block and accepted by Council.

Moved: Brodie McGee Seconded: Paul Harrison

Motion Passed

All in favour

Leon thanks Student President for including Anti-Cut Campaign, there was miscommunication.

6.1 Motion to accept the Student President's report.

Moved: Jake Lane Seconded: Roxanna Henshaw

All in favour

6.12.1 NUS LGBT United Kingdom Conference

Key outcomes from conference.

- FUSA should be part of a change in student politics that focuses more on the outcomes rather than the personal politics of student conferences
- FUSA should make formal policy around gender inclusivity in all fields of the university
- All Office Bearers should setup a reference group or subcommittee, if they do not already have one, and should have at minimum a monthly meeting.
- That FUSA should continue to push for more commercial arms to offset projects that are not funded by the university
- That FUSA should seek independent funds from OSE
- That FUSA should review the Office Bearers roles that they have, and seek to include additional roles as seem appropriate
- FUSA consider the idea of highly detailing the roles of Office Bearers prior to elections, and make formal recommendations that students must decrease their study load to be on Student Council in non-general-member-positions, and that honorarium be reviewed and increased in possible offset to this.
- That FUSA review a policy and program to ensure political activism is promoted to our students to counter apathy that currently exists.

Motion to accept NUS LGBT UK Conference report

Moved: Paul Harrison

Seconded: Jordan Box

All in favour

Stephanie – Media Officer

Communication issues between SC and FUSA staff. Need updated contact sheet. Reprinted document about dealing with media officer or how to liaise with promotion etc. Propose that Stephanie try to formalise what to do in regards to events. Di – won't order BBQ without 2 SC members committed to look after it. Staff needs notice of events. Do not go to Marketing and Communications Office (MACO), Stephanie is to contact bands; Jessi Tilbrook is creating procedure on what to do.

Chris – FUSA reputation is on the line

SP has developed social calendar created so that SC can start preparing – not in favour of SC to contact Di, Leader to contact Di. Leaders need to start stepping up, not necessarily the SC members doing the BBQ. SC do have documents for planning events, SP provided at the beginning of the year.

Student President thanks Student Council members who have stepped up.

7.0 Matters Carried Forward

7.1 Printing Quota

As part of SSAF consultation free printing was wanted by students. But when investigated only a small amount of students actually received free printing. Not viable, as more than SSAF allocation would take up printing. Does SC want to pursue with this?

Motion that a recommendation be made to the VC in regards to the printing quote investigation that the MSE conducted that the status quo be kept and free printing not be provided in favour of online submission for assignment and course material being provided in readers.

Motion: Brodie McGee Seconded: Jordan Box
All in favour

Executive Committee Recommendation – review of honorarium, apologies for how it may have come across but need to be aware of what OB are doing to receive honorarium. Exec Com are looking at reviewing process look at creating time/division table to standardise process.

Motion that a member of the executive investigates revising the current honorarium Process to be presented at the next council meeting.

Motion: Paul Harrison Seconded: Brodie McGee
All in favour

Motion that we approve Office Bearer honorariums on block except Women and Welfare officer.

Motion: Brodie McGee Seconded: Jake Lane
All in favour

Women Officer worked on Blue Stocking Day, women's room. Hour for each meeting ET article – hour, working Multi cultural debate 2 hours, ET launch, Idaho.

Motion that we approve Women's Officer Honorarium.

Motion: Brodie McGee Seconded: Jake Lane
All in favour women's officer to receive honorarium

Welfare Officer – mental health, ATM fees, academic transcript fees, Nus Welfare Officer, Pancake day, election regulation changes.

Motion that we approve Welfare Officers Honorarium.

Motion: Brodie McGee Seconded: Jake Lane
All in favour of Welfare Officer to receive honorarium.

8.1 Election of an Executive member

Executive committee require another member to fill vacancy. Only requirements for this is one additional meeting per month. Adrianna, Nedira and William were nominated. Executive member voted in was Adrianna Allman.

8.2 Formal apology – Student President

Apology to Leon about the rally.

Motion that a formal apology from the Student President to the Education Officer is recognized by council for miscommunication during the organization of the rally held on the 29th May 2013.

All in favour of Brodie's apology. Jake does not accept apology.

8.3 Formal gesture of gratitude – Student President

Motion that a formal gesture of gratitude be recognized to our general council members, Will, Roxie, Adrianna and Jayson for their help going above and beyond on the rally help on the 29th May 2013.

8.4 New Student Council Members with Portfolio

1. In accordance with Clause 13.2 and Clause 21 of the Flinders University Student Association the Student Council may, by way or regulation, create any Student Council position(s) that they deem fit.
2. The Student Council positions created by regulation are as follows:
 - a) Social Activities Officer
 - i. Any student at Flinders University may nominate themselves for this position.
 - ii. The Social Activities Officer William be a Student Council member with a portfolio and William receive the same benefits that those in equivalent positions receive.
 - b) Abilities Officer
 - i. To nominate for the position of Abilities Officer the candidate must self-identify as having a disability. The candidate's disability is not required to be diagnosed or proven to the Returning Officer of the election in which they are nominated.
 - ii. The Abilities Officer William be a student Council member with a portfolio and William receive the same benefits that those in equivalent positions receive.

**Motion: Jake Lane
In favour 14, 1 abstain**

Seconded: Abdullah Alajlan

8.5 Fair trade accreditation

To become a fair-trade accredited university there are many items to tackle. William to write policies in regard to this.

Motion that Student Council pass this resolution in its form in the agenda 8.5

The Student Council resolves to:

- Support the campaign to make Flinders University a Fair trade University
- Support the creation of a Fair trade Steering Group responsible for implementing this policy to meet at least once per semester to reflect on progress made and to decide how best to achieve further minimum requirements and/or progress goals for Fair Trade accreditation. The group could include representatives from the Flinders University, Sustainability Officer, university Council and University Council Executive, the Student Council and Student Council Executive, relevant student groups, campus caterers, representatives from Flinders One and other o-campus business/cafes.
- Support the creation of a Fair Trade policy to facilitate meeting the minimum requirements for Flinders University's accreditation as a Fair Trade University. (These minimum requirements are attached as appendix document 'Fair Trade

Communities University Guidelines’.)

- Take steps to ensure Fair Trade coffee and tea are the default option at FUSA events and Student Council meetings.
- Advocate for Fair Trade and sustainable products to be readily available in on-campus retail outlets including, but not limited to, those operated by Flinders One. These may include coffee, tea, sugar, cotton products such as bags and clothing, sports balls, and other items.
- Support the promotion of Fair Trade and sustainable development at Flinders University.

Motion: William Menzies
All in favour

Seconded: Jordan Box

8.6 IAHA Conference – Indigenous Officer

Indigenous health 2nd National Conference to be held in Adelaide. IO asking for \$300 to attend. SP supports IO to go.

8.7 & 8.9 Multicultural festival

Abdul like to thank Sub-Committee of the proposal. IO request \$16k from FUSA to fund event. DVCI suggested honorariums for positions held as find it hard to find volunteers at this university. SP recommends that we do not pay positions honorarium but receive a gift/dinner after the event as a thankyou to the value of \$500.

Recommend photography club be paid \$150 for 3 days work.

Recommend the food budget is cut in half at this stage, if clubs can provide details that they require more can come back on increase in required. Keep Marketing budget \$1500, provide a breakdown.

DVCA recommended that it came out of SSAF \$100k we have received. This money we said we would poll students how this is spent, but agreed as this the event FUSA provide this year need to go ahead.

Motion that FUSA approve \$9850 to go toward Multicultural Festival from \$100k SSAF allocation from Vice Chancellor SSAF funds

Motion: Brodie McGee

Seconded: Jake Lane

All in favour

8.8 1st year International Students Dinner

Welcoming dinner for 1st year students only. Jordan questioned why Indigenous couldn't be invited as they William participate in MCF. Abdullah William consider.

Motion that FUSA allocate up to \$1880 of any profit made from Multicultural Festival to go towards the “welcome to Flinders University 1st year international students dinner

Motion: Brodie McGee

Seconded: Roxanna Henshaw

All in favour

8.10 Small incidental expenses – International Officer

Fees that OB incur e.g. parking fees, taxi etc. FUSA to support. Discussed that these costs should be covered with honorarium.

8.11 PA Discussion– Student President

SP would like all SC members on how to use PA system. SC happy to come in on weekend. Monday 2pm.

8.12 Transfer of money printing

With length of agenda SP decided to TSF \$1000 from SC to OSE. We could go to paperless option & \$1k go towards cheap tablets. SP to look into cost of this option.

8.13 Club affiliation – 5 clubs

Psychology, Archaeological, Vision Generation, Fair Trade. Have handed in affiliation documents.

Motion that all abovementioned clubs affiliated with FUSA.

Motion: Paul Harrison

Seconded: William Menzies

Leave of absence

Lauren absent 17th June – 30th July

Motion that Lauren received an absence of leave from 17/6/13 – 30/7/13

Motion: Brodie McGee

Seconded: Jake Lane

Pyjama Party

Lauren needs help to sell tickets, Student Council to help tomorrow on band day

Agenda Requirements

Hard to amalgamate all reports, all Student Council members to send reports by Friday 5pm before the meeting.

Motion that the Student Council required all submitted Matters for Discussion be accompanied with a written description of the proposed discussion and that all submitted Matters for Decision are accompanied with a motion and description.

Motion: Paul Harrison

Seconded: Leon Cermak

All in favour

1 against

9.0 Matters for Discussion

9.2 A-political and non-religious – Indigenous Officer

Indigenous officer believes FUSA office should be non-political and religious free office, should not placard anything. Would like any pamphlets removed.

9.3 Use of 'Shop One' - MSE

Need more space, use it for club room. SP put forward a food co-op, or possibly a 2nd book stall, clothes swap, food bank. SP to put forward proposal to buildings and properties.

9.4 Use of space under McHughes - MSE

Used as student hang out at the moment. Look at using this space, enclose cement slab and knock out wall to make student hangout space longer/better. Or could be used as a club space. Do we push ahead or put it to poll for students to discuss. SP decided to put to student consultation.

9.7 Security at Victoria Square - MSE

OSE external security. They have security during day. Outside business hours have to be hired. If there are more than 50 require 1 security guard. Cost William be responsibility of user. DVCA recommend use of SSAF \$100k money for security cost for SAMP event. \$837 cost for SAMP to have security.

Motion that the cost of security for South Australian Multicultural Debate at Victoria Square to be allocated from Vice Chancellor's \$100k SSAF Allocation.

Motion: Brodie McGee Seconded: Abdullah Alajlan

All in favour

9.9 Weekly newsletter – Student President

Do we find them a helpful tool. Cost attached \$11 – 12 each time sent. SC liked that it comes from someone personal. SP William keep doing it.

9.10 Planning Day Semester 2 – Student President

Wednesday 24th July 9am – 5pm all SC to attend

9.11 SC Bonding Day – Student President

Student President would like to have a team building event between Student Council and Sub-Committee for Clubs and Societies. Student President wanting to know if Student Council are interested in this. Student Council advised that they are interested.

FUSA volunteer program

Want to put volunteers in a formal program where volunteers receive reward. Champion volunteer those who have already put in a few hours, can be given leadership roles. Events budget could accommodate for paying for benefits. Clubs and societies money not used, could use money from this as well. Student Council thoughts.

Motion that we accept the volunteer program proposed

Motion: Brodie McGee Seconded: Jake Lane

All in favour

9.12 Emergency meeting

SC created new members at emergency meeting, not sure we should create this at emergency meet without notice. GS to create procedures/policy on emergency meeting.

10.0 Any Other Business

Bank account still has last years signatories need to motion.

Motion that the Student bank account signatories be changed to Student President Brodie McGee, General Secretary Paul Harrison, Manager of Student Engagement Chris O' Grady, Office Co-ordinator Dianne Wright

Motion: William Menzies

Seconded: Abdullah Alajlan

Carried forward

Johanna Macleod honorarium has extended invitation to attend meeting

Motion the Johanna MacLeod be denied all outstanding honorarium

Motion: Brodie McGee

Seconded: Paul Harrison

All in favour

11.0 Meeting Closed

The meeting was officially closed at 11:09pm

Minuted by Dianne Wright.