



# Arc @ UNSW limited SRC MEETING AGENDA Monday, 19 December 2022 TEAMS 6:00 pm

**Present:** Paige Sedgwick, Reid Hou, Estell Mathew, Caleb Watts, Cherish Kuehlmann, Chiara Moore, Dan Magee, Emma Terry, Hannah Horton, Jeremy Groh, Junias Tjanaria, Mya Thit Khet, Polytra Liufalani, Pranav Sharma, Tanvi Vakkalagadda, Michael Rahme, Mitch Battersby, Harrison Zheng, Daniel Mulia in-part, Leo Hoang in-part

### In attendance: N/A

Apologies: Rosina Baumann, Corwin Ollis

Absent: Liora Hoenig, Nadia Pandoulis, Gina Elias, Shovan Bhattarai

#### 1. Meeting Opening

The meeting opened at 6:06pm

### 1.1. Acknowledgement of Country

Completed by the SRC President.

### 1.2. Apologies

Apologies were received from R. Baumann and C. Ollis.

#### RESOLVED

THAT the apologies received from R. Baumann and C. Ollis are accepted.

CARRIED

#### 1.3. Conflicts of interest disclosure

N/A

## 1.4. Meeting administration

## 1.4.1. Items flagged for immediate discussion

SRC members are yet to complete the SRC O-Week availabilities form. The SRC planning date will be on 3 January 2023.

SRC headshots will be on 11 January 2023 at 2pm.

## <u>ACTION</u>

THAT SRC members complete the SRC O-Week availabilities form.

## 1.4.2. Selection of meeting observer

C. Watts was appointed as meeting observer.

#### 2. Matters for Decision

# 2.1. The SRC commits to taking an interest in the activities of the Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC)

For the motion:

- The Welfare Officer is also looking to resolve the issues and support SHAC.
- The SRC should take an orientation to not only attend such meetings but also challenge management.

• More than one SRC member can attend SHAC meetings and interests of attending can be sent to the SRC President, Welfare Officer or D. Magee.

## **RESOLVED**

THAT the SRC commits to taking an interest in the activities of the Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC).

#### CARRIED

### 2.2. UNSW SRC demands the repeal of Violet CoCo's jailing and the NSW anti-protest laws

For the motion:

- Violet Coco's jailing sets precedence for a destruction to the democratic right to protest. The SRC should protect students' rights to protest.
- Climate and environmental activists do not deserve punishment.
- Violet Coco caused no harm or damage as it was only a short protest on the road.
- The Government is trying to demonise protests.

Against the motion:

• There are significant safety issues when people are obstructing roads during protests, and it is unfair that protesters are interrupting others' lives in the process. To protect the environment, protests should be carried out by legitimate actions that do not interfere with people's lives.

#### MOTION

THAT UNSW SRC demands the repeal of Violet CoCo's jailing and the NSW anti-protest laws. **NOT CARRIED** 

### 2.3. The UNSW SRC will be part of the Climate National Day of Action on March 10th 2023

#### L. Hoang joined the meeting at 6:25pm.

For the motion:

- NUS agreed that students need to fight back against climate issues.
- People have been severely affected by natural disasters. The SRC should actively protest against the issue.
- The Government has been propelling the nation into irreversible climate damage.
- With further coal & gas plans from the Government, the SRC needs to show that such climate issues are not what students want.
- The main objective of the motion is that the SRC supports the Climate National Day of Action, and that the label of SRC is attached to it. It will raise greater awareness within the student community and encourage others to be involved.
- There will be a cross-collective meeting to discuss protest demands. Members who are concerned about demands should attend the meeting or contact the Environment Officer.

#### D. Mulia joined the meeting at 6:35pm.

Against the motion:

- The motion does not describe the specifics and demands of the protests and is vaguely worded. Before asking the SRC to commit to the motion, more details should be provided.
- While the motion is focused on the whole SRC tending to the climate issue, not all resources and collectives should be delegated to the issue. The Environment Collective should take the lead and be the primary group to work on the issue.

It was clarified that the Environment Officer is not expecting funds from all SRC Offices to be allocated to supporting the protest.

#### MOTION

THAT the UNSW SRC will be part of the Climate National Day of Action on March 10th 2023.

## 3. Office Bearer Reports

#### 3.1. President

The report was taken as read.

Further discussions:

- Whilst the President supports the Environment Officer and the work of the Environment Collective, she is also aware of the significance of O-Week. By providing students with information and access to resources, and inviting students to collective meetings, O-Week helps grow the Collectives. It will in turn bring more students to become involved in environment and climate work.
- QPay is willing to provide SRC branded shirts to the SRC. The shirts will not have QPay logos on them, however, will have QPay website QR codes.

## 3.2. General Secretary

The paper was taken as read.

Further discussions:

- The formal process for holding members accountable for their duties and honoraria suspension will be followed.
- The President also noted that members should flag with her, anyone not performing their duties so there is immediate awareness.

### 3.3. Education Office Bearer

The paper was taken as read.

Further points:

- The SRC should coordinate a national fight against climate issues.
- Students do not have a shared interest in the Higher Education Accord and the Government is only seeking to run Higher Education in the interest of the economy.

#### 3.4. Environment Office Bearer

The paper was taken as read.

## 3.5. Ethnocultural Office Bearer

N/A

## 3.6. Indigenous Office Bearer

N/A

## 3.7. International Students Office Bearer

The report was taken as read.

The International Students Officer will meet with N. Morris to discuss plans for 2023 and will provide updates in the next meeting.

#### **3.8.** Queer Office Bearer

The report was taken as read.

## 3.9. Welfare Office Bearer

The report was taken as read.

#### 3.10. Women's Office Bearer

The report was taken as read.

The Women's Officer noted that she has been mainly working through various admin tasks.

#### 3.11. Students with Disabilities Office Bearer

The report was taken as read.

The Students with Disabilities Officer asked that anyone interested in helping with the Neurodiversity Seminar to contact him.

## 3.12. Paddington Domestic Officer

The report was taken as read.

## 3.13. Paddington International Officer

N/A

### 3.14. Paddington Representation Officer

The report was taken as read.

### 4. Councillor Reports

### 4.1. Councillor reports

All reports were taken as read.

### 4.1.1. Tanvi Vakkalagadda

### 4.1.2. Emma Terry

E. Terry further noted that the SRC should fight for the Religious Discrimination Bill, which involves various forms of discrimination.

### 4.1.3. Dan Magee

N/A

# 4.1.4. Chiara Moore

4.1.5. Gina Elias
4.1.6. Jeremy Groh
4.1.7. Shovan Bhattarai
4.1.8. Junias Tjanaria
4.1.9. Corwin Ollis
4.1.10. Mitch Battersby

**4.1.11. Nadia Pandoulis** N/A

**4.1.12. Polytra Liufalani** N/A

5. Matters for Discussion

N/A

- 6. Matters for Noting [discussed only on exception basis]
- 6.1. Previous Minutes
- 6.1.1. Noting: 28 November 2022

#### RESOLVED

THAT the minutes from the SRC meeting held on 28 November 2022 are noted as a true and accurate record.

#### 6.1.2. Matters arising/action list

Not addressed by the Chair.

## 7. Meeting Finalisation

## 7.1. Meeting evaluation

The meeting involved some good discussions, which were kept on topic. Discussions have been civil.

# 7.2. Next meeting date: 9 January 2023

## 7.3. Meeting close

The meeting closed at 7:22pm.

SRC President Signature – Paige Sedgwick Date: 18/01/2023