

Meeting open: 6:04pm

Present: Aislinn Stein-Magee (Chair), Anna Tran, Lily Zhao, Natasha Hartanto, Dylan Lloyd, Harry Holbrook, Mirachael Racela, Cindy El Sayed, Breana Macpherson-Rice, Francesca Nyilas, Toby Walmsley, Priya Gauchan, Ben McCoy, Jacob Courtenay, Nick Bosworth, Eric Xu, Jamie Whitford, Angela Griffin and Humaira Nasrin.

Apologies: Remesha Abeyratne, Alex Linker, Amy Mills, Tamara Kenny and Zack Solomon.

Absent: Ashley Cain-Grey and Lizzie Butterworth.

1. Meeting Opening

1.1 Acknowledgment of Country

Completed by the President.

1.2 Apologies

RESOLVED

THAT the apologies from R Abeyratne, A Linker, A Mills, T Kenny and Z Solomon are accepted.

CARRIED

1.3 Conflict of interest disclosure

There were no conflicts of interest disclosed.

1.4 Previous minutes

1.4.1 Confirmation: 21 August 2017

The following amendment was noted during the General Secretary's report; a question was raised about the online publication of meeting papers. In response, it was stated that a request had been made to Arc for administration access.

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the SRC meeting held on 21 August 2017, as amended is accepted as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

E Xu entered the meeting at 6:08pm.

1.4.2 Matters arising/ action list

The following were noted:

H Nasrin entered the meeting at 6:10pm.

1. International students' concession campaign – plan to be initiated by the following week for next semester.
2. Standing order – work is in progress for next year's SRC.
3. Poster boards – motion has been circulated to Board.

1.5 Meeting administration

1.5.1 Items flagged for immediate discussion

There were no items raised for discussion.

1.5.2 Selection of meeting observer

M Racela was appointed as the meeting observer.

2. Matters for Decision

There were no discussions.

3. Office Bearer Reports

3.1 President

A verbal report was provided.

It was stated all SRC printing completed at Arc's reception should be linked to the SRC's user account, noting that if accounts are disconnected to the printer that an IT helpdesk job is to be logged to connect the account to the reception's printer.

It was mentioned that items borrowed from the SRC equity spaces are to be returned due to the recent re-purchases of permanent furniture items.

It was stated that the University is introducing a financial inclusion action plan. It was noted that the plan has not received student consultation, however the SRC President is continuing to ensure student input is received on the matter.

Contact was received from the local State Member to advise that a Realter is seizing international students' bond money for rental properties and had refused to return the bond to the students. It was also noted that outrageous rents are being charged for the leases. It was stated that if any SRC Officers contain information that can be shared from similar experiences of international students', to notify the SRC President. The SRC President will discuss the matter with the International Officer and plan to publicly share the name of the Real Estate agency to the student community, to caution international students of this issue.

Australian Marriage equality have requested one university from each capital city to operate phone banks. The SRC President has agreed, encouraging SRC members to assist with the initiative.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC accept the President's report.

CARRIED

3.2 General Secretary

The report was taken as read.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC accept the General Secretary's report.

CARRIED

3.3 Education

A verbal report was provided.

It was noted that Murdoch University succeeded in conducting a fair work commission to terminate their employees' employment contracts, including their work rights.

It was noted that the University of Sydney (USyd) held a strike recently of which staff were instructed to forcibly remove the SRC's poster property and reportedly took photos of students applying the posters. It was encouraged for SRC members to become involved in solidarity and attend the strikes and rallies at USyd, to continue to support mutual relations across universities.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC condemn Murdoch University and the Fair Work Commission for terminating the Murdoch University employees' employment contracts.

CARRIED

THAT the SRC support the University of Sydney SRC and condemn the university directing security to enter USyd's SRC premises to remove materials of the strike.

CARRIED

THAT the SRC accept the Education Officer's report.

CARRIED

3.4 Environment

The report was taken as read.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC accept the Environment Officer's report.

CARRIED

3.5 Ethno-cultural

The report was taken as read.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC accept the Ethno-cultural Officer's report.

CARRIED

3.6 Indigenous

The report was taken as read.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC accept the Indigenous Officer's report.

CARRIED

3.7 International

The report was taken as read.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC accept the International Officer's report.

CARRIED

3.8 Queer

The report was taken as read.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC accept the Queer Officer's report.

CARRIED

3.9 Welfare

The report was taken as read.

A question was taken on notice for A Mills to provide an update of how discussions between the Welfare Officer and the crisis accommodation matter are proceeding with Arc and the student faculty representatives.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC accept the Welfare Officer's report.

CARRIED

3.10 Women's

There was no report received.

3.11 Students with Disabilities

The report was taken as read.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC accept the Students with Disabilities Officer's report.

CARRIED

4. Matters for Discussion

4.1 2018 Budget and Honoraria

Discussions were held surrounding Office Bearers allowances and suggestions were raised for improved planning of the SRC's budget expenditure.

5. Matters for Noting [discussed only on exception basis]

5.1 Councillor Reports

5.1.1 Eric

The report was taken as read.

5.1.2 Harry

The report was taken as read.

5.1.3 Francesca

The report was taken as read.

5.1.4 Natasha

The report was taken as read.

5.1.5 Lily

The report was taken as read.

5.1.6 Toby

No report was submitted.

5.1.7 Ben

No report was submitted.

5.1.8 Nick

The report was taken as read.

5.1.9 Jamie

No report was submitted.

5.1.10 Ashley

The report was taken as read.

5.1.11 Angela – n/a

5.1.12 Humaira – n/a

6. Meeting Finalisation

6.1 Meeting evaluation

M Racela stated that the meeting went well, considering a briefer meeting was held due to the prior meeting within the last 2 weeks.

6.2 Next meeting date: 9 October 2017.

6.3 Meeting close: 6:52pm.

Signed by the Chair: _____

Dated: ____/____/____