

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL**



**MEETING THURSDAY 13 JUNE 2019**

**AGENDA AND MEETING PAPERS**

## AGENDA

Meeting of Monday Thursday 13 June, at 6:30pm in Hub Seminar Room 113.

### 1. Procedural Matters

#### 1.1. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

#### 1.2. Attendance

#### 1.3. Apologies

Lisa Hanson, Lucas Ji, Elaine Zhang, Carol Wu.

#### 1.4. Adoption of Agenda

#### 1.5. Welcome

### 2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

**Recommendation:** That the SRC accept the minutes of the meeting of Monday 27 May 2019 as a true and accurate record.

### 3. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Action	Person	Status
Put Rebecca Etienne in contact with VSS.	Isabel Hoo	TBA
Speak with the Vice-Chancellor at the next opportunity regarding Climate Emergency.	Ali Amin	TBA
Contact every South Australian Senator regarding higher education issues.	Ali Amin	TBA
Write press release for Climate Emergency and send to Ali.	Tom Auld	TBA
Write to Minister Knoll regarding privatisation.	Ali Amin	TBA

### 4. Correspondence

### 5. New Members

None.

### 6. Motions on Notice

**Recommendation:** that the SRC constitution Section 2.a.iii be amended as follows, *To promote the principle of equality of all persons regardless of race, faith, sex, gender, economic circumstance, differing physical or mental health, sexual orientation, colour, culture, national origin, age or ethnicity.*

## 7. General Business

### 7.1. Mid-Year Break (Patrick Stewart)

**Recommendation:** that the SRC delegate its authority to the Executive from the close of the current meeting until Monday 29 July 2019.

### 7.2. Smith Family Learning Club (Sam Chapman)

**Recommendation:** That the SRC encourages University of Adelaide students to volunteer for Learning Clubs, and The Smith Family as a whole including distributing advertising material in person and online.

**Recommendation:** That anyone interested in this is to be directed to the Education Officer if they have any further questions or want to volunteer.

## 8. Office Bearer Reports

### 8.1. President

**Recommendation:** The Adelaide University Student Representative Council stands against the implementation of trimesters as trimesters directly hurt students and staff.

**Recommendation:** That the SRC formulate a campaign against the implementation of trimesters.

**Recommendation:** That the SRC releases the \$1000 special projects budget line to be used on the trimester campaign as determined by Executive.

**Recommendation:** The Adelaide University Student Representative Council stands against the proposed cuts to the Waite and Roseworthy Library and endorses actions and campaigns to that affect.

### 8.2. Welfare Officer

### 8.3. Women's Officer

### 8.4. Environment Officer

### 8.5. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Officer

### 8.6. Ethno-Cultural Officer

### 8.7. Rural Officer

### 8.8. Mature Age Student Officer

## 9. Other Reports

**SRC Meeting 08-19**

**Thursday 13 June 2019**



**9.1 Executive**

**10. Emergent Business**

## Item 2: Confirmation of Previous Minutes

### MINUTES

#### 9. Procedural Matters

##### 9.1. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

Ali Amin opened the meeting at 6:40pm on Monday 27 May 2019. He acknowledged the Kurna people as the traditional custodians of the land, and that the land was stolen and never ceded.

##### 9.2. Attendance

Ali Amin, Patrick Stewart, Rebecca Etienne, Joanna Barry-Murphy, Elaine Zhang, Isabel Hoo, Andrew Lai, Michael Brohier, Carol Wu, Tom Auld, Lucas Ji, Tobias Threadgold (videolink), Prerna Kurup (late), Oscar Ong (late).

**Visitors:** Felix Eldridge, Harry Peng, Sarah Tynan.

##### 9.3. Apologies

Zihan (Zephyrus) Ma, Sam Chapman, Angela Qin, Lisa Hanson, Chelsea Fernandez, Kynesha Temple.

Patrick Stewart advised that he has received a resignation from the Disability Officer, Samuel King, due to full-time work commitments.

The SRC wishes Samuel well in his future endeavours.

##### 9.4. Adoption of Agenda

##### 9.5. Welcome

#### 10. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

**Recommendation:** That the SRC accept the minutes of the meeting of 11 May 2019 as a true and accurate record.

**Moved:** Patrick Stewart

**Seconded:** Rebecca Etienne

**CARRIED**

#### 11. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Patrick Stewart noted none arising.

#### 12. Correspondence

Ali Amin noted none received.

#### 13. New Members

None.

#### 14. Motions on Notice

**Recommendation:** that the SRC constitution Section 2.a.iii be amended as follows, *To promote the principle of equality of all persons regardless of race, faith, sex, gender, economic circumstance, differing physical or mental health, sexual orientation, colour, culture, national origin, age or ethnicity.*

#### **General Councillor's item (Michael Brohier) deferred at last meeting**

Ali Amin noted there were insufficient members in attendance to pass a Constitutional amendment.

#### 15. General Business

##### 15.1. General Councillor's Report (Isabel Hoo)

Isabel spoke to her report and her activities since the previous meeting.

**Recommendation:** The SRC supports the collaboration and that the SRC encourages the University to collaborate with VSS.

**Moved:** Isabel Hoo

**Seconded:** Rebecca Etienne

**CARRIED**

##### 15.2. General Councillor's Report (Michael Brohier)

Michael Brohier took his report as read.

Ali Amin commented that the issues Michael raised in his report have been raised previously in meetings with the University administration. He noted his view that only organising international students and enacting legislative change would address wage theft.

Ali Amin stated his view that Council that capitalism was the main cause of wage theft.

##### 15.3. Climate Emergency (Tom Auld)

Tom Auld spoke to his report. He highlighted that he believed climate change was a primary concern for young people and students.

Tom noted he had seen ANU make a similar declaration, as well as the ACT Government and the Australian Labor Party.

Tom said he had been in contact with many students on this issue, including circulating a petition. He has not received a response from the Vice-Chancellor on the issue.

Patrick Stewart spoke to the motion, noting his broad support.

Tom Auld responded that he was not amendable to the amendment.

He also raised that he believed the view that working class people were not spoken to by anti-Adani campaigns was inaccurate.

Michael Brohier spoke of his view that measures taken in protesting climate change were too extreme.

Ali Amin echoed Patrick Stewart's concerns about part (2) of the motion regarding political inaction on climate change.

Tobias Threadgold spoke of his support for the motion, but believed identifying "both major parties" excused climate inaction by other political parties.

Tom Auld was not amendable to the motion.

**Motion:** Amend clause (2) to read: The Adelaide University SRC condemns political inaction and negligence towards climate change.

**Moved:** Ali Amin

**Seconded:** Joanna Barry-Murphy

**CARRIED**

*Prerna Kurup and Oscar Ong arrived at 7:08pm.*

**Motions:**

The Adelaide University SRC declares a Climate Emergency.

**Moved:** Tom Auld

**Seconded:** Patrick Stewart

**CARRIED**

The Adelaide University SRC condemns political inaction and negligence towards climate change.

**Moved:** Tom Auld

**Seconded:** Rebecca Etienne

**CARRIED**

Patrick Stewart requested that the word "all" be removed from the first line of Tom Auld's third motion, to which the mover was amenable.

The Adelaide University SRC commends groups and activists who have been fighting for the planet such as the recent School Strikers and Stop Adani campaigners.

**Moved:** Tom Auld

**Seconded:** Rebecca Etienne

**CARRIED**

The Adelaide University SRC will publish a press release declaring a Climate Emergency

**Moved:** Tom Auld                      **Seconded:** Patrick Stewart                      **CARRIED**

Adelaide University SRC reps are encouraged to attend, promote and where appropriate speak, at all future actions, protests and meetings tackling the climate emergency.

**Moved:** Tom Auld                      **Seconded:** Ali Amin                      **CARRIED**

SRC Members discussed that the final motion was not a “blank cheque” for expenditure on events and campaigns, but was a general indication of support.

The Adelaide University SRC will commit funds, resources and time towards such progressive actions where possible.

**Moved:** Tom Auld                      **Seconded:** Patrick Stewart                      **CARRIED**

#### **15.4. Sudanese Protestors (Tom Auld)**

Tom Auld spoke about the history of the Sudanese protest movement his motion refers to over the past several months.

He also spoke about racism facing Sudanese people in Australia.

Michael Brohier stated he did not believe this was an issue for the SRC, because no one on campus had heard of it. He described the motion as “ridiculous”.

Tom responded that he believed a lack of awareness was due to inadequate media reporting of the issue. He also noted he had met students on campus who have relatives involved in the protests in Sudan.

**Motion:** that the recommendations be voted on en-bloc.

**Moved:** Ali Amin                      **Seconded:** Patrick Stewart                      **CARRIED**

**Motion:**

1. That members of the SRC will take a photo in solidarity with the protesters in Sudan
2. That SRC will put out a statement on its Facebook page in solidarity with the protesters in Sudan
3. The SRC will email the results of this motion to [‘action@menasolidaritynetwork.net’](mailto:action@menasolidaritynetwork.net) as a message of solidarity with Sudanese protesters and Unionists

**Moved:** Tom Auld                      **Seconded:** Rebecca Etienne                      **CARRIED**

*Michael Brohier noted his dissent.*

## 16. Office Bearer Reports

### 16.1. President

*Ali Amin passed the chair to Patrick Stewart at 7:19pm.*

Ali noted he had heard a decision on the RCC issue will be made in mid-June. He has also been working with the University on Infrastructure projects.

He has also been working with Sarah Tynan to organise a Women's Forum on Tuesday 11 June as outlined in his report. This will be done in conjunction with Elaine's relaunch of the Women's Room.

Ali stated that while the committee to review SRC Governance has not met since being established, he has been working on a framework. This is particularly being worked on with the Faculty of Health and Medical Science, and relevant clubs there.

Ali spoke about the State Liberal Government's ongoing cuts to public transport, as well as increases to Government fees, including bus fares.

Patrick Stewart raised he had provided a near-identical motion, and suggested that part (c) of his motion be added

#### **Recommendation:**

- a. The SRC opposes the privatisation of SA trains and trams.
- b. The SRC opposes the SA Government's hike to fees and charges and expresses concern they will disproportionately impact students.
- c. The SRC actions the SRC President to write to the Minister

**Moved:** Ali    **Seconded:** Patrick    **CARRIED**

*Chair passed to Ali Amin at 7:25pm.*

### 16.2. General Secretary

Patrick Stewart spoke to his report.

He raised importance of being aware of what the newly re-elected Federal Liberal Government has done to date in terms of higher education, and being aware of its actions now that it has returned to Government.

Patrick raised that a Meet Your Reps event would be held on North Terrace on Wednesday and asked everyone to come along. He also noted he would pass on notes

from this event to assist in similar events being held at Roseworthy and Waite campuses, and that he looked forward to working on these events.

Ali Amin noted that previous SRC Members and members of other South Australian student unions had met with Senate crossbenchers in the past, with good results.

He also noted his concerns that the radical proposals of 2014 would return in some form under the re-elected Government.

Tom Auld noted he wouldn't be surprised to see the Morrison Government take strong action, and also that he saw it as important to see the student movement take up political issues such as these.

### **16.3. Postgraduate Officer**

Ali Amin noted Franz was absent from the meeting.

### **16.4. Education Officer**

Ali Amin noted Sam was absent from the meeting.

### **16.5. Queer Officer**

Rebecca took her report mostly as read, but thanked those who were involved in events she has run recently for their help.

She noted she looks forward to running more events in future.

Rebecca also reported that she had met with a woman named Charlotte, who is running a campaign to chalk anti-sexual harassment messages on pavement around Adelaide and the University. Rebecca noted Elaine had also met with Charlotte and they were now involved in the issue.

Patrick Stewart noted that Rebecca and Joanna had both given speeches following the Vice Chancellor at the University's IDAHOBIT event, and congratulated them for their efforts.

### **16.6. Social Justice Officer**

Ali Amin noted Zephyrus was an apology for the meeting.

### **16.7. International Officer**

Lucas advised that he had met with the International Student Support Services coordinator regarding the visa issues he had reported on previously.

Oscar Ong noted his concerns that the International Student Officer had not replied to an email from the International Student Centre.

## **11. Other Reports**

## 9.2 Executive

### 9.3 Administrator's Report

Ali noted the AUU had changed the name of "Stress Less Day" to "De Stress Yourself", and asked SRC members to fill in the attached roster.

Ali Amin also spoke about the SRC's conference budget, and upcoming conferences SRC members may be interested in attending.

Patrick Stewart raised concerns about the possibility of attaining quorum at the next SRC meeting, due in the week prior to SWOTVAC.

**Motion:** that the SRC delegates authority to spend "Travel Costs" and "Conference Costs" budget lines to the SRC Executive, provided that the Executive report on these decisions at the following SRC meeting.

**Moved:** Ali Amin

**Seconded:** Isabel Hoo

**CARRIED**

## 12. Emergent Business

Meeting closed at 7:49pm.

## Item 7.1: General Secretary's Item (Patrick Stewart)

### Meeting Scheduling

Firstly, apologies for the change in meeting time – the original meeting schedule had us meeting on a public holiday, which is an oversight on my part.

I anticipate many members will be unable to attend the meeting due to standing commitments and time constraints around exams and final assessments. This is an understandable consequence of the end of semester, and of the change of meeting time. I intend to look into ways to remedy this situation ahead of the end of next semester, and for future SRCs to make use of.

I would also like to encourage Members to keep an eye on their email inboxes over the break, as I will be circulating a Doodle Poll to determine the best meeting day for next semester.

### Delegation of Authority to Executive

It is customary for the SRC to delegate its authority to the SRC Executive for the duration of the mid-year break. This is because many SRC members travel or take time off during the break, as many students more generally do. The SRC does not meet over the break, but business does sometimes arise which requires an urgent response.

Much as I did at the end of last year for the duration of the end-of-year break, I would like to recommend that the SRC delegate its authority to the Executive for the duration of the mid-year break, which this year runs from 17 June (start of SWOT week) to 29 July (start of Semester 2).

**Recommendation:** that the SRC delegate its authority to the Executive from the close of the current meeting until Monday 29 July 2019.

### SRC Activity During the Break

While the Executive will be able to exercise the SRC's formal power, if the above motion is carried, SRC members are still encouraged to continue their work if possible.

Mid-year break is an excellent time to plan events, campaigns and initiatives for the remainder of the year. There are also likely to be ongoing issues to address, such as the Trimester and Library campaigns, which the Executive would appreciate help in!

Please keep an eye on your emails and Slack as much as possible until Semester 2 begins. Good luck with exams and final assessments, and enjoy your break!

## Item 7.2: Education Officer's Item (Sam Chapman)

### Support of The Smith Family Learning Club

The Smith Family is a national, independent children's charity helping disadvantaged Australians to get the most out of their education, so they can create better futures for themselves. They run a number of programs that aim to improve the lives of disadvantaged children around Australia, one of which is their Learning Clubs.

The Learning Clubs operate in primary and secondary schools in lower socioeconomic areas with volunteer tutors helping students seeking assistance. I have personally seen this program really help students who are rarely able to receive one-on-one support. They are currently desperately short of volunteers in a number of the primary and secondary learning clubs.

University students are perfect for these sorts of positions. They clearly have the academic merit to help, they have usually recently completed the curriculum they will be tutoring, they often require further experience outside of a university setting to land competitive graduate positions and tutoring only take 1-2 hours a week after school.

It is an incredibly rewarding experience and I would like the SRC as a body to aid in promoting it as a cause for university students to be a part of.

### Motion

That the SRC encourages University of Adelaide students to volunteer for Learning Clubs, and The Smith Family as a whole including distributing advertising material in person and online.

That anyone interested in this is to be directed to the Education Officer if they have any further questions or want to volunteer.

## Item 8.1: Presidents Report

### 1. WELCOME

### 2. MAJOR ITEMS

#### 2.1 Stop Trimesters

Given the timing and the fact the SRC has already dealt with this issue in the past and outlined our concerns I'll only briefly report on it. See meeting papers of 06.08.18 for more information.

#### How we got here?

- Reports from University committee representatives that trimesterisation could be a way to deal with space/infrastructure issues and degree acceleration.
- No decision has been made, so a campaign would be pre-emptive. University is looking into the business case at the moment.
- This is Executive-led - not going through committee process, this is a "do, then deal with the consequences" model.
- *"We would like to see proposals toward trimesterisation, and we are investigating and evaluating whether there is a compelling business case"* - Mike Brooks, Acting Vice-Chancellor.

#### Issues

- Impacts on education quality
- Losing your breaks:
  - Internships/clerkships/placements
  - Family time
  - Travel opportunities
  - Contikis???
- Being rammed through with little to no consultation
- Not being driven by student outcomes, but by costs and infrastructure
- Not a pilot or trial, University-wide
- Staff impact
- Centrelink and concessions - you might not have to do the new maximum load, but you still have to be considered a "full-time student"
- Impact on campus culture and extra-curriculars

Read more from other Universities:

<http://honisoit.com/2019/06/cancel-trimesters-activists-censored-by-unsw-management/>

<https://tharunka.arc.unsw.edu.au/unsw-refuses-release-trimester-survey-results-claiming-consultation-process-wasnt-referendum/>

<https://tharunka.arc.unsw.edu.au/open-letter-merlin-crossley-unsw-chancellery/>

<https://www.guild.curtin.edu.au/stopthetrimonster>

**Recommendation:** The Adelaide University Student Representative Council stands against the implementation of trimesters as trimesters directly hurt students and staff.

**Recommendation:** That the SRC formulate a campaign against the implementation of trimesters.

**Recommendation:** That the SRC releases the \$1000 special projects budget line to be used on the trimester campaign as determined by Executive.

### 2.2 Stop Roseworthy and Waite Library Cuts

See attached letter.

“Under these proposed changes students would access the libraries by swipe access and would use self-service to check out books.

We are writing to urge the university not to go ahead with this proposal and instead to maintain the staffing levels of the libraries as they currently are, or if staffing changes must be made that there be a strict minimum of one staff member physically present during business hours Monday to Friday to assist students with usage of the library.

We find it extremely unfair that our right to a staffed library be brought into question especially at such short notice with very little time for student consultation.”

**Recommendation:** The Adelaide University Student Representative Council stands against the proposed cuts to the Waite and Roseworthy Library and endorses actions and campaigns to that affect.

### 2.3 Stress Less Day

De-stress Yourself day was a success and thank you to all SRC volunteers. Would love to use this as an opportunity to debrief and discuss potential improvements in the lead up to the AUU debrief meeting.

### 2.4 St Marks Update

Sarah Tynan and I sent a joint letter to St Marks as previously discussed and have been invited to meet the new College Head once appointed. See attached letter.

### 2.5 On Dit

I made a submission to the Student Media Subcommittee as attached.

## 3. Meetings & Media

To be outlined next meeting.

## Item 8.2: Welfare Officer's Report

### Welfare Officer Report

13/06/2019

#### Food Bank

Student life is expensive and some of us sometimes skip meals so we can pay the bills and rent, I think that's almost sounds like most students in Uni. According to Universities Australia, roughly 1 in 5 students regularly go without food, which is really heartbreaking. Under that situation, I think the we can create a food bank, that means the Welfare Department's Food Bank is a service available to all students at the University in need of assistance. If someone is struggling to afford food, we're here to help. A food pack can be collected anonymously from info desk or by contacting the Welfare department and students should never have to go hungry.

#### How to access the Food Bank?

My imagination is students can pick up a pack anonymously from the Ground Floor of Union House or Ask Adelaide by approaching one of the friendly staff members. Alternatively, please email the Welfare officers or someone else staff to arrange a time to pick up a pack. Maybe they can also pop by the Welfare Office in Union House and access the Food Bank during office hours.

## Donations

Further, we advocate Uni students donate food as well. We rely on donations to ensure we never have to turn down a student. We accept all sorts of donations ranging from canned food to tea bags and even household items such as soap and toothpaste. To make a contribution, please visit the welfare officer or email us.



Welfare Officer

Carol

### **Item 8.3: Women's Officer's Report**

*Report not submitted.*

*Elaine submitted an apology for being unable to provide a report due to time pressure.*

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## **Item 8.4: Environment Officer's Report**

*Report not received.*

## **Item 8.5: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Officer's Report**

### **SRC ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER OFFICER**

It has been an eventful few weeks! Native food Market went really well. It was a lovely event and lots of students visited to try some free treats and Sea of Hands also was a good event went really early.

Shane Hearn who is the Dean of Wirltu Yarlu is meeting with Yaru Water to discuss selling the water at the university.

I Hope to make an event for NAIDOC week with Wirltu Yarlu and SRC.

## Item 8.6: Ethno-Cultural Officer's Report

# Ethno-Cultural Officer's Report

## 1. LTGAF Meeting – Future Space Modelling

The LTGAF (Learning and Teaching Advisory Group Facilities) meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> of May mainly focused on the pillar plan, closure of teaching space in 2019 and 2020, refurbishment plan for 2019 – 2021, and updates on future space modelling (refer to my previous reports).

The modelling has since been updated with new data, and the estimate point where student number exceed campus capacity has advanced to 2025 (comparing to 2026 in the previous model). There were queries on the effectiveness of extending teaching day to 8am-8pm.

Though not particularly reflected on the meeting minutes, trimesterisation was presented as one of the considerations in modelling. Included in the Education Pillar Plan, trimesterisation was likely to be widely implemented in the future to accommodate the growing student number. In previous discussion, trimester was also mentioned as a method to shorten time to complete a degree in order to attract more students.

## 2. Improving ISS – Meeting with ISS Coordinator

On 6<sup>th</sup> June, I had a brief meeting with Debbie Chua, the International Student Support (ISS) Coordinator, on the services and possible improvement of ISS.

I raised issues such as the low visibility of ISS, confusion over services provided by ISS and its hard-to-navigate website. While Debbie confirmed that the website is out of their reach, she agreed on the other issues, and we discussed possible improvements to be made. For example, ISS will start hosting work desks on a regular basis in Hub to raise student's awareness, starting from the mid-year international orientation, 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> July (I will be volunteering as International Peer Mentor (IPM)). ISS staff and/or IPMs will be stationed at the desk to engage students, talking about ISS and its services.

With regard to Lucas' case in which an international student was stuck in a loop between ISS and Faculty, I suggested Debbie to provide a checklist for students who would like to discuss such issues to prevent confusion. Clear explanations of services ISS provided are also needed on the website and in work desks, with emphasis on what we can do (explaining visa condition, extending CoE) and what we cannot do (provide recommendation on visa, suggestion on how to renew visa).

I have suggested the ISS to promote itself on the official account of UoA on weChat as well, since the primary target audience of the account is Chinese international students, who often feel distant and are not aware of supports. Various other approaches were recommended as well, such as more social media coverage.

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Debbie is in the process of forming a ISS working group with ISS staffs, International Officer, Ethno-Cultural Officer, IPMs and potentially President of AUU and StudyAdelaide ambassadors. Will report the meeting to SRC if there is anything of interest.

Chuyue (Angela) Qin

SRC Ethno-Cultural Officer

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## **Item 8.7: Rural Officer's Report**

*Report not received.*

## Item 8.8: Mature Age Student Officer's Report

### Mature Age Student Officer Report

13/6/2019

I'm sorry that I won't be able to attend this week's meeting, due to standing commitments I have on Thursdays.

As I'm sure you're all experiencing, this is a really busy time of year. This is true for mature age students of all types, particularly those who, like me, have ongoing work and family commitments.

#### **Online Mature Age Student Forum.**

Work on this project is still in its preliminary stages. I am trying to undertake some research on the different types of online engagement mature age students have, the different ways in which they study, and the best way to connect mature age students with diverse backgrounds.

I would welcome anyone's input if they have any ideas or suggestions.

#### **Better Recognition of Experience.**

In my discussions with mature age students, it has become clear that there is support for exploring the ways the University could better recognise the lived experience of many students - particularly mature age students.

I think I'm a good example of this. On several occasions during my studies I have been through lectures and tests for content I know like the back of my hand - because it's content I learned through years of work. Unfortunately, experience such as this is not recognised by the University because it doesn't come with a formal Certificate or other registered qualification.

Obviously this would be a huge change, and require a lot of work, however I would like to start a discussion, among mature age students and students more broadly, about how we can better recognise prior experience. Such a change would help address some of the day-to-day struggles mature age students face, make University more attractive for people who've already spent long periods in the workforce, and ensure we're getting the most value out of some very expensive courses.

#### **Misc.**

As I've said previously, I would welcome any opportunities to collaborate with people on projects across the next semester.

## Item 9.1: Executive Report

### MINUTES

#### 17. Procedural Matters *(Ali Amin)*

##### 17.1. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

Ali Amin opened the meeting at 10:39am on Friday 31 May 2019, in the SRC Office. He acknowledged the Kaurna people as the traditional owners of the land, and that this land was stolen and never ceded.

##### 17.2. Attendance

Patrick Stewart, Rebecca Etienne, Chelsea Fernandez, Ali Amin.

##### 17.3. Apologies

Sam Chapman

##### 17.4. Adoption of Agenda

Agenda adopted as provided.

##### 17.5. Welcome

#### 18. General Business

##### 18.1. Conference Budget Allocation *(Ali Amin)*

Ali Amin reported on Expressions of Interest he had received for various student conferences.

Ali also advised that, although he receives some funding as a member of the NUS National Executive, this does not cover accommodation, and so he wants to receive SRC funding to meet this cost.

Ali recommended not sending representatives to the CISA, because the SRC is not an affiliate and the conference covers governance for CISA, meaning the SRC rep would have no ability to get involved with much of the conference. He also advised it would be expensive due to travel to Perth.

Executive members discussed concerns about the social culture at Queer Collaborations conference in the past, based on reports from past attendees.

**Motion:** that one unit of conference funding be granted to Ali Amin with the funding amount to be specified in a subsequent motion.

**Mover:** Patrick Stewart                      **Seconded:** Chelsea Fernandez                      **CARRIED**

*Ali Amin abstained from voting on the motion.*

**Motion:** that one unit of conference funding be granted to Rebecca Etienne with the funding amount to be specified in a subsequent motion.

**Mover:** Patrick Stewart                      **Seconded:** Chelsea Fernandez                      **CARRIED**

*Rebecca Etienne abstained from voting on the motion.*

*Chelsea Fernandez left the meeting at 10:55am.*

The Executive determined the following subsidy schedule based on expected conference costs and number of attendees, to spend the \$2,010 allocated to the Executive.

Conference	Amount per person	Names
National Union of Students Education Conference <i>(registration and flights subsidy)</i>	\$350	Sam Chapman
National Union of Students Education Conference <i>(accommodation subsidy only)</i>	\$100	Ali Amin
Network of Women's Students Australia Conference	\$335	Joanna Barry-Murphy, Rebecca Etienne, Kynesha Temple, Zephyrus Ma
Union of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students Conference	\$220	Kynesha Temple
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$2,010</b>	<b>7 conference subsidies</b>

**Motion:** that the SRC Executive:

1. Approve the subsidy schedule;
2. Direct that subsidies only be provided under the following conditions:
  - a. The SRC will pay Conference registration costs directly where possible, provided that the SRC is invoiced by the Conference organisers for the registration fee;
  - b. Where the SRC is not invoiced for registration fees by the Conference organisers, the attendee may be reimbursed through their subsidy if a receipt is provided to the SRC Administrator;
  - c. Attendees must pay their own flights and accommodation, but can be reimbursed with any outstanding value in their subsidy provided that receipts for those costs are provided to the SRC Administrator.

**Moved:** Patrick Stewart                      **Seconded:** Ali Amin                      **CARRIED**

## 18.2. Casual Vacancy (*Patrick Stewart*)

Patrick Stewart spoke to his report.

Due Date	Action	Person Responsible
Monday 3 June	Contact the AUU, On Dit, the Hilarian and any other student publications seeking to advertise the vacancy.  Contact AUU Marketing for assistance in creating an appealing advertisement.	General Secretary SRC Administrator
Monday 10 June	Commence advertising – earlier if confirmation from On Dit and AUU received. Applications directed to SRC Administrator for collation. Collation will be through a Google Form which the President and General Secretary can access at any time.	SRC Administrator
Monday 24 June	Provide President and General Secretary with list of applicants.  Call SRC Executive meeting to discuss next steps.	SRC Administrator  General Secretary
Monday 8 July ( <i>first week of Mid-Year Break</i> )	Commence interviews unless otherwise determined by Executive meeting.	Executive

**Motion:** That the SRC Executive:

1. Notes the resignation of Samuel King from the position of Disability Officer, and thanks him for his contribution as a member of the SRC.
2. Authorises the advertisement of the casual vacancy for Disability Officer, and directs the SRC Administrator and General Secretary to make arrangements for the advertisement to begin on Monday 10 June, in accordance with the requirements of the Casual Vacancy Regulations.
3. Endorses the proposed timeline, subject to alteration by subsequent decisions of the Executive.

**Moved:** Patrick Stewart

**Seconded:** Ali Amin

**CARRIED**

### 3. Emergent Business

Ali noted that there is a chance the next SRC meeting will not be quorate due to exams and final assignments. Ali expressed interest in meeting at least once after exams to discuss business arising.

Ali Amin raised that he would like the SRC to purchase a coffee machine. Patrick Stewart asked that before any funding be passed, the SRC or Executive should be given a list of options for the use of the equipment budget.

Meeting closed at 11:30am.

***ADDENDUM:*** please note that the timeline for replacement of the Disability Officer has been delayed due to changing circumstances and will occur in the coming weeks.