



Draft Minutes



UNSW Student Life

Arc @ UNSW limited
SRC MEETING
Monday, 14 June 2021
TEAMS
6:00 pm

Present: Tom Kennedy, Nayonika Bhattacharya, Natalie Simonovski, Anna Ho, Jack Nethery, Saskia Wibowo, Melody Ranger, Nick Palmer, Franky Gonzaga, Charley Gonzaga, George Castillo, Meg Cooke, Luqi Hwang, Jayden Kitchener, Aурpita Saha.

Apologies: Zane Comarmond, Lulu Edwards, Howra Al Timimy, John Economides, Karan Shekhawat, Rebecca Zhang, Ava Robinson, Oliver Vincent.

Absent: Fergus Stafford.

In attendance: Kieran Butler (Arc Art & Design Manager – in part), Abhimanyu Gupta (Art & Design Student Council President – in part), Leilani Knight (Art & Design Student Council Vice President – in part).

1. Meeting Opening

The meeting opened at 6:04pm.

1.1. Acknowledgement of Country

Completed by the Chair.

1.2. Apologies

Apologies were received by L. Edwards, Z. Comarmond, H. Al Timimy, J. Economides, K. Shekhawat, R. Zhang, A. Robinson, O. Vincent.

RESOLVED

THAT the apologies received by L. Edwards, Z. Comarmond, H. Al Timimy, J. Economides, K. Shekhawat, R. Zhang, A. Robinson and O. Vincent are accepted.

CARRIED

1.3. Conflicts of interest disclosure

There were no declarations of conflict.

1.4. Previous minutes

1.4.1. Confirmation: 06 April 2021

It was noted that M. Cooke was an apology during the previous meeting and not absent. The minutes will be amended accordingly.

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes from the SRC meeting held on 06 April 2021 are accepted as true and accurate record with the amendment that M. Cooke was an apology and not absent.

CARRIED

1.4.2. Matters arising/ action list

The action list was noted.

1.5. Meeting administration

1.5.1. Items flagged for immediate discussion

The agenda item 2.1 Amalgamation of the Art & Design and SRC Councils was flagged as an item for immediate discussion.

1.5.2. Selection of meeting observer

N. Bhattacharya was appointed as the meeting observer.

L. Knight joined the meeting at 6:11pm.

2. Matters for Decision

2.1. Amalgamation of the Art & Design and SRC Councils

The paper was taken as read. The Art & Design council representatives spoke regarding the benefits of the amalgamation, that the whole Art & Design council has been included to the initial conversations and is supportive of a potential folding of the Art & Design student council to the wider body of SRC.

The following concerns were expressed:

- 1.Ensuring that the Art & Design representatives retain control of their own discretionary budget;
- 2.The discretionary budget of the Art & Design representatives should not be reduced disproportionately; and
- 3.The Art & Design representatives must study mainly/at least 50% on the Paddington campus.

It was noted by the Arc Art & Design Manager that only students whose controlling faculty is based on Paddington campus would nominate for the positions. Additionally, it was mentioned that the discussions regarding the budget start around September/October. However, they will take under consideration the concerns.

RESOLVED

The SRC endorses the amalgamation of the Art & Design and SRC Councils, on the following understanding: - That the Paddington Representatives retain the discretion to allocate time, money and other resources to Paddington-specific campaigns as they see fit.

CARRIED

K. Butler, A. Gupta and L. Knight left the meeting at 6:36pm.

2.2. Undergraduate student faculty representatives as non-voting ex-officio SRC members

The paper was taken as read. It was noted that SRC wants to extend the non-voting ex-officio membership to the Undergraduate Academic Board student representatives and the Undergraduate UNSW Council Student Representative. The Academic Board students have expressed a desire to be more integrated with the faculty representatives. It would be best to have all student representatives integrated in some form into the SRC and Arc, so there is a cohesive message to faculties and UNSW management on student Academic Issues. This would also give Councillor A & B direct connections into the faculties that they represent.

RESOLVED

THAT the SRC endorses the invitation of the undergraduate student faculty representatives to be non-voting ex-officio members of the SRC.

CARRIED

ACTION

THAT the SRC President will submit a Matter for Decision to the Arc Board to propose an amendment on the Arc Regulations (clause 9.1,d) in order to include the undergraduate student faculty representatives as non-voting ex-officio SRC members.

3. Matters for Discussion

The were no items for discussion.

4. Office Bearer Reports

4.1. President

The report was taken as read.

4.2. General Secretary

A verbal report was given. Two editions of the SRC Newsletter have been published with a third one coming at the end of the week. Additionally, it was noted that the General Secretary has been in conversations with a few collectives to assist with their engagement plans due to student turnout. It was mentioned that the General Secretary also works on the following issues: students with ELP compliance issues, Tenancy NSW and Youth Law Australia in migrant and employment law.

4.3. Education Office Bearer

4.4. Environment Office Bearer

The report was taken as read.

4.5. Ethnocultural Office Bearer

4.6. Indigenous Office Bearer

A verbal report was given. It was mentioned that the Indigenous Officer works closely with Arc support. It was also noted that NAIDOC week is coming up. The Indigenous Officer noted his intention to step down from his position after NAIDOC week due to personal reasons.

4.7. International Students Office Bearer

The report was taken as read.

4.8. Queer Office Bearer

It was noted that the report was submitted late, and it was posted on the SRC chat group for reference.

4.9. Welfare Office Bearer

4.10. Women's Office Bearer

The report was taken as read.

4.11. Students with Disabilities

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

5.1. Councillor reports

5.1.1. George Castillo

5.1.2. Lulu Edwards

5.1.3. Rebecca Zhang

5.1.4. Francis Gonzaga

5.1.5. Saskia Wibowo

5.1.6. Oliver Vincent

5.1.7. Nicholas Palmer

5.1.8. Jack Nethery

5.1.9. Fergus Stafford

5.1.10. Melody Ranger

5.1.11. Aarpita Saha

5.1.12. Meg Cooke

6. Business without notice

It was noted that an upcoming meeting has been planned regarding SSAF and the allocation of the budget. The SRC President has been invited to attend the meeting to express their opinion. The

SRC President requested from the Office Bearers and Councillors to note any issue that is related to SSAF and raised by the students. Some of the issues mentioned were: Tharunka, Safety, security and accessibility issues, access to open spaces, more variety of food to cover more dietary requirements.

7. Meeting Finalisation

7.1. Meeting evaluation

The meeting went well and it was a productive meeting regarding the issues raised.

7.2. Next meeting date: 22 July 2021

7.3. Meeting close

The meeting closed at 7:12pm.

SRC President *Tom Kennedy*

Date 3/8/21