

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL**



**MEETING 29 APRIL 2019**

**MINUTES**

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Ali Amin opened the meeting at 6:39pm ACDT on Monday 29 April 2019.

### 1. Procedural Matters

#### 1.1. Acknowledgement of Indigenous Owners

Ali acknowledged that the SRC meets on the traditional lands of the Kaurna people, and that sovereignty was never ceded.

#### 1.2. Attendance

*Members:* Ali Amin (Chair), Patrick Stewart (minutes), Rebecca Etienne, Samuel King, Lisa Hanson, Teresa Tang, Carol Wu, Oscar Ong (ex-officio), Isabel Hoo, Angela Qin, Prerna Kurup, Chelsea Fernandez, Sam Chapman, Zephyrus Ma, Lucas Ji, Elaine Zhang, Tobias Threadgold (by videolink).

*Visitors:* Felix Eldridge, Harry Peng.

#### 1.3. Apologies

Andrew Lai, Kynesha Temple, Joanna Barry-Murphy, Haoyang Shi, Bingzhang Wu, Michael Brohier, Tom Auld.

#### 1.4. Adoption of Agenda

Agenda adopted as circulated.

#### 1.5. Welcome

Ali advised he would be following Standing Orders more strictly in future to prevent meetings lasting too long as they have recently.

He asked that apologies be sent to both himself and Patrick.

### 2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

**Recommendation:** That the SRC accept the minutes as amended of the meeting of 1 April 2019 as a true and accurate record.

**Moved:** Ali Amin

**Seconded:** Patrick Stewart

**CARRIED**

### 3. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

Action	Person Actioned	Progress
Lodge updated Constitution with Consumer and Business Services.	Patrick Stewart	Complete
Contact Tiana Thiele re Stress Less Day.	Carol Wu and Ali Amin	Complete
Contact Sonia Graetz re Women's Room reopening and cc Elaine.	Ali Amin	In progress
Put up posts from motions on Facebook.	Ali Amin	In progress
Recirculate SRC meeting schedule.	Patrick Stewart	Complete
Convene a meeting of the <i>Future Directions of Student Representation</i> working group.	Ali Amin	In progress
Send information on School of Education iPad issue to Ali to raise at SEC.	Angela Qin, Ali Amin	Complete
Email Lisa Hanson re meeting with the Mature Students Association.	Ali Amin	In progress

#### 4. Correspondence

None.

#### 5. New Members

None.

#### 6. Motions on Notice

**Motion:** That the SRC authorises \$1800 from its event Budget for Stress Less Day.

**Moved:** Ali Amin

**Seconded:** Rebecca Etienne

**CARRIED**

*Patrick Stewart abstained on the motion to avoid any perceived conflict of interest.*

#### 7. General Business

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

Isabel commented that the University did not consider the opinions of students at an earlier stage, but at a late stage.

##### 7.2. Sri Lanka Appeal (Michael Brohier)

**Recommendation:** that the SRC commits \$100 toward the Sri Lanka Appeal to raise money for the Sri Lankan Red Cross.

Ali advised he had received an email from Michael withdrawing the motion, and requesting a Facebook post about the issue instead.

Angela spoke about the awful events in Sri Lanka on Michael's behalf. She noted the upcoming Bake Sale event which will be



### 7.3. Port Augusta Solar Thermal Plant (Tom Auld)

**Recommendation:** that the SRC:

- a. The SRC opposes the scrapping of this solar thermal plant.
- b. The SRC supports putting energy into public hands, away from the private sphere, so that it can be run in an environmentally friendly way and for the best interests of workers and the general public.

Item deferred to next meeting due to Tom's absence.

*Andrew Lai arrived at the meeting at 6:52pm.*

### 7.4. Julian Assange and Chelsea Manning (Tom Auld)

**Recommendation:**

- a. As per our previous motions in support of free speech, the SRC opposed any attempts to persecute those who expose injustice.
- b. The SRC supports the immediate release of Julian Assange and Chelsea Manning.
- c. The SRC urges our government to offer sanctuary to Assange and others threatened by the United States for exposing war crimes.

Item deferred to next meeting due to Tom's absence.

## 8. Office Bearer Reports

### 8.1. President

*Ali Amin passed the chair to Patrick Stewart.*

Ali Amin spoke to his report.

He noted his involvement in the Modified Arrangement Procedure Review, regarding extension and exam replacement policies. He has been working with Gareth Pritchard, a member of Academic staff, on this committee.

He noted that the Union House redevelopment working group will be commencing in the coming weeks.

**Recommendation:** That the SRC amends its affiliation schedule as follows:

National Union of Students	\$11000
Council of Australia Post Graduate Associations	\$3500
Union of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students	\$800

**Moved:** Ali Amin

**Seconded:** Chelsea Fernandez

**CARRIED**

*Patrick Stewart noted his abstention to avoid any perceived conflict of interest.*

Ali Amin noted that of 9 students on the Student Engagement Committee, only 2 attended. There is now a position for one International Student and one Postgraduate Student on the committee, which Ali is taking expressions of interest for.

Oscar Ong asked about performance management for SRC members who did not attend those meetings. Ali reminded SRC members about the Committee policy.

*Patrick Stewart passed the chair to Ali Amin.*

## **8.2. General Secretary**

Patrick Stewart spoke to his report.

Ali Amin suggested information be included in the Engagement information regarding the SRC's budget and what it can do.

## **8.3. Postgraduate Officer**

Franz was an apology at the meeting.

## **8.4. Education Officer**

Sam Chapman apologised for not submitting a report, and noted he would provide an update on his activities at the next meeting.

## **8.5. Queer Officer**

Rebecca Etienne spoke to her report.

She encouraged SRC members to attend the George Duncan Memorial on 10 May, and discussed plans she had made for that event.

Rebecca updated the SRC on her meetings regarding IDAHOBIT.

Ali commented that he is in the process of sending invitations to relevant University figures and other guests.

Ali asked for 4 volunteers helping to put up rainbow banners ahead of the event.

## **8.6. Social Justice Officer**

**Recommendation:** the SRC support this research project by sharing related information and the survey link via the student union's social media accounts (On dit).

Zephyrus spoke to her report. She made an amendment to her motion.

**Motion:** the SRC support this research project by sharing related information and the survey link via the SRC's Facebook page.

**Moved:** Zephyrus Ma

**Seconded:** Rebecca Etienne

**CARRIED**

### 8.7. Disability Officer

Samuel King took his report as read. He noted the main point was the psychosis awareness project he would be working on.

Sam noted that while he attended Men's Mental Health week, mental health issues affect all groups, and he will be working with the Queer and Women's officers to spread awareness more generally.

### 8.8. International Officer

Lucas spoke about work he has been doing to help students gain information on renewing their student visas.

He believed the process for doing so would be made easier and more clear, and he is working on this.

Oscar Ong noted legal concerns regarding SRC members offering advice to students around visas.

*Tobias Threadgold left the meeting at 7:20pm due to loss video link connection.*

## 9. Other Reports

### 9.1 Executive

### 9.2 Administrator's Report

## 10. Emergent Business

**Motion:** that the SRC remunerate Ali Amin \$65 for an Incorporation Certificate from Consumer and Business Services, upon supply of receipt.

**Moved:** Ali Amin

**Seconded:** Angela Qin

**CARRIED**

Ali Amin closed the meeting at 7:21pm.